

Adolf Landsman With His Family



This is a picture of my family. From left to right, first row: Naum Krivin, the husband of my mother's sister Marta, my mother Mina Landsman, my father Isaac Landsman, me and my cousin David Krivin.

2nd row: Boris Rothstein, the husband of my mother's sister Berta, his sister, my mother's sister Berta Rothstein, Marta Krivin and the son of my mother's brother Isaac Sherman. The picture was taken in Moscow in 1938.

My mother's sister Marta was a seamstress before getting married. She married a Jew, Naum Krivin, before the revolution. He was a pharmacist. Before the revolution he had a small pharmaceutical enterprise, where several people made medicine.

After the revolution, his enterprise was taken over and the Krivins moved to Moscow. Naum worked as a pharmacist in the state apothecary.

After getting married Marta was a housewife and raised the children. They had three children: the eldest, David, was born in 1912, then Vladimir was born in 1926, and the youngest, Tatiana, was born in 1929.

Berta graduated from a lyceum and knew Latin very well. She finished some courses and worked in the pharmacy dealing with prescriptions for medicine. She was married to a Jew called Boris Rothstein.

Boris didn't acquire any education, but he was a very brisk man and soon after their arrival in Moscow, he began to work for an ammunition manufacturer. Then in the course of time he was appointed for a very responsible position in one of the trusts of the Ministry of Mortar Armament. They didn't have any children.

My mother's second brother, Isaac, hadn't got any special education either. He was very gifted: he played the violin very well, and was good at painting. He worked for some company.

Isaac was married. He had a daughter, whose name I don't remember. I know she was married to a certain Feltermeister.

Her son became a composer, professor and rector of Nizhniy Novgorod conservatoire.