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(L to R: Friend of Bride & Groom, Mary Malecka Godfather, last name pronounced Nevich, Mytro (the groom), Natcha (Anastasia, the Bride), Kaska (Katie, step-sister of Mytro), and Wife of Mary Malecka Godfather – according to Mary Malecka Thomas as told to Elaine Vaughan, 10/27/95)

Malecki enters the family tree with the marriage of Mytro to Anastasia Barna, 4 February, 1911¹. Before we go further, recognize that we've also seen him listed as Mitro, Metro, Dymytro and the author is sure there are some other variants out there – Mytro is used as this is the name he signed upon becoming a United States Citizen in 1935! Also Malecki is the masculine form of the name and Malecka is the feminine form ... they are the same name!

Also, water damage at the house of his daughter, Emily, destroyed almost all of the old family photos. The only surviving photo is this couple's wedding day shown above. A fragment of a photo also survived (it would appear to be from the same day) and is shown here.

The nice thing about Mytro is that he did become a U.S. citizen. This means that there was a trail of paperwork that provided much useful information.

We'll start with his travel to the United States and then look



¹ Certificate of Marriage, City of Salem, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Mitro Malecki, Residing in Salem, age 23, Mill Operative, born in Austria, father's name = Mykolaj Malecki, mother's maiden name = Mary Paszkowska and Anastasia Barna, Residing in Salem, age 18, Weaver, born in Austria, father's name = Wasil Barna, mother's maiden name = Kladyga Zburdasin ... certificate dated 10 August 1911, received from Josephine Fusco, Salem City Clerk.

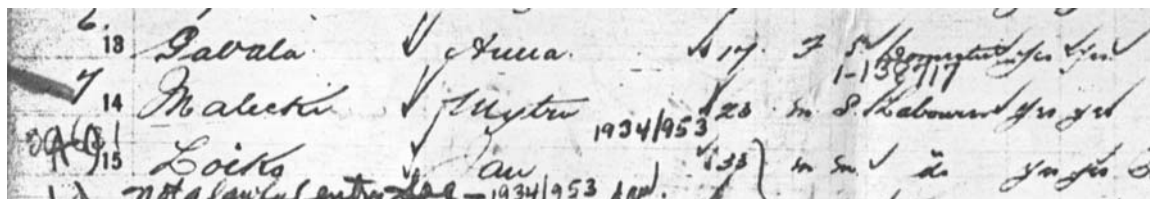
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into his birthplace and family and then forward in time to his life in Salem Massachusetts.

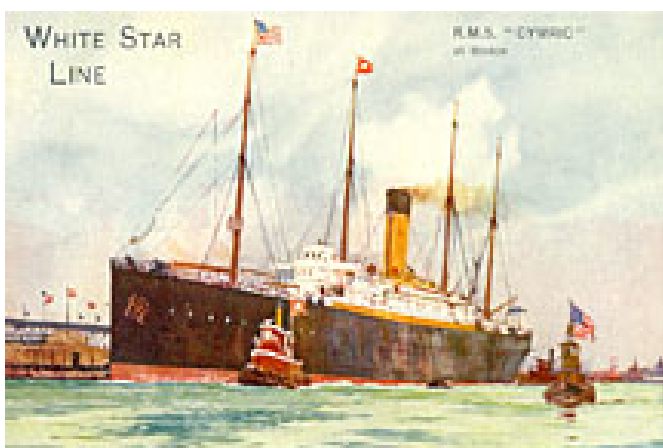
EMMIGRATION from Wola Pietrusza

He emigrated on the S.S. Cymric (a White Star Line ship pictured below) that left Liverpool England on 31 May 1910 and arrived in Boston Massachusetts on 10 June 1910.



Trying to decipher the handwritten entries, it looks like we learn the following about Mytro.

2. Malecki, Mytro
3. age=23
4. male
5. Single
6. labourer
7. able to read and write
8. nationality = Austrian
9. race = Ruth (overwritten with Rus)
10. last permanent residence - country = Austria (overwritten with Rus), city or town = Wola Pietrusza,
11. name and complete address of nearest relative or friend in country whence alien came = Father: Mykolaj Maleska, Wola Pietrusza, Galicia Pol
12. final destination = Mass, Salem
14. whether having a ticket to such final destination = yes
15. by whom was passage paid = self
16. whether in possession of \$50 and if less, how much = \$18



17. whether ever before in the United States = no
18. whether going to join a relative or friend; and if so, what relative or friend, and his name and complete address = Brother: Akyesa Malecki, 55 Union St., Salem, Mass
- 19 ...
20. whether a polygamist = no
21. whether an anarchist = no

22. ...
23. condition of health., mental and physical = good

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24. deformed or crippled = no
25. height = 5'1"
26. complexion = Fair
27. color of hair and eyes = brown, blue
28. marks of identification = none
29. place of birth = Gal. (overwritten with Rus), Wola Pietrusza

Wola Pietrusza and the Extended Malecki Family

Tracing Mytro to Wola Pietrusza has been challenging, to say the least! One must rely on much family rumor and a few other tidbits to re-create Mytro's family. And, then,



it is an incomplete, if not inaccurate picture at best!

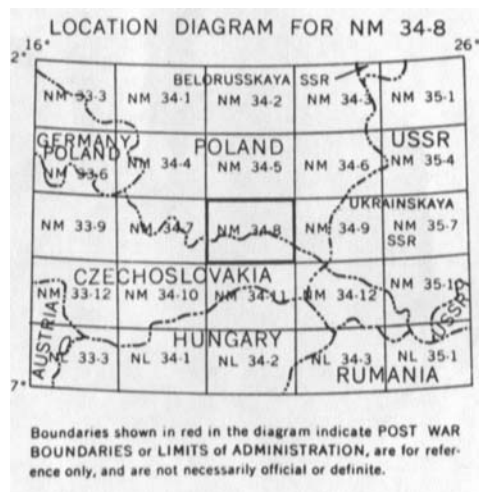
First, where is Wola Pietrusza? Well, it's also referred to as

Pietrusza Wola! It is at 49° 49' latitude and 21° 40' longitude. For the big picture of what this means, look to the diagram above. Pietrusza Wola is in the box labeled NM 34-8. In this box it is located in the upper right quadrant. It is about 5 miles SW of

Strzyżów in the map to the left². See the introduction and Appendix A for more info on Pietrusza Wola (NOT INCLUDED).

Starting with the various documents and memories of Mytro's life, we have the following information on who his relatives might be:

- | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Passenger list → | father = Mykolaj Maleski |
| (1910) | brother = Akyesa Malecki |
| Marriage → | father = Mykolaj Malecki |
| (1911) | mother = Mary Paszkowska |
| Social Security → | father = Nicholas Malecki |
| (1936) | Mother = Mary Paskowski |



² Series M501, Sheet NM 3408, Western Europe, 1:250,000 map – Prepared by Army Map Service in 1960 from a 1954-55 Polish map etc... Examined & copied at New York City Main Public Library

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Death Certificate → father = John Malecki
(1944)

Emily Malecki Thomas → sister = Katherine Ponzak
(1988)

Sister = Eve

Brother = Peter

Father married 3 times

Daria Yaskell → 3 siblings that emigrated to U.S.

(1989 – St. Nicholas Parishioner) brother = Jakim Maleski

sister = Rose Maleski

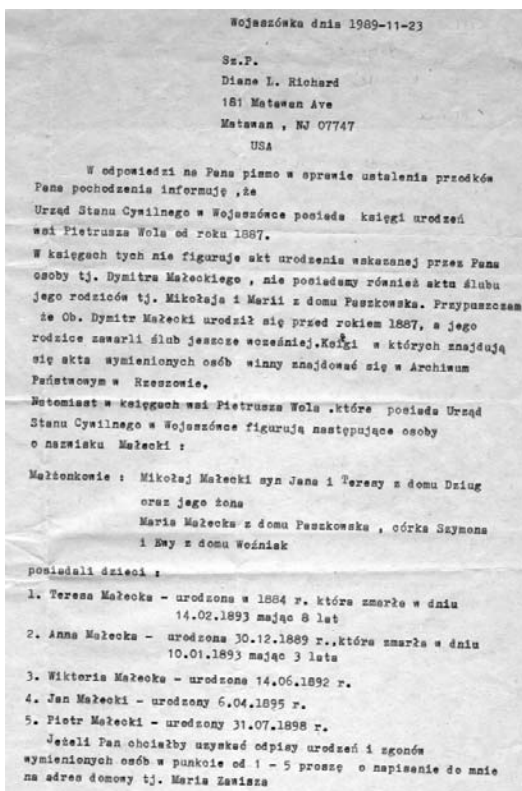
sister = Kataryne (Kask) Maleska Ponzak

Emily Malecki Thomas → 2 sisters died before Mytro emigrated – 1 at birth, 1 at ~ 12 years
(1994)

Father married 3 times – 1st wife Katy (Katherine), 2nd wife maybe

Eva and with 3rd wife had son Pyotr (the youngest child) who got

blind in the war – father lived to be 93



So, all these have some names in common. Armed with all except the last info, the author sent letters to Poland, in Polish in 1990. The result of this correspondence is that some of the siblings were confirmed and it was also found that a birth entry was NOT found for Mytro! The letter received is pictured to the left. Also, individual certificates were received for the events listed (one is on the next page).

Learned³ ...

Mikolaj Malecki, son of Jana and Teresy maiden name Dziug, and his wife, Maria Malecka maiden name Paszkowska, daughter of Szymona and Ewy maiden name Wozniak,

Had the following children:

1. Teresa Malecka – born in 1885, deceased 14.02.1893 8 years old (convention of

day.month.year)

2. Anna Malecka – born 30.12.1889, deceased 10.01.1893 3 years old

³ original letter and subsequent translations accomplished using Polish-English/English-Polish Dictionary and the Genealogical Word List: Polish published 1988 by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the Polish Genealogical Letter-Writing Guide published 1985 by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

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3. Wiktorja Malecka – born 14.06.1892
4. Jan Malecki – born 6.04.1895
5. Piotr Malecki – born 31.07.1898

Obviously, there is a gap in children between 1884 and 1889 in which Mytro and other's could have been born. Otherwise, you do have 2 sisters that died young and the youngest brother is named Piotr (or Peter).

It ends up that in 2001, Ellis Island opened up an internet gateway to it's passenger records⁴. This provided additional opportunity to research the ubiquitous Malecki family. Working with the name Malecki (Malecka, Maleska, Maleka, Maleke, Maleky and Maleski) and the locale of Pietrusza Wola and variants, three (3) women were identified that could be part of this family. One must remember that this is only port of New York/Ellis Island emigrants and it's limited by the author's ability to think of name variations!

POLSKA RZECZPOSPOLITA LUDOWA
URZĄD STANU CYWILNEGO w Wojasławce
Województwo Kresowe
Nr 27/1898 Pietrusza Wola data 31 grudnia 1898

Odpis zupełny aktu urodzenia

A. DANE DOTYCZĄCE DZIECKA:

1. Nazwisko: Malecki
2. Imię (imiona): Anna
3. Płeć: żeńska
4. Data urodzenia: trzydziestego grudnia tysiąc osiemset osiemdziesiątego dziewiątego /30.12.1898
5. Miejsce urodzenia: Pietrusza Wola

B. DANE DOTYCZĄCE RODZICÓW:

	Ojciec	Mama
1. Nazwisko	Malecki	Malecka
2. Imię (imiona)	Mikołaj	Maria
3. Nazwisko rodziców	Malecki	Paszkowska
4. Data urodzenia		
5. Miejsce urodzenia	Pietrusza Wola	Pietrusza Wola
6. Miejsce zamieszkania w chwili urodzenia dziecka	Pietrusza Wola 39	Pietrusza Wola 39

1. Malecka, Ewa – ethnicity = Galicia, Place of Residence = Petrusa wola, date of arrival = 27 Jun 1900, age on arrival = 26y, gender = f, marital status = s, ship of travel = Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, Port of departure = Bremen, Germany.

(Note: this would fit with a sister named Eva. This would have her birth year as approx. 1874. It was listed that she was visiting a sister and that sister was not named nor was the address legible)

2. Malecka, Rozalia – ethnicity = Austria, Ruth., Place of Residence = Pietruza, Austria, date of arrival = 11 May 1909, age on arrival = 19y, gender = f, marital status = s, ship of travel = Kroonland, port of departure = Antwerp, Belgium.

(Note: this would fit with a sister Rose. This would have her birth year as approx. 1890. It looks like the father is listed as Pavel Malecki ... hmmm, that doesn't seem much of a match! But, then it's listed that she's going to her brother Akem (?) Maleska in Salem Mass, Union St 55 ... ah hah, this is very similar to what Mytro listed one year later in 1910!)

3. Malecka, Aleksandera – ethnicity = Austria, Ruthenian, place of residence = Petrusza, Galicia, date of arrival = 5 Oct 1909, age on arrival = 21y, gender = f, marital status = M, Ship of Travel = Konprinzessin Cecilie, port of departure = Bremen, Germany.

(Note: this person had previously tried to enter the US in 1905 and 1909 – the latter was accompanying Rozalia with an 11 month old daughter. Destination is husband – Artyur Malecki in Salem Mass at 232 Derby Street, a common street for others from this area)

⁴ American Family Immigration History Center – Explore Your Family History at Ellis Island, www.ellislandrecords.org, accessed April-June 2001

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With this latter entry, the husband, now listed as Jokiem Malecki, was found arriving in 1907 and possibly 1897. See Appendix B (NOT INCLUDED) for much more on the siblings, half-siblings and cousins as found in the passenger records, census and other records acquired as a result of the death of John Ponzak (only son of Katarina/Katie Malecka Ponzak).

(NOTE: we have learned from reading many directories, ships list, census info and the like that individuals did not seem to provide a "common" address over a period of time!)

Life in Salem and Fall River Massachusetts

Since Mytro did not arrive in Salem until June 1910 he would not be in the 1910 census. Interestingly, the sisters listed above could not be found in the 1910 census with the exception of possibly Rosalia (see BARNA). That could be important as a family story had always been that Mytro met Anastasia because his sister Katherine lived at the same boarding house as the Barna family ... maybe, it was his sister Rosalia instead! A possible relative, Akim, has been found in the 1900 and 1910 census; in 1900 at 264 Derby Street and in 1910 (with wife Aleksandra) at 231 Derby Street.

Mytro and Anastasia married at St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church. Some information on the church is given. "St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church⁵ at 64-66 Forrester St. recently underwent an extensive restoration of this unique and important ecclesiastical structure. Built in 1908, St. Nicholas is considered one of the finest Byzantine Revival buildings surviving in New England. Assisted by a Preservation Projects Fund Grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the parish of St. Nicholas elected to undertake a complete exterior restoration, including structural repairs to several of the church's landmark onion domes, decided to remove vinyl siding, repairing the underlying wood clapboard and flushboard siding as well as recreating ornate architectural moldings that had been removed when the siding was installed."



Metro and Anastasia had two daughters (Mary & Emily)... here is a little bit of info about them in the early years.

⁵ Web site for Historic Salem, accessed 10 June 2001

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Mary

Mary's birth certificate has the following particulars. Name = Mary Malerzski, Date = April 8, 1912, Place = 9 Grant St., Salem, MA, Father = Demich Malerzski, Morocco Dresser, born Russia, Mother = Anastasia, Maiden Name = Laska, born Russia. Not too much that's completely accurate on this⁶!

Mary attended Salem High School from September 1926 through June 1928. Her date of birth was listed as 4/7/1912, parent's name as Metro Malecka and address as 113 Derby St., Salem, MA. All other records are discarded after 60 years.⁷ According to a niece, Mary did not like school and left it early so that she could get a job to make money so that her sister Emily could have sufficient clothes to attend⁸.

Emily

Emily's birth certificate has the following particulars. Name = Emila Maletski, Date = November 25, 1913, Place = 10 Custom house Place, Salem, MA, Father = Metro Maletski, Laborer, born Austria, Mother = Nacta, Maiden Name = Barna, born Austria. Again, not all correct and close⁹!

Emily (the author's paternal grandmother) attended Phillips Elementary School through 8th Grade and attended Salem High School from September 1928 through June 1932 and graduated. Her name was listed as Amelia Malecka, her date of birth as 11/25/1913, her father as Mytro, and her address as 113 Derby St.

1920 Census

The family has been found in the 1920 Census¹⁰. Their address, 42 Ward St., ends up being 2 houses down from Anastasia's parent's house at 46 Ward St.!

42 Ward Street

Makooshi (sp?)	Denit	Head	32	1910	AL	Galicia/Russian	Staker	Morocco Shop
" "	Masla	Wife	27	1908	AL	Galicia/Russian	None	
" "	Mary	Daur	8			Massachusetts	None	
" "	Emilia	Daur	6			Massachusetts	None	

Obviously, a few errors in the names!

⁶ Massachusetts Birth Certificate, issued by Josephine R. Fusco, City Clerk of Salem, September 29, 1988

⁷ letter received 10/25/1988 from Ruth Prentiss, Guidance Department, The Salem Public Schools, City of Salem, 77 Wilson St., Salem, MA 01970

⁸ Phone conversation, 7/20/2002, with Elaine Marshall Vaughan

⁹ Massachusetts Birth Certificate, issued by Josephine R. Fusco, City Clerk of Salem, August 30, 1988

¹⁰ accessed 23 February 2002, Ancestry.com web-site, 1920 Census, Massachusetts, Essex County, Salem, ED #272, Sheet 2A, Entry #22

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So, what's a staker? Some web research came up with the following.

“After the skins have been tanned they are staked, which gives the skins the softness and pliability so necessary for gloves. Many skins are staked by machine, but the finest leathers are staked by hand. The hand stake is a post about 3 feet in height, topped with a dull, semicircular knife. The staker works the leather over the knife, applying pressure with his knee, until the entire skin is soft and supple.” (obviously this came from a glove manufacturer!)”¹¹

1930 Census¹²

113 Derby St.

[illegible]

Notice the reference to Hungary ... it goes on to list Russian as the language. States that emigrated in 1910 (correct) and PA (means first papers filed for citizenship which is correct). Additionally, Metro was listed as a building contractor and Mary was listed as an inspector at a lamp factory.

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Though the author was able to research through Salem Directories covering 1895-1936 (with some gaps), Mytro was rarely listed! He was only listed for 1935 and 1936, at 113 Derby St and his occupation was listed as Leather Worker. Some further research by a helpful Librarian¹³ discovered "I checked the Salem City directories for a Malecki family beginning in 1905. In 1918 and 1920 (there was none for 1919) I found a Mitrau Maletky, a leather worker, living with his wife Esther at 42 Ward Street – they were boarders. They are not listed in 1921." This concurs with what was found in the 1920 census. Interestingly, it's yet another variant of the name!

Otherwise, according to his daughter, Emily, for many years, Mytro worked at Naumkeag Steam Cotton Company. According to the City of Salem web-site¹⁴,

"The Mills, actually Naumkeag Steam Cotton Company were organized by Nathaniel Griffin in 1839 and built with capital raised through the sale of stock to area residents. By the time Construction was completed in 1848, the number of investors had grown to 1,458.

¹¹ accessed 24 February 2002, <http://www.mendocinoglove.com/news.shtml>

¹² accessed 15 July 2002, www.ancestry.com, 1930 Census, Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts, ED#245, Sheet 4A.

¹³ received 25 June 2002, e-mail from Alice Johnson, Salem Library [sal@noblenet.org]

¹⁴ www.salemweb.com, accessed 12 June 2001, "Welcome to Salem Massachusetts, the City Guide"

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The mill buildings were built by Charles James and were the first in America to be driven by steam rather than hydro power. Coal for steam engines and materials for ongoing construction projects were stored on nearby Union (now Pickering) Wharf. The mill and the wharf were connected by the Union Street Bridge, and all three went down in the Fire of 1914.

The company rebuilt immediately after the fire, and at its peak employed almost 2,000 workers. It became famous for its Pequot brand

of sheeting ..."

For many years, Mytro lived at 113 Derby Street. A map by Mapquest™ depicts where this

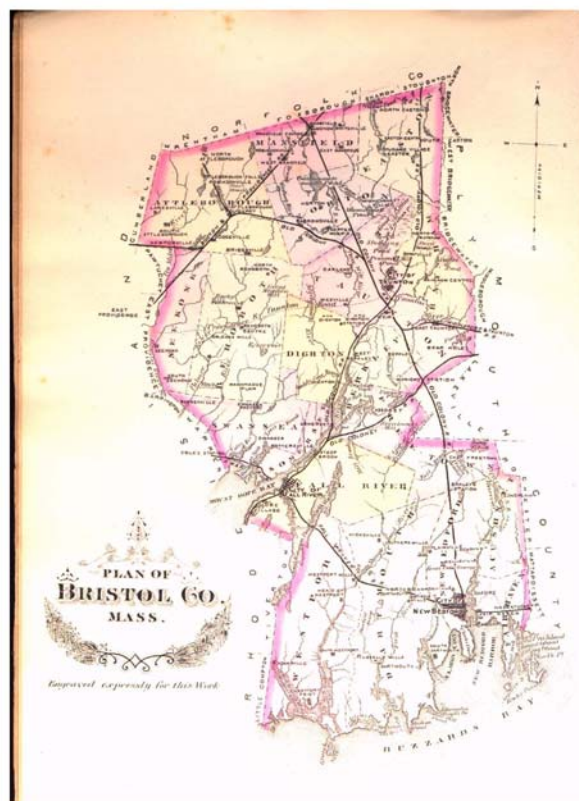


THE HOUSE OF THE SEVEN GABLES

Hawthorne's few intimates during his Salem boyhood was his father's cousin, Susannah Ingersoll, 19 years older than he. It is said that she loved a naval officer who deserted her; she never married, and at the age of twenty-six she lived alone in a house which had once had seven gables and a secret in. Hawthorne as a boy often came there to call on her and it is generally believed that he had seen in mind in writing *The House of the Seven Gables*.

is located and some of the local layout. While researching 113 Derby Street, the author discovered that across the street at 114 Derby Street was something called a Settlement House.

"Caroline O. Emmerton, a Salem philanthropist vitally concerned with human services and historic preservation, founded the Settlement House in 1908. Its purpose was to respond to the needs of immigrant families in the community. Two years later, Miss Emmerton purchased The House of the Seven Gables, restored it, and opened it to the touring public. To this day, a portion of the revenues generated at The House of the Seven Gables Historic Site continues to support the



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work of the Settlement House.

The Settlement House presently serves a population rich in cultural and economic diversity. Programs are developed by highly qualified and exceptionally dedicated staff members. The bustling house features large and small learning rooms, a gymnasium, a library with computers, a lunch room with a full kitchen, a modern playground and a garden - all located across the street from The House of the Seven Gables and Salem Harbor.¹⁵

... and, at 54 Turner Street is located the infamous House of Seven Gables¹⁶ (Nathaniel Hawthorne made popular in his book of that name)

At some point the family moved to the Somerset/Fall River area of Massachusetts (Bristol County, center) where according to Mytro's daughter, Emily, he constructed houses. Since the family has been found in the 1920 census for Salem, we know that their move was no earlier than January of that year. It was in Somerset that his wife, Anastasia, died 27 March 1924¹⁷¹⁸. The author attempted to visit the grave (North Burial Ground, Fall River) in 1988 or 1989 and was unable to locate it since there is no

NAME				
Malecky, Anastazy				
Single Grave Number	329		Interment No.	1168
Location of Grave	Path 6			
Date of Death	March 28, 1924			
Date of Intment	March 29, 1924			
Age	31	Years	2	Months 22 Days
Place of Death	Somerset, Mass.			
Undertaker				
Owner of Grave	Demytre Malecky			
Removed				

tombstone. Recently the author received some information to help pinpoint its location for future investigation¹⁹. At the time of her death, their address is listed as 2 Brayton Point Rd. Well, it appears that this address no longer exists and the land is part of a power plant complex of the same name! The map below gives you some idea of where

¹⁵ www.7gables.org, The Settlement House, 114 Derby St., Salem, Massachusetts

¹⁶ [from *The House of the Seven Gables*, by Nathaniel Hawthorne, New York: Dodd, Mead & Company, 1950 (no copyright notice), in Great Illustrated Classics series. Illustrations facing pages 14, 49, 113, 304, 313 reproduced on referenced web site by permission (<http://eldred.ne.mediaone.net/nh/sgill.html>). Photographs by Charles S. Olcott.

¹⁷ City of Fall River, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Certified Copy of Record of Death, dated 19 April 1990. Anastazy Moleski (Barna), husband = Demytr Malecki, age = 31 years, 2 months, 22 days, cause of death = Acute Nephritis, Cause pregnancy 6 mos., Residence = 2 Brayton Pt. Rd., So. Somerset, MA, Place of death = Fall River, Place of Burial = No. Burial Ground, occupation = housewife, birthplace = Russia, name of father = Walyl Barna, Maiden Name of Mother = Claude Bourdash

¹⁸ Interment Record, North Burial Ground, letter dated April 27, 1990 from Richard Kitchen, Director of Cemeteries, City of Fall River, Board of Park Commissioners

¹⁹ Letter dated March 26, 2002, Head Clerk, Oak Grove Cemetery/North Burial Ground, enclosing two maps of layout of North Burial Ground relative to Plot #326.

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CORY St

328	332	341	439 1/2	444	441	432	423	328	353	358	323
330	333	342	459	Jacob Slayton	J. Sullivan	433	Kali M	C. Dube	Brightman	350	G. H. Dale
331	334	463	460	445	442	434	424	360	354	350	324
				L. Gardale	C. Nirmath	E. Coelho	W. Drenniak	Bezok	Dunneity	M. Hallit	J. Bennett
				446	443	434	424	370	355	340	325
				Staracia K. Hilary Bigos	Frank Russell	J. Hargrave		J. Mudden	J. Evans	Counsel	J. Malone
				447	452	435	426	371	356	341	326
				B. Berenshen	F. Drenniak	Chas. Williams	A. S. Perriene	F. P. Read	A. Broels	G. Snyers	J. Dempsey
				448	451	436	427	372	357	342	327
				Snowden August Paben	Dimi Paban	M. F. Ficham		M. Lomas	A. Poler	M. Touchna	S. Cropper
				449	456	437	428	373	358	343	328
				Jos. Snowden	C. Crokerry	Mary Plazinski	FINCHAM	M. Lomas	Reg. Soltys	M. Touchna	A. Strzemech
				450	457	438	429	374	359	344	329
				Mary B. Snow	John Mahr	Dana Dement	O. W. W. W.	P. Lomiskay	J. Raymond	J. Anasus	L. Mobley
				451	458	439	430	375	360	345	330
				Bowden	R. McCub	Win. Taylor	H. H. H. H.	W. Chardier	J. Lindsey	M. P. P. P.	C. S. S. S.
				452	459	440	431	376	361	346	331
				Jos. Silva	H. Riley	Raody	H. H. H. H.	M. Winkham	Ed. H. H. H.	J. H. H. H.	Olive
								377	362	347	332
								J. S. S. S.	P. Walsh	J. S. S. S.	F. Carpenter
								378	363	348	333
								J. S. S. S.	M. Dwyer	J. O. O.	
								379	364	349	334
								J. S. S. S.	J. P. P. P.	J. L. L.	John Colby
								380	365	350	335
								M. Emerson	M. L. L.	T. Campbell	E. Vallie
										381	336
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										382	337
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← 106' from River

← 24' from River

Brayton Point is ... Fall river is across the river to the right, the main area of Somerset is to the North and Swansea is west across the Lee River. Some follow-up research at the Somerset Library reveals:

"I have checked the Town Reports for the years 1910 - 1924 for a listing of your family living on Brayton Point Road. Unfortunately the Town Reports don't list addresses so I don't have the capabilities of searching by street name. However I did check the tax list for the town for the years and did not come across the name Malecki or Ponzak. The only item I found was from the 1924 Death Register, which listed the following death:



"Anestazy Moleski"

"Anestazy Moleski"

Death date March 28, 1924

Age 31 years 2 months and 22 days.

Cause of Death Acute Nephritis.

I noted that you already had this information from the North Burial Ground.

I'm sorry the search came up so empty-handed. I wish I could have more information for you."²⁰

²⁰ E-mail received 3 October 2001 from Bonnie D. Mendes, Reference Librarian, Somerset Public Library, 1464 County Street, Somerset, MA 02726, www.sailsinc.org/somerset

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For all the documentation we do have on Mytro, we don't have much that gives us some sense of him as a person! Please see the box for some bits and pieces about Mytro.

Mytro Becomes a Citizen!

Mytro was one of only two family members of this generation to become a citizen! This was quite a boon to the research since documentation of arrival ship and family and more was required. Additionally, Mytro then received a social security number. The various bits of documentation are as follows.

Declaration of Intention	18 November 1927
Certificate of Arrival	23 August 1934
Petition of Citizenship	24 October 1934
Oath of Allegiance	28 January 1935
Certificate of Citizenship	28 January 1935

Please also note that Mytro's signature was required on the documents and that his citizenship paper also includes a picture!

His "Declaration of Intention" lets us know something about his physical characteristics – he was 5'2", weighed 145 pounds, had brown hair and blue eyes. He did sign this document as Dymytro Malecki.



The "Certificate of Arrival" confirmed the passenger record that had been previously found and is discussed in an earlier section.

One interesting paragraph, on the Petition for Citizenship (to the left), directly after the arrival ship information is:

Form 2202-7
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

1 138717 TRIPLICATE
(To be given to the person making the Declaration)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

☒ Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof

Health of Massachusetts ss: In the Superior Court
County of Essex of Massachusetts

I, Mytro Malecki, aged 39 years,
occupation leather worker, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white complexion medium, height 5 feet 2 inches,
wt. 145 pounds, color of hair brown, color of eyes blue
visible distinctive marks none
I was born in Galicyn, Austria
on the 15th day of May, anno Domini 1888; I now reside
at 13 Derby St., Salem, Mass.
(Give number, street, city or town, and State)
I emigrated to the United States of America from Liverpool, England
on the vessel unknown; my last
residence was said Galicyn; I am was married; the name
of my wife Mrs. Anastasia; (she) was born at Austria
I now reside at deceased
I have a bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to
The Republic of Austria
from whom I am now a subject; I arrived at the port of Boston
in the State of Mass., on or about the 9th day
of June, anno Domini 1910; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
HELP ME GOD.

Dymytro Malecki
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the office of the Clerk of
said Court this 18th day of November, anno Domini 1927

[SEAL]

A. N. FROST
Clerk of the Superior Court.
By E. Philip Deputy Ass't. Clerk.

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"(7) I am not a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government or a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposed to organized government. I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy. I am attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States. It is my intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to ..."

So, on 28 January 1935, Mytro Malecki became a United States citizen at the age of 46 after residing in the United States for almost 25 years!

Once he became a citizen, Mytro was then able to apply for a Social Security Number. His

Application for this is shown and Appendix C has some info on Social Security.

There is little more to tell about Mytro. It appears that with the death of his wife, Anastasia in 1924, he became increasingly despondent and appears to have probably been an alcoholic. According to Emily Malecka Acey Marshall (one of his daughters), he was particularly hard off each year around the anniversary of her death.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE
CERTIFICATE OF ARRIVAL

No. **1 138717**

I CERTIFY that the Immigration records show that the alien named below arrived at the port, and in the manner shown, and was lawfully admitted to the United States of America for residence.

Port of entry: Boston, Mass.
Name: Mytro Malecki
Date: June 9, 1910
Manner of arrival: Cymric U-14

I CERTIFY that this certificate of arrival is issued under authority of, and in conformity with, the Act of June 29, 1906, as amended, solely for the use of the alien herein named and only for the purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Certificate of Arrival is issued

August 23, 1934
(Date)

S. H. Howes
S. H. HOWES
DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION
AND NATURALIZATION, - BOSTON

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1906 14-2824a

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to

The Republic of Austria

of whom (which) I have heretofore been a subject (or citizen); that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: SO HELP ME GOD. In acknowledgment whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature.

Mytro Malecki
(Signature of petitioner)

Sworn to in open court, this 28 day of January, A. D. 1935

_____, Clerk.

By _____, Deputy Clerk.

NOTE.—In renunciation of title of nobility, add the following to the oath of allegiance before it is signed: "I further renounce the title of (give title) an order of nobility, which I have heretofore held."

Petition granted: Line No. _____ of List No. _____ and Certificate No. 3882553 issued.

Petition Denied: List No. _____

Petition continued from _____ to _____ Reason _____

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO BE GIVEN TO
THE PERSON NATURALIZED

No. 3882553

Petition No. 156556

Personal description of holder as of date of naturalization: Age 46 years, sex male, color white, complexion medium, color of eyes blue, color of hair brown, height 5 feet 2 inches, weight 145 pounds, visible distinctive marks none, Marital status widower, race, former nationality Austrian.

I, certify that the description above given is true, and that the photograph affixed hereto is a likeness of me.

ORIGINAL

(Complete and true signature of holder)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Best known, that MYTRO MALECKI
then residing at 113 Derby Street, Salem
having petitioned to be admitted a citizen of the United States of America, and at
a term of the District Court of The United States
Boston on January 28th 1935
the court having found that the petitioner intends to reside permanently in the
United States and in all respects complied with the Naturalization Laws of the United
States in such cases applicable, and was entitled to be so admitted, the court thereupon
ordered that the petitioner be admitted as a citizen of the United States of America.
In testimony whereof the seal of the court is hereunto affixed this 28th
day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and
thirty-five and of our Independence the one hundred
and fifty-ninth

Mytro Malecki
Seal

James S. Allen
Clerk of the U. S. District Court.

By Deputy Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Form 89-5
TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

U. S. SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
APPLICATION FOR ACCOUNT NUMBER 016-09-5678

1. FIRST NAME *Mytro* (EMPLOYEE'S FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (LAST NAME) *Malecki*

2. ADDRESS AND NUMBER *113 Derby Street* 3. CITY *Salem* (STATE) *Mass.*

4. BUSINESS NAME OF PRESENT EMPLOYER *Harmon Knapp & Co.* 5. BUSINESS ADDRESS OF PRESENT EMPLOYER *Congress Street Salem, Mass.*

6. AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY *48* 7. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH) / (DAY) / (YEAR) *May 15 1888* 8. PLACE OF BIRTH *Austria*

9. FATHER'S FULL NAME *Nicholas Malecki* 10. MOTHER'S FULL NAME *Mary Paskowski*

SEX: MALE ☒ FEMALE ☐ 12. COLOR: WHITE ☒ NEGRO ☐ OTHER ☐ (CHECK (X) WHICH) (SPECIFY)

13. IF REGISTERED WITH THE U. S. EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, GIVE NUMBER OF REGISTRATION CARD

14. IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY FILLED OUT A CARD LIKE THIS, STATE (PLACE) (DATE)

Dec 3, 1936 15. *Mytro Malecki* (EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE, AS USUALLY WRITTEN)

DETACH ALONG THIS LINE

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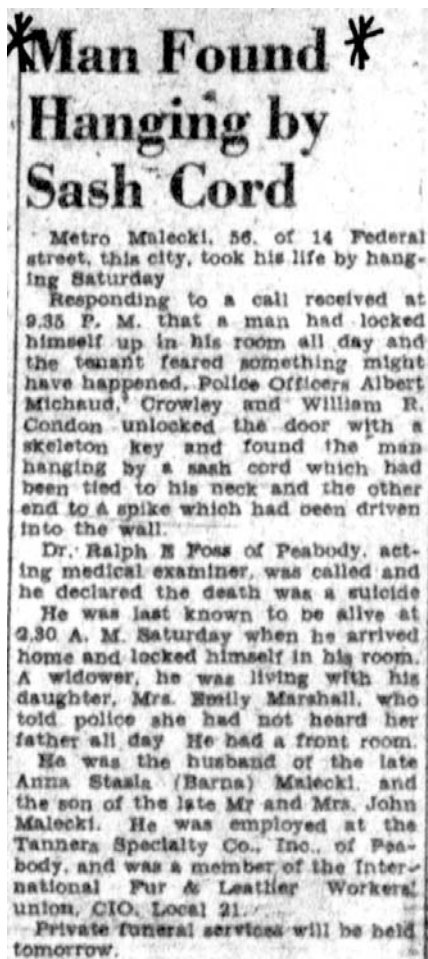
We don't know exactly when the family returned to Salem and they are listed in the 1935 and 1936 Polk Directories for Salem.

Malecki, Emily lea wkr r. 113 Derby
Malecki, Metro lab h. 113 Derby

Eventually, on the 20th anniversary of his wife's death, 25 March 1944, Metro died by his own hand²¹. At that time he was 56 and lived at 14 Federal Street with his daughter Emily Malecka Acey and her two children (Richard and Nancy – Nancy remembers that he took her on the trolley cars sometimes all day). He was subsequently buried at Greenlawn Cemetery in Salem. At his request, no tomb stone marks where he is buried.

Remembrances of Mytro Emily Malecka Acey Marshall

Emily called her dad, Za Za
He read Russian stories and recipes to his wife when she was cooking as she couldn't read.
When he was trying to emigrate he was caught the first time – from the author's very confused notes, it appears that he was then imprisoned at least 7 times on the return home; each night in a different one as they only traveled during the day.
For the 2nd attempt, his dad got an "agent" and they sewed his \$ in his coat. (1988 & 1994)



The death notice stated "In Salem, March 25, Metro Malecki, husband of the late Anna Stasia (Barna) Malecki and son of the late Mr. And Mrs. John Malecki. (Private funeral Tuesday from the Dubiel funeral home.)"²²

Due to the newsworthy nature of Metro's death, there was an accompanying news article (reproduced to the left) that reminds us that Metro worked as a Tanner.

Doing some research, the author discovered the following piece of trivia ...

Millennium Mascot into Leather: "Tanny" Whips Millennium into Shape

PEABODY, Ma --- It just wouldn't be a millennium without a mascot, right? Something cute and loveable like one those zany sports team creations that are what really makes a game worth watching. A new friend that that no child could resist. A role model that even parents would be excited about and look to for



²¹ Death Certificate – Metro Malecki, March 25, 1944, 14 Federal Street, Salem, MA, male, white, widowed, Anastasia Barna, age = 56, Leather Worker, birthplace = Russia, Cause of Death = Asphyxiation by hanging, father = John Malecki, Russia, Mother not listed, burial – Greenlawn Cemetery, Salem

²² Salem Evening News, 27 March 1944

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guidance.

Then say hello to Tanny, the Official Millennium Mascot of Peabody, Massachusetts.

According to The Boston Globe, the leather-clad character is the city's official millennium mascot, a playful ambassador saluting Peabody's heyday as a leather capital. Although most of Peabody's tanneries have long since closed, the city's identity with the leather industry lives on. High school athletic teams are known as the "Tanners" and use a bull as their mascot. The Leather City Common on Lowell Street is a popular downtown gathering spot.²³

Also learned a bit about Irving Tanning Company, the last place that Metro worked. According to "Partners in Progress, A History of Irving Tanning Company and A Story of Its People",

"The history of Irving Tanning Company is a story of real people beginning with the founder of our company, a Polish immigrant, who at the age of 13 left his native land and immediately took a job with Beggs & Cobb, the largest tannery of its time located in Peabody, Massachusetts. Because of his experience as a leather worker in Poland, Meyer Kirsteing was paid the princely sum of \$3.00 a week – high wages shortly after the turn of the 20th Century.

At that time, more leather was manufactured in Peabody than all the rest of the United States combined.

Dissatisfied at working for someone else, Mr. Kirstein began touring all the tanneries collecting their leather scraps in a pushcart. He would take them home and finish the leather pieces then sell them to local manufacturers of novelty leather items.

Hard work and perseverance led to his founding Irving Tanning Company in 1925 – one more tannery in Salem, MA. The company name, Irving, was taken from the street on which Mr. Kirstein started his business."

²³ www.millenniumhell.com, accessed 26 June 2001