

HERBERT KLEIN PAPERS, approximately 1916-1949 2015.529.1

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Descriptive summary

Title: Herbert Klein papers

Dates: approximately 1916-1949

Accession number: 2015.529.1

Creator: Klein, Herbert, 1924-2010

Extent: 0.5 linear foot (9 folders)

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Abstract: The Herbert Klein papers consist of identity, education, employment, and immigration records related to Herbert Klein of Vienna, Austria and his parents and pre-war, wartime, and post-war financial and restitution documents regarding the expropriation of the family's automobile garage and repair shop in Vienna, "Berthold Klein and Co."

Languages: German, English

Administrative Information

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Related archival material: The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum also holds the papers of Herbert Klein's sister, Fritzi Natko Klein (2015.530.1).

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Biographical notes

Heinz Herbert Klein was born on June 13, 1924 in Vienna, Austria, to Robert and Elsa (née Rosenblum) Klein. He had one younger sister, Fritzi (1928-2014). Robert operated his family's automobile garage and repair shop, which was located adjacent to the family's house. After the Anschluss, Robert and his business partner, Franz Müller, were forced to sell the shop to a Nazi at a steep discount. In the spring of 1939, Heinz Herbert was sent to England on a Kindertransport, while his sister, Fritzi, was sent to the United States on the "50 children" transport organized by Gilbert and Eleanor Kraus. Robert and Elsa were able to immigrate in November 1939; Heinz Herbert joined them a year later. In 1943, Heinz Herbert enlisted in the United States Army and served with the 45th Division.

Scope and content of collection

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System of arrangement

The Herbert Klein papers are arranged as a single series.

Indexing terms

Klein, Herbert.

Klein, Robert.

Klein, Elsa.

Natko, Fritzi Klein.

Jews--Austria--Vienna.

Jewish refugees--United States.

Automobile repair shops--Austria--Vienna.

World War, 1939-1945--Confiscations and contributions--Austria.

Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)--Reparations.

Vienna (Austria)

Austria--Emigration and immigration--History.

United States--Emigration and immigration--History.

Photographs.

CONTAINER LIST

Series 1: Biographical materials, 1901-2011

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2	Klein, Herbert, 1924, 1944-1946
3	Klein, Robert, 1931-1949
4	Other biographical materials, approximately 1916-1929
5-8	Business, financial, and restitution records, approximately 1931-1947 (4 folders)
9	Letter from Gilbert Kraus, 1939