

Władysława Szulakiewicz

ORCID: 0000-0001-8614-2955

Jesuit University Ignatianum in Krakow

Andrzej Paweł Bieś SJ

ORCID: 0000-0002-2857-8125

Jesuit University Ignatianum in Krakow

## INTRODUCTION

The present volume of the journal *Studia Paedagogica Ignatiana* is dedicated to the problems of the history of education in Poland in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, presented from the perspective of its founders. Although the presented texts do not cover many issues related to the history of education in Poland of that period, they may be seen as an invitation for further research on this topic.

The development of the history of education in Poland in the 20<sup>th</sup> century can be described from different perspectives, including highlighting researchers of the past of education and upbringing and their works which made a lasting mark in Polish historiography. Another important criterion showing the evolution of this discipline is the process of the institutionalization of the history of education, i.e. the creation of academic centers responsible for research and teaching in the field of history of education (Szulakiewicz 2000a, 2004, 2006). In many universities, the history of education functioned within the framework of scientific and didactic units together with the theory of education, but there were also attempts to combine the history of education with other sub-disciplines, such as pedeutology or other branches of pedagogical knowledge.

Another manifestation of the development of this discipline has been the creation of scientific schools of the history of education, whose founders were also the historians of education whom we mention in this volume.

An important factor which contributed to the development of this discipline was the appearance of professional journals in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, which had been established as a platform to present the results of historical-educational research and information about the directions of activity of the scientific circles. In this context, the following journals should be mentioned: *Wiadomości z Dziejów Wychowania i Szkolnictwa w Polsce* (1921–1922), *Minerwa Polska* (1927–1930), *Przegląd Historyczno-Oświatowy* (1947–), *Rozprawy z Dziejów Oświaty* (1958–) and *Biuletyn Historii Wychowania* (1994).

In this short introduction, it is worth mentioning some important publications that give an overview of the development of the history of education over the last century. These include Henryk Barycz's texts *Rozwój historii oświaty, wychowania i kultury w Polsce* (1949). Another important study on this subject is the article by Kamilla Mrozowska *Twórcy historii wychowania jako dyscypliny naukowej* (Mrozowska 1989). A publication showing the founders of the history of education is the book by Jan Hellwig *Dzieje historii wychowania w Polsce i jej twórcy* (Hellwig 2001). The monograph *Historia oświaty i wychowania w Polsce 1918–1939* (Szulakiewicz 2000a) and the collective work *Historycy wychowania II Rzeczypospolitej* (Szulakiewicz 2000b) were also dedicated to the historians of education living and working in the interwar period.

At the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, in 1998, *Słownik biograficzny polskiej historii wychowania* was published, which is a joint work by a number of Polish historians of education. This dictionary supplies a collective portrait of the environment of researchers of the educational past. The picture of the environment of the historians of education is also contained in collective works which are the outputs of various scientific conferences (Gumuła, Krasuski, Majewski 1998; Gumuła 2017). Elements of scientific biography are also an indispensable component of the increasing number of thematic and problematic or occasional publications, undertaking an analysis of research, teaching and organizational achievements of individual centers and scientific communities (e.g.: Szulakiewicz 2007; Grzybowski 2008; Bartnicka,

Szybiak 2010; Krukowski 2010; Meissner 2010; Grzebień 2014; Jamrózek 2017; Falkowska, Grabowska-Pieńkosz 2018).

It is impossible to omit the essays offered in homage to distinctive scholars and other monographic studies dedicated to the founders of the Polish history of education. For example, it is necessary to mention the names of the researchers to whom such publications were dedicated. These include: Henryk Barycz, Wanda Bobkowska, Julian Dybiec, Stanisław Gawlik, Ludwik Grzebień, Jan Hellwig, Danuta Koźmian, Stanisław Litak, Stanisław Łempicki, Czesław Majorek, Andrzej Meissner, Józef Miąso, Kamilla Mrozowska, Lech Mokrzejcki, Ludwik Piechnik, Karol Poznański, Zygmunt Ruta, Stefania Walasek, and others. It is in these publications that the authors of the texts presented here show a variety of the developmental directions in which selected representatives of the discipline had been working.

## Bibliography

- Bartnicka K., Szybiak I. (2010). "Warszawska historia wychowania w drugiej połowie XX wieku," *Annales Universitatis Paedagogicae Cracoviensis*, vol. 77: *Studia ad Institutionem et Educationem Pertinentia*, no. 2, pp. 77–91.
- Barycz H. (1949). *Rozwój historii oświaty, wychowania i kultury w Polsce*, Kraków: Polska Akademia Umiejętności.
- Falkowska J., Grabowska-Pieńkosz D. (2018). *Historia wychowania na Uniwersytecie Mikołaja Kopernika*, Toruń: Fundacja Societas et Ius.
- Grzebień L. (2014). "Jezuicki ośrodek badań historycznych w Krakowie," *Studia Paedagogica Ignatiana*, vol. 17, pp. 35–56.
- Gumuła T., Krasuski J., Majewski S. (eds.) (1998). *Historia wychowania w XX wieku. Dorobek i perspektywy*, Kielce: Wydawnictwo i Zakład Poligrafii Instytutu Technologii Eksploatacji.
- Gumuła T. (ed.) (2017). *Historia wychowania na przełomie XX i XXI wieku. Kontynuacje i nowe wyzwania*, Kielce: Kieleckie Towarzystwo Naukowe.
- Grzybowski R. (2008). "Pięćdziesięciolecie gdańskiej historii wychowania," *Biuletyn Historii Wychowania*, vol. 24, pp. 139–164.
- Hellwig J. (2001). *Dzieje historii wychowania w Polsce i jej twórcy*, Poznań: Wydawnictwo Eruditus.
- Krukowski J. (2010). "Historia oświaty i wychowania w strukturze organizacyjnej, badawczej i dydaktycznej krakowskiej uczelni pedagogicznej," *Annales Universitatis Paedagogicae Cracoviensis*, vol. 77: *Studia ad Institutionem et Educationem Pertinentia*, no. 2, pp. 130–147.

- Jamrożek W. (2017). "W pięćdziesięciolecie Zakładu Historii Wychowania Uniwersytetu im. Adama Mickiewicza w Poznaniu," [in:] E. Głowacka-Sobiech, K. Kabacińska-Łuczak (eds.), *Wielkopolska i Wielkopole w dziejach polskiej edukacji. Księga jubileuszowa z okazji 50-lecia Zakładu Historii Wychowania na Uniwersytecie im. Adama Mickiewicza w Poznaniu*, Poznań: Wydawnictwo Naukowe UAM, pp. 51–65.
- Meissner A., Szulakiewicz W. (eds.) (2008). *Słownik biograficzny polskiej historii wychowania*, Toruń: Wydawnictwo Adam Marszałek.
- Meissner A. (2010). "Rzeszowskie środowisko historyków wychowania. Początki i stan obecny," *Annales Universitatis Paedagogicae Cracoviensis*, vol. 77: *Studia ad Institutionem et Educationem Pertinentia*, no. 2, pp. 92–105.
- Mrozowska K. (1989). "Twórcy historii wychowania jako dyscypliny naukowej," *Rozprawy z Dziejów Oświaty*, vol. 32, pp. 107–123.
- Szulakiewicz W. (2000a). *Historia oświaty i wychowania w Polsce 1918–1939. Studium historyograficzne*, Toruń: Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Mikołaja Kopernika.
- Szulakiewicz W. (red.) (2000b). *Historycy wychowania II Rzeczypospolitej*, Warszawa: Studio Wydawnicze Familia.
- Szulakiewicz W. (2004). "Historia wychowania 1995–2004. Środowisko – kierunki badań – perspektywy rozwoju," *Rocznik Pedagogiczny*, vol. 27, pp. 59–76.
- Szulakiewicz W. (2006). *Historia oświaty i wychowania w Polsce 1944–1956*, Kraków: Wydawnictwo WAM.
- Szulakiewicz W. (2007). *Historia wychowania w Uniwersytecie im. Adama Mickiewicza*, Warszawa: Studio Wydawnicze Familia.

## ADDRESSES FOR CORRESPONDENCE

Prof. dr hab. Władysława Szulakiewicz  
 Jesuit University Ignatianum in Krakow  
 Institute of Educational Sciences  
 e-mail: [wladyslawa.szulakiewicz@ignatianum.edu.pl](mailto:wladyslawa.szulakiewicz@ignatianum.edu.pl)

Dr hab. Andrzej Paweł Bieś SJ, prof. AIK  
 Jesuit University Ignatianum in Krakow  
 Institute of Educational Sciences  
 e-mail: [andrzej.bies@ignatianum.edu.pl](mailto:andrzej.bies@ignatianum.edu.pl)