

Niech bedzie pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.  
Friends of Poland - Well, a happy New Year to you and yours. And may this year reunite all families broken up by the war. And let's not forget the sick and the ailing - may their recovery be early and speedy.

Polacy, rodacy, bracia - niech ten nowy rok wam sprzyja.

Now let's listen to what the 14th program in the series Poland vs. Hitler has to offer us to-day.

The first Polka we play for you to-day is an irresistible invitation - ZYWO BRACIE W TANY - COME ON BROTHER, LET'S DANCE. Now, how ~~can~~ can you resist?

By the way, I wonder if ~~the~~ any publishers in our audience, know who published the FIRST English book to be printed west of the Rocky Mountains? Well, it was a Pole - Dr. Felix Paul Wiersbicki.

Incidentally - believe it or not - I heard a woman say not long ago: I ~~had~~ never knew that there were so many distinguished Polish men and women. As a matter of fact, every nation has them. It is up to us to learn of them and about them and so round out our education. But this program is primarily interested in acquainting you with Poland and her many contributions to our country and to the world at large.

~~Let's~~ Lest we think the Christmas season is over, let's listen to a Kolenda - a Polish Christmas carol by the Immaculate Conception Choir.

As I was preparing this program, Colonel McEntee of Saugerties called on me for some Polish information. Among other things, the colonel remarked that he regretted that the Polish language was so difficult. I hastened to inform him that I respectfully disagreed with him. On the contrary, I said, the English language is notoriously difficult and full of exceptions and irregularities. Believe it or not, I have been informed that there is no such subject as spelling

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on the Polish school curriculum. A word is ~~still~~ spelt simply as it is pronounced. Of course, it is fundamentally necessary to know ~~th~~ the alphabet. Then you pronounce a word as it is spelt or spell a word the way it is pronounced.

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How unlike our own English. I'll give you an example. To is pronounced to; too is ~~still pronounced~~ is also pronounced to; two is still pronounced to.

Or take the word beer. B e e r and b i e r, pronounced alike. Or in this case, is there a similarity because an excess of the one leads to the other?

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But enough of that - Let's rest our brains and instead use our feet by dancing to HALINA POLKA.

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Suppose we sit this one out, by listening to another Kolenda or Polish Christmas carol.

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Feet rested? Ready for another Polka? Alright, let's go. ZLOTA RYBKA - GOLD\*FISH - dedicated to all fisherman --- who don't exaggerate.

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And so ~~to~~ WIDZENIA. God bless you and yours ~~for~~ in 1944. And BOG ZAPLAC for listening.