

CHAMYSZ FAMILY PHOTOGRAPH COLLECTION, 1905-1936

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Descriptive summary

Title: Chamysz family photograph collection

Dates: 1905-1936

Accession number: 2016.524.1

Creator: Chamysz family (Lviv :Ukraine)

Extent: .5 linear feet (11 folders)

Repository: United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives, 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW,
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Abstract: The collection contains pre-war photographs of brothers Jacob, Josef, and Samuel Chamysz and their families in Lwów, Poland (present day Lviv, Ukraine). Also included is a letter with multiple authors dated 27 April 1921.

Languages: Polish, English, Yiddish

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: The Chamysz family photograph collection was donated to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum by Gail Erlitz in 2016. Gail's grandmother Mary's brothers were Jacob, Josef, and Samuel Chamysz.

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

Processing history: Adam Fielding, December 2016

Biographical note

Malka Stavnichi and Edi Labe Chamysz lived in the small village of Verba (present day Verba, Ukraine) where they owned a paper mill. They had eight children, Jacob (1881-), Josef (1883-), Samuel (1889-), Anna, Pauline, Jenny, Clara, and Maryam (later Mary). All the daughters and their mother Malka immigrated to the United States by 1921. The brothers co-owned an apothecary in Lwów, Poland (present day Lviv, Ukraine), and remained in Europe. Jacob married Zesul Lerner and they had two daughters, Sonia and Edjya, and a son (name unknown). Josef married Zesul's sister Leah Lerner, and they had one daughter, Edja. Samuel married Manya (last name unknown) and they had one son, Leon. It is likely that all three brothers and their families perished in the Holocaust.

Scope and content of collection

The collection contains pre-war photographs of brothers Jacob, Josef, and Samuel Chamysz and their families in Lwów, Poland (present day Lviv, Ukraine). Also included is a letter with multiple authors dated 27 April 1921.

System of arrangement

The collection is arranged as a single series.

Indexing terms

Person:

Chamysz, Jacob, 1881-

Chamysz, Josef, 1883-

Chamysz, Samuel, 1889-

Chamysz, Sonia.

Chamysz, Edjya.

Chamysz, Edja.

Chamysz, Manya.

Chamysz, Leon.

Lerner, Zesul.

Lerner, Leah.

Topical Subject:

Jewish businesspeople--Poland.

Jewish families--Poland.

Holocaust Jewish (1939-1945)--Poland.

Geography:

Lwów (Poland : Voivodeship)

Genre/Form:

Photographs.

CONTAINER LIST

Folder	Title
1	Chamysz, Edja, 1916-1936
2	Chamysz, Edjya, 1925-1929
3	Chamysz, Edjya, Sonia, and brother, 1914-circa 1920
4	Chamysz, Jacob, circa 1900
5	Chamysz, Josef, 1905-1928
6	Chamysz, Leon, 1923-1934
7	Chamysz, Manya, circa 1920s
8	Chamysz, Samuel, 1908-1915
9	Chamysz, Sonia, circa 1905-1936
10	Chamysz, Zesul, circa 1920s
11	Letter, 1921