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Summary

The testimony of Yehudit Cohen was read and was translated by Vera Rosenberger.

Yehudit Cohen was born October 1, 1919 in Senta, Yugoslavia (now in Serbia). Her father died when she was ten years old; her mother was left with two sons and herself.

Yehudit attended a public school in Ada, then a gymnasium in Senta. She then studied pharmacy in Zagreb until the Nazi occupation. She describes the harsh treatment by the Hungarians and the brutal conditions. Her brother was killed in 1942. Her mother was deported to Auschwitz in 1944. Yehudit was sent to Auschwitz from Senta. After a few weeks, Mengele reassigned her to an aircraft factory near Berlin. She describes the terrible conditions. As the Russian army approached, they were sent on a march to Hamburg during which many died until liberated by the Russians.

She returned to her home finding it occupied by a family from Montenegro. She obtained a job as a pharmacist, married, and emigrated to Israel in 1948. She concludes with a warning to Jews in the Diaspora of the quick rise of someone like Hitler.