MEILACH LUBOCKI MEMOIR, 1945- approximately 1995 1995.A.0272

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Descriptive summary

Title: Meilach Lubocki memoir

Dates: 1945-1995

Accession number: 1995.A.0272

Creator: Meilach Lubocki

Extent: 2 folders

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Abstract: The memoir of Meilach Luboski of Kaunas, Lithuania describes his memory of the German invasion, life in the Kaunas (Kovno) ghetto, and his time in the Stutthof concentration camp. Included in this collection is the original copy of Meilach's memoir, written in Yiddish during the period when Lubocki was living in a displaced persons camp in Landsberg am Lech, Germany (circa 1945). Also included is a translation written by his brother Charles Lubock, dating from the mid-1990s, and edited by Charles' son Paul Lubock.

Languages: Yiddish, English

Administrative Information

Access: Collection is open for use, but is stored offsite. Please contact the Reference Desk more than seven days prior to visit in order to request access.

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Acquisition information: Charles Lubock donated his a translation of his brother's post-war memoir to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in 1995. His son, Paul Lubock, donated the original memoir in 2010.

Accruals: Accruals may have been received since this collection was first processed, see archives catalog at collections.ushmm.org for further information.

Processing history: Michael Folkerts, June 2015

Biographical note

Meilach Lubocki was living with his family in Kovno (Kaunas) Lithuania when the Germans invaded in 1941. He lived with his wife Esther, two children Vova and Rina, parents Joseph and Rivka, and his three brothers. During the initial weeks of the occupation, Meilach and his family hid in their house, waiting out the partisan violence that began to take place. They stayed in their home several weeks until they were discovered and forced into labor. Eventually, the Lubocki family was forced to live in the Kovno ghetto, and continued to work hard labor. In 1943, the ghetto was cleared out, and the Lubockis were separated and put onto different transport train cars. Meilach was able to stay with his brothers, Chaim, Morris, and Zalman. The Lubocki brothers arrived in Port Kunda, Estonia, without the rest of their family. The brothers worked in a factory and other hard labor until August 1944, when they were sent to Stutthof. They worked hard labor for two months before being sent to Magdeburg, where they worked in an ammunitions factory. The brothers stayed there until April, 1945. As the Soviet army closed in on the area, troops began to flee. The Lubocki brothers escaped, staying in a barn and later a German civilian's home for several weeks. After the liberation and the end of the war, Meilach traveled to Prague, before settling in Landsberg, Germany. His wife, parents, and children had perished.

Scope and content of collection

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System of arrangement

The Meilach Lubocki memoir was arranged as a single series.

Indexing terms

Lubocki, Meilach.

Lubock, Charles.

Lubock, Paul.

Lubocki, Vova.

Lubocki, Rina.

Lubocki, Esther.

Lubocki, Joseph.

Lubocki, Rivka.

Lubocki, Chaim.

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Lubocki, Morris. Lubocki, Zalman.

Stutthof (Concentration camp)

Holocaust survivors--Lithuania. Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)--Lithuania--Kaunas--Personal narratives. Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)--Lithuania--Kaunas. Jewish refugees--Lithuania--Kaunas. Jewish ghettos--Lithuania--Kaunas.

Kaunas (Lithuania) Magdeburg (Germany) Kunda (Estonia) Landsberg am Lech (Germany)

CONTAINER LIST

Series 1: Meilach Lubocki memoir, 1945- approximately 1995

Folder	Title
1	Memoir, 1945
2	Translation, approximately 1995