

FAMILY SHEET LOUIS BERG OF SAMTER (POSEN) + SAMOTSCHIN + Breslau + Augsburg

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VERSION 04

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further family details were taken from a memorial plate in front of Louis + Natalie Berg's gravestone at Jewish Cemetery Augsburg (Haunstetter Strasse) and from Natalie Berg's family biography + additional info on Max + Paul Berg from Maayan W de Sanchez

LOUIS BERG

warehouse owner in Samotschin (Posen), starting as a small business at parents-in-law's home, around 1900 replaced by a new impressing building - business („Waarenhaus Louis Berg") was very successful until World War I

Louis + Natalie left Samotschin in 1922 to live with son Paul Berg in Breslau until 1933 Hitler came to power when they moved to Augsburg and lived with their daughter Johanna's family at the housing area of Augsburg Synagogue

born 25 Apr 1856 Samter near Posen, died 13 Mai 1935 Augsburg
parents = ?

married in 1882

NATALIE SINA

born 12 Aug 1857 Samotschin near Posen, died 20 Feb 1939 Augsburg
parents = Moses Sina + wife Pauline nee Mann

Natalie's extensive family biography, compiled in Breslau 1928-1931, was donated to the "Leo Baeck Institute" in New York by daughter Hanna

this biography in its old-German handwriting is very difficult to read

CHILDREN (all born in Samotschin):

(01) SOPHIE BERG

14 Mar 1883 - 23 Jul 1943 (died in Sobibor)
married before 1904

ABRAHAM LUDWIG LEVY from Obersitzko near Posen
18 Jul 1871 - 23 Jul 1943 (died in Sobibor)
parents = ?

couple had lived in Hannover, moved to Amsterdam in 1939 and was deported to Sobibor in 1943

so far known children (born in Hannover):

(a) **Heinz Levy** 29 Apr 1904 - 31 Mar 1944 (Auschwitz)
married on 22 Apr 1936 in Amsterdam

Henriette (Jetty) Gompers from Amsterdam
05 Mar 1908 - 19 Nov 1942 (died in Auschwitz)
parents = Hartog Gompers + Johanna Levie van Berg
couple had a daughter (born in Amsterdam) =

Yolanda Nathalie

03 Jul 1939 - 19 Nov 1943 (died in Auschwitz)

Heinz + Jetty lived in Amsterdam since 1935 and were deported to Auschwitz with Yolanda

(b) **Rena Dina Levy** 20 Nov 1910 - 30 Nov 1943
died in Sobibor as victim of Shoah

- (02) **MAX BERG** 17 Apr 1884 - ?
- (03) **JOHANNA BERG** 17 Aug 1885 - 24 Aug 1984 (died in New York)
 (Hanna in USA) married ca 1909
WILHELM HEIMANN from Schwersenz
 Chief Cantor + teacher for Jewish Community
 in Augsburg 1917-1939
 (was Chief Cantor in Bromberg even before 1909)
 01 Aug 1878 - 01 Dec 1967 (died in New York)
 parents = Magnus Heiman ? + wife NN
 couple had 2 children, born in Bromberg :
- (a) **Dr Harry Heimann** (**Hyman** in USA)
 01 Apr 1910 - 22 Oct 1993 (died in Los Angeles)
 1935-1938 Rabbi in Heilbronn, emigrated to USA and
 became Rabbi in Palisades Park, later Huntington
 Park (Los Angeles) until Temple closed in 1997
 married on 18 Aug 1838 in Heilbronn
Greta (Gretl) Steigerwald from Heilbronn
 30 Jan 1918 - 22 Aug 2006 (died Norwalk California)
 parents = manufacturer Oskar Steigerwald +
 wife Alice nee Sternheimer
 Oskar + Alice became victims of Shoah
 Harry + Greta were buried in New Jersey
- (b) **Charlotte (Lotte) Heimann**
 09 Okt 1915 - 06 Jul 1983 (died in New York)
 married ca 1943
Stephen Sigwart Wertheimer from Karlsruhe
 lawyer (Dr jur) in Karlsruhe until 1933
 emigrated with wife to USA in 1940
 06 Dec 1904 - 03 Apr 2011 (died in Kew Gardens NY)
 parents = ?
 children = **Anita** (born 1945) + **Jack**
 Wilhelm + Johanna Heimann + children left Augsburg
 in 1939 and emigrated to USA via England
- (04) **ROSA BERG** 26 Jan 1888 - 1943 (died in Auschwitz)
 married before 1917
HERMANN HEINE from Gronau
 (stove ?) manufacturer in Hannover
 23 Jul 1878 - 1943 (died in Auschwitz)
 parents = ?
 couple lived in Hannover, was deported to Auschwitz
 one known son (born in Posen ?):
Martin Heine 20 Apr 1917 - 1942 (Treblinka)
 engaged on deportation to Warsaw to
Lieselotte (Lilo) Rosenbaum
 from Foerste near Osterode (Harz)
 20 Dec 1909 - 01 Nov 1943 (died in Trawniki)
 parents = Julius Rosenbaum + Klara nee Hanauer
 Martin + Lilo were deported in 1942 from Hannover
 to Warsaw, Martin ended up in Treblinka,
 Lilo was deported to Trawniki and sent a letter
 from there back home describing her tragic fate
 (letter is published on the internet)
- (05) **PAUL BERG** 16 Apr 1891 Samotschin - ca 1962 Tel Aviv, Israel
 studied medicine in Freiburg, Munich and Breslau

where he worked as a medical doctor until he and his wife emigrated to Palestine in 1933 he married ca 1922

LILLI LINA PLATAU from Berlin
30 May 1891 - after 1962 in Tel Aviv
studied medicine between 1911 and 1915 in Breslau where she became friendly with Edith Stein
Lilli was a gynaecologist in Breslau and Tel Aviv
parents = merchant Hermann Platau + wife Therese nee Elias

children (both born in Breslau) =

Ruth 20 Jul 1923 + **Renate** 22 Apr 1926

(06) **BETTI BERG**

06 Jan 1893 - ?

married before 1918

LOUIS JUEDEL from Samotschin (Posen)
farmer + cattle trader in Samotschin
ca 1885 - ?
parents = ?

Betty + Louis Jüdel probably lived in Samotschin by World War II and were deported from there ?

also children Paula + Max became Shoah victims ?

fate of Betty + family still needs verification

(07) **KURT BERG**

31 Jul 1899 - 1943 (died in Auschwitz)

merchant in Berlin

married

(A) **MARGOT PERITZ** from ?

? - ?

parents = ?

Kurt Berg had lived in Berlin with wife + children who must have survived World War II because around 1960 Kurt Berg's widow added a memorial plate to the gravestone of Louis + Natalie Berg at Jewish Cemetery Augsburg (Haunstetter Strasse), also mentioning all other descendants of Louis + Natalie Berg who had become Shoah victims

(A) Kurt Berg's wife was mentioned by name in a note to Yad Vashem in 1970, given by Kurt Berg's sister Hanna Heimann, wife of Chief Cantor Wilhelm Heimann, who had settled in Flushing, New York USA after leaving Augsburg.