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List of Murdered Jews from Krzemieniec, 1941

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German occupiers entered the town of Kremenets on 12 July 1941. On the second day, Germans organized a Jewish pogrom. In the course of the pogrom, many peaceful Soviet citizens, ethnic Jews, were murdered.

After two weeks, the German Gestapo came to town and settled in the house named "Zos," on Kolontay Street, where later the regional commissioner of the town of Kremenets was located.¹

After they arrived, the Gestapo agents ordered people to appear at a meeting in the Gestapo house, so that the intelligentsia of the town of Kremenets could be hired for work. After this order, many people from the intelligentsia of the town of Kremenets went to that house and later were all arrested. Among the arrested were many ethnic Poles, Ukrainians, and Jews. In total, about 100 people were arrested. Among them were people l² knew.

- 1. Ovadis Iza, 26 years old, worked as a secretary at the craft school.
- 2. Tabak, 30 years old, doctor.
- 3. Tabak, 28 years old, doctor.
- 4. Polonskaya Mira, 28 years old, doctor.
- 5. Veksler Lusya and her sister, 28 years old.
- 6. Milshtajn Yan, 22 years old, student.

And many other surnames I cannot remember.

Additionally, I know a woman who was also arrested at that time and released after she said her background was German—Sorochinskaya Galina, who lived on Shiroka Street.³

¹ Tova Teper Kaplan describes the arrival of the Gestapo and the murder of the Kremenets intelligentsia in *Pinkas Kremenets*, page 251, <u>https://www.jewishgen.org/Yizkor/kremenets/kre251.html</u>.

² The document does not state the identity of "I." This document may be an excerpt from a larger one.

³ Sorochinskaya later died from wounds received as a member of the Polish army. Anna Brune, her granddaughter, sent her death notice to KDRG. See <u>https://www.jewishgen.org/yizkor/kremenets/kre906.html</u>.