

The Molnars In Front Of Their House



In the picture you can see our house in Zuglo, Budapest, in front of it my mother and father (Iren and Miklos Molnar) are standing, my brother Peter is clinging to the fence. The photo was taken in 1943 When I was born we lived on Thokoly Street no. 12, in a rented apartment. Our apartment on Thokoly Street was about 120 square meters. There were two bedrooms, a living room, a hall, kitchen, bathroom, toilet, a maid's room, and a balcony overlooking the street. In the maid's room a maid stayed. She cleaned, did the laundry, ironed and did the dishes. She didn't have to heat, because we had central heating. My mother cooked, did the shopping and bossed everyone about. In 1939 the family moved to Muranyi Street into a three-story apartment. This was a bigger and nicer apartment, and there my grandfather lived with us too. He moved in with us then. We had one room more than in the previous apartment. We lived there until 1942, and in that year my father bought a house in Zuglo. The plot was about 5000 square meters, and the house was about

100 square meters. Three rooms, a hall, bathroom, kitchen, maid's room, big cellar and a balcony. There we had two maids, they lived in the same room, they were sisters. I don't know why we needed two maids, my poor mother was often nervous.