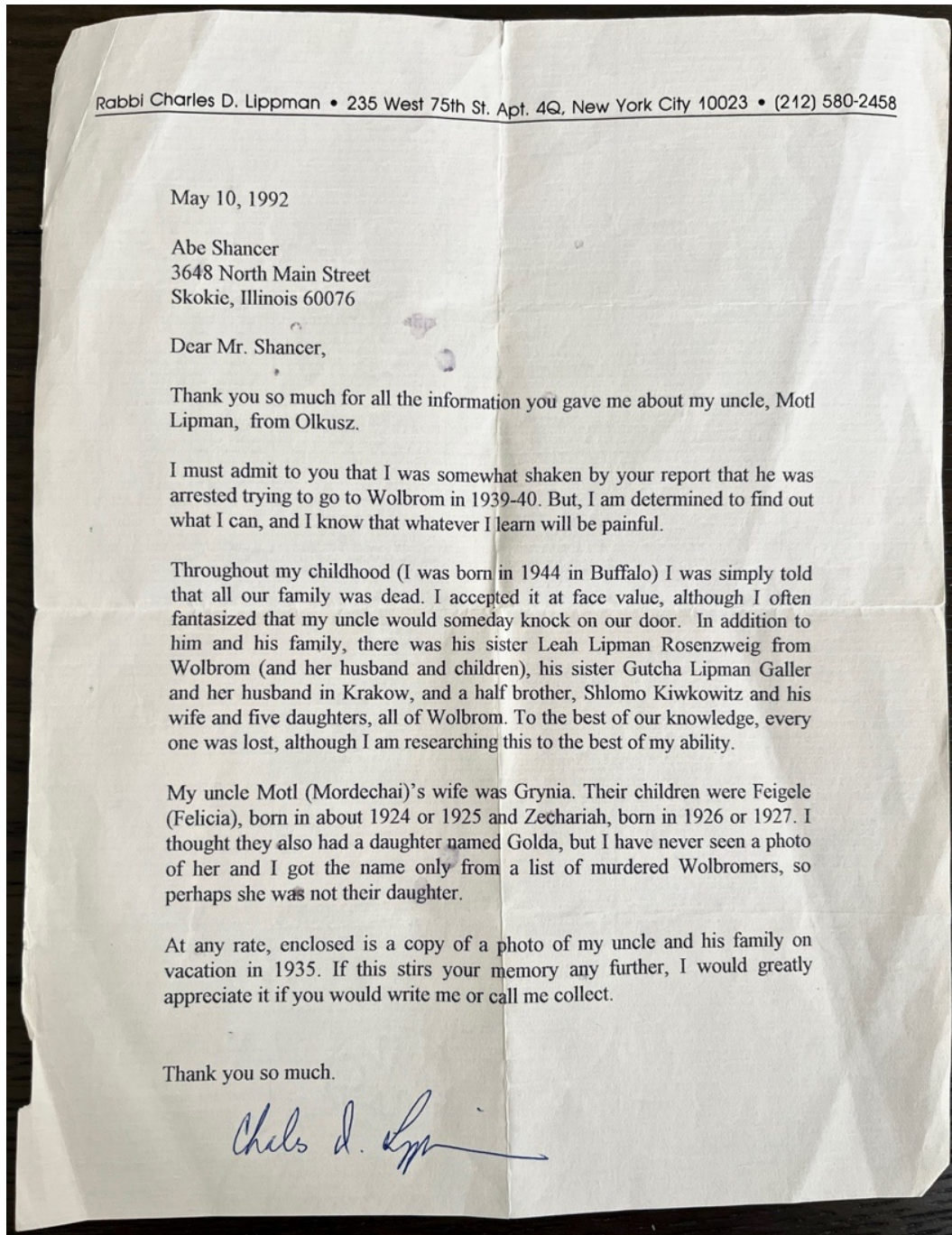


Post-war photos, letters and documents related to Abe Shancer

in possession of his granddaughter Elyse Aronson-Tsfati, whose comments were attached to some of the presented documents.

Document 1.



IMG_3327: A letter from 1992 to my grandfather from Rabbi Charles Lippman, who had family from Olkusz. I found the Lipman family in the book by Krzysztof Kocjan. The rabbi mentions a photo in the letter which is likely the same photo that you have in your book. Rabbi Lippman has passed away, and I don't have additional knowledge besides the letter.

TRIPLICATE
(To be given to declarant when originally issued; to be made a part of the petition for naturalization when petition is filed; and to be retained as a part of the petition in the records of the court)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

No. _____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

In the _____ DISTRICT
of _____ UNITED STATES at _____ CHICAGO Court

ss: _____

ROMAN SZANCER
3112 W. 15th Place, Chicago, Ill.

(1) My full, true, and correct name is _____
(2) My present place of residence is _____
(3) I am _____ years old. (5) I was born on _____ June 30, 1923 _____
(4) My personal description is as follows: Sex _____ Male, color _____ White, height _____ 5 feet 6 inches, weight _____ 145 pounds, visible distinctive marks _____ None, color of eyes _____ Grey, color of hair _____ Black, present nationality _____ Polish
(6) I am _____ not married; the name of my wife or husband is _____
(7) I am _____; he or she was born at _____, we were married on _____
(8) I have _____ children; and the name, sex, date and place of birth, and present place of residence of each of said children who is living, are as follows: _____
(9) My last place of foreign residence was _____ Stuttgart, Germany _____
(10) I emigrated to the United States from _____ Bremen, Germany _____
(11) My lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States was at _____ Boston, Mass. _____ under the name of _____ Roman Szancer _____
(12) Since my lawful entry for permanent residence I have _____ not _____ been absent from the United States, for a period or periods of 6 months or longer, as follows: _____
(13) I have _____ not _____ heretofore made declaration of intention: No. _____, on _____, at _____
(14) It is my intention in good faith to become a citizen of the United States and to reside permanently therein. (15) I will, before being admitted to citizenship, renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of whom or which at the time of admission to citizenship I may be a subject or citizen. (16) I am not an anarchist; nor a believer in the unlawful damage, injury, or destruction of property, or sabotage; nor a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government; nor a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbeliefs in or opposition to organized government. (17) I certify that the photograph affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of me and was signed by me. I do swear (affirm) that the statements I have made and the intentions I have expressed in this declaration of intention subscribed by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief: SO HELP ME GOD.

DEPARTED FROM THE UNITED STATES			RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES		
PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE	PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE

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Roman Szancer
(Original and true signature of declarant without abbreviation, also other name if used)

Subscribed and sworn to (affirmed) before me in the form of oath shown above in the office of the Clerk of said Court, at _____ Chicago, Illinois _____
this _____ 21 _____ day of _____ October _____, anno Domini 19 _____ 49 hereby certify that
Certification _____ 8900-K-26716 _____ from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, showing the lawful entry for permanent residence of the declarant above named on the date stated in this declaration of intention, has been received by me, and that the photograph affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of the declarant.

(SEAL) **ROY H. JOHNSON**
Clerk of the _____ U.S. DISTRICT COURT _____
By _____ Mary C. Ireland _____ Court.
Deputy Clerk.

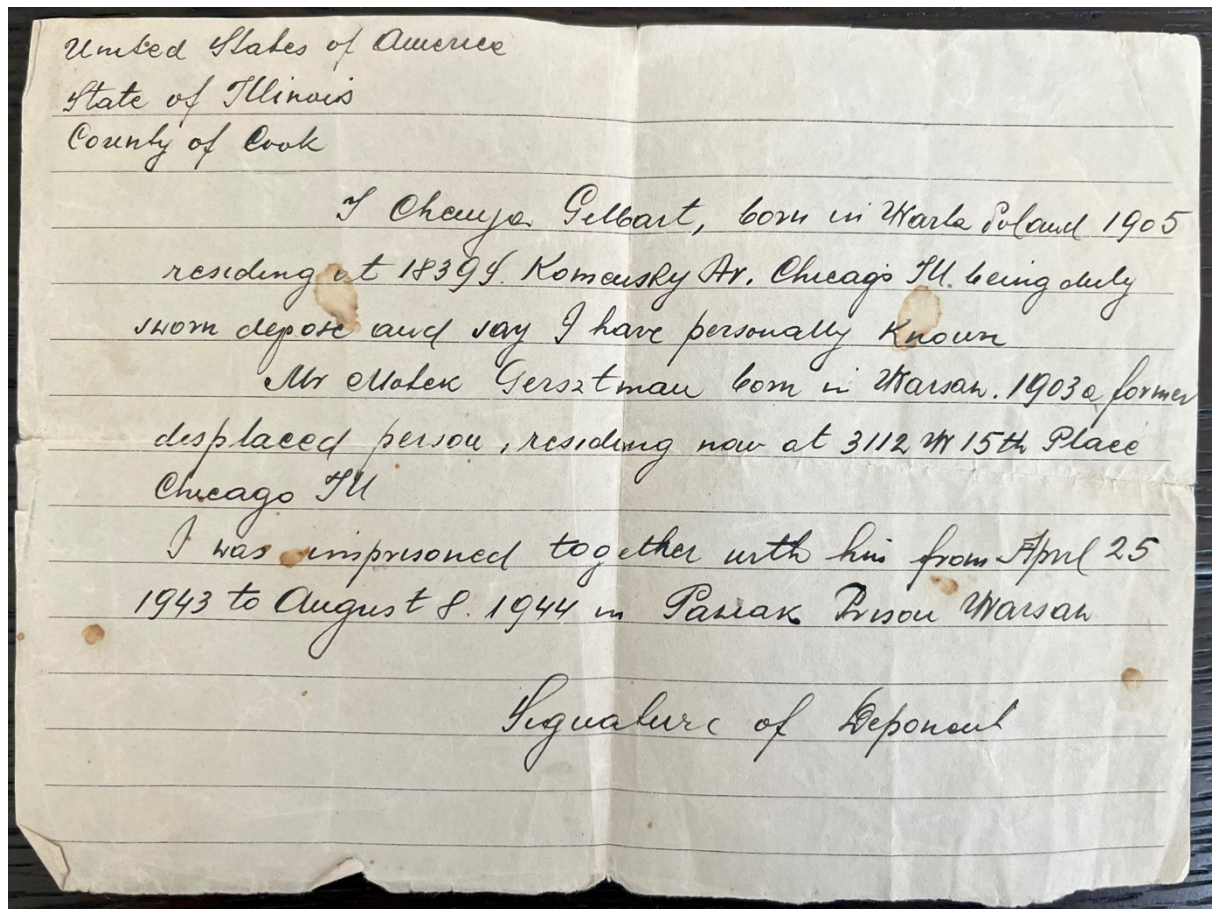
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IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
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IMG_3328: Roman Szancer (Abe Shancer) declaration of intention to immigrate to the United States from 1949

Document 3.



IMG_3329: This is a letter from someone with the last name of Gelbart, in Chicago, who is personally attesting to know my grandfather's sister's husband - Motek Gersztman. In the letter, Mr. Gelbart states that he was imprisoned with Motek (Max) from April 25, 1943 to August 8, 1944 in Pawiak Prison in Warsaw.

Tekst at the picture:

United States of America
State of Illinois
County of Cook

I Chemja Gelbart, born in Warta Poland 1905, residing at 1839 J. Komensky Av. Chicago Ill, being duly sworn depose and say I have personally known Mr. Motek Gersztman born in Warsaw 1903, former displaced person, residing now at 3112 W. 15th Place Chicago Ill.

I was imprisoned together with him from April 25 1943 to August 8, 1944 in Pawiak Prison Warsaw.

Signature of deponent

Document 4.

RZECZPOSPOLITA POLSKA
Województwo Krakowskie / Powiat Olkuski
URZĄD STANU CYWILNEGO
W OLKUSZU
Nr. 45 / 1923

Wzór Nr. 9.

Odpis skrócony

aktu urodzenia

Zaświadczam, że Abram Szancer
urodził się dnia trzydziestego czerwca tysiąc dziewięćset
dwudziestego trzeciego 30-VI-1923 roku
w Olkuszu
z ojca Włodeka Szancera — fryzjer
imie i nazwisko zawód
zamieszkałego w Olkuszu
z matki Ruchli Szancer — Flajdy
imie i nazwisko nazwisko rodowe
berzawodu — zamieszkałej w Olkuszu
zawód
Olkusz, dnia 9 kwietnia 1948 r.
Urzędnik Stanu Cywilnego:
Nychożartreini

MSI 79

IMG_3330: Abram Szancer (Abe Shancer) birth certificate that he must have gotten in person when he went back to Olkusz in 1948

Document 5.



IMG_3331: The picture of Elyse grandfather in Olkusz prior to the war, taken by Frank Besser. It is at Żuradzka street, in a place where the Shancer family were living.

Document 6.

Images 3332 and 3333: Jewish community of Wurttemberg identity card:



Document 7.

Images 3334-3336: Roman Szancer (Abe Shancer) German driver's license.
On the back of it, appears to be information related to his US immigration.

DRIVER-LICENSE
for
FUHRERSCHEIN
für

Mr. Herr Roman Szancer
~~Mrs. Frau~~
~~Miss Fräulein~~

born on
geboren am 30. Juni 1923

at
in Kielce/Polen

domiciled at
wohnhaft in Selb

Schützen Street No. 3
Straße Nr. 3

Legitimations number
Nummer des Führerscheins E 11 549

Mr. Herr Roman Szancer
~~Mrs. Frau~~
~~Miss Fräulein~~

is authorized, having passed examination, to drive a vehicle
erhält die Erlaubnis, nach Ablegung der Prüfung, ein Kraft-
fahrzeug mit Antrieb durch

Verbrennungsmaschine

der Klasse 3 - drei - zu fahren.

Selb, den 10. Juni 1947

Stadtrat Selb.
[Signature]

List No. 241

Issued after passed examination.
Nach bestandener Prüfung ausgehändigt.
(dated) Selb, den 3. 7. 1947

The officially authorized expert:
Der amtlich anerkannte Sachverständige:
[Signature]

List No. 45111

* For drivers license for class 4 the words "having passed examination" and the notice referring to the issue by the expert will be crossed out.
Bei Führerscheinen der Klasse 4 sind die Worte "nach Ablegung der Prüfung" und das Vermerk über die Ausstellung durch den Sachverständigen zu streichen.

Signature of the owner:
Eigenhändige Unterschrift des Inhabers:
Roman SZANCER

(Space for further official notices, especially referring to conditions of the license or extension of the license after additional examinations.)
(Raum für weitere amtliche Eintragungen, insbesondere für Bedingungen der Erlaubnis oder Ausdehnung der Erlaubnis nach Ergänzungsprüfungen.)

VISA. Nr. 5142/52

MARZ/25. 1949

ABFAHRT. LUDWIGSBURG. 29 III 49

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Document 8.



IMG_3362: Photos of Uncle Jacob and family. Elyse does not know who they are.

Document 9.



IMG_3366: Roman Szancer (Abe Shancer) after the war.

Document 10.



IMG_3364: Roman Szancer (Abe Shancer) photo that Frank Besser took during the war in a forest near Olkusz

Document 11.



IMG_3365: Photo of my grandfather on a motorcycle in Germany after the war

Document 12.



IMG_3368: Photo of my grandfather and his sister and him in his football uniform and football team in Germany after the war.

Document 13.



IMG_3369 - different photos of my grandfather after the war

Documents 14.

IMG_3370 and 3378: Not sure where this is, but same location. My grandfather is fourth from the right at a top picture and , first from the right below.



Document 15.



Roman Szancer (Abe Shancer) is first on the left. I believe it was taken in the Selb DP camp.

Document 16.



The photo is of three men in uniforms. The back of the photo is in Hebrew and is from someone named Yaacov (Jacob) and given to my grandfather to remember him by . It says it is from Selb 1946.

עצמון צבת אר
נמן סלמ ממונת
עמרי הוקרו "מסעלח"
"אדרהק"
/N "ידק?"
21/1 1946. סעלח

Translation: I give you this picture to remember. To my dear friend from Selb -
"Abraham", from "Yacov" (Jacob); Selb 1946.