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DESCRIPTION OF THE COUNTRY (3802)

INDUSTRY (1704)

New Factory In CRACOW

SOURCE TRIESTE: Confidential source

DATE OF OBSERVATION: August 1952

EVAL. COMMENT: The small workshop mentioned in the report has not been reported before.

The name, position and activities of SWINKALA are UNCONFIRMED in our files.

The carpenters' workshop near the CRACOW railway station, in the immediate neighborhood of the railway bridge, which in the past manufactured furniture only, has been transformed into an armory and produces rifle-stocks and machine-guns. However, the factory premises remained as they were before the war, without any modification or amplification. The personal employed amounts to some 150 persons.

The Communist Party's secretary in the above factory is a certain Kazimir SWINKALA, an ex-laborer of the carpenter workshop. Today he is one of the best-known Communists in CRACOW. SWINKALA, who is 47 years old, lives with his wife and four children in the WOLA DUCHATSKA suburb. Immediately after the liberation he became a member of the Communist Party, and is today one of its most fervent activists. Besides, he writes articles on the problems of Socialist production, which are published in the local newspapers and particularly in the "Trybuna Robotnicza." His salary amounts to 1,200 Zloty monthly. He leads a very quiet life and has no friends.

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