

ERNEST HARTOG FAMILY PAPERS, 1899-1949
1998.108.1

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Descriptive summary

Title: Ernest Hartog family papers

Dates: 1899-1949

Accession number: 1998.108.1

Creator: Ernest Hartog family

Additional creator: Hartog, Ernest, 1928-

Extent: 0.5 linear foot (14 folders)

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Abstract: The Ernest Hartog family papers include biographical materials, correspondence, and photographs documenting the Hartog family, Emil Hartog's imprisonment in the concentration camp at Gurs and his family's efforts to arrange for his release through Father Alexandre Glasberg and other channels, and Paula Hartog's brothers, Albert and Hugo Josephs.

Languages: German, French

Administrative Information

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Acquisition information: Ernest Hartog donated the Ernest Hartog family papers to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in 1998.

Related materials: Ernest Hartog also donated his father's 1934 Honor Cross medal awarded to German World War I veterans (1998.108.2) and an oral history interview (1993.A.0094.12). An oral history interview conducted with Ernest Hartog on August 8, 1995, which forms part of the USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive, can be viewed onsite at the Museum.

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Processing history: Julie Schweitzer, September 2013

Biographical note

Ernest Hartog was born Ernst Hartog in 1928 in Aachen to Emil (1886-approximately 1942) and Paula Hartog (1894-1974) and initially lived in nearby Gangelt. His family moved to Aachen in 1937 and then to Brussels in 1939. Emil Hartog was arrested as an enemy alien when Germany invaded Belgium, and Ernest and his mother fled to Paris. Emil was transferred to the concentration camps at St. Cyprien and Gurs. Ernest and Paula moved to Lyon in 1941, living under the false identity "Ardolle." Emil was deported to Auschwitz in August 1942 and perished. Ernest and Paula were the only survivors among their extended family, and they immigrated to the United States in 1947, settling in New York. Ernest married Sonya Salomon, a survivor from Luxembourg.

Scope and content of collection

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Biographical materials include authentic and forged identification papers; birth, marriage, vaccination, and prefectural certificates; and student, medical, and military records.

Correspondence consists primarily of letters and postcards from Emil Hartog to his wife and son while imprisoned in Gurs. The letters describe daily life and conditions in the camp, his health, and efforts to secure his release, for example through the aid of Father Alexandre Glasberg. Additional letters document Ernest Hartog's efforts to locate his father after his deportation to Auschwitz.

Photographs depict Ernest, Paula, and Emil Hartog and Albert, Hugo, Erna, and Helga Josephs before the war in Gangelt and Aachen, during the war in Brussels, and after the war in Lyon.

System of arrangement

The Ernest Hartog family papers are arranged as three series:

- Series 1: Biographical materials, 1899-1949
- Series 2: Correspondence, 1941-1943
- Series 3: Photographs, approximately 1920-1946

Indexing terms

Glasberg, Alexandre, 1902-1981.

Gurs (Concentration camp)

Jews – Germany – Aachen.

Jews, German – France.

Concentration camp inmates – France – Gurs – Correspondence.

Hidden children (Holocaust) – France – Lyon.

Gurs (France)

Lyon (France)

Photographs

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Series 1: Biographical materials, 1899-1949

Folder	Title
1	Hartog, Emil, Employment history, 1905, 1913, 1919, 1928, 1939
2	Hartog, Emil, Medical and military records and identification papers, 1915, 1934, approximately 1938
3	Hartog, Emil, Student records, 1899-1901
4	Hartog, Ernest, Birth and vaccination certificates, 1928-1929, 1939
5	Hartog, Ernest, Identification papers, 1943-1946
6	Hartog, Paula, Birth and prefectural certificates, 1939-1942, 1949
7	Hartog, Paula, Identification papers, 1938-1947
8	Josephs, Hugo, Birth and marriage certificates, 1949

Series 2: Correspondence, 1941-1943

Folder	Title
9-11	Hartog, Emil in Gurs, 1941-1942 (3 folders)
12	Union Générale des Israélites de France, 1943

Series 3: Photographs, approximately 1920-1946

Folder	Title
13	Hartog, Ernest, Paula, and Emil, approximately 1920-1946
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