

Adolf Stern With His Wife And Daughter



This is a picture of my great-grandfather Adolf Stern, his wife Elizabeth Sternova, nee Willheim and their daughter, Adriana Brodyova, nee Sternova in the family house in Bratislava in the early 1930s. My great-grandfather Adolf was born in 1871 in Humenne, then Austria-Hungary. He got married in 1902, to Elizabeth, who was born in 1873 and died in 1959 in Great Britain. She left Slovakia after the war. Her daughter Adriana Brodyova, nee Sternova, had left for Britain with her husband earlier, in 1939. In 1896 my great-grandfather wrote a book entitled Tozsde keletkezese es annak jelentosege [The creation of the stockmarket and its significance]. This was a book about the stock market and apart from that he was the author of many articles published in Hungarian, Slovak and German journals. He was interested in sociology, he was a specialist in water transport, and in 1933 he wrote a very interesting book entitled Loesung des Arbeitslosenproblems [Solution of the unemployment problem], which received a sympathetic response in the journals of Central Europe. He also had many lectures about his book broadcast on Bratislava Radio. My greatgrandfather regularly corresponded with several important personalities of the period, namely with Sigrid Undset, Nobel Prize winner in literature, and Gustav Streseman, Chancellor of the Weimar Republic. Adolf died in Bratislava on 9th November 1934.