

Ruth and Sally (Norman S in USA) Stiefel documents

Donated May 2012, by daughter Irene Stiefel Starr and son Richard Stiefel, in memory of our parents and their families.

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Note: The Folder 1 list is somewhat in order of the relationship to our parents. Folder 2/3 lists are mostly by date, as are the items in the folders. Some are copies as I do not have the originals. Also I know less about these documents than about those I sent in April 2012. (*didn't survive.)

Folder 1: People mentioned in affidavit documents

1. Sally (Norman S in USA) and Ruth Stiefel are our parents
2. Berta/Bertha (nee Goldstein) and Minna Stiefel are Sally's mother and sister who emigrated with him in March 1939.
3. Adolf/Adolph Weiss is husband of Sally's sister Betty. Affidavit for Berta/Bertha, Sally, Minna, April 1938.
4. Joseph Wasserman is husband of Sally's sister Paula. Affidavit for Berta, Sally, Minna, April 1938.
5. Simon Stiefel is brother of Sally. 8/2/1938 document for Ruth.
6. *Selma Stiefel Lorch/Lorsch is sister of Sally. 4/22/1940 affidavit of support for her family signed by *Norman S. Stiefel*
7. *Gustav Stiefel is brother of Sally. Unsigned, undated affidavit of support by *Norman S. Stiefel*. Also typed unsigned support letter 9/16/1940.
8. Emil Stiefel is brother of Sally. 1/28/1940 letter. Feb 1941 letter and env (with date of reply); also has notes by Irma and Paula.
9. Adolf/Adolph Stiefel is brother of Sally (his wife is Irma Salomon, a first cousin as their mothers Bertha and Rechina Goldstein were siblings)
10. Erwin Stiefel is Ruth's brother. 3/18/1940 affidavit for Hausmann's and Steinberg.
11. Malke Stiefel Hausmann (Manya is name we knew) is sister of Ruth's father Josef Stiefel.
12. Sophie Stiefel Traun is a first cousin of Ruth's father Josef Stiefel (both are grandchildren of Samuel Stiefel who was born 1806 in Vienna, died 1890 in Sieniawa). Her husband is Semi Traun. 8/6/1938 affidavit for Ruth – 2 sheets.
13. Sidney Magazine is accountant for Sally. 12/10, 1940 letter re Adolf Stiefel.
14. Louis Comonow and Milton Feld are acquaintances of Sally in Kansas City. Comonow affidavit and sample 1941 letters mention Gustav Stiefel family. Feld affidavits mention Karl Steinberg (unknown) and Hausmann's.



Folder 2: (from green Foliogröße, emptied it for shipping)

1912-1938

15. 1912 Ruth birth certificates (an original + typed version)
16. 1934 10/31 Rheinmetall, Sommerda bei Erfurt, bought typewriter and case RM 234.
17. 1934 Gießen Ernst Rau furniture
18. 1937 Hamburg-Amerika Linie 3 pages of excerpts of letters written by passengers
19. Undated. Carbon copy, 2 pages, aufstellung uber umzugsgut or consolidated statement of household goods before 1/1/1933 + a smaller section listing those after 1/1/1933. Includes desk + typewriter. 1938 Nov & 1939 Jan 2 pages with similar content, Merzkettel (reminder note) with instructions for listing possessions. 1939 1/31 Nachtrag (supplement) to aufstellung uber umzugsgut has a few items listed with a value.

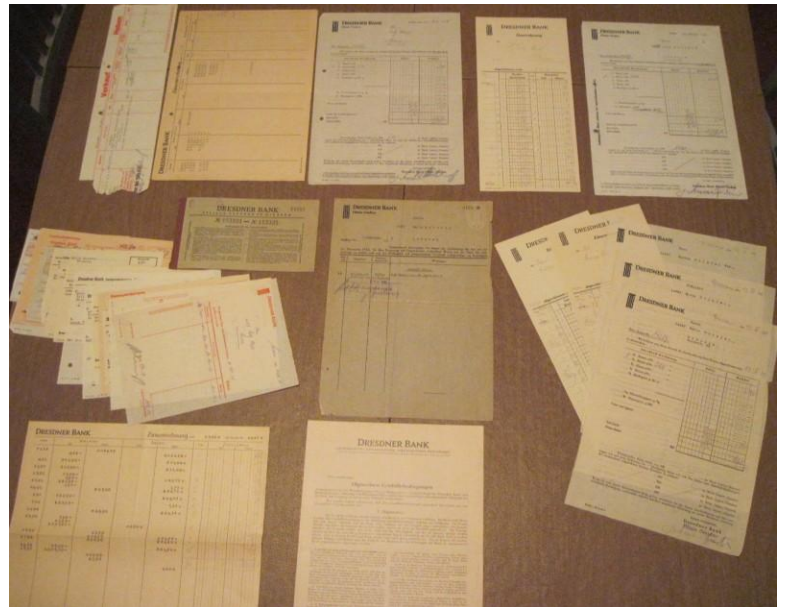


20. 193_ Fragebogen or questionnaire for émigrés.
21. Undated. 6x6 inch paper. Lower section has numbers (deposits perhaps). Top has S. Stiefel Vertretungen, Gießen Roonstraße Nr. 25, Bankkonto: Commerz-u. Privat-Bank, Gießen, Fernruf 3010. Sales rep bank deposit perhaps.
22. 1938 08/11, 8/16, 8/17, & 8/20 Gießen, from Sally to American Consulate in Stuttgart. Correcting typo on 7/16. Wants to put Ruth on his visa number 5088 (not 5085).
23. 1938 Marriage certificate Sally + Ruth - 3 pages. (Typed copy, 8/16/1938, Duisburg)
24. 1938 08/25 Consulate to Sally that wife can send papers and best to include this letter. 8/30 Sally to consulate re questionnaire and affidavits. 8/30 Reply that correction was made. 9/15 Sally to consulate re when Sally, Ruth, Minna, Bertha can have apt.
25. 1938 09/19 Köln, Blum u Schloss Möbelhaus, end or coffee table, rechnung for Herrn Stiefel with Duisburg address + small paper, perhaps receipt.
26. 1938 11/15 from American Consulate in Stuttgart to Sally form letter. Supporting materials in order. About appointment after affidavit givers interviewed. Write if need it ASAP. (Note date!)
27. 1938 12/04-1939 01/17 Duisburg, Friedrich Kühndahl Porzellan, Glas, bought 3 boxes + household items. 8 docs
28. 1938 12/22-23 Duisburg, Ernst Hanisch Porzellan, Glas..., bought household items. 5 docs
29. 1938 12/31 Steurkasse Duisburg to Ruth. No taxes due – 2 of the same



1938-1939 Dresdner Bank Filiale Gießen ,Sally, acct 14287 or 4287.

30. 1938 05/12 Frankfurt stock exchange (Börse) sold stock. RM 2000.
31. 1938 06/30 Zinsrechnung. Haben 732.80.
32. 1938 ? Netto-Saldo RM 732
33. 1938 12/31 Zinsrechnung – 2 sided. Haben RM 2330
34. 1938 Checkbook for 05/17/1938 – 01/04/1939. Number 153301-25
35. 1938-39 Several transaction receipts, some handwritten, some typed.
36. 1939 01 Netto-Saldo RM 1092
37. 1939 02/6 Error correction
38. 1939 02/22 from Sally to bank asking for bank transfer of 2000 RM to be able to leave
39. 1939 03/13 Zinsrechnung, etc, for Sally, Minna and Berta (6 pages)
40. 4 page doc about bank

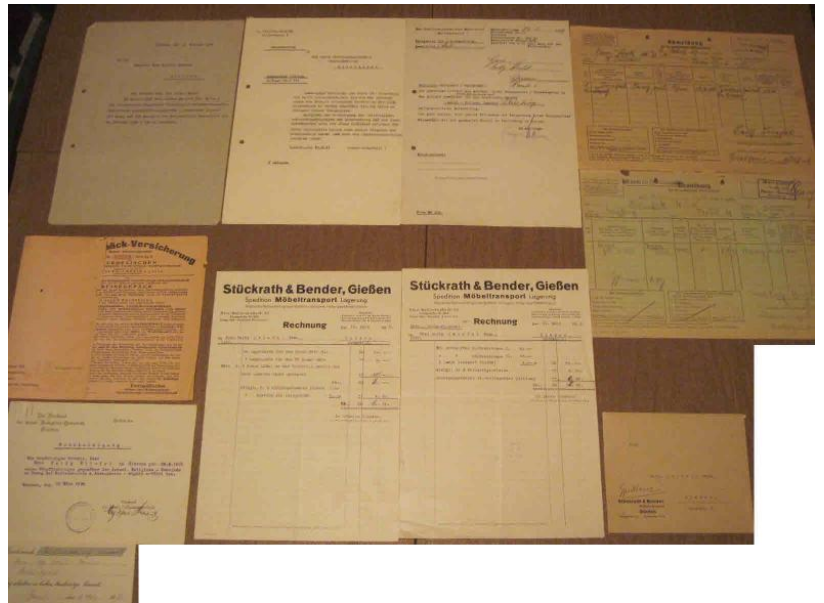


1939

41. 1939 1/03 Düsseldorf, envelope from Pres of county finance office
42. 1939 1/05 Gießen certificate, don't owe taxes, not convicted, all ok.
43. 1939 1/05 Ruth to Devisenstelle Düsseldorf (finance office) about moving to Gießen (Roonstr.25). I married. He has apt in Gießen; I am here. Our goods with export firm. Which office handles our case?



44. 1939 1/07 Stadtkasse Gießen, Unbedenklichkeitsbescheinigung, document certifying that one has no taxes, loans etc outstanding. Valid until 2/10, 1939.
45. 1939 1/12 Hamburg-Amerika Linie, RM 883.60. Bill for passage for Sally + wife, mother, sister. RM 883.60
46. 1939 1/14 Gießener Anzeiger – ad to sell furniture (Möbel zu verk.)
47. 1939 1/19 Gießen, list of assets (vermögensaufstellung) and statement re leaving no debts
48. 1939 1/20 + 2/23 Düsseldorf written, Gießen stamp, exit, tax office registered mail or package insurance ??
49. 1939 1/20 Sally to finance pres Düsseldorf about Ruth having to vacate her home, permit, storage at Ernst Espey. Perhaps a cover letter for enclosed docs. (See her 1/05 letter)
50. 1939 1/21 10 RM. Bill from Dr. Schöbel in Stuttgart for Ruth (Gießen, Roonstr. 6). Small receipt dated 1/25.
51. 1939 1/26 + 29 Duisburg, 1 doc for purchasing beds (Käthe Mandel Betten) and 2 docs for other purchases
52. 1939 1/26 Duisburg, Elektro Renckhoff, perhaps for lamps RM 35 on quittung; RM 39 on list of items
53. 1939 1/27 Duisburg, Möbel Müller, rechnung and quittung for desk chair RM 27
54. 1939 1/29 Rechnung RM26
55. 1939 2/23 Gießen, letter from Sally to Düsseldorf requesting release of household goods. Made 3000 RM payment.
56. 1939 2/27 letter from finance pres Düsseldorf to Sally granting request
57. 1939 2/28, 2/6, 1/31 Gießen, Dr. Wilhelm Bacheinheimer, pd bill, account advice, bank transfer – 3 docs
58. 1939 3/02 Gießen, Abmeldung to tell police Sally is leaving.
59. 1939 3/07 Europäischen baggage insurance contract #32514
60. 1939 3/09 Duisburg, Abmeldung to tell police Ruth is leaving.
61. 1939 3/10 Board of the Israel. Religions-Gemeinde Gießen, certificate, written confirmation that membership taxes paid. Receipt for RM 25- payment of culture tax.
62. 1939 3/11 Gießen, Stückrath & Bender Möbeltransport, Rechnung to Berta Stiefel Wtwe. (widow) - list of sold/stored items
63. 1942 mid-Sept. report of Theresienstadt survival, starting with arrest in Gießen. Last page lists Gustav Lorsch and family.



Folder 3: letters from Europe + a few documents

64. 1929 05/25 Erwin to father postcard from Frankfurt
65. 1939 02/11, 02/16, 03/07 Duisburg, letters from Sally to Firma Ernst Espey about shipping their things. (carbon copy on 6x6 inch paper)
66. 1939 03/29 letter from Sally (who is in NYC) to Siegfried Eichwald in Holland. Issi is mentioned. Also a separate short page – perhaps power of attorney. Issi mentioned Eichwald in an April 1939 letter.
67. 1939 03/15 copy of Devisenmerkblatt für Auslandsreisen, Deutsche-Verkehrs-Kredit-Bank receipt for payment by Ruth Stiefel, and photo
68. 1939 03/15 Else Ruben letter to ship



69. 1939, Erwin (using Nebraska hotel letterheads).
 04/15 Hope you can recuperate in NY. Not satisfied with buying this week. Thurs catastrophe. Fri also. So discouraged. Afternoon a nice order – felt better. I do what I can. Write about you arrival details. A bus arrives in KC about 4. That's best. Fri best. Uncle Karl and Fritz to Pittsburgh and NY. He might offer ride – you decide. (typed)
 4/21 Best wishes to birthday and new home. Sent silver dollar. Better future than past. You proved you could surmount it. Offers help. Life in KC better possibilities than NY. (handwritten, one section to Sally, the other to Ruth)
 4/23 Shipment of goods and comments about their entry to US. Mentions Uncle Leo.
70. 1939 ?/24, 4/29, 5/22 Letters from *Issi Stiefel (living in Utrecht, brother of Sally) and his wife *Annie to Sally and Ruth
71. 1939 09/09, 11/16 Letter from Adolf to Sally and Ruth
72. Page 5 of a marriage certificate for Josef Stiefel and Clara Bär (copy)
73. Johanna Abraham Bär death certificate signed by son-in-law Karl David (daughter Clara Bär Stiefel, grandchild Ruth, great grandchildren Irene and Richard) (copy)
74. Josef Stiefel death certificate. Died 1939 07/13.
75. 1938 05/12 Sally and Ruth engagement announcement, Israelitischer Familienblatt , Number 19, Seite 5.
76. Lea Stiefel passport (son Josef, grandchild Ruth, great grandchildren Irene and Richard) (copy with annotations)
77. Ruth and Sally passport s (copies)

