

Stanisław Leśniewski a szkoła lwowsko-warszawska

Stanisław Leśniewski and Lvov-Warsaw school

SUMMARY

The years 1910-1916 are regarded as a “pre-logicist” period in Leśniewski’s activity. It proceeded in an atmosphere of Lvov Twardowski’s school; the years 1910-1912 in direct co-operation with Twardowski, and the next activity Leśniewski radically criticized, naming it a “philosophical and grammatical” one.

In 1919 Leśniewski applied with Twardowski’s assistance, for assistant professorship in Lvov. His endeavor was blocked, most of all by Młcisław Wartenberg. In spite of this, Leśniewski was called in 1919 to take the chair in Warsaw University and since then his standing in this circle was rising. He was co-originator of Warsaw centre of mathematical logic.

Departure of the Warsaw school from philosophical problems practised in Lvov caused a critical response of Twardowski. In spite of disputes carried on in Lvov-Warsaw school, Twardowski’s standing as the school founder was not imperilled.

Disputes were carried on in Warsaw circle as well. Leśniewski’s character and his style of work caused that his attitude towards environment did not take a good shape. But this did not disturb the essential cooperation of Warsaw logicians and the mutual interaction of their ideas. This fact is mentioned in recollections of Łukasiewicz, Kotarbiński, Ajdukiewicz and others. It was Kotarbiński who named Leśniewski a “man of genius”.

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