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**‘The Unknown War”**

**EPISODE 16. THE LIBERATION OF POLAND**

**Part I.**

1. **Why did Poland suffer from World War II longer than any other country in Europe?**

The war first began from the invasion of the German troops into Poland and after Berlin fell to the Allies the battles for Wroclaw continued.

1. **How many Red Army soldiers perished during the liberation of Poland?**

600000

1. **What was the springboard for German troops when they attacked the Soviet Union?**

Poland

1. **Who armed and equipped Anders’ Army?**

The Red Army

1. **Why did Anders’ Army went to Iran?**

Anders wanted to fight with the Western army.

1. **What was the aim of Goebbels’ disinformation about Katyn massacre?**

The aim of Goebbels was to break the relationships of London, the Polish government and Moscow.

1. **Did any Polish soldiers fight against fascists together with the Red Army?**

Yes, they did, they fought with the Polish First Army of the USSR

1. **Who were the members of the group of investigators of Katyn messacre?**

The group of experts, public and religious personalities and western observers.

1. **How did they prove that Polish officers were killed by the Nazis?**

They proved it on the basis of expertise and the documents found with the Polish soldiers.

**Part II.**

1. **What was the attitude of the German fascists to the Poles?**

The Nazis thought the Poles as well as all Slavic people inferior, *Untermensch.*

1. **How did the concentration camps in Poland differ from others?**

These camps were the very worst.

1. **Why did SS troops raze Warsaw Ghetto to the ground?**

They did it as a result of the uprisal of the Ghetto Jews.

1. **Who took part in the battle on the territory of Poland in 1944?**

The Red Amy and the Polis First Army.

1. **Why was it important to take the city of Lublin?**

Lublin was the first big city on the way to Warsaw.

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**Part III.**

1. **Who was one of the first among people who entered Majdanek?**

Roman Karmen, a cameraman

1. **How many people were killed and burnt in Majdanek ovens a day?**

2000

1. **How many people all in all died in Majdanek?**

One and a half million

1. **Summer 1944 was the worst of all Warsaw sufferings, why?**

The uprisal in Warsaw began under the initiative of Polish government in London and caused its bombardment by the fascists.

**Part IV.**

1. **When did the Red Army reach Warsaw?**

In January 1945

1. **What happened on January the 12th 1945 on the territory of Poland?**
2. The Vistula-Oder Offensive began.
3. **Who commanded the First Belorussian Front during the Vistula-Oder Offensive?**

Marshal Zhukov

1. **Why did nobody greet the Red Army in Warsaw?**

There were no citizens in the ruined city.

**Part V.**

1. **What big city was liberated by Chuikov’s army?**

Poznan

1. **What flag was raised after the Nazis had raised the white flag in Poznan?**

The Polish flag

1. **What was the Nazis’ plans concerning Krakow?**

The Nazis wanted to blow the city up.

1. **What were the problems of the Red Army after the liberation of Krakow?**

The Red Army advanced about 40 miles a day and there was short in supply of ammunition and food.

1. **What sea is Gdansk (Danzig) situated on?**

The Baltic Sea