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We are telling the world about Poland / Opowiadamy Polskę światu

As part of the project, the President of the IPN, Dr Jarosław Szarek, writes about Captain Witold Pilecki. ► **Witold Pilecki - one of the bravest people in the world**



This weekend (31 August - 1 September 2019), in connection with the 80th anniversary of the outbreak of World War II, the most renowned newspapers from around the world - "Le Figaro", "Washington Post", "Die Welt", "L'Opinion", "El Mundo", "Le Soir", "Chicago Tribune", "Sunday Express" - will publish texts on the history of Poland. In addition, they are also going to present front pages of their titles published in September 1939.

Newspapers around the world will reprint, among others, the texts of President Andrzej Duda, Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki, Deputy

Prime Minister Piotr Gliński, as well as the President of the Institute of National Remembrance Dr Jarosław Szarek, who has written about Captain Witold Pilecki. "If we are to tell the world about Poland, about us, about our identity, history, and our Polish heroes, then we should not forget this story," writes Dr Jarosław Szarek

- Witold Pilecki has become a symbol. To Poles, Pilecki's biography represents the history of their homeland. Difficult choices, glory, and suffering. His heroism, almost doomed to be forgotten, is being rediscovered today. These are all reasons why Poles are so fascinated by him. But they also prove the belief deeply rooted in Poles - the truth always prevails.

The article has been translated into English, German, French and Spanish.

► **Witold Pilecki - one of the bravest people in the world**

► **Witold Pilecki - einer der tapfersten Menschen der Welt**

► **Witold Pilecki - symbole d'héroïsme**

► **Witold Pilecki - una de las personas más valientes del mundo**

Poland's history is not only told by Poles themselves but also by such foreign historians as: Sir Anthony Beevor, Roger Moorhouse, Allan Paul, Jack Fairweather, Dermond Turing, Marco Patricelli, and Jochen Böhler.

The promotion of Polish history as part of the **We are telling the world about Poland.1939- 2019** project implemented by the New Media Institute, publisher of the “Wszystko co Najważniejsze” monthly in cooperation with the Polish National Foundation. Prof. Wojciech Roszkowski was the project's historical consultant. The illustrator of all world editions was Fabien Clairefond from "Le Figaro".

On the “Wszystko co Najważniejsze” website one will also find the text by Dr Mateusz Szpytma, Deputy President of the Institute of National Remembrance. In the article Dr Szpytma emphasizes the following : “For us it is extremely important, and we should tell the world that throughout the entire period of World War II, the Polish nation, the soldiers of the resistance movement and authorities-in-exile - all stood on the right side.

We would like to recommend the IPN website about Captain Witold
Pilecki

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