

**Sara Glutzman**

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### **Summary**

Sara Glutzman (nee Fleisher) was a member of the Dror Youth movement, in Warsaw. Her counselor was M. Tenenbaum. In 1939, after the bombing in Warsaw, many people arrived from Lodz. Yitzchak Katzenelson was one of the active members. Sara participated in a choir that often sang in a synagogue, in Klumatzky (?) In 1940, it was decided to go out to do some agriculture around Warsaw. A group was sent, comprised of the people who had been learning farming in Lodz, and some from Dror. (On May First, a group went out to demonstrate, even though the Jews were already closed in. Many joined from other villages, and the crowds were huge. It reminded the not-so-young members of Dror of better times...) To work in agriculture, the group went to Yablonke, not far from Warsaw. They remained there until the end of the growing season, and then went back to Warsaw. The ghetto was in the beginning of construction. Then, they went to another site (?) which was already an enclosed ghetto. They lived on top of the mikvah. It was very hard to survive. Jews were already being taken to all kinds of forced jobs. Then, the group was sent to a farther site Kosuv-Podlasky. They suffered many illnesses there. Then they went to Częstochowa. During an "action" by the Nazis, Sara managed to escape back to Warsaw, to work. She began work by taking care of children in Praga(?), and declared herself as coming from Cracow. She was then sent to Cracow. It was the fall of 1941. She was sent with no false documents. Dolek met her at the ghetto, and found a place to hide in the attic of Shimek's home. They hid for 3 days, and then Dolek sent Sara to Raiso (?) in Jeshuv (?) With no documents, and with some money, to the address of Hela, the "connector", with the objective of

finding a home to which other members would come. Both Hela and Sara had colored their hair blonde, and were wearing a huge cross around their neck, and pearls! Sara declared herself an orphan from Cracow. The Polish woman, from whom Hela rented her room, allowed Sara to stay all the time she would need to knit her a sweater out of an old one! However, Sara decided to find another address. She did, in an unfinished home used by some women. At that time, some of the youth organization members arrived to join Hela and Sara, and also Stepha, Hela's friend, accompanied by a German soldier whom she used as a prop. The group being constituted had for a mission to procure weapons, and to get organized for different activities. Sara's task was to find a job in order for them all to survive. Hela gave Sara a piece of paper that stated that her name was Bronislawa Mlotek, born in Cracow. Sara found a job with a German engineer. Afterwards, Sara found a room with an older couple in Jeshuv (?) He was a worker in the municipality. She started to work in a casino. After the killings in Cracow, and the deportation to the camps, a few members of the movement arrived in Jeshuv (?) Sara tried to return to Warsaw. Yitzchak, injured, tried to find Sara but did not have her address. Since then, Sara did not have any connection with the movement, even though she looked for them. She still lived with the old couple until the end of the war. Hela returned in 1943. The police caught her while trying to enter Warsaw, but she came to live with Sara.

Sara met Antek and Tzivia after the war, when they came back from Warsaw to Lublin. In Lublin, Sara was with a group of Hashomer Hatzair who had come from Russia. They began searching for connections, and immediately with all the movements they comprised the "Breichah" movement. Sara was sent back to Jeshuv, to the old people, but confessed now that she was Jewish.

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