

Lipot Seidenfeld With His Family



This is a photo of my mother Johana Bozoky's family, taken in Rau de Mori, in 1934. In the back row you can see, from the right: my father, Albert Bozoky, near him my mother, Johana Bozoky; the child between them is me. Near my mother is her sister, Irina Pavlici, from Zagreb. The man behind her is my uncle, Adolf Weinberger, he was married to my mother's sister, Matilda Weinberger: In this photo she is the fourth woman to his left. Near my uncle is another aunt of mine, my mother's sister Borbala Steinhart, and near her Aunt Frida Bauer, also from Zagreb. Near Aunt Frida is my cousin Nada, Aunt Irina's daughter. To her left there is my uncle Alexandru Seidenfeld, and the woman second to his left is his wife, Reghina. In the front row, there are, from left: my cousin Magdalena Weinberger, Aunt Matilda's daughter, my grandmother, Gizella Seidenfeld and my grandfather Lipot Seidenfeld. 1934 was the year my grandfather died, he was already ill by that time.

My maternal grandparents, Lipot and Gizella Seidenfeld, lived in Rau de Mori, in the region of Hateg. My grandfather was born in Lupeni, and he had a store. I think he had some elementary school, and his mother tongue was Hungarian, as well as my grandmother. Her maiden name was Lorincz, and she was from Hateg as well; I think she did four classes of high school, and she was a housewife, but of course she helped my grandfather a lot with the store. I know that my grandmother had a brother, who lived in Deva, and some other siblings in Dej, but I don't know anything more about them.

My mother had four sisters and a brother: Frida Bauer was married to Ottó Bauer, a Jew from Zagreb who was a clerk. They lived in Zagreb, and Frida was a superintendent at a boarding school for girls there. Aunt Frida's husband, Ottó, killed himself, because he gambled in a game of cards the money of the factory he worked for, and only after that he realized what he had done. He was away in Belgrade, I think, and he shot a bullet through his head there, in a hotel room. After that Frida remained in Zagreb. Frida died in 1944 in a concentration camp, and she didn't have any

children.

Irina Pavlici was married to Anton Pavlici, who was a Catholic, and who also worked in Zagreb as a lawyer. Irina was a housewife, and she had a daughter, Nada, who lives in London now. Matilda Weinberger was married to a Jew, Adolf Weinberger, who was a notary. They lived in Targu Mures, and he died of natural death, before the Holocaust. Matilda was a housewife, and she had a daughter, Magdalena. Matilda died in Auschwitz, in 1944. My mother's third sister, Borbala Steinhart, was married to a Jew, but I don't know his first name. Borbala was a housewife as well, and she had a son, Nicolae. She died in a concentration camp in 1944, either in Auschwitz or in Bergen-Belsen, I don't remember exactly.

My mother's brother was called Alexandru Seidenfeld, and he was also a shopkeeper, he helped my grandparents with their store. He was married to a Jewish woman, Reghina, and he didn't have children. He got sick with consumption; when he was on the front during World War I; he had to stay in water up to his waist, that's how he fell ill. So he stayed with my grandparents, helped them as long as he had the strength, but then the disease progressed, and killed him. Alexandru died in 1939 in Rau de Mori.