

***Systematic Study of Riga House Registers  
as a Source of Jewish Genealogy in Inter-War Latvia, 1918 -1940***

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The Inter-War House Registers comprise approximately 16,000 data files held at Fond 2942 of State Historical Archive, Riga.

The process keeping the house registers in Latvia had been re-instituted on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1920. Following the directive of the Ministry of Internal Affairs announced on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1923 and in accordance with the prevailing rules relating to the registration of citizens' arrivals and departures, house-owners were obliged to keep records in house registers in compliance with the established form. The registration of an arrival or departure was to have been made within 24 hours; information on the arrival, together with the documents of a particular resident, had to be supplied to the appropriate police department. Upon the departure of the resident, a note was to be made in the house register, including the day of departure and the presumed destination. Then, a note was made in the passport based upon the records of house registers. (Valdības Vēstnesis 1923 № 76 (1923.11.04. № 907).

The records of House Registers include specific and detailed personal information as regards each resident at the property. They include given names, surnames and maiden names, places of origin, previous addresses, dates of birth, internal passport numbers and police registration information. In some cases the presumed next destination of a departing person or family was indicated. Minors were rarely assigned an individual ID document. Indeed, children were usually listed in the House Registers together with the records of their mothers. Accordingly, it is possible to track changes in the composition of a family over a significant period, inter alia by studying of records of deaths by natural causes.

Like any source of information, these registers require a critical approach. These records were frequently compiled from oral information. There are inaccuracies, most often related to the date and place of birth, especially in the registers from the 1920's. Some errors in the dates of birth were caused by the simultaneous use of both old and new (Julian and Gregorian) calendars. As regards surnames, the inaccuracies regularly related to the misspelling or the use of a form of a surname arising from adjustments required to accord with the rules of Latvian language, etc.

The completeness of the records of house registers may also vary. In places, only one name is recorded in the name cell, while in other registers all the names of a particular individual are given.

### **Research goals**

Genealogical techniques for family records and database structuring have been used in the present project in terms of systematic extraction, analysis, reconciliation of House Register data, supplemented where appropriate by other archival material in order to achieve the following research goals:

- i) Development of a database of 21,000 Jews who resided in Riga in the period between two World Wars;
- ii) Provision of detailed personal information in respect of each individual;
- iii) Identification and confirmation wherever possible of family and kinship links for each individual and creation, again where possible, of family lists;
- iv) Identification of significant life events and tracking of changes in family structure over time;
- v) Storage of the data in a way that allows searches by individual or by specific dwelling unit [as one family ceases to occupy a property and a new family takes up residence. In a number of cases an unbroken history of occupation is recorded for over 20 years];
- vi) Retention and recording of detailed information relating to a place of origin, previous addresses and, where available, future destinations in a way that will allow its specific recovery in order to facilitate further demographic and social research regarding population movements to, within and from Riga.

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*This database allows to identify kinships within the limit of this particular document array and to track the destinies of individuals until the beginning of World War II in Latvia (1941).*

**1. The systematization of data by surnames** provides an option to identify individuals with the same surnames. Of course, this is not only the factor to define kinship accurately. Nonetheless, it provides a base for a further study.

For example:

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
LIMONIK		Arie	1926		Russian citizen	Marijas 22/ Avotu 1-11		M	Child	1933 01 11	1934 19 06	Stabu 71-5	2942-1-978
LIMONIK		Bella	1913		Russian citizen	Marijas 22/ Avotu 1-11		F	Child	1933 01 11	1934 19 06	Stabu 71-5	2942-1-978
LIMONIK		Moisey	1886	Dubno, Poland	Russian citizen	Marijas 22/ Avotu 1-11	Trader	M	Married	1933 01 11	1934 19 06	Stabu 71-5	2942-1-978
LIMONIK	MARKUSE	Natalia	1888 22 07	Mitau	Russian citizen	Marijas 22/ Avotu 1-11	Housewife	F	Married	1933 01 11	1934 19 06	Stabu 71-5	2942-1-978
LIMONIK		Perla	1923		Russian citizen	Marijas 22/ Avotu 1-11		F	Child	1933 01 11	1934 19 06	Stabu 71-5	2942-1-978
LIMONIK		Serafima	1920		Russian citizen	Marijas 22/ Avotu 1-11		F	Child	1933 01 11	1934 19 06	Stabu 71-5	2942-1-978

In this particular case, there is **Limonik** family with a father Moisey (Mozes) and his wife Natalia, born **Markuse**. With the indication of the maiden name, the search by surname **Markuse** can be continued.

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
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MARKUSE	JOSSELOWITSCH	Hanna	Sorach		1892 15 06	Daugavpils	Jelgava	Dagdas 4-10	House wife	F	Married	1922 28 12	1923 15 02	Unkn own	2942-1-3211	
MARKUSE		Meyer	Jankel		1898 15 07	Jelgava	Jelgava	Dagdas 4-10	Upper-maker	M	Single	1922 31 08	1922 15 02	Unkn own	2942-1-3211	

This shows:

Natalia Limonik, maiden name Markuse was born in Jelgava on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1888.

Meyer Markuse was born in Jelgava on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1898.

By comparative analysis of the data we may assume that Natalia and Meyer were brother and sister. The assumption can be corroborated or proven false by examining data in the registers of Jelgava rabbinate..

According to the house register, Meyer Markuse was married to Hanna JOSSELOWITSCH, born in Daugavpils on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1892.

Further searches of the surname JOSSELOWITSCH can be pursued, in the light of a birth in Daugavpils. In addition, the father's name Sorach is listed and accordingly the number of possible people may be narrowed. This is an important feature concerning the prevalence of a particular surname.

➤ *MARKUSE Hanna and Meyer resided in Riga since 1922 and resided at Dagdas street 4 – 10.*

**2. Under the systematization by addresses,** there is an option to define the number of persons who resided at this particular address at the same time.

It should be noted that relatives, representatives of one family, often occupied a particular apartment. Thus, in this particular case:

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
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JACOBSON	LEWIN	Rosa			1903 02 01	Riga	Latvian citizen	Dagdas 4-10		F	Unmarried	1919 12 12			2942-1-3212
LEWIN		Ruvn			1865	Chashnik i, Vitebsk pr.	Latvian citizen	Dagdas 4-10		M	Married	1919 22 11	1928 30 05	Died	2942-1-3212
MASO		Sora	Isak		1911	Riga	Former Russian citizen	Dagdas 4-10		F	Unmarried	1925 16 11			2942-1-3211
MASO	NEUMARK	Meria	Schaja		1906	Kovno pr.	Former Russian citizen	Dagdas 4-30	Housewife	F	Married	1927 13 12			2942-1-3211
MASO		Mosus	Isak		1907	Riga	Former Russian citizen	Dagdas 4-30	Salesman	M	Single	1927 13 12	1928 06 12	Arrested	2942-1-3211
LEWIN		Blume			1897 07 05	Riga	Latvian citizen	Dagdas 4-10		F	Unmarried	1919 12 12	1941 08 10	Unknown	2942-1-3212
LEWIN		Gloser			1901 17 06	Riga	Latvian citizen	Dagdas 4-10		M	Single	1923 26 10			2942-1-3212
LEWIN		Salam an			1908 19 06	Riga	Latvian citizen	Dagdas 4-10		M	Single	1919 12 12	1930 21 02	Military service	2942-1-3212
NIEDEL	LEWIN	Rochel	Ruvn		1905 05 01	Riga	Riga	Dagdas 4-10		F	Married	1925 21 12	1931 09 07	Unknown	2942-1-3212
NIEDEL		Rosa	Mowscha	Rochel	1926 02 07	Riga		Dagdas 4-10		F	Child	1925 21 07	1931 09 07	Unknown	2942-1-3212
NIEDEL		Mowsc ha	Awsey		1902 13 08	Riga	Riga	Dagdas 4-10	Upper-maker	M	Married	1925 21 12	1931 09 08	Unknown	2942-1-3212

This leads to an option to expand the scope of the search for kinship relationships in 5 more families:

JACOBSON  
LEWIN  
MASO  
NIEDEL  
NEUMARK.

➤ Example: Systematization by surname **BRESLAV**:

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
BRESLAV	BRESLAV	Scheina			1876 23 04	Rezekne	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20a-9	Worker	F	Married	1938 08 07	1938 25 08	Unknown	2942-1-5903
BRESLAV		Haim	Itzik		1909 14 01	Rezhitsa	Latvian citizen	Maskavas 48-19	Tailor	M	Single	1924 16 06	1924 28 06	Unknown	2942-1-9199
BRESLAV		Esther			1911 02 08	Riga	Latvian citizen	Matisa 119-4		F	Unmarried	1934 17 04	1934 24 05	Germany	2942-1-9579
BRESLAV		Haim	Meier	Lea	1915	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18		M	Child	1920 16 09			2942-1-12812
BRESLAV		Israel / Asriel	Meier	Lea	1910 25 03	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18		M	Child	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmano va Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Meier Jese	Scholom		1881 02 02	Riga	Polotsk	Stabu 59-18		M	Married	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmano va Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Riva			1911 18 10	Riga	Latvian citizen	Stabu 59-18		F	Unmarried	1930 12 02	1932 20 06	Kurmano va Street	
BRESLAV		Riva / Rebecka	Meier	Lea	1911 18 10	Riga	Riga	Riga		F	Child	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmano va Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Scholom	Meier	Lea	1908 19 07	Riga	Riga	Riga		M	Child	1920 16 09	1930 05 06	Military service	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Scholom			1908 19 07	Riga	Latvian citizen	Stabu 59-18		M	Single	1931 01 09	1932 20 06	Kurmano va Street	
BRESLAV / BRESLOV	DOLGITZER	Lea	Samuel		1884 01 04	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18		F	Married	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmano va Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Scheina			1876 23 04	Rezekne	Latvian citizen	Stabu 59-27		F	Married	1931 16 10	1932 20 06	Kurmano va Street	2942-1-12814
BRESLAV		Scheina			1876 23 04	Rezekne	Latvian citizen	Strugu 2-17		F	Married	1934 19 09	1934 13 12	Marijas 56/58-15	2942-1-13231

Further systematization by address allows easy identification of the members of a single family:

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
BRESLAV		Meier Jese	Scholum		1881 02 02	Riga	Polotsk	Stabu 59-18	M	Married	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV / BRESLOV BRESLAV	DOLGITZER	Lea	Samuel		1884 01 04	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18	F	Married	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
		Haim	Meier	Lea	1915	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18	M	Child	1920 16 09 1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812	
BRESLAV		Israel / Asriel	Meier	Lea	1910 25 03	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18	M	Child	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Riva			1911 18 10	Riga	Latvian citizen Stabu 59-18	F	Unmarried	1930 12 02	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12814	
BRESLAV		Riva / Rebekka	Meier	Lea	1911 18 10	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18	F	Child	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Scholom	Meier	Lea	1908 19 07	Riga	Riga	Stabu 59-18	M	Child	1920 16 09	1930 05 06	Military service	2942-1-12812, 12814
BRESLAV		Scholom			1908 19 07	Riga	Latvian citizen Stabu 59-18	M	Single	1931 01 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12814	

Here, there is an information that Meier Jese BRESLAV, a son of Scholum, born February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1881 was married to Lea, a daughter of Samuel, maiden name **DOLGITZER**

In this particular case, the search for further information can be pursued by maiden surname **DOLGITZER** in combination with the particular address of Stabu 59-18:

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
DOLGITZER		Hirsch	Schmuel		1899 07 08	Riga	Vitebsk	Stabu 59-18	Worked in theatre	M	Married	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
DOLGITZER	KLODANS	Monika			1900 07 01	Riga	Latvian citizen	Stabu 59-18	Housewife	F	Married	1930 29 04	1930 08 07	Unknown	2942-1-12814
DOLGITZER		Minna	Samuel		1894 23 02 / 1895 22 02	Riga	Vitebsk	Stabu 59-18		F	Unmarried	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
DOLGITZER		Minna			1912 19 08	Riga	Latvian citizen	Stabu 59-18		F	Unmarried	1932 07 05	1933 08 02	Bauskas 5-13	2942-1-12814
DOLGITZER	WEISBEIN	Nechama			1861 03 09	Beshinkovichi, Vitebsk pr.	Vitebsk	Stabu 59-18		F	Married	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814
DOLGITZER		Schmuel / Sammel	Leiba		1855 05 12	Vitebsk	Vitebsk	Stabu 59-18		M	Married	1920 16 09	1932 20 06	Kurmanova Street	2942-1-12812, 12814

Analysis of this information leads to the conclusion that the father of Dolgitzer family was Schmuel / Sammel, a son of Leiba, born December 5<sup>th</sup>, 1855 in Vitebsk. His wife was **DOLGITZER**, maiden name **WEISBEIN**, Nechama, born September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1861 in Beshinkovichi, Vitebsk pr.

The search of information by the address of Stabu 59-18 leads to an assumption that WEISBEIN Haim was a brother of Nechama.

Family name	First name	Father	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Residence	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
WEISBEIN	Haim	Moschus	1878 05 05	Riga	Stabu 59-18	M	Single	1921 27 01	1921 17 11	Parka 1-5	2942-1-12812



According to the records of Riga Rabbinate, Haim's parents and perhaps those of Nechaman can be identified.

DOLGITZER Schmuel / Samuel, a son of Leiba and his wife Nechama had children:

Lea, born April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1884 in Riga, married to Meier Jese BRESLAV, born February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1881.

Hirsch, born August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1899 in Riga, married to Monika, maiden name KLODANS, born January 7<sup>th</sup>, 1900 in Riga.

Minna, born February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1894 / February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1895 (according to documents) in Riga, single on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1930 (the date of her departure from this particular address).

In this connection, it should be mentioned that Riga residents frequently moved within the limits of the city. Continued residence at one address over a significant period of time (1920—41) is an exception than a rule. These changes can also be tracked by careful use of the database.

### 3. History of a particular family:

The database provides an option to track the history of particular families, as in the following examples:

#### i. Talismann

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
TALISMANNN		Itzchok		Bluma	1920 31 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Avotu 5-3		M	Single	1922 16 03	1941 09 10	Unknown	2942-1-990
TALISMANNN		Scholom		Bluma	1929 01 05	Riga	Latvian citizen	Avotu 5-3		M	Single	1922 16 03	1941 09 10	Unknown	2942-1-990
TALISMANNN		Hanna		Bluma	1921 17 03	Riga	Latvian citizen	Avotu 5-3		F	Unmarried	1922 16 03	1941 09 10	Unknown	2942-1-990
TALISMANNN	STEINGARDT	Bluma	Scholom		1895	Vitebsk, Russia	Latvian citizen	Avotu 5-3		F	Married	1922 16 03	1941 09 10	Unknown	2942-1-990
TALISMANNN		Leiba	Itzik		1890	Vitebsk, Russia	Latvian citizen	Avotu 5-3	Watch-maker	M	Married	1922 16 03	1941 09 10	Unknown	2942-1-990

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Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
REBE		Behr		Haja Sara	1934 13 08	Riga	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10		M	Single	1933 08 09			2942-1-5904
REBE	GURWITSCH	Haja Sara			1903	Skrudaliena p.	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10	Sales woman	F	Married	1933 08 09	1941 30 09	Jekabpils 6-17	2942-1-5904, 5905
REBE	ZIRULNIK	Haja Zipe			1902	Jaunelgava	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10	Seamstress	F	Married	1927 28 04			2942-1-5904
REBE		Hirsch			1892	Lithuania	Lithuanian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10	Shoemaker	M	Single	1933 25 10	1938 23 04	Unknown	2942-1-5904, 5905
REBE		Luba	Scharje		1925 05 05	Riga	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10		F	Unmarried	1926 16 07	1941 28 07	Unknown	2942-1-5904, 5905
REBE		Mariacha			1903	Kovno pr., Lithuania	Lithuanian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10		F	Unmarried	1934 13 08	1934 01 10	Lithuania	2942-1-5904
REBE		Mowsha	Scharje		1921 13 04	Riga	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10	Worker	M	Single	1926 16 07	1941 28 07	Red Army	2942-1-5904, 5905
REBE		Ruven	Scharje		1923 02 01	Riga	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10		M	Single	1926 16 07	1941 28 07	Red Army	2942-1-5904, 5905
REBE		Scharje	Behr		1890	Jaunelgava	Latvian citizen	Stabu 93-9	Butcher	M	Single	1921 26 01	1921 29 07	Gertrudes 93-7	2942-1-12878
REBE		Scharje			1893	Jaunelgava	Latvian citizen	Jumaras 20b-10	Worker	M	Married	1926 16 07	1941 28 07	Sent to forced labour	2942-1-5904, 5905

#### 4. Detailed personal data

Being a form of population registration, house registers serve as unique source for personal data.

Surname, maiden name for women, name, father name, place and date of birth, citizenship, occupation and marital status are listed.

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
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ABKIN	AWERBU CH	Pesa		1893 20 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Strelnieku 2- 4	Clerk	F	Divor ced	1940 08 08	1941 18 01	Unknown	2942-1- 13171
ABKIN	AWERBU CH	Pesa Paula Maria Anna		1893 20 12	Riga	Latvian citizen			F	Divor ced	1941 09 10	1942 08 06	Unknown	2942-1- 11998

Sometimes there is an age at the particular date of registration listed instead of the date of birth.

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
ABRAMSO HN	DINKIN	Pese	Berel		44 in 1924	Griva	Latvian citizen	Terbatas 19/21-16	F	Marri ed	1924 27 09	1925 28 04	Zuru	2942-1- 13742
AKSELROD		Eva	David Abram	Musja Rachel	6 in 1921			Ganu 4-30	F	Child	1921 15 09	1927 02 12	Bastejas bulv. 6	2942-1-4531

## 5. Merging of data

Several sources of information can be utilized to select the data and to provide a comparative analysis of the information gathered from various sources, producing results as in the following example of a family with surname of MINTZ:

Family name	Maiden name	First name	Father	Mother	Date of birth or age in	Place of birth	Place of origin or citizenship	Residence	Occupation	Gender	Family Status	Date of registration	Date of struck off	Place of struck off	Reference
<b>BUJANOWER</b>		Judel			1902 27 05	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11- 1	Factor y directo r	M	Marrie d	1941 05 04	1941 04 08	Unknown	2942-1-15457
<b>BUJANOWER</b>	<b>MINTZ</b>	Michali ne Vera			1909 02 03	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11- 1	House wife	F	Marrie d	1941 05 04	1941 04 08	Unknown	2942-1-15457
<b>BUJANOWER</b>		Noele Musia		Michaline Vera	1936 27 05	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11- 1		F	Child	1941 05 04	1941 04 08	Unknown	2942-1-15457
<b>BUJANOWER</b>		Schev		Michaline	1938 24	Riga	Latvian	Visbijas		M	Child	1941 05	1941 04 08	Unknown	2942-1-15457

ER				Vera	12		citizen	prosp.11-1				04			
MINTZ		Arnold			1870 04 08	Dauga vpils	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20-2		M	Married	1940 11 09	1941 05 04	Visbijas prosp. 11-1	2942-1-15464
MINTZ		Arnold			1870 04 08	Dauga vpils	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20	Director	M	Married	1930 26 11	1934 04 10	Strelnieku 1a-7	2942-1-15464
MINTZ		Arnold			1870 04 08	Dauga vpils	Latvian citizen	Gertrudes 7-1		M	Married	1939 08 10	1940 12 09	Mezapark, Visbijas prosp. 20-2	2942-1-4631
MINTZ	HOFF	Base Schewa			1906 09 04	Estonia	Latvian citizen	Gertrudes 7-1	House wife	F	Married	1940 30 08	1941 06 08	Jewish hospital	2942-1-4631
MINTZ	FEITELBERG	Elsa			1882 28 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20		F	Married	1930 26 11	1934 04 10	Strelnieku 1a-7	2942-1-15464
MINTZ	FEITELBERG	Elsa			1882 28 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20-2	House wife	F	Married	1940 12 08	1941 05 04	Visbijas prosp. 11-1	2942-1-15464
MINTZ	FEITELBERG	Elsa			1882 28 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Gertrudes 7-1	House wife	F	Married	1939 08 10	1940 16 08	Mezapark, Visbijas prosp. 20-2	2942-1-4631
MINTZ	FEITELBERG	Elsa			1882 28 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbija pr.11-1	Hous ewife	F	Married	1941 05 04	1941 04 08	Unknown	2942-1-15457
MINTZ		Kurt			1913 17 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20-2		M	Single	1940 30 08	1941 05 04	Visbijas prosp. 11-1	2942-1-15464
MINTZ		Kurt			1913 17 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20		M	Single	1930 26 11	1934 04 10	Strelnieku 1a-7	2942-1-15464
MINTZ		Kurt			1913 17 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Gertrudes 7-1		M	Single	1939 01 10	1940 05 09	Mezapark, Visbijas prosp. 20-2	2942-1-4631
MINTZ		Kurt			1913 17 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbija pr.11-1	Clerk	M	Single	1941 05 04	1941 04 08	Unknown	2942-1-15457
MINTZ		Marsel			1911 12 12	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20	Student	M	Single	1930 18 12	1935 04 10	Strelnieku 1a-7	2942-1-15464
MINTZ		Michel			1898 31 08		Latvian citizen	Gertrudes 7-1	Doctor	M	Married	1940 13 09	1941 06 08	Jewish hospital	2942-1-4631
MINTZ		Michelina Vera			1909 02 03 / 03 03	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20	Decorator	F	Unmarried	1930 11 12	1934 04 10	Strelnieku 1a-7	2942-1-15464
MINTZ		Mira			1907 17 09	Riga	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp. 20	Translator	F	Unmarried	1930 06 12	1934 04 10	Strelnieku 1a-7	2942-1-15464
MINTZ		Morduch			1898 09 04	Dvinsk	Latvian citizen	Marijas 22/Avotu 1-10	Worker	M	Married	1936 20 07	1936 11 11	Unknown	2942-1-978
MINTZ		Olgert			1917 24	Riga	Latvian	Visbijas		M	Single	1930 26	1934 04 10	Strelnieku	2942-1-15464

				07		citizen	prosp. 20				11		1a-7		
MINTZ		Olgert		1917 07	24	Moscow	Latvian citizen	Gertrudes 7-1		M	Single	1939 08 10	1940 05 09	Mezapark, Visbijas prosp. 20-2	2942-1-4631
MINTZ		Olgert		1917 07	24	Moscow	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11-1	Mechanic	M	Single	1941 05 04	1941 04 08	Unknown	2942-1-15457
MINTZ		Wulf		1876 10	27	Bauska	Latvian citizen	Stabus 59-5	Trader	M	Married	1929 09 09	1931 21 10	Unknown	2942-1-12814
MINTZ	MARKOW ITSCH	Haja		1870		Daugavpils	Latvian citizen	Dzirnava 113-38	House wife	F	Married	1935 09 09	1936 04 11	Unknown	2942-1-4154
MINTZ	NEUSTADT	Sara Esther		1883 09	26	Moscow		Visbijas prosp.11-1	House wife	F	Married	1938 01 02	1941 19 03	Gertrudes 9-1	2942-1-15457
MINTZ		Vladimir		1872 09	16	Daugavpils	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11-1	Doctor	M	Married	1939 12 10	1941 19 03	Gertrudes 9-1	2942-1-15457
NATANSON		Lev		1877		Daugavpils	Russian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11	Doctor	M	Widower	1930 03 08	1930 07 08	Moscow	2942-1-15457
NEUSTADT	BALAGNY	Georgette		1893 08	10	Paris	French citizen	Visbijas prosp.11	Doctor	F	Married	1934 10 03	1938 26 09	Paris	2942-1-15457
NEUSTADT		Liliane Daisy		1920 05	19	Paris	French citizen	Visbijas prosp.11		F	Unmarried	1938 01 02	1938		2942-1-15457
NEUSTADT		Michail		1894		Moscow	Russian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11-1	Accountant	M	Married	1932	1941 19 03	Gertrudes 9-1	2942-1-15457
MEZHIT		Liliane Daisy		1920		Paris	Latvian citizen	Visbijas prosp.11		F	Married	1938	1941 10 01	Dzirnava 66a	2942-1-15457

An analysis of the above information leads to the conclusion that Michelina Vera MINTZ married Judel BUJANOWER.

The couple had the following children:

Noele Musia, born May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1936

Schev, born December 24<sup>th</sup>, 1938

Sara Esther, maiden name NEUSTADT, the wife of MINZ Vladimir, is most likely to be a sister of NEUSTADT Michail; indeed his daughter Liliane Daisy, married name MEZHIT (till 1938) is a Sara Esther's niece.

It seems realistic to look for kinship relationships between MINZ, NEUSTADT, BUJANOWER, BALAGNY and FEITELBERG families.

## **6. Final observation**

The information recorded in the house registers facilitates in-depth research of Latvian Jewish family history and the development of an overview of the Latvian Jewish community in general. The house registers cannot serve as a totally comprehensive source for these purposes and thus the data in the database will be especially effective if merged with information from other archival documents, e.g. registers of rabbinates, passports and population census documentation.