

Polish Cavalry in World War II

Map material

1. Map of Poland today - Scale 1:7,000,000

(Source: <http://www.pilot.pl>)



200 kilometer

References to the text

Red - The first attack of the Polish cavalry.

The town of Chojnice is within the circle.

Blue - The last great attack of the Polish cavalry.

Some of the locations appear on Map 3.

Green - The last great attack of the Polish cavalry.

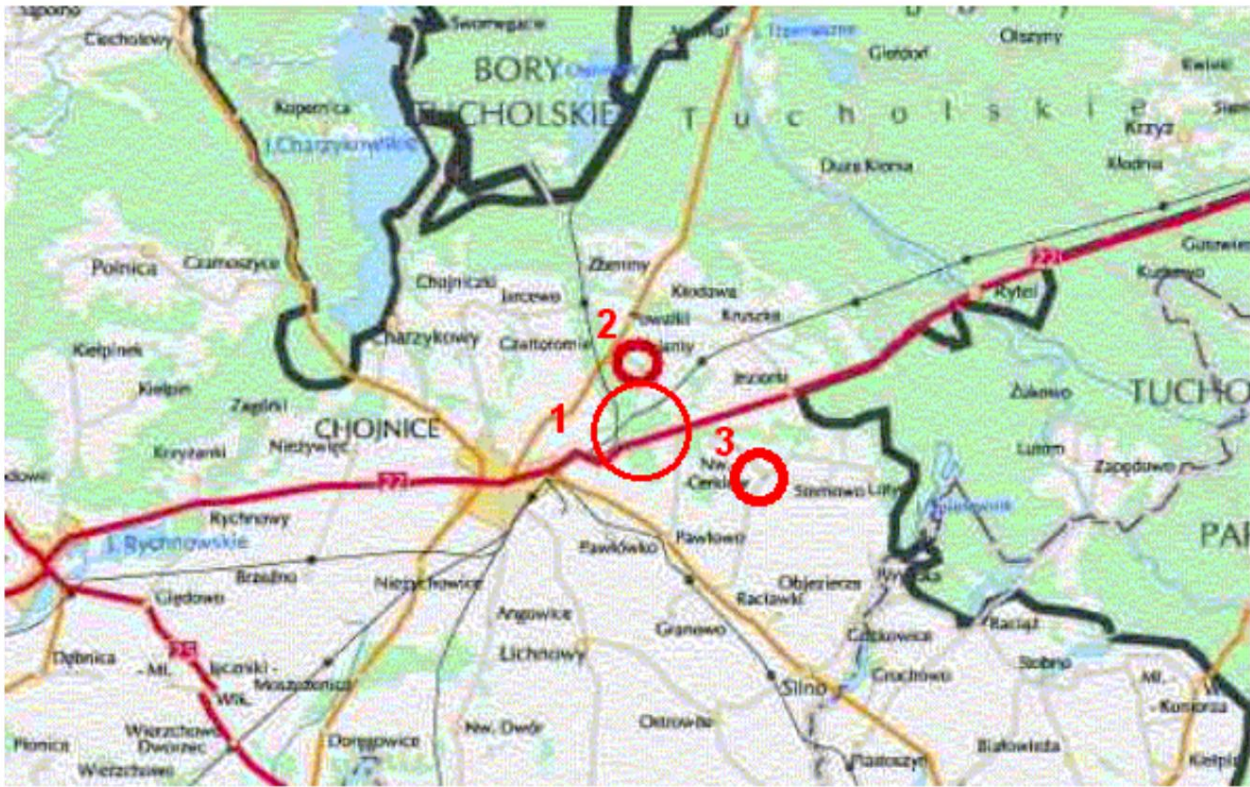
Garrison area for Cavalry Brigade Suwalkska.

Black - Forward! After me! The absolute last Polish cavalry attack.

The town of Schönfeld cannot be located further; the circle therefore indicates the region of Pomorskie (Pomerania).

2. Map section of the area east of Chojnice - Scale 1:210,000

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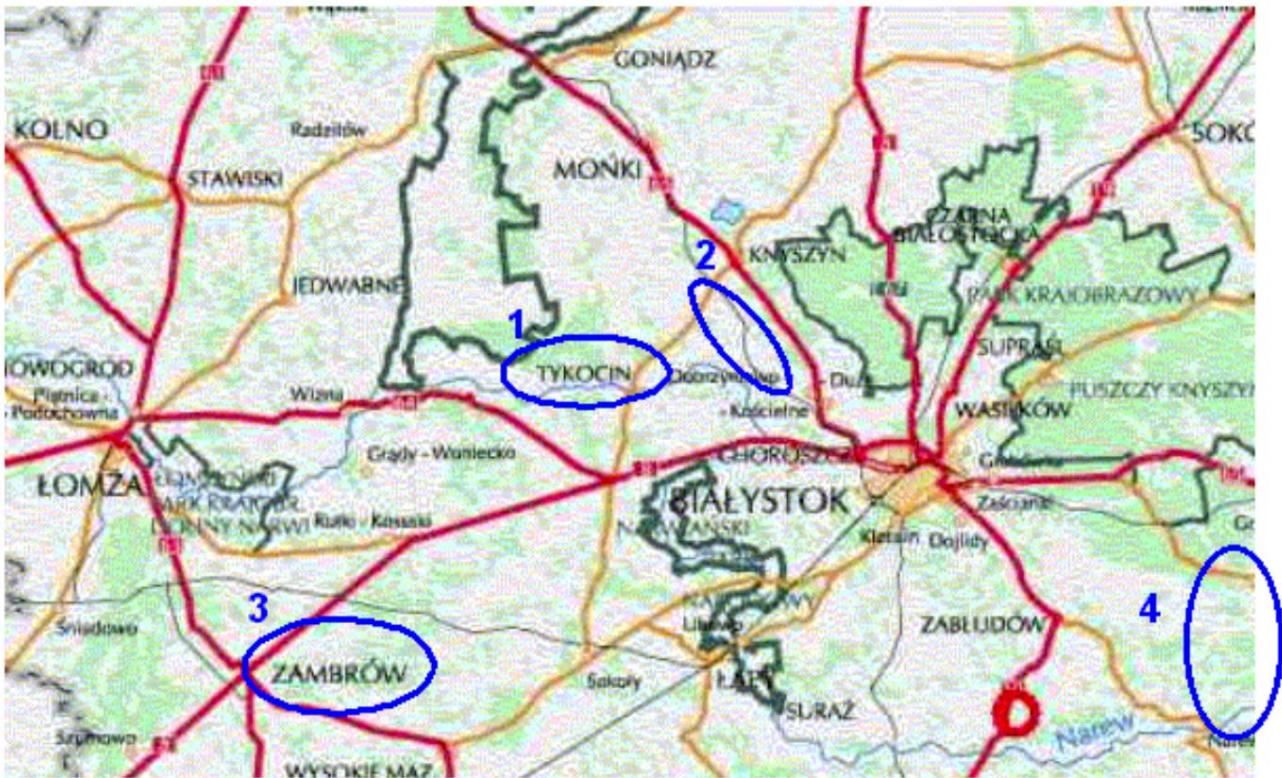


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The Polish cavalry's first attack (1) took place on 1 September 1939 immediately west of Chojnice, between Krojanty (2) and Nowa Cerkiew (3).

3. Map section of the area west of Białystok - Scale 1:630,000

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20 kilometer

References to the text

On a contemporary map of Poland it is possible to locate some of the locations mentioned in "The Last Great Attack of the Polish Cavalry". The distances in the report do not correspond entirely to the geography.

In the center is Tykocin (1) with the bridge over the Narew - one of the brigade's destruction missions. East of this, the marking (2) indicates the most likely section of the railway line which was the brigade's second task of destruction.

Southwest of Tykocin is the town of Zambrów (3). The brigade's starting area for operations was the "northern edge of the great Zambrów Forest". It is not possible to locate the towns of Rypno and Fastow more closely. It follows from this that it is therefore also not possible to determine exactly where "The last great charge of the Polish cavalry" took place. However, it seems likely that the skirmish took place south of Tykocin, as the explosions of the bridge over the Narew and the railway line are heard coming from the north.

Białowiesia Forest (4), to which the brigade had to go after completing the tasks, is located southeast of Białystok.