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SUMMARY

Wolf Karo, an only child, was born in Altona, Germany April 2, 1924. His father sold dry goods from a small store and door to door. Both Wolf and his parents had Polish citizenship and Polish passports but lived in Germany. His parents belonged to an orthodox synagogue and his father was an active member of a Zionist organization.

Wolf experienced some antisemitism. He describes several instances when his father went to the Polish consulate in Hamburg for protection against the GESTAPO or the German police, as well as other dealings with the German police that his father initiated.

Wolf was educated at the *Talmud Torah Schule* for Jewish boys, and a tutor. The Jewish community in Hamburg was orthodox, the school was not. He describes the curriculum and the progressive teaching methods. Wolf relates his experiences with various Zionist youth organizations which were permitted to operate openly.

Wolf's parents considered leaving Germany for Palestine as early as 1930. They left Germany for the United States in March 1938. Wolf describes the lengthy emigration process as Polish citizens and why he actually left under the German quota.

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