

**JACK AND BEATRICE GLOTZER PAPERS, 1916-2000 (bulk 1938-1949)
1997.44**

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Descriptive summary

Title: Jack and Beatrice Glotzer papers

Dates: 1916-2000 (bulk 1938-1949)

Accession number: 1997.44

Creator: Glotzer, Jack, 1925-2005

Additional creator: Glotzer, Beatrice

Extent: 0.5 linear foot (9 folders)

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Abstract: The Jack and Beatrice Glotzer papers consist of biographical materials, a memoir, photographs, and a postcard documenting Jack Glotzer's family in pre-war and wartime Rohatyn and Jack and Beatrice Glotzer's immigration to the United States in 1949.

Languages: English, Polish, German

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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Related materials: An oral history interview conducted with Jack Glotzer on October 2, 1996 that forms part of the USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive can be viewed onsite at the Museum.

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

Processing history: Julie Schweitzer, March 2014

Biographical note

Jack Glotzer (1925-2005) was born Jacob (Kuba) Glotzer in Rohatyn Poland (now Ukraine) to butcher Mayer Glotzer and Toba Barban Glotzer. He had two younger brothers, Samuel (Miko) and Moshe Emanuel (Edmund). Mayer Glotzer immigrated to the United States in 1937, intending to bring the rest of his family over. The Glotzers' home lay within the borders of the Rohatyn ghetto, established in late 1941. Toba and Edmund Glotzer perished when the ghetto was liquidated in June 1943. Jack and Samuel hid in the woods where Samuel perished shortly before liberation in 1944. Jack served in the Red Army until 1946, spent one year in the Schlachtensee displaced persons camp and two years in Bayreuth, and immigrated to Brooklyn in 1949. He married Beatrice Walzer in 1951.

Beatrice Glotzer was born Bronia Walzer in Jarosław, Poland. When Poland was partitioned between Germany and Russia, the Germans marched the Jewish residents of Jarosław across the San River into Russian territory. The Walzers found refuge in her father Jacob Walzer's home town of Modolycze. When German troops occupied Modolycze, a school friend of Jacob's hid the Walzer family in their cellar until the Red Army liberated Modolycze in 1944. Jacob's three brothers in Belgium were all killed with their families, and Beatrice's maternal uncle died in Siberia. The Walzers found their way to western Germany after the war and lived at the Jäger Kaserne displaced persons camp until immigrating to the United States in 1949.

Scope and content of collection

The Jack and Beatrice Glotzer papers consist of biographical materials, a memoir, photographs, and a postcard documenting Jack Glotzer's family in pre-war and wartime Rohatyn and Jack and Beatrice Glotzer's immigration to the United States in 1949.

Biographical materials include the meal card Beatrice Glotzer used during her passage to the United States, an International Refugee Organization medical tag issued to her when the ship reached Boston Harbor, and two report cards issued to Edmund Glotzer in 1938 and 1939.

Jack Glotzer's memoir, *I Survived the German Holocaust Against All Odds: A Unique and Unforgettable Story of a Struggle for Life*, describes his childhood in Rohatyn, Russian occupation, German occupation, Gestapo Actions, survival hiding in the woods, liberation by the Red Army, military service in the Red Army, return to Rohatyn, postwar life in Schlachtensee and Bayreuth, and immigration to the United States.

Photographs depict Jack Glotzer's family in Poland, Edmond Glotzer with his classmates, Jack Glotzer's aunt Malke Altman and her family in Poland, his uncle Wilhelm Rapaport during World War I, and Beatrice Glotzer aboard the ship that brought her to the United States.

The postcard was written by Toni Glotzer in Rohatyn before the ghetto to her husband in New York and mentions his inability to help her and their sons.

System of arrangement

The Jack and Beatrice Glotzer papers are arranged as four series:

- Series 1: Biographical materials, 1938-1949
- Series 2: Memoir, 2000
- Series 3: Photographs, 1916-1949
- Series 4: Postcard, 1940

Indexing terms

Jews--Ukraine--Rohatyn.

Jews--Poland-- Jarosław.

Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)--Personal narratives.

Jewish ghettos--Ukraine--Rohatyn.

Jews, Polish--United States--Emigration and immigration.

Jarosław (Poland)

Photographs.

CONTAINER LIST

Series 1: Biographical materials, 1938-1949

Folder	Title
1	Glotzer, Beatrice, Meal card and medical identification tag, 1949
2	Glotzer, Edmund, Report cards, 1938-1939

Series 2: Memoir, 2000

Folder	Title
3	Glotzer, Jack and Walzer, Alexander, <i>I Survived the German Holocaust Against All Odds: A Unique and Unforgettable Story of a Struggle for Life</i> , 2000

Series 3: Photographs, 1916-1949

Folder	Title
4	Altman family: Max, Malke, Izie, Clara, and Josie, approximately 1938
5	Glotzer, Beatrice, aboard the General Ettliger en route to America, 1949
6	Glotzer, Edmund, with his classmates, approximately 1938
7	Glotzer family: Kuba, Toba, Samuel, and Edmond, approximately 1938
8	Rapaport, Wilhelm, 1916

Series 4: Postcard, 1940

Folder	Title
9	Glotzer, Toni to Glotzer, Mayer, 1940