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Surname: GAJDA Names: Roman, Tadeusz

Born /place & year of birth/: Raba Wyżna (Poland), 6.8.1906

Nationality: Canadian from 1948; arrived Canada 1943.

Educated at Jagiellonian University, Cracow.

Degrees & ~~decorations~~: MSc. 1930, Cracow, Ph.D. (Cracow) 1932; MA, 1933 (Pedagogy) Cracow

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2 May, 1961.

Mr. A. Wolodkowicz,
4845 Maplewood, apt. 5,
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Mr. Wolodkowicz:

Thank you for your letter of April 15th - I apologize for the delay in replying to it.

I am enclosing a brief biographical sketch prepared in English some time ago, which would more or less answer your questions. As far as the names of other scientists are concerned, I believe that you have already sent them a similar request, so this would merely be a duplication of addresses.

In Ottawa, there are a number of prominent scientists of Polish origin; among them are Dr. B. Zaborski, Mr. T. Blachut, Dr. T. Wlodek, Dr. W. Szyrynski (temporarily in Bismark, North Dakota), Dr. Jaworski and Dr. Fidler, who have published a number of papers. Some Polish engineers, by their research (although they do not publish the results of their work), have made considerable contributions to the engineering science. You could probably obtain a list of these from one of the scientists working in this field, for example, Mr. T. Blachut.

Best regards and wishes,

Yours sincerely,

R. T. Gajda,
Geographical Branch.

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ROMAN T. GAJDA - BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Dr. Gajda was born in Poland in August, 1906. He received his bachelor and master science degrees in geography in 1930, at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow, and in 1932 a doctorate in geography at the same university. In addition, he studied pedagogy and obtained his Master of Arts degree in pedagogy.

After his M.Sc. graduation in geography, he was nominated assistant at the university's Department of Physical Geography and also assumed teaching at the Technical College in Cracow in the subjects of meteorology and hydrology. Later on he joined the Department of Foreign Affairs where he organized geographic research and the cartographic section. Subsequently he was posted to Brazil by the Department of Education where he was employed for five years as director of education and advisor on colonization problems.

He returned to Poland in 1938 and completed a one-year diplomatic course in 1939. Upon the occupation of Poland in 1939, he was transferred to Bucharest and then to Paris where he undertook research in demography at the Department of Documentation and Information.

With the occupation of France he was moved to Grenoble and was engaged from 1940-1942 by the Red Cross in the organization of university students' groups. He also studied economics at the University of Grenoble.

Upon the occupation of so-called "Vichy" France in 1942, he escaped through Spain to Portugal where he was directed to Canada by the

Association of Engineers, with the consent of Canadian authorities, in order to take up employment in the Canadian War Industry. He joined the Topographical Division of the Department of Mines and Resources in 1943 where he was employed for five years as a topographer; he surveyed various parts of the provinces of Alberta, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. In 1947 he was transferred to the newly-established Geographical Bureau, where he was employed as a geographer taking active part in various stages of its organization. He was supervisor of the Mapping and Field Survey Sections and later was promoted to head of the Regional Geography Section. Upon the re-organization of the Branch, he was appointed head of the Regional and Systematic Geography Division and finally in 1956 was made Chief of the Geographical Research Division.

While with the Geographical Branch, he was an official observer and representative on Canadian-U.S. exploration missions to the Arctic in 1948 and 1949 and represented the Branch on numerous joint US-Canadian Arctic conferences. He conducted research studies on various regions in Canada, particularly in the Arctic. During the three-year period 1954-56, he was a lecturer in cartography at the Ottawa University Faculty of Arts.

He took part in numerous geographical meetings and conferences of the Canadian Association of Geographers, American Association of Geographers, American Congress of Surveying and Mapping, American Society of Photogrammetry, Royal Canadian Geographical Society and International Geographical Union. He is a member of the above societies.

His published and unpublished papers include various topics such as: Relative Elevations of Nida Valley, Geopolitical Situation in Poland, 1939, Cryoconite Phenomena on the Greenland Ice Cap, Methods of Mapping Population Densities, Population Density Map of Canada, Canadian Ecumene: Inhabited and Uninhabited Areas, Geographical Appraisal of Radstock Bay (Devon Island), Aerial Photo-interpretation as Inventory Phase of Land Use Survey, Postwar Development of Geography in Poland, Geographical Research in Poland, Geographical Education in Poland, etc. a total of about 40 papers published, or in form of unpublished reports.

He travelled extensively and has first-hand knowledge of several countries besides Canada. These include the Canadian Arctic; western Greenland; western, eastern and southern Europe; various parts of South America and northwestern Africa. He possesses a working knowledge of several foreign languages.