Post-traumatic suffering of the families of the Augustów Roundup’s victims based on the documentaries of Alicja Maciejowska

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ABSTRACT

Augustów Roundup for families that experienced this catastrophe was an event known as "slash in time". The suffering it caused divided lives of many people into time before and after the roundup. This experience obscured the drama of the recently ended war, and at the same time it was an apex of the misery for communities of the North-Eastern Poland during the 6 years of war and post-war. The trauma of war had not been yet overcome when the first months of "liberation" in 1945 brought about a tragedy that resulted in mental and physical suffering of the orphaned for decades. They could talk about it publicly for the first time in over 40 years. It was registered by Alicja Maciejowska.

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