





Swiatecki Joseph C

Born June 24 1889
Appointed Dec 1 1917 3-nights of training by older men
8 he day
Base-pay "\$70.00 Per-Month No days off nor Vac
Assigned " 4 " Beat by Chief Henry J Herbert
" May 1 1918 Motor Cycle Duty
" July 1 1923 Speed Car Driver Out of Central Station
Promoted March 1 1926 Det-Sergeant
Shot on Duty Sept 26 1930 By a Surprised Burglar 335 Superior st
Promoted July 1 1935 Det-Lieutenant
Retired Oct 1 1959 Serving 42 yrs On pension 1 yr
Died Dec 17 1970 In his home 221 Everett Str Age 81 yr

Services were held in Urbanski mortuary Monday Dec 22 1970 and 11 am from
St Hedwigs Church, Burial in Galvary Cemetery. He was 81 yrs old when he d:
died after a long illness, he was life long Toledo resident He served 42 yr
He was partially disabled when he was shot and wounded in line of duty on
Sept 26 1930 while attempting to arrest a notorious North Toledo burglar
and Auto thief, the burglar who saw the Detective drive up to his home
first dropped to the floor of his porch and fired six times, one bullet
struck him in the knee, he emptied his revolver at the burglar but he es-
caped, And about a Month later he led a Squad of Detectives armed with
riot and Machine gun to the burglars hideout where he surrendered without
a fight. He continued on active duty for several years despite his injury
During his last 20 years of his career he was assigned to the desk duty
in the Detective Bureau. He was a Rail-Road Detective for the Pennsylvania
R.R. before he joined the City Police Force.

J.K.

Diary 12/17/70



SWIATECKI, Joseph

221 Everett

Appointed: 12-1-1917

Pensioned: 7-1-1958

\$319.52

Toledo Ohio
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

Sept 17 1918

Sergeant

Officer Swiatecki went home disabled at about 7:30 P.M. He was riding on Park St. and a dog ran into his motorcycle and threw him off. He went to Dr. Gilett's office and had his knee dressed, then came to station and let him go home.

Swindeman Lieut

Patrolman No.

Toledo Ohio
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

Sept 17 1918

Sergeant

Lieut Swindeman

At about 3:15 this P.M. on Park bet Lagrange & Warsaw st. a dog ran out in front of my cycle, and ran in to the front wheel, and knocked me over. I got bruised about both knees. I had doctor E. Gellit take care of it. The machine was not injured.

Respectfully

Joe Swiatecki

Patrolman No. 67

Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

February 3 1919

Sergeant

Inspector Lutz

In Saturday February the 9th at 4:45
P.M. I was called to Gasbury Coal
Yard at cor Nebraska + M. C. R. R. tracks
where there was a disturbance. I
investigated this complaint and found that
a man by the name of Redman
tried to steal some money
from this office. I went after this
man to his home at 1269 Lucas
st. where he ran after

Patrolman No.

12 100M-1-4-19

Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

February 3 1919

Sergeant

he got out of the coal office. I searched
the houses but I could not locate him.
I left there and was on the way
to Junction ave when I met this
old man, which I found out later
that he was this old father who lives
after as I came down Lucas st.
The old man said that here
comes that dogs blood of a Russian
from Lagrange st. I seen that the
man was drunk

Patrolman No.

12 100M-1-4-19

Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

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Sergeant

and was on the way home, so I raised him up, after I passed him he said well look at that God damn son of a bitch, so I went back after him, I told him he was under arrest, I got hold of his arm, and he caught hold of a fence, so I got him by the collar and the seat of his pants, and pulled him away from the fence and started him toward Junction, on Lucas st, when we got to Junction + Lucas st.

Patrolman No.

12 100M-1-4-19

Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

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Sergeant

but no one would call the wagon, Redmann's wife, came to me and begged me to let him go, and she would take him home, she said that he was picky, and other women that was standing around, also told me the same. And on the strength of that I let him go home, I did not hurt the man or abuse him, he was about 6 feet 2 in and about 300 lbs.

Respectfully,
Jps. Shudatke

Patrolman No. 126

12 100M-1-4-19

February 14th.1919.

Dr. Walter Hartung,
Coroner, Lucas County,
2001 Lagrange St.
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:☺

Attached hereto you will please
find report from Patrolman Jos. Swiatecki
in reference to his trouble with a man
name Redman.

I wish to advise you that
I have had Detective Swiatecki and Dobzenecki
investigate this case and they will verify Patrol-
man Swiatecki's statement.

Very truly yours,

Chief of Police.

Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

February 26th 1919

Sergeant

Captain DeLahunty

At 5:13 P.M. while riding north on Junction Ave. I was hit by a Indiana car, which was coming toward town, as I came near the crossing I slacked up for the crossing to see if there was any car coming, I could not see any car so I decided to go across the crossing when the Indiana car came across at great rate of speed, the motorman

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Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

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Sergeant

did not sound his gong until he was on the crossing, my motorcycle and I was caught by the car, and dragged about 50 feet partly under the car, and then thrown me and the motorcycle towards the curb. The motorcycle was considerably damaged, my clothes was badly torn and my pants was completely torn off, and received bruises on my legs.

Patrolman No.

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Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sergeant

B. has Rumbowski, Indiana + Junction
H. Koski, 1327 Indiana Ave + Stanley
Jayowicki, 1417 Belmont are the witnesses
who saw how fast the car was coming
and seen where it stopped after the accident
after being hit the car went about 250 feet
before it came to a dead stop.
Indiana # 653 Conductor Bob Motorman 789

Respectfully

Joe Swiatecki

Patrolman No. 126

Toledo, Ohio,
POLICE DEPARTMENT

File No.

Sept 27th

1919

Sergeant

Statement of John Liebherr living
at 1219 Varland Ave. City of Toledo,
Ohio.

Within past six weeks, a motorcycle
belonging to the Toledo Police Dept. & used
by a certain Police Officer, has been
left standing on East Broadway near
Park St. on an average of three times
a week from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM
each time, while ridges of motorcycle

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Sergeant

visited in a house in that
vicinity, I am unable to state which
house he visited, and I have never
seen him go into any house. I
cannot give any names of any person
who has seen the motorcycle officer
go into any house, I know the
motorcycle officer, whose name is
Swiatecki.

J. H. Liebherr
1219 Varland Ave

Patrolman No.

12 100M-1-4-19

February 25th, 1926

Mr. Harry Jennings,
Chief Division of Police,
City of Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

This is to advise that I have made the following appointments in the Division of Police, same to take effect on March first, 1926:

Sgt. Edward Hoffman to Lieutenant of Police.
Patrolman Louis Z. Keister to Sergeant of Police.

Detailed Detective Ernest Raitz to Regular Detective
Patrolman Joseph Swiatecki to Detailed Detective.
Mrs. Grace Jamison to Director of Women's Bureau.

Yours truly,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,

A. D. Hill,
Director.

DETECTIVE REPORT

Reference No.

Toledo, Ohio

November 1st, 19 30.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Inspector Cairl: Sir:
Captain Rydman: Sir:

On September 26th, I received information that one Joseph Kucinski alias Cadillac Joe, a man wanted by this department for a series of hold ups, was at the corner of Franklin and Lake Streets, or around that vicinity. About one or one thirty in the afternoon I drove to a place two houses from Franklin on Lake with my car and parked there with the intention of walking to the corner to find this man. I got out of the car on the drivers side and started to walk around the front. Just as I cleared the front of the car I heard shooting and looking towards the porch of this house I saw Joseph Kucinski alias Cadillac Joe there with a pistol in his hand firing at me. He was kneeling on the porch floor behind a brick railing and had his pistol between two flower pots. The first shot he fired struck me in the left leg just below the knee cap. He continued to fire and I started to fire at him but there were three other boys on the porch and I was afraid of hitting one of them. After emptying his pistol Cadillac Joe jumped off of the porch and ran between the houses and disappeared. I then got in my car and drove home from which place I was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital, after I had called the station. I went to the hospital on Sept. 26 and went home from there on Oct. 11th. I remained at home, disabled, until October 29th, a total of 34 days. I was taken care of by Dr. Wilson and am Detective still under the doctor's orders, although he does not consider the

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DETECTIVE REPORT

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

wound serious at this time. On October 30th, in company with Detectives Dobzeniecki, Palicki, Kina, Davis, Scarlato, Baxix, Green went to a house on Elsie Avenue, 2559, where we arrested Joseph Kucinski alias Cadillac Joe. He is now in custody and has been identified for about eight ~~years~~ hold ups and he himself pointed out about ten or fifteen places which he held up. He also admitted the shooting of a Prudential Life Insurance agent on the night of October 29th, during a robbery.

Respectfully,

Joseph Swiatecki, Detective.

Detective

Form No. 21-6-7

July 1st, 1935.

Detective Jos. Swiatecki,
Police Department,
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

You have, this date, been promoted
to position of "Detective."

Your promotion was made on the
basis of past performance.

We trust that you will continue
the good work and merit the confidence of
your superiors and the citizens of Toledo.

Respectfully,

Daniel T. Wolfe
Chief of Police.

John A. Price Approved
Director of Public Safety.



CITY OF TOLEDO
OHIO

DIVISION OF POLICE

GEO. N. SCHOONMAKER
City Manager



RAY E. ALLEN
Chief of Police

Feb. 6th, 1941.

Mr. R. E. Allen,
Chief of Police.

Dear Sir:-

Detective-Lieutenant Jos. Swiatecki has been off duty since Jan. 14th, 1941, due to inability to walk.

Captain R. Van Vorce called upon this man at his home on Feb. 3rd and again on Feb. 5th, and states that this man sits in a chair with his foot on a pillow.

Dr. Bernard A. Karwowski, 3037 Stickney, PO-2027, is his physician. Dr. Paul Ensign, while police surgeon, told Detective Swiatecki that the gun shot wound suffered several years ago caused the poor circulation.

Detective Swiatecki also advised that while on cruiser duty with Patrolman Harvey Bailey last month, he placed his foot near the auto heater and burned his foot causing the wound to open up, and, due to poor circulation, it does not heal rapidly.

It is impossible to determine length of time he will be required to remain off duty.

Respectfully,

Jos. Fruchey
Jos. Fruchey
Inspector of Detectives.

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CITY OF TOLEDO

OHIO

RAY E. ALLEN
Chief of Police

DIVISION OF POLICE

Dec. 1st, 1947.

Mr. E. A. DeAngelo,
Director, Public Safety.

Dear Sir:-

Joseph K. Swiatecki, Born June 24th, 1889, in Toledo, O. Was appointed patrolman Dec. 1st, 1917, detailed to Detective Bureau on Nov. 10th, 1921, and was promoted to Sergeant-Detective Mar. 1st, 1926, and to Lieutenant-Detective July 1st, 1935.

The ranking officers and myself have always considered Jos. Swiatecki a very good police officer, and his record of arrests is exceptionally good.

On Sept. 26th, 1930, while attempting to arrest Joseph Kucinski, alias Cadillac Joe, on Lake St., near Franklin Ave., Joseph Kucinski fired 5 shots at Detective Jos. Swiatecki when the detective was getting out of his own private auto. (Jos. Swiatecki was on vacation) One of the bullets lodged in Detective Swiatecki's left leg, just below the knee cap and is still embedded in the bone. He was taken to St. Vincents Hospital, attended by Dr. Dale Wilson, Police Surgeon, and was released from hospital on Oct. 11th, 1930, and resumed duty Nov. 1, 1930.

Since the date of returning to duty, Detective Swiatecki has always had some pain and did have a slight limp at all times.

In 1939, he was off duty about 70 days, and he attributes this to injury while on duty when pushing a police auto at Muny Garage. At that time his back and left leg were causing him intense pain. Dr. C. Czarnicki, his personal physician treated him during this period.

In 1941, he was off duty from Jan. 14th to May 11th inc. and this was attributed to having been overheated while in police auto with Patrolman Harvey Bailey and Patrolman Leo Kwapich. The overheating was to his right foot from the gasoline heater in the police auto, and Detective Swiatecki did not feel it because of the poor circulation of blood evidently caused by the bullet injury in 1930. Because of his health, he was granted a leave, without pay, from Nov. 16th to 23rd inc. Then he was granted leave, without pay from Dec. 1st, 1941 to Apr. 1st, 1942. He then worked until Apr. 1st, 1945, without losing a day, and in April, 1945, he lost 8 days and then to avoid further days being marked sick, he took his yearly vacation. He then worked until Jan. 14th, 1947 and was off duty until April 5th, 1947, including vacation. During the last named period, he had 2 toes removed at Mercy Hospital.

He has been off duty from Oct. 1st, 1947, and had another toe removed and is now confined to his home, and is now on sick-leave to Dec. 16th, 1947, (with pay) and he states he will return on that date or sooner.

Since 1939, Detective Swiatecki was attended by Doctors Czarnecki, Karwoski, Weideman, Max Schneitker, Jos. Radicki, and Eyestone, and was confined in Mercy Hospital twice, and he paid all bills. Also, Police Surgeon Dr. Scott was paid for office calls.

Respectfully,

R. E. Allen
R. E. ALLEN,
Chief of Police.

- 1. Safety Director
- 2. Chief of Police
- 3. Inspector, Staff Office
- 4. Inspector of Police
- 6. Inspector of Traffic
- 7. Sup't. Ident. Bur.
- 8. Cap't. No. 1 Station
- 9. Cap't. No. 2 Station
- 11. Captain Crime Prevention
- 12. Women's Bureau

10. Captain Detectives

RECORD DIV. NO.

CLASS

NUMBER

SUPPLEMENTAL OFFENSE REPORT

OFFENSE

ARRESTED

POLICE DEPARTMENT
TOLEDO, OHIO

DATE OF OFFENSE

19

DETAILS OF OFFENSE: PROGRESS OF INVESTIGATION: PERSONS INTERVIEWED: ADDITIONAL PROPERTY STOLEN, ETC.

TO:

DATE OF THIS REPORT

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IN REGARD TO MY INVESTIGATION OF THE ABOVE OFFENSE, I REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

TO: *Anthony A. Bosch*
 Chief of Police
 Sir, I am requesting to be put on Pension after termination of my vacation, which I am requesting June 1st 1958

DATE OF THIS REPORT *May 29th 1958*

Respectfully,

Joseph C. Swatecki
 Detective Lieutenant

INVESTIGATING OFFICER

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TOLEDO POLICE DIVISION

OFFICE OF THE

CHIEF

December 18, 1970

With deep regret I announce the death of pensioned Lieutenant Joseph K. Swiatecki, who passed away on Thursday, December 17, 1970.

Lieutenant Joseph K. Swiatecki was born June 24, 1889, at Toledo, Ohio, and was appointed to the Division of Police on December 1, 1917. He was promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant on March 1, 1926, promoted to the rank of Detective Lieutenant on July 1, 1935, and was pensioned on July 1, 1958.

During his years of service he was held in high esteem by his fellow workers and citizens.

Body lies in state:

Urbanski Mortuary
2907 Lagrange Street

Services:

Fraternal Order of Police
Urbanski Mortuary
Saturday - 7:30 P.M.
December 19, 1970

11:00 A.M. - Monday
December 21, 1970
St. Hedwig's Church
2916 Lagrange Street

Burial:

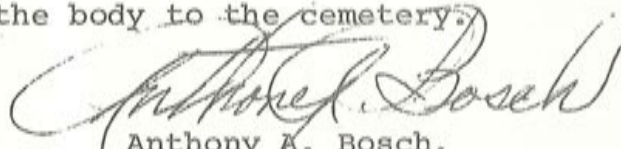
Calvary Cemetery
2224 Dorr Street

Pallbearers:

P. Kerschbaum	R. Lowe
C. Stelnicki	L. Lisowski
A. Carroll	W. Molnar

Pallbearers cars will leave the Safety Building at 10:30 A.M.

Motorcycle escort will accompany the body to the cemetery.


Anthony A. Bosch,
Chief of Police.

Arrangements Approved:

Clifford T. Quinn,
Safety Director.

CYCLE POLICEMAN, STRUCK BY CAR, LOSES TROUSERS

TB 2-27-19

Joseph Swiatecki, motorcycle

policeman, lost his trousers, part of his underwear and his temper under a car at Indiana and Junction avenues Wednesday night.

He was knocked from his machine by the car and dragged a considerable distance. When he arose very much undressed, a woman who saw his plight, ran from her house with a pair of emergency jeans. Swiatecki, uninjured, sent his wrecked motorcycle to Central police station.



LONG AGO

WHAT A difference in styles, as well as personnel, a quarter of a century makes. Members of the Toledo detective bureau posed for this picture June 10, 1922. The cap for formal wear by well-dressed sleuth was on its way out, while the old bowler of the teen decade had disappeared. Left to right, in the top row, are Joseph Fruchey, now head of the bureau; Roy Havens, retired; Michael Rowan, Ernest Raitz, Joseph Swiatecki, Capt. William Carroll (deceased), William Julert (deceased), Fred Langhoff, Bernard Cummings, retired; James Ford, retired; John Mullen, Michael Daly (deceased). Center row, Capt. Fred Buck, retired; John Hodges (deceased), Edward Harris (deceased), William Culver (deceased), Dan Gavin (deceased), John Connors, retired; Stanley Kina, retired; Frank DeLora, Garnet Stevenson, Edward Eaton (deceased); Dick Martin (deceased); Capt. Ralph Van Vorce, retired. Seated,

John Henahan (deceased), William Herman (deceased), Capt. James O'Reilly, retired; Irving Brown (deceased), Albert Hassenzahl (deceased), John Hovey (deceased), Louis Kruse, retired; Stephen Quinn (deceased), Frank Peters (deceased), Charles Mavis, retired; Inspector William Delehanty, later chief of police (deceased); Bert Dobzeniecki (deceased), and Fred Palicki (deceased). Such bureau stalwarts as Capts. Mose McCloskey, Emmet Cairl, Edward Rock (deceased); Capts. Willard Rydman, retired, and George Timiney, now Lucas County sheriff; Inspector Louis Hass, former chief of police, and Arthur Langendorf were not available on that day long ago when this picture was snapped in front of the old police headquarters on Superior St. Only 9 of the 44 men then comprising the bureau are still active in Toledo police work.

AS MURDER SUSPECT FACED QUESTIONERS



Steve Kotowicz, 22-year-old suspect in the murder of Clement L. Mikolajczyk, Lagrange street grocer, is shown at the left as he faced his interrogators today in a quiz at the Safety building. Seated at the table, left to right, are Kotowicz, Detectives Bert Dobzeniecki and George Eckerman, and Joel Rhinefort, assistant Lucas county prosecutor. Standing are Detective Joseph Swiatecki, left, and Detective Ralph Murphy.