

Matilda Cerge As A Young Child



Here I am as a young child in our apartment in Belgrade. The photo was taken in 1930. My mother was born in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in 1909. Her name at birth was Antonija Ograjensek. When she was 18 or 19 she came to Belgrade to visit her sister who was living here. That is when she met my father. I don't know how my parents met. I never asked. My mother was very pretty and young and my father fell in love with her. She met him when she was about 20. They married very soon after they met. I don't know exactly when, maybe it was 1928. I was born when she was still 20. My mother didn't have time to tell us stories. She was always busy. All day long she was busy. Whenever the store was open she was there. And when she came home she didn't know what needed to be done first. In addition to the help we had she was always straightening up and helping around the house.