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Class 6

Moszenki

A wartime experience

A very sad event took place in our village of Moszenki. It was in the third year of the German occupation. Our nearby neighbor, Mr. Wysmulski, went to Germany for labor and Mrs. Wysmulska was left alone with two sons.

After some time, several Jews came to Mrs. Wysmulska and asked her if they could make a hideout under her barn, and she agreed. The Jews prepared a hideout and stayed there from time to time. There were three Jewish women with them. One of them fell ill with typhoid fever and went to Jastków, to the gendarmes, and told them everything.

A few cars with Germans arrived in the village that evening. They left the cars in front of the cooperative and went on foot to Mrs. Wysmulska. First, they shot at the doors and windows with machine guns. Everyone from the house rushed outside. Some Germans shot at those who were running away, while others set fire to the farmstead. They caught Mrs. Wysmulska and her maidservant, two Jewish women and two Jews; one man burned in the house under the bed. The Germans lined them up and killed them, shooting them with machine guns. The next day the Germans ordered them to be buried in one grave. It was such a painful and difficult experience that I won't forget it until I die.