

**THE MANDELBAUMS OF GEHAUS**  
And Their Chicago Descendants  
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This is the continuing saga of the discovery of our Jewish ancestry in Germany. Because of the Holocaust, we had feared that we would not find documents of the Jewish past in Germany.

However, recently we found German records that have expanded our knowledge of the Mandelbaums to at least 1769.

**GEHAUS**

Gehaus is a small village in East Germany near the city of Eisenach, Southwest of Berlin.

I first found the name Gehaus on the tombstone of David Mandelbaum, a known cousin, at the Free Sons of Israel cemetery in Forest Park, Illinois in 1975. Then, another gravestone at the same cemetery disclosed that Simon Mandelbaum was born in Gehaus Sachsen-Weimar Germany on Dec 21, 1836. I proved through the study of his estate papers in Chicago, Illinois that Simon was the brother of Lena Mandelbaum. We knew from family tradition that Lena was a Mandelbaum and had married her cousin, Aaron Mandelbaum. Aaron and Lena were my great grandparents and the parents of my grandfather, Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum.

**AARON MANDELBAUM**

**Daniel Mandelbaum --> Aaron M. --> Jacob Daniel M.**

We knew a Daniel Mandelbaum in Chicago by various records, born 1809, who died in 1880 in Chicago, wife Hattie, son Jacob. Daniel was surely the father of Aaron Mandelbaum. One link between Daniel and Aaron is through Aaron's bachelor brother Jacob Mandelbaum, who appears to be the same Jacob living with Daniel and Hattie in the Chicago records.

More important are the death certificates of Aaron and his brother Solomon Mandelbaum. Both of these documents list their father as "Daniel." The only Daniel Mandelbaum in Chicago, dying in 1880 at the age of 71, therefore, must have been the father of Aaron.

Aaron was born in Gehaus (1837) when his father Daniel was 28 years old.

**Daniel M. --> Aaron  
--> Solomon  
--> Moses  
--> Jacob**

Aaron's brother Jacob was well known to my mother and aunts and died in 1927 in a nursing home in Chicago. Brothers of Aaron America were Solomon, Jacob, and probably Moses Mandelbaum. Moses was in a Cincinnati, Ohio city directory with Aaron Mandelbaum in 1863, both listed as cigar-makers. Solomon Mandelbaum came to Cincinnati in 1860 and there learned the cigar trade according to the History of Nebraska.

**GOTTGETREU**

In 1987, Andrew Siegel of New York, who is researching his (Jewish) Gottgetreu ancestors in Gehaus learned of my interest in Gehaus from data that I had contributed to the Leo Baeck Institute in New York. He obtained, through the Jewish Genealogical Society of New York, an index of Jewish Gehaus records on microfilm at the Mormon library in Salt Lake City, Utah. I ordered these to be sent to the branch library of that church in Naperville, Illinois, which is about 20 miles from our home.

My son Daniel and I then spent a whole day poring over microfilm records of Jewish Gehaus births, deaths, and marriages in Gehaus dated from 1838 to the 1930's. The volunteer librarians at the church were very helpful and even opened their facility to us the day after Christmas for 6 hours of uninterrupted study of the microfilms. Since then, we have been conducting our researches at the Mormon library in Urbana, Illinois, near Dan and Carol's home. We have gradually uncovered, like an archaeologist, layers of information, long lost to human knowledge.

Dan and I know some German and Dan has studied old German script, which is different from modern script. This was remarkably beneficial; otherwise most of the records would have been indecipherable. There are books available at the University of Illinois Library in Urbana on the subject of old German script. (For example, the old capital J looks like a modern capital F in script.)

We thus made significant progress in uncovering some of the past of the Gehaus Mandelbaums.

Readers who are researching German Jewish ancestors should note that the Nazis did not destroy all Jewish records.

The following is a narrative account of our genealogical research on the Mandelbaum line:

**DANIEL MANDELBAUM (1809-1880)**

Daniel Mandelbaum was a tradesman, or merchant. The record lists his occupation as "Handelsmann."

Daniel's wife was Jachat, also spelled Jachet, maiden name Blau. The Chicago city directory listed her name as Hattie.

**THE SONS OF DANIEL**

**Daniel (Gedalja) Mandelbaum  
Jachet Blau**

**Aaron b. 3 Aug. 1837**

**Moses b. 29 Feb. 1840**

**Salomon b. 19 Nov. 1842**

**Joseph b. 16 Nov. 1845**

**Jacob b. 6 Oct. 1848**

**Jacob b. 19 Jan. 1852**

The first son of Daniel and Jachat was Aaron, born in 1837 in Gehaus. We found Aaron Mandelbaum's birth record on page 121 of the 1817 microfilm of Gehaus. It said that on the 3rd of

August, 1837, there was born to Jachet, nee Blau, wife of Daniel Mandelbaum, a son named AHRON.

The second son was Moses, born Feb. 20, 1840, in Gehaus. (Note that Aaron and Moses also were brothers in the bible.)

The third son was Salomon (later Solomon), born Nov. 19, 1842 in Gehaus. We believe this Solomon Mandelbaum to be the same Solomon Mandelbaum of Chicago who went to Nebraska and whom my grandfather Jacob visited. (The story is that Grandpa ran away from home, traveling to Nebraska by freight train when about 12 years old.) Solomon had a son, Jacob, who was known by the Mandelbaum sisters as "Big Jake from the country."

The fourth son was Joseph, born Nov. 16, 1845. Died Oct. 19, 1848 in Gehaus.

The fifth son was Jacob, born Oct. 6 1848, died Oct. 19, 1848 in Gehaus.

The sixth son was another Jacob Mandelbaum, born, according to the Gehaus records, Jan. 19, 1852. This matches well with records in Chicago of Aaron's bachelor brother Jacob, which listed his birthday as Jan. 6, 1852.

#### Gedalja

We found Daniel Mandelbaum's Hebrew name several times in the records as Gedalja. This is a well known Jewish name from the bible and means "Yahu (God) is great."

We found a record in the Mormon microfilms that proves Gedalja and Daniel are the same person: on page 120 of the 1817 microfilm, record number 307 says: Gedalja, Daniel, 3rd son of Jacob Mandelbaum, married Jachet, the 4th daughter of the late Aron Blau.

Daniel Mandelbaum |  
Aaron Blau --> Jachet Blau Mandelbaum | --> Aaron Mandelbaum

We are pleased to find another Aaron in the family. It appears that Daniel and Jachet Mandelbaum named their son Aaron after his maternal grandfather (Jachet's father) Aron Blau.

A note is appropriate here about the name Gedalja (also spelled Gedalia.) "The Fast of Gedalia (Tzom Gedalia) is a minor fast day that falls on the third day of Tishri, the day following the second day of Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year).

"Gedalia was a Jewish official appointed by King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylonia to govern the Jews who remained in Palestine after the destruction of the First Temple in 586 B.C.E. (II Kings 25:22-26; Jeremiah.40:6-41:18.)

"Gedalia, considered a traitor by some Jews, was assassinated on the third day of Tishri. In retaliation, Nebuchadnezzar inflicted reprisals on the Jewish people.

"Gedalia's efforts to rebuild Jewish life were not fully appreciated in his lifetime, but in death he was mourned as a hero, and now the day of his assassination is observed as a minor fast day in the Jewish calendar. The fasting begins at sunrise on the third of Tishri and ends when the stars appear in the evening." (From the Jewish Book of Why, by Kolatch.)

Addendum to Daniel Mandelbaum  
April, 1995

The 1870 Chicago Census

Last week while vacationing in Washington, D.C., I visited the National Archives and did some genealogy research. My focus was on Aaron Mandelbaum, so I started with the soundex on microfilm. This is a system wherein you convert the last name to a code, look up the code in a master book index to find the correct reel and page, and then go to the microfilm of the actual census. It seems that the soundex starts with 1880, but not before and the census is now available to the public through 1920.

So I started with Illinois for 1880 and Aaron was not in the soundex. The reason is that his store was burned out in the Chicago fire in 1871 and he had moved to Dyer, Indiana by the time the 1880 census was done. He was in the Dyer 1880 census.

I then found book type census indexes in another room at the Archives. Aaron was not in the 1860 Chicago index, but he was listed in the 1870 Chicago census:

"Mandelbaum, Aaron age 32 born Saxony Ward 10 Chicago Cook County Series M593 Roll 205 Page 355."

I thought this mildly interesting; little did I know there would be some new information. But there it was on microfilm roll 205 page 355:

Mandelbaum, Aaron	age 32	Furniture dealer	Saxony
Mandelbaum, Lena	32	Keeping House	Saxony
Mandelbaum, Emma	2	At home	Illinois
Mandelbaum, Hannah	6/12	At home	Illinois
Mandelbaum, Daniel	62	Umbrella Maker	Saxony
Mandelbaum, Henrietta	60	Keeping House	Saxony
Mandelbaum, Jacob	18	Clerk in Store	Saxony

Conclusions

These census entries are of great interest to me. We have Aaron's vocation as a furniture dealer just prior to the Chicago fire. He and his wife were born about 1838.

My Grandfather Jacob was born 7 years later. The Jacob in the house was Aaron's brother, 14 years younger. Maybe Jacob was a clerk in Aaron's furniture store.

And there --- living with Aaron and Lena are his parents. Daniel is 62, born about 1808, and Henrietta is 60, born about 1810. Now I know what "Hattie" stands for: it was short for Henrietta.

There is now no doubt that Aaron's parents were Daniel and Henrietta (Hattie) Mandelbaum.

THE MANDELBAUM

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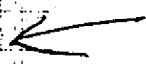
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		Name		Age		Profession		Place of Birth		Remarks		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	1	Anderson	Lucia	18	M	Carpenter			Canada	1		
27	2	Madden	James	26	M	Day Laborer	100		Ireland	1		
	3		Margaret	24	F	Keeping House			Ireland	1		
	4	Simon	John	31	M	Blacksmith	1000		Ireland	1		
	5	Harington	John	24	M	Keeps Saloon	1500		Ireland	1		
	6		Abraham	24	M	Bar Keeper			Ireland	1		
	7		Richard	20	M	Day Laborer			Ireland	1		
27	8	Muesing	John	28	M	Keeps Saloon	1500		Prussia	1		
	9		Anna	30	F	Keeping House			Prussia	1		
	10		Amelia	17	F	at Home			Prussia	1		
	11	Wagner	Anna	20	F	Domestic Servant			Prussia	1		
27	12	Wolfgang	George	35	M	Tobaccoist	1000		Saxony	1		
	13		Anna	33	F	Keeping House			Prussia	1		
	14		George	16	M	at School			Missouri	1		
27	15	Wagner	Robert	30	M	sewer	1500		Canada	1		
	16		Caroline	21	F	Keeping House			Illinois	1		
27	17	Wagner	Anna	11	F	Apothecary	1000		Prussia	1		
	18		Paula	23	F	Keeping House			Prussia	1		
	19		Anna	5	F	at Home			Illinois	1		
	20		Minna	3	F	at Home			Illinois	1		
	21		Conrad	1	M	at Home			Illinois	1		
	22	Wagner	Anna	21	F	Domestic Servant			Prussia	1		
27	23	Wagner	John	25	M	Physician	1500		Michigan	1		
27	24	Wagner	John	34	M	Walt. Cooper	2000		Ireland	1		
	25		Mary	30	F	Keeping House			Ireland	1		
	26		John	2	M	at Home			Illinois	1		
	27		Anna	12	F	at Home			Illinois	1		
	28		Lucy	20	F	Gen. Mather			Canada	1		
	29	McDonald	John	17	M	Day Laborer			Ireland	1		
	30	Wagner	Mary	17	F	Gen. Mather			Wisconsin	1		
27	31	Wagner	Anna	32	F	Suburban Servant	1500	2500	Saxony	1		
	32		Anna	32	F	Keeping House			Saxony	1		
	33		Anna	2	F	at Home			Illinois	1		
	34		Anna	12	F	at Home			Illinois	1		
	35		Anna	10	F	Widow's Mother			Saxony	1		
	36		Anna	10	F	Keeping House			Saxony	1		
	37		Joseph	18	M	Widow's Son			Saxony	1		
27	38	Wagner	Anna	18	F	Butler's Merchant	1000		Hamburg	1		
	39		Anna	18	F	Keeping House			Hamburg	1		



Aaron Mandelbaum

Lea (Leah, Lena) Mandelbaum

1. Emma 1868-1952
2. Hannah 1869-1935
3. Rosa 1872
4. Irene 1874-1903
5. Jacob Daniel 15 Sep. 1877-13 Feb. 1955
6. Theresa Mandelbaum 1884-1884

I do not think it a coincidence that my grandfather, Jacob Mandelbaum, had the middle name Daniel. (However, none of my Mandelbaum relatives remember Grandpa mentioning his grandfather Daniel.) He must have known that his paternal grandfather was Daniel when, his children said, he chose the middle name Daniel to distinguish himself from the other Jacob Mandelbaums. Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum was born in Chicago in 1877 and his grandfather Daniel died in Chicago in 1880. Jacob's father, Aaron, died in 1926.

Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum no doubt knew the name of his grandfather Daniel. Evidence for this is in the death certificate of Aaron, which lists his father as Daniel. Who would have given this information to the funeral director? We know that Jacob and Stella went to Aaron's side when he lay dying, according to the testimony of their children (Sylvia, Bernice, and Anna Leah.) It must have been Jacob and Stella Mandelbaum who were the informants for the death certificate of Jacob's father Aaron

Mandelbaum. Jacob therefore knew well that his grandfather, Aaron's father, was Daniel Mandelbaum.

Corroborating testimony is the death certificate of Aaron's brother Solomon in Nebraska: this record shows Solomon's father also as Daniel.

There is a tradition (according to the Jewish Book of Why) that Ashkenazic Jews do not name a child after a living relative, because they identify the soul with the name. They believed that it would rob a person of his full life if another member of the family were to carry his name in his lifetime. Sephardic Jews (from Spain, North Africa, and the Middle East) do not share this belief and do name offspring after living relatives. This tradition might be the reason my grandfather Jacob Mandelbaum did not have the middle name Daniel at birth (1777), but only after his grandfather Daniel had died (1880).

BARUCH MANDELBAUM

Jacob Mandelbaum -->	Daniel 1809-1880
	David 1816-1894
	Henry 1820-1885
	Baruch

Baruch Mandelbaum is a new name for us. We believe he was the father of my great grandmother Lena Mandelbaum. The Gehaus records always list him as a Schneidermeister, or master tailor.

Item: was this the same Baruch Mandelbaum who appeared in the New York City Directory from 1853-1865 as a tailor? I have copies of these listings. I believe this Baruch to be our relative.

Item: Aunt Anna Leah (also spelled as one word Annaleah)  
Mandelbaum Lans stated in a letter (1974) to me that "we had a lot of Mandelbaum relatives in New York many years ago, but lost track of them." Weren't these a cluster of the Gehaus Mandelbaums, including Baruch? Other Mandelbaums listed in the New York City directories 1850-1865 included Benjamin, Charles, David, Frederick, Henry, Israel, Jacob, Joseph, Julius, Lehman, Perau, Philip, Sarah, Samuel, Simon, and Wolf.

Baruch Mandelbaum never appeared in the Chicago city directories or in a summary of all Mandelbaum deaths in Chicago. Therefore it is unlikely that he came to Chicago.

Baruch Mandelbaum  
Beila Epstein  
(married 29 Jan. 1837)

Solomon

Simon b. 20 Dec. 1837

Lea b. 10 Oct. 1839

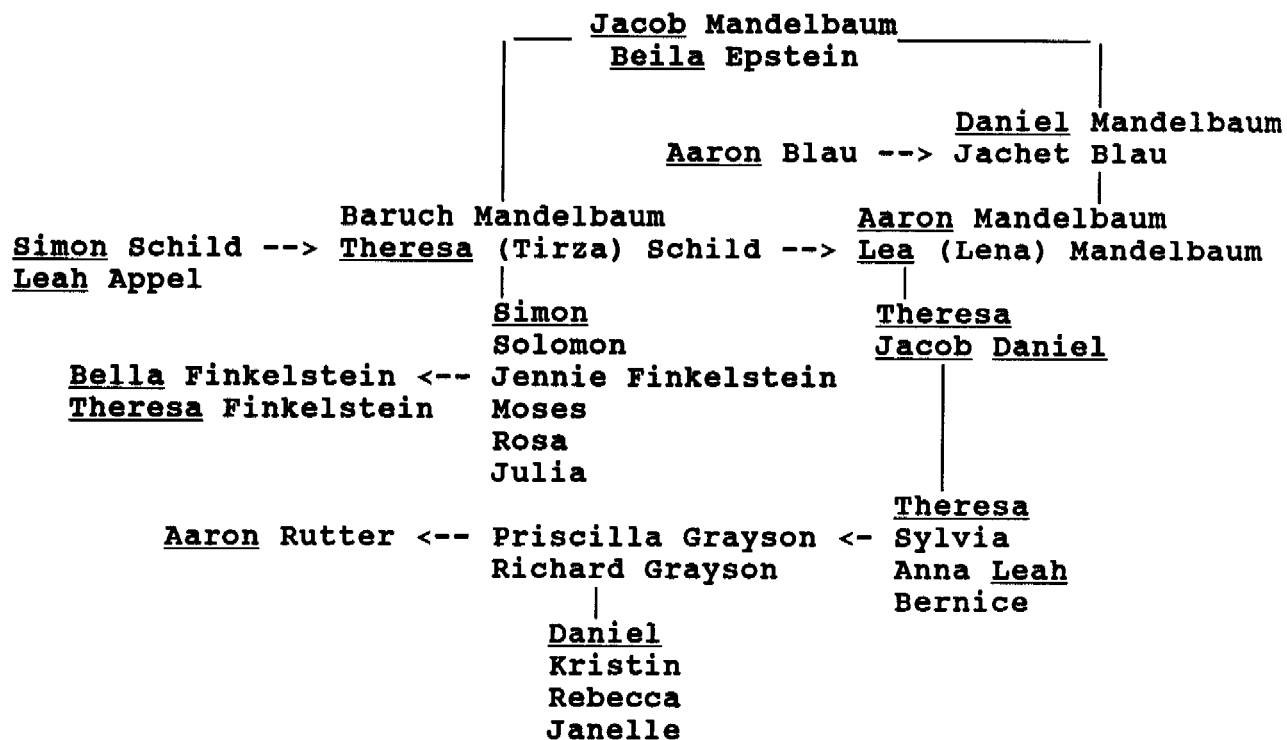
Pruochen b. 13 Nov. 1841

Moses b. 8 Dec. 1843

Rosa

Julia

In the Gehaus records we found that a Lea Mandelbaum was born Sept. 14, 1839. Lea was the second child of Baruch Mandelbaum and his wife Theresa, nee Schild. Theresa Schild and Baruch Mandelbaum married in Gehaus January 25, 1837, according to the Gehaus microfilm records. These records also show Theresa's father as Simon Schild. The first son of Baruch and Theresa Mandelbaum, was Simon Mandelbaum, (named after his maternal grandfather), born December 20, 1837 according to Gehaus records. The gravestone of Simon Mandelbaum in the Free Sons of Israel Cemetery in Forest Park, Illinois, lists Simon's birth date in Gehaus as December 21, 1836.

The Mandelbaum Connections

The marriage record of Baruch and Theresa which we found in the Mormon microfilms gave us their parent's names: "On the 29th of January, 1837, Baruch Mandelbaum, son of Jacob Mandelbaum and wife nee Beila Epstein married Tirza (Theresa) daughter of Simon Schild and wife Leah nee Appel."

**Leah and Theresa**

Again we are happy to find the family first names in the older generations. Thus Leah Mandelbaum, my great grandmother, received the first name of her maternal grandmother, Leah Appel, mother of Tirza Schild.

Furthermore, the name Tirza gives us new insights into my aunt Theresa Mandelbaum's first name. It would appear that Stella





The fourth child and second son of Baruch was Moses, born Dec. 8, 1843 in Gehaus, according to Gehaus birth records. Note that this is a different Moses Mandelbaum from the one born to Daniel and Jachet Feb. 20, 1840. Which of these was the Moses Mandelbaum found in the city directory of Cincinnati, Ohio 1861-1863? Both Moses and Aaron Mandelbaum were cigar-makers boarding at 37 Clinton Street in 1863 in Cincinnati, according to the Cincinnati directory. It is most likely that Aaron boarded with his brother Moses in Cincinnati, not with his cousin Moses.

#### **Simon Mandelbaum**

Simon Mandelbaum (1836-1890) left estate papers on file in the probate court of Chicago, Illinois which gave a table of heirship. The names of the only next of kin listed were Emma, Hannah, Rosa, Irene, and Jacob Mandelbaum, only surviving children and heirs at law of Lena Mandelbaum, wife of Aaron Mandelbaum, the sister of Simon Mandelbaum. Other siblings of Simon Mandelbaum listed were Jennie Finkelstein, Solomon Mandelbaum, (notice this is a second Solomon) Rosa Koblentzer, and Julia Mandelbaum, a half sister.

Thus, Baruch Mandelbaum had at least 8 children: Solomon, Simon (b. 1837), Lea (b. 1839), Pruchen (b. 1841), Jennie (b. 1842), Moses, (b. 1843), Rosa, and Julia. It appears that some of Baruch's children came to Chicago: Lea, Simon, Jennie, and possibly Solomon and Moses.

Addendum to David Mandelbaum

The Chicago 1880 Census

Soundex M534, National Archives Vol 11 E.D. 101 Sheet 5 Line 2  
Chicago Randolph Street House 85

Mandelbaum, David	White Male	age 68	born Saxony
Mandelbaum, Emilie		48	Prussia
Mandelbaum, Myer	son	19	New York
Mandelbaum, Benjamin	son	15	Ohio
Mandelbaum, Louis	son	10	Illinois
Mandelbaum, Lena	daughter	8	Illinois
Mandelbaum, Dora	daughter	5	Illinois

**DAVID MANDELBAUM**

David Mandelbaum of Chicago was probably a brother of Daniel Mandelbaum of Gehaus.

David Mandelbaum, on whose gravestone I found inscribed the birthplace Gehaus, was born Dec. 13, 1816, and died in Chicago Sept. 27, 1894. His children were well known to my Mandelbaums as cousins. They were Isaac, Sarah Joel, Meyer, Benjamin Franklyn Mandelbaum, Louis, Lena, Dora Unger, and Fannie.

**HENRY MANDELBAUM**

Henry Mandelbaum (1820-1885) of Chicago was probably another brother of Daniel of Gehaus. Henry's son, Joseph Mandelbaum (1865-1955), the safe-mover, was known to my Mandelbaums as a cousin. Moreover, Sarah Joel, daughter of David Mandelbaum of Gehaus, called Joseph Mandelbaum her cousin also, thus linking the families of David, Henry, and Daniel.

**JACOB MANDELBAUM**

On microfilm roll 1,184,495 containing death records of the Iraeli community of Gehaus from 1838-1858, on page 100, 5th space down, the record shows the death of a Jacob Mandelbaum. He died at 8 a.m., July 14th, 1849 at age 72 of "old age." He therefore was born about 1777. He left behind 12 children including 5 sons and 7 daughters according to the record. Jacob Mandelbaum was a "Handelsmann," or merchant.

We assume him to be the father of the next generation of Mandelbaums in Gehaus. We know four of his five sons: Daniel, Baruch, David, and Henry.

In addition, records at Gehaus show Jacob Mandelbaum's wife was Bella Epstein. Bella is an unusual name. Two Chicago Mandelbaums had the name Bella: Bella Mandelbaum, daughter of Isaac, son of David, son of Jacob and Bella, married Frank Rehor. She died in 1932. The other was Bella Finkelstein, born 1883, daughter of Maurice Finkelstein and Jennie Mandelbaum. Jennie was the daughter of Baruch Mandelbaum, son of Jacob and Bella.

A daughter, Vogel was born December 5, 1824, to Beila and Jacob Mandelbaum.

On page 48 of the Mormon microfilm, the record shows the birth of daughter Deiche to Jacob and Beila Mandelbaum on November 20 1826.

On March 17, 1829 the Mormon microfilm shows the birth of the 15th child of Beila and Jacob Mandelbaum, Sihschen, a daughter.

There are other Mandelbaum births in Gehaus for which we cannot assign places in our charts. Singnia (?), a daughter, of Jacob and Beila was born Nov. 5, 1821. A Malchea Mandelbaum, born 1836, married a Bleiweiss.

I have a 1975 letter from Gehaus which states: "There has been a small Jewish congregation there since the immigration of Russian and Polish Jews to Gehaus about the year 1800. All of these people were merchants, traveling from village to village

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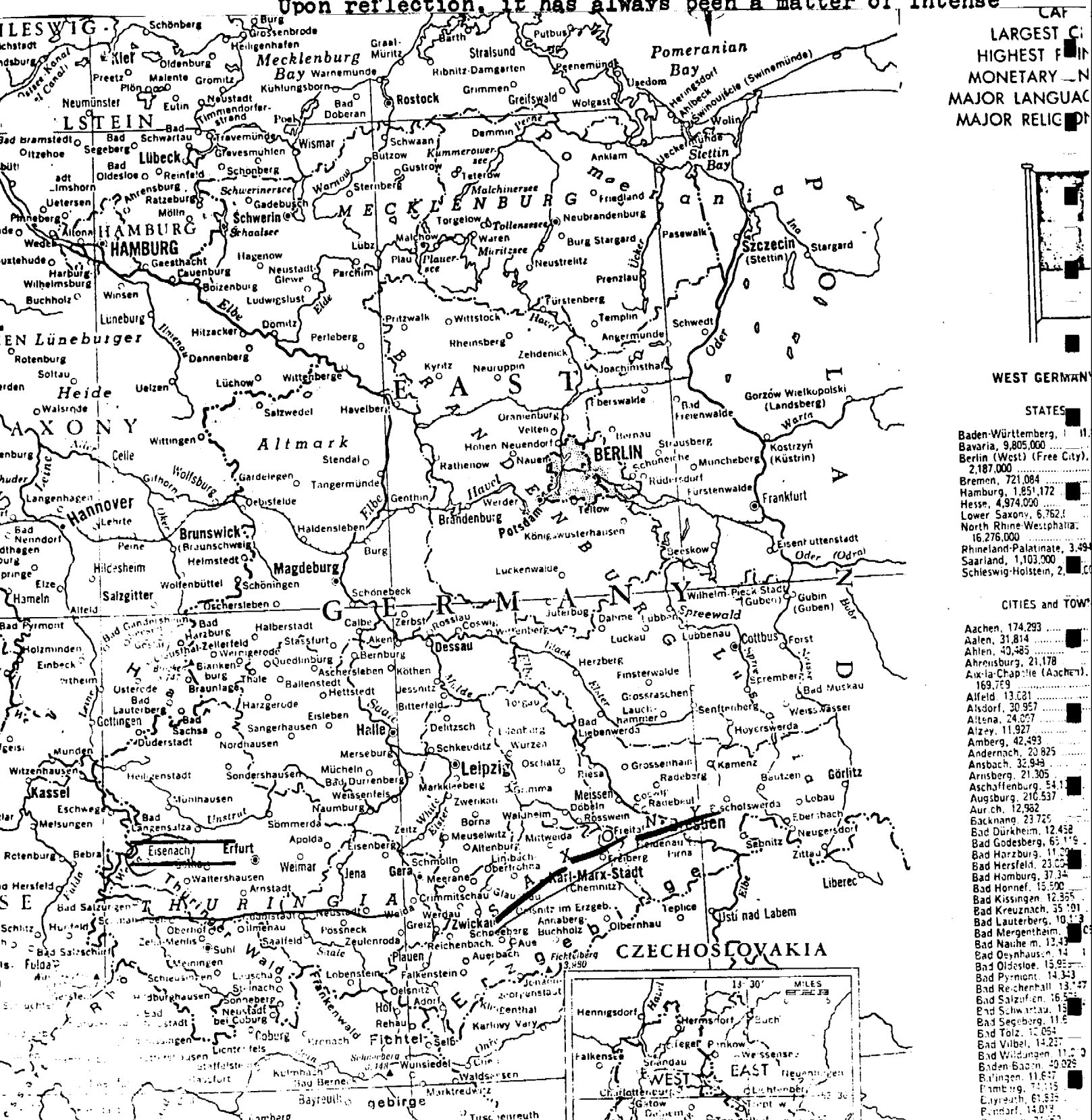
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# THE GERMAN HOME OF THE MANDELBAUMS

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Upon reflection, it has always been a matter of intense



LARGEST CITY  
HIGHEST POPULATION  
MONETARY UNIT  
MAJOR LANGUAGE  
MAJOR RELIGION

### WEST GERMAN STATES

Baden-Württemberg	11,111,000
Bavaria	9,805,000
Berlin (West) (Free City)	2,187,000
Bremen	721,084
Hamburg	1,851,172
Hesse	4,974,000
Lower Saxony	6,762,000
North Rhine-Westphalia	16,276,000
Rhineland-Palatinate	3,494,000
Saarland	1,103,000
Schleswig-Holstein	2,100,000

### CITIES and TOWNS

Aachen	174,293
Aalen	31,814
Ahlen	40,485
Ahrweiler	21,178
Aix-la-Chapelle (Aachen)	169,789
Alfeld	13,021
Alsdorf	30,957
Altena	24,257
Alzey	11,927
Amberg	42,493
Andernach	20,825
Ansbach	32,943
Arnsberg	21,305
Aschaffenburg	54,100
Augustburg	210,537
Aurich	12,982
Backnang	23,725
Bad Dürkheim	12,458
Bad Godesberg	65,198
Bad Harzburg	11,200
Bad Hersfeld	23,000
Bad Homburg	37,340
Bad Honnef	15,500
Bad Kissingen	12,355
Bad Kreuznach	35,191
Bad Lauterbach	10,100
Bad Mergentheim	10,000
Bad Nauheim	12,400
Bad Oeynhausen	14,100
Bad Oldesloe	15,900
Bad Pyrmont	14,343
Bad Reichenhall	13,427
Bad Salzungen	16,500
Bad Schwalbach	15,000
Bad Segeberg	11,800
Bad Tölz	10,854
Bad Vilbel	14,227
Bad Wildungen	11,200
Baden-Baden	40,825
Balingen	11,647
Barmen	74,115
Bayreuth	61,635
Bielefeld	14,019





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Dear Dr. Grayson,

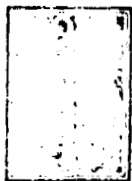
your letter had been forwarded to me from Zeitz. I am living here in Erfurt since my retirement. I am by no means a professional genealogist. However, whenever it is possible I help gladly.

I contacted in your behalf the local rabbi and he commented as follows:

Since the immigration of Polish and Russian Jews to Gehaus about the year 1800 a small congregation had been established there. Fifteen families approximately belonged to this congregation. By profession all of these people were merchants, travelling from village to village displaying their merchandise for sale. They carried the merchandise either in knapsacks or in suitcases. In Gehaus they built a small house of worship. They maintained a registry of their membership similar to the baptismal registry common in the protestant churches etc. etc. Since the area of Gehaus was quite isolated and had been very poor many of the Jewish people moved away.

The congregation existed until the time of the Nazis. The remainder of the Jewish population was allegedly killed in Auschwitz about 1942. The registry of the congregation had to be submitted to the authorities in Berlin where they had been destroyed toward the end of the Second World War. All Jewish registries had been handled the same way.

You may possibly want to contact the mayor of Gehaus, Mr. Pforr, 6221 Gehaus ueber Vacha/Rhoen. The following might be more advisable:



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Dear Dr. Grayson:

Many thanks for your letter of March 15th. and for sending us the family history of DAVID MANDELBAUM, in addition to the biographies of Ephraim Hamburger and Aaron Mandelbaum, which we received earlier from you. Unfortunately, we do not have any other Mandelbaum family trees or genealogical studies in our Institute.

Concerning the place GEHAUS, I am able to send you herewith a photostat from the Guide through the Jewish Community Administration in Germany 1932/33. You see, that it is a very small place, which, in 1932, had only a population of 859 persons, of whom 23 were Jewish. The entire budget of the Jewish Community, including the budget for the Synagogue, amounted to 538.-Marks, that is somewhat more than \$200.- and just one child had Jewish religious education.

Under these circumstances it is understandable, that no other literature on the Jews in Gehaus exists. Since it is part of the Thuringian County of Eisenach, it is now located in the German Democratic Republic, that is in East Germany.

Thuringia and Saxony are two German regions, which are closely interconnected. This explains the indication "Sachsen-W.". I agree with Dr. Darnstadter, that the abbreviation stands for Sachsen-Weimar. This former Grand Duchy became part of the State of Thuringia in 1919.

Hoping that this information serves your purpose, I am, with kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Fred Grubel  
Secretary

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1932/33 re: page 373 on Gehaus.

## THE MIGRATION OF THE MANDELBAUMS

Only vaguely do we see the emigration of the Mandelbaums from Germany, but a few facts are available to reconstruct at least a tentative outline of that adventure.

It would appear that the Mandelbaum came out of Germany about 130 years ago. They probably were all born in a place in Saxony, which is spelled Sachsen and Sachen in the census of 1880 and on the gravestones of David Mandelbaum and of Simon Mandelbaum. Those two gravestones also give us the town, GEHAUS.

David Mandelbaum went to Hamburg, then to New York by 1857, then to Canton, Ohio in 1865, and to Illinois by 1870. David had been born in Saxony in 1816, so was about 40 years old when he emigrated. His first wife died, then he married again, to a younger Amelia, who gave him 5 more children of a newer generation. These younger children were of the generation of Aaron's children, thus tending to confuse the relationships.

At first, it appeared that David Mandelbaum was the brother of Aaron Mandelbaum, but when it became clear that David was 21 years older than Aaron, and that Aaron's father Daniel Mandelbaum, born in 1809, was in Chicago from at least 1874 till he died in 1880, then it became evident that David was the probable brother of Aaron's father Daniel, not of Aaron.

So it came to be that Daniel Mandelbaum in 1852, age 43, and his wife Hattie, with their children emigrated to the United States, possibly about the same time that Daniel's brother David and his first family came here. Daniel's family were known to be Aaron, born 1837, age 15; Solomon born 1844, age 8, and Jacob, an infant. Other brothers are suspected but not proven, including, Moses Mandelbaum of Cincinnati, Samuel of Cinc. and of Chicago, and Henry of Chicago.

Possibly the family went to New York first, as most immigrants of that era did. The family remembers that there were Mandelbaum relatives in New York, names unknown.

Next, we have shown that Aaron and Solomon were in Cinc., Ohio learning the cigar trade in 1863-1865, after which they came to Chicago. The first two Mandelbaums ever to be listed in the Chicago Directory were Aaron and his cousin Simon in 1865. Solomon was the next to be listed in 1866, then Samuel in 1867. The next was young Jacob Mandelbaum, who appeared in 1869, age 17, boarding with Aaron at 61 west Van Buren street in what now is the Loop. Simon probably had a brother named Solomon.

the second Solomon is the next to appear in the year of the Chicago Fire, 1871. Isaac, the first born of David appears as a cutter that year also.

Then finally Daniel Mandelbaum and his wife Hattie came to Chicago and are in the 1874 city Directory. Maybe they came from New York to be with their sons. Jacob, the youngest and a life long bachelor, lives with Daniel and Hattie now and then again after Daniel dies in 1880, he lives with his mother, listed as a widow. Was it a custom for the last born to support the widowed mother, and thus to end up a bachelor?

Henry Mandelbaum appears in 1874 also and has a large family by the time of the 1880 census, but his relationship is not known.

DANIEL MANDELBAUM 1809-1880

Probably the father of AARON MANDELBAUM. I visited the Free Sons of Israel Cemetery Jan. 22, 1974 and found an entry in the books for DANIEL MANDELBAUM, age 71; died March 2, 1880. Buried in grave #172. The manager and I searched diligently for this grave in the Old Free Sons section, but found no stone for Daniel. A few yards away is the stone for SIMON MANDELBAUM (1836-1890) in grave # 175. Since Daniel was born in 1809, he could easily have been the father of Simon.

The father of AARON MANDELBAUM, according to Aaron's death certificate, was a Daniel Mandelbaum. This information was given by the informant, Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum, my grandfather, who, it is said, gave himself the middle name Daniel to distinguish him from the many other Jacob Mandelbaums of Chicago, including his uncle. It is likely, therefore, that Jake gave himself the middle name Daniel because he knew that his grandfather's first name was Daniel.

The City Directories of Chicago have been searched for all Mandelbaums. DANIEL MANDELBAUM, an umbrella maker, is first found in Chicago in 1874, living at 143 Canalport Ave. In the same year, at 142 Canalport, is J. Mandelbaum, in the furniture trade. This is assumed to be JACOB MANDELBAUM, because in 1880, 6 years later, Daniel had died, and his wife was listed as HATTIE MANDELBAUM, widow of Daniel, living at 142 Canalport, the same address where JACOB MANDELBAUM, repairer is listed in residence. Therefore it is clear that Daniel and Hattie were the parents of Jacob, particularly in view of other facts:

1. Jacob Mandelbaum, the brother of Aaron, was a bachelor and was the youngest of the Mandelbaum brothers. Jacob was born in Germany Jan. 6, 1852, died age 75 in Chicago, on May 15, 1927.

2. Jacob Mandelbaum was a boarder at 61 W. Van Buren street in 1869. He was listed as living at that address in 1871 also. Aaron Mandelbaum was listed in the city directory in the stove and furniture business at 61 West Van Buren in 1871, also. (1871 was the year of the Chicago fire, and Aaron's business was burned out according to the family memories.)

Daniel's brother was possibly DAVID MANDELBAUM.

3. Aaron Mandelbaum came to the U.S. at age 16 in 1852, the same year that his brother Jacob was born. It is likely that the parents and the children came at the same time since the children were so young. This is another reason for suspecting that the Daniel Mandelbaum above was the father of Aaron.

Daniel Mandelbaum is the eldest of all the Mandelbaums of our kin yet discovered. He therefore is one of the first to die. He left this life at the respectable age of 71 of a hemorrhage of the lungs, in 1880, on March 2nd. (Was it tuberculosis?) The date means that he was too early to be counted in the 1880 census which occurred in June. Also, since the first note of his residence in Chicago as an umbrella maker was in 1874, he must have missed out on the 1870 census. So further details will be difficult to obtain. Perhaps a death certificate on Hattie can be found.

It is of interest that the only other Mandelbaum ever listed as an umbrella manufacturer beside Daniel, was Solomon Mandelbaum in 1866, at 109 W. Madison Street, next door to Aaron who was in cigars and tobacco and living at 111 West Madison street. Solomon was still an umbrella maker in 1867, but then went into the furniture business in 1868. Solomon would have been 24 years old at this time. He is the one who later went to Nebraska. So who was the original umbrella Maker? I'll bet that Daniel was, before coming to Chicago, and he taught the trade to his son.

The trades of these Mandelbaums were umbrella making, furniture manufacture and sales, cigar making and sales, shirt cutter, pedler, and tailor.

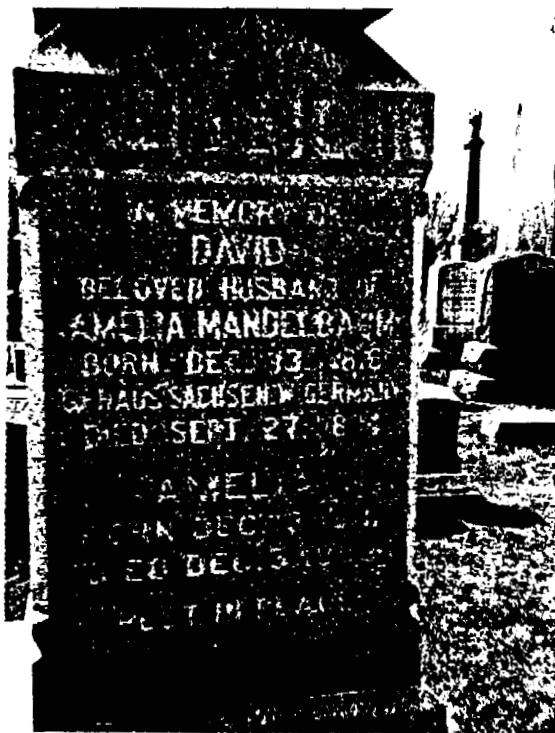
Tombstone of DAVID MANDELBAUM

"Husband of AMELIA MANDELBAUM

born Dec. 13, 1816

GEHAUS SACHSEN W. GERMANY

died Sept. 27, 1894"



displaying their merchandise for sale."

Jacob Mandelbaum, we believe, came from either Poland or Russia about 1800. He was a merchant. He and his wife Beila nee Epstein had 15 children, 12 of whom were alive when he died.

Shortly after he died in 1849, all or most of the Mandelbaums left for America, most of them settling in Chicago.

It is possible that my grandfather's first name, Jacob, was given in honor of his great grandfather Jacob. Consider this scenario: Aaron and Leah have a son but cannot name him after Aaron's father, Daniel, because Daniel is still living. They then name the son for Aaron's paternal grandfather, Jacob, who died in 1849, 28 years previously. Then he obtains the middle name Daniel after grandfather Daniel Mandelbaum dies in 1880.

Notice the recurrence of the names Moses, Jacob, Daniel, Simon, Bella, Leah, Theresa, and Solomon in the different lines. This repetition of first names is typical for related families.

In summary: the patriarch Jacob died in Gehaus in 1849. The last child of Daniel and Jachet (Hattie) was Jacob, born in Gehaus in 1852. Daniel, his wife Hattie, and their sons Aaron, Moses, Solomon, and Jacob emigrated to the U.S. after 1852 but before 1863 when Aaron became a cigar maker with Moses in Cincinnati. Daniel and Hattie lived and died in Chicago. Moses was last known in Cincinnati. Solomon went to Nebraska. Aaron and Jacob moved to Chicago.

#### THE ORIGINS OF OTHER MANDELBAUMS

David G. Mandelbaum, professor of anthropology at the

University of California, wrote me in June, 1975: "My grandfather, Abraham Mandelbaum, lived most of his life in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He immigrated from Tomaszov in Western Poland, though he had been born in a village near that town. He married Rachel Ullman, their two sons were my father Samuel, and my Uncle Morris, both of whom lived in Chicago."

Leonard M. Mandelbaum of 6210 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, wrote in January 1975, "to the best of my knowledge my ancestors came from Poland and Czechoslovakia."

Maurice H. Mandelbaum, Jr. of the department of philosophy at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland, wrote in 1975 that his grandfather, Max Mandelbaum, came in about 1850 from Furth, Germany. Max first settled in Cleveland, then Hancock, Michigan. Max Mandelbaum's son was Maurice H. Mandelbaum who lived in Chicago from 1890 till he died in 1951.

Arthur Solomon Mandelbaum, 360 Central Ave., Lawrence, N.Y. 11559 wrote in 1986: " My father and his family came from Pinsk, Russia. Part of the family settled in London and Glasgow. Their names were Eliah, Jacob, Anna, etc."

Rabbi Bernard Mandelbaum, 55 Bonita Vista Rd. Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1986: "My father, Jacob Mandelbaum was born in Valeena Gebermale, Russia, in the late 1890's." Rabbi Mandelbaum is the author of the book To Live With Meaning (Hartmore House, 1973, 1980.)

In a 1986 newspaper feature about the Mandelbaum Gate of Jerusalem, I found that a Baruch Mandelbaum came to Jerusalem from Poland in 1870. His son was Simcha who died in 1930 in Jerusalem. The Mandelbaum Gate was named for Simcha Mandelbaum



because his house became the site of the only crossing point between East and West Jerusalem when the city was divided between 1948 and 1967. The gate today exists only in memory, as does the house, which was reduced to rubble during the War of Independence.

Arnold Mandelbaum, P.O. Box 739 Amagansett, N.Y. 11930, Jan. 31, 1986: "My grandfather was Israel Mandelbaum. His birth certificate shows his birth in 1862 in Austria. However, I was told he came from Lublin which today is in Poland. He spoke Polish and also Yiddish. He came here in the 1880's or 1890's.

Harry Mandelbaum, 232 Mulberry Street, N.Y., N.Y. 10012, Feb. 22, 1986: "My people came from Poland in the early 1900's. We here are very proud of the Mandelbaum name, although some have shortened it to Mann. My father lived in a suburb of Warsaw named Sedlice."

Gerard Mandelbaum, law offices Mandelbaum, Schweiger & Conner, 516 Fifth Ave, N.Y., N.Y., 10036-7587, Feb. 13, 1986: "My father arrived from Starakonstantinov, the Ukraine, in 1910. I do not remember the name of his father."

#### CENSUS RECORDS

Samuel Mandelbaum, age 46, born 1834 in Prussia, appears in the 1880 Chicago census with wife Pauline age 30; Julia age 6, Solomon age 4, Razry age 7 months.

David Mandelbaum, age 37, born 1843 in Hungary, appears in Cleveland, Ohio, in the 1880 census with wife Jane age 32; Jacob

age 9, Harvey age 2.

#### PASSENGER LISTS:

Passenger lists sound dull. However, if you have some idea when your ancestor arrived in the United States, these lists become interesting. The Mandelbaum lists allow one to realize that many different and probably unrelated Mandelbaum families have arrived here. I am placing these names into this story for the benefit of Mandelbaums who might recognize their ancestors. The lists are available in most genealogical libraries:

Mandelbaum: Babetta, dressmaker, age 22; David, religion writer, age 28; Ricka, dressmaker, age 25 from Bremen, Germany on the New York, Oct. 4, 1837.

Mandelbaum, Moses, age 35, weaver, from Honeberg to N.Y. via Bremen, Germany on the Republic, July 1, 1842.

Mandelbaum, Ephraim, age 20, merchant, from Ekudonitz to St. Louis, via Bremen, Germany July 1 1842.

Mandelbaum, Jacob, age 24, shoemaker, from Bavaria to N.Y. on the Heinrich, Sept. 5, 1844.

Mandelbaum, Max, age 13, from Germany on the Maryland, May 1842 to N.Y.

Mandelbaum, Abraham, laborer, from Russia on the Butinkcrown, June 27, 1882 to Philadelphia.

Mandelbaum: baby (?) age 40, Rachel age 11, Israel age 10, Schone age 9, Boney age 6, Joseph age 1, all from Poland on the Michigan, July 15, 1890 to Boston.

Mandelbaum, Etti, age 18 from Russia on the Kansas, Dec. 29, 1889 to Boston.

Mandelbaum, Israel, from Russia on the Kansas Dec. 29, 1889 to Boston.

Mandelbaum, age 19, laborer, from Germany on the Cephalonia Aug. 6, 1886 to Boston.

Mandelbaum, S. age 22, (female) from Vienna, Austria on the Lake Huron, Dec. 31, 1889 to Boston.

#### **FUTURE RESEARCH**

A German company produced the Gehaus microfilms of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in 1958 from records in Eisenach, which is a large city near Gehaus. I think there must be other records, including probate, on file at Eisenach.

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DAVID MANDELBAUM  
2nd edition

by R. Grayson

DAVID MANDELBAUM is important to the story of the Chicago Mandelbaums because he was undoubtedly a brother of Daniel, the father of Aaron, and started a large family with many relationships to those of Daniel's lineage.

David Mandelbaum was born in Gehaus, Sachsen-Weimar, Germany, Dec. 13, 1816 and died Sept. 27, 1894 in Chicago, according to the gravestone inscription at Free Sons of Israel Cemetery, Forest Park, Ill. He was thus almost 78 years old, although his death certificate mistakenly states he was 67 yrs. & 10 months. His occupation was listed as "clothing cutter" and he had lived in the state of Illinois "25 yrs." This would mean that he moved to Illinois about 1869, which is probably true because the 5th child of David was born in Illinois and the one prior, the 4th, was born in Ohio.

His wife was Amelia (Gravestone inscription: In memory of David, beloved husband of Amelia.). On the same stone is repeated her name, AMELIA, born Dec. 3, 1832, Died Dec. 5, 1903.

The first mention of David Mandelbaum in the Chicago City Directory was in 1878 (p. 706) where he was listed as a cutter, living at 85 West Randolph street.

According to David Hale Mandelbaum (now age 76) of Chicago, son of Benjamin F. Mandelbaum and grandson of David Mandelbaum of Gehaus, David the elder was married twice. He and his first wife had two children, Sarah and Isaac.

SARAH MANDELBAUM, born about 1846, married ELIAS JOEL. Sarah died in Chicago and was buried about Oct. 15, 1921 at Free Sons Cemetery beside her husband Elias, who died Feb. 10, 1903. The last name listed for billing was ESTHER NOBLE. Esther is assumed to be "Essie" Noble. Sarah Joel was known as a cousin to Aaron Mandelbaum by David Noble, her grandson (phone interview).

ESSIE JOEL was PAULINE SIMON before adoption by the 1 Joels. She married Ed Noble. Ed died about 1941; Essie died about 1951. Their children were David Noble, born 1901, of Chicago; Amy who lives in Phoenix, Ariz.; and Dorothy, of Cleveland, Ohio. (Ref.: Dave Noble.)

ISAAC MANDELBAUM (IKE), second child of David, was born in Hamburg, Germany in 1850, according to the 1880 census of Chicago. His wife was Carrie, born in Bavaria, who died Dec. 21, 1928 and is buried at Free Sons. Their children were Bella Rehor, born 1878 in Ill., d. 6/6/32, buried at Free Sons; Emma, died age 3 months, Sept. 6, 1881; Martha, born 1876 in Ill., died of Diphtheria 10/14/1885; Hattiel; Eva, born 1875; and Jacob Mandelbaum, born 1879. (Note that Jacob D. Mandelbaum was only 2-3 years older than this cousin of the same name.) (Ref.: a. 1880 census; b. David H. Mandelbaum; c. Free Sons Cem.)

Between 1850 and 1861, David married a second time to Amelia (Emilie, Emelia). Their first child was the 3rd of David; MYER R. MANDELBAUM, born 1861 (acc. to 1880 census). Myer died 6/5/1899, is buried at Free Sons.

The 4th child of David Mandelbaum and Amelia was Benjamin F. Mandelbaum, born in 1865 in Canton, Ohio, was raised in the Masons in Apollo Lodge, died Feb. 22, 1915 in Chicago, buried at Free Sons. Middle name is Franklyn. His first wife was \_\_\_Abrams, died in childbirth. The child Abraham was adopted, became Abraham Franklin. The second wife of Benjamin was Hanna Breslauer, died age 72, buried at Free Sons Dec. 24, 1946. The children of Benjamin and Hanna were Bertha (Birdie), born 1893, now living in La Jolla, Calif, married Milton Rich; and David Hale Mandelbaum, born Nov. 5, 1898 in Chicago, married Mildred \_\_\_\_, who live at 331 Diversey Parkway, Chicago; phone 935-2099. (Ref.: David H. Mandelbaum.)

The 5th child of David Mandelbaum and Amelia was LOUIS MANDELBAUM. According to Dave Noble, Ike Mandelbaum's daughter BELL married FRANK REHOR. When Bell died, Frank married MAME \_\_\_\_\_. Then Frank Rehor died, and his wife Mame married LOUIS MANDELBAUM, the son of David. Louis was born in Ill. in 1870, died Jan. 24, 1930.

LENA MANDELBAUM, the 6th child of David, daughter of Amelia, was born in 1872, in Ill., married a Mr. MOST, died Oct. 30, 1911, is buried at Free Sons.

DORA, 7th child of David, 5th child of Amelia, was born 1875 in Illinois, married LOUIS UNGER. Dora died Jan. 15, 1943; her husband Louis died May 17, 1947. Both are buried in the family plot (D-48) at Free Sons of Israel Cemetery, Forest Park, Ill. The name of MAMIE FINKELSTEIN appears on the cemetery ledger as the person responsible for bills.

According to David Hale Mandelbaum, Mame and Belle Finkelstein lived with Dora and Louis Unger for many years and were related as cousins. The mother of Mame and Belle, Jennie Finkelstein, was remembered as a probable first cousin of David's father, Benjamin Mandelbaum. Therefore, this is indirect evidence that Jennie's father was a brother to David the elder.

David Hale Mandelbaum knows the children of Jake and Estella Mandelbaum well and recognizes them as cousins. He also knows May Bloom and Irma Weil as relatives.

WHAT ARE THE REASONS DAVID MANDELBAUM is thought to be the brother of DANIEL MANDELBAUM and not a brother of Aaron?

1. Sarah Mandelbaum Joel, daughter of David, was "a cousin to Aaron Mandelbaum": David Noble, grandson of Sarah. Not good proof; if Daniel and David are brothers, Aaron and Sarah are 1st cousins, but if Aaron and David are brothers, Aaron and Sarah are 1st cousins once removed.
2. Jacob D. Mandelbaum had an aunt Sarah whose daughter was Essie Noble. Ref.: Sylvia Grayson. If Daniel and David were brothers, Sarah would be 1st cousin once removed of an older generation to Jacob and by custom would be called "Aunt Sarah" out of respect for age. Not a good proof. If Aaron and David are brothers, then Jake and Sarah would be 1st cousins and he would not call her an aunt.
3. The birth dates of Aaron and his known brothers were too late for them to have a brother (David) who was born in 1816. Aaron was born 1837.  $1837-1816=21$  years difference. Solomon was born 1843.  $1843-1816=27$  years difference. Jacob was born 1852.  $1852-1816=36$  years difference. This is highly suggestive that David was not brother to Aaron, but belonged to the previous generation. Not proof.

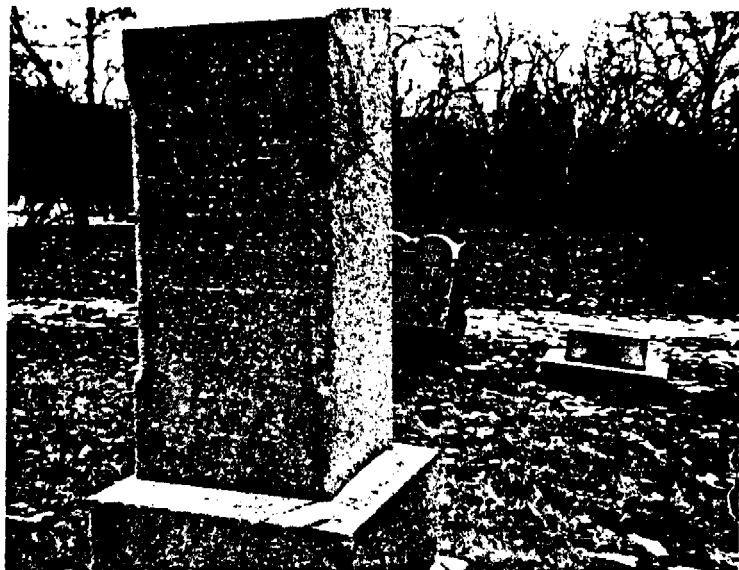
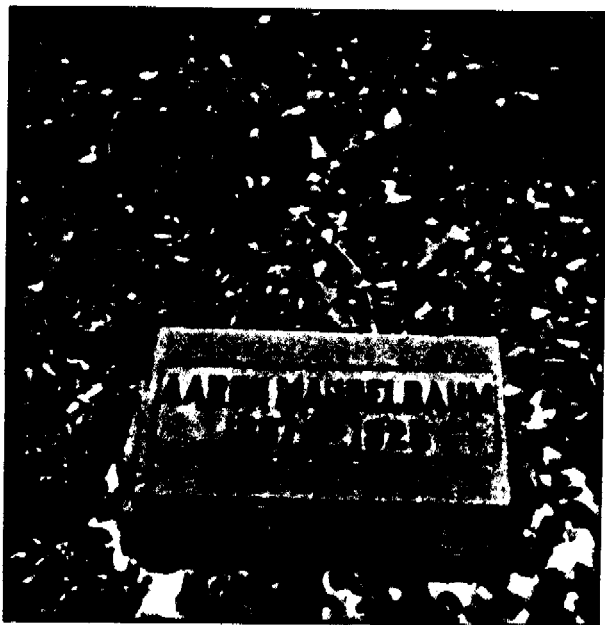
WHAT ARE THE REASONS HENRY MANDELBAUM IS THOUGHT TO BE RELATED TO DANIEL MANDELBAUM?

1. The son of Henry Mandelbaum was the safe-mover, JOSEPH MANDELBAUM, 1865-1955.
2. Sarah Joel, daughter of David Mandelbaum called Joseph her cousin. So did Sarah's half-brother, Benjamin Mandelbaum. Ref.: David Noble, grandson of Sarah.
3. Joseph was cousin to Jacob D. Mandelbaum. Ref.: Ann Lans.
4. Therefore, arbitrarily, because of Henry's age, he is assigned to a generation older than Aaron's Mandelbaum, born in 1837. It is assumed, not proven that Henry is a brother to Daniel.

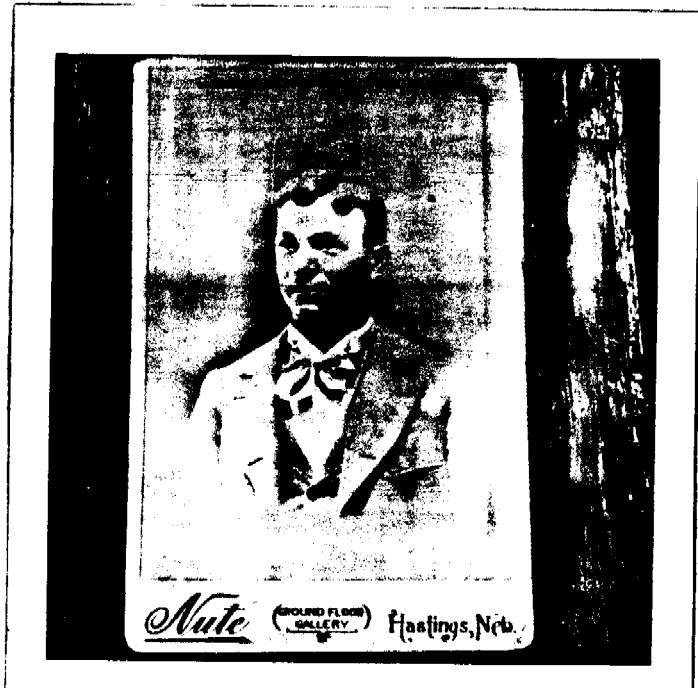
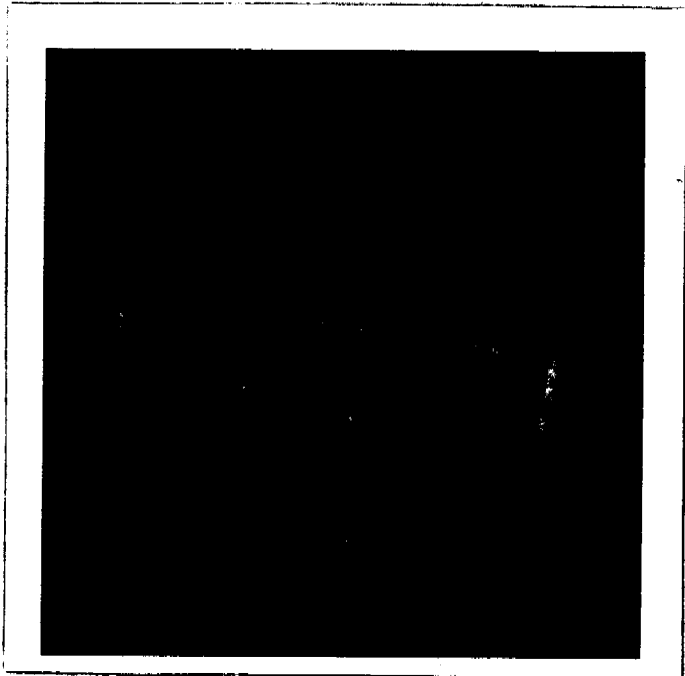
WHY IS SIMON MANDELBAUM NOT A BROTHER TO AARON?

1. Because Simon's sister was Lena, who married Aaron. See Simon's estate papers.
2. Lena was Aaron's cousin. Therefore Simon is his cousin.
3. Therefore the father of Simon is possibly a brother to Daniel. Call him John Doe Mandelbaum.

CONCLUSION: The four oldest Mandelbaums in Chicago were probably brothers: DANIEL, DAVID, HENRY, AND JOHN DOE MANDELBAUM. See Chapter 7 for their children and descendants.



"Mother LENA Wife of Aaron MANDELBAUM  
Oct. 10 1839- March 13 1884"



Aaron's brother Solomon Mandelbaum  
and Aaron's son Jacob

Solomon Mandelbaum's son Jacob





Irene Mandelbaum



Emma Mandelbaum Maerker



Jacob D. Mandelbaum



Hannah Mandelbaum Weil and  
daughters Lena, Irma, and May

AARON MANDELBAUM 3rd Edition

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Note: see 2nd edition for references not mentioned here.

Aaron Mandelbaum, son of Daniel, was born in Sachsen, also known as the kingdom of Saxony, now a part of East Germany, on the 14th of August, 1837. His wife Lena was born in Sachsen also, on the 10th of October 1839.

Aaron is said to have had 6 or 7 brothers. Of these, the following are known: Solomon, born the 10th of December, 1843 in Saxony, and Jacob, born the 6th of January, 1852 in Germany.

Simon Mandelbaum and Aaron were the first two Mandelbaums listed in the city directory of Chicago, apparently arriving in 1864 or 65 and Simon is probably Aaron's first cousin. (see LENA M.) Simon's gravestone at the Free Sons of Israel Cemetery in Forest Park, Ill. in a plot very near to Aaron, Lena, and the daughter Irene, is inscribed with the following: "Simon Mandelbaum, born in Gehaus Sachsen W. Germany, Dec. 21, 1836. Died Jan. 17, 1890, in Chicago." The same birthplace is listed on the stone of David Mandelbaum, born in 1816; David was probably the brother of Daniel, Aaron's father. See the narrative summary of David for more details.

Aaron came to the United States at about the age of 15 in 1852. The first record of him is in the city directory of Cincinnati, Ohio, where in 1863 he is a cigar maker boarding at 37 Clinton street. This is the same address where a Moses Mandelbaum is listed as a boarder in 1864, and therefore Moses and Aaron can be assumed to be related. Perhaps Moses was another of the brothers. It is known that Solomon Mandelbaum was also in Cincinnati during this period, learning the cigar trade. Another Mandelbaum in Cincinnati was a Samuel Mandelbaum at 477 Plum street in 1865. According to an old map, this address is but a few blocks away from the Clinton street house. Samuel was possibly related, therefore.

Aaron started his business of "cigars and tobacco" in Chicago in 1865 at 111 West Madison street, the heart of the business district. His brother Solomon was in the store next to him at 109 W. Madison in 1866 as an umbrella manufacturer. It is significant that Daniel Mandelbaum, their father, was an umbrella manufacturer also when he first appeared in the City directory in 1874.

Aaron continued in the cigar business at the Madison street store until about 1869 when he moved to 61 West Van Buren street where he was in the stove and furniture business. His brother Jacob boarded at the store with him from 1869 through 1871, suggesting that perhaps Aaron's family lived at the store much as his son Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum would do at his hardware store later.

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Meanwhile, Aaron married his cousin Lena, also a Mandelbaum, it is said. Their first child was Emma, born in 1868 in Illinois, who married Charles James Louis Maerker. Aaron and Lena's second child was Hannah, born in Chicago in October of 1869. She married Herman Weil, son of Julius and Helen Weil.

Before the 3rd child was born, the great Chicago Fire occurred and destroyed Aaron's store and possibly his home. A newspaper account from that time has been researched which tends to document the catastrophe: (1871.) \*

In 1872, Rosa, the 3rd child of Aaron and Lena was born. Her child was Harry Solomon and her common law husband was Phillip Solomon.

The next mention of Aaron Mandelbaum in the city directory is in 1874 when he was a clerk for Childs and Baer. His residence was at 13 English street.

Irene Mandelbaum, the 4th child of Aaron and Lena, was born Dec. 25, 1874. She died, unmarried and without issue, by her own hand it is said, June the 10th, 1903, at the age of 28. A large tree-trunk shaped stone marks her grave near Aaron and Lena at Free Sons. A photograph of her gentle face is cast in ceramic in the grave stone.

Jacob Mandelbaum, who gave himself the middle name Daniel after his grandfather, to distinguish himself from the other Jacob Mandelbaums, his cousins and uncle, was born the 5th child of Aaron and Lena in Illinois. The date was the 15th of September, 1877, according to the Grand Secretary of the Masons.

Aaron and his family were next recorded in the 1880 census in Dyer, Lake county, Indiana. Aaron was listed as a peddler. Lena, Aaron's wife, died at the birth of their 6th child, Theresa, the 13th of March 1884. She was only 44. Her gravestone stands in good condition at the Free Sons cemetery. The date of the infant's death has not been discovered.

\* Madison Weekly Courier (Ind.).

In 1886, Aaron and his family had moved back to Chicago, where he was listed as a pedler, living at 86 Newberry Avenue. A second listing the same year was Aaron Mandelbaum, travel agent, living at 292 W. 14th street. The meaning of this second listing is unclear. In 1893, Aaron Mandelbaum was listed as a salesman, residence, 48 Hastings street. His daughter Emma Mandelbaum was a clerk this year at 122 Wabash Ave., and lived near him at 39 Hastings. Jacob, his son, was listed as a machinist at the 48 Hastings address.

Some of the memories of Aaron are as follows:

Aaron frequently visited his cousin Sarah Mandelbaum Joel to play cards, says David Nobel. He would empty his pipe on the floor and when Sarah complained, he told her that sweeping the floor was "women's work."

Aaron visited the Well home many times when Irma was a child, she states. He was frugal to a fault and had a thick German accent.

Sylvia remembers Aaron well. When he was old, he had his own room at the back of the hardware store of Jake and Stella on Lincoln Ave. When Stella gave him a soup bone with meat on it he would say "Verdamte! You are too extravagant!" Stella then would make up a story and say to him, "I got it for nothing--the grocer likes you," and then he felt better about eating the soup bone. Aaron liked Sylvia and always called her "Sophie". When he was very old, Aaron, the former cigar-maker, gave up smoking when the price of tobacco went up a half cent. Aaron was not orthodox, never went to a synagogue. Did not join the Masons.

Annaleah states that Aaron died at the farm of his freinds the Peschels. He had great pain in his abdomen. The Peschels called Jake and Stella to come at once and they did at midnight go to the Peschels' place. Aaron had about \$5,000 when he died which the Peschels turned over to Jake. Jake divided the money among Aaron's surviving children.

Aaron Mandelbaum died the 14th of November 1926 at the home of his friends the Peschels in Crete, Will county, Ill. at the age of 89 years and 3 months after living there the previous 11 months. He is buried at Free Sons of Israel Cemetery in Forest Park, Ill., where a neat, small stone marks his grave.

## AARON MANDELBAUM

- ie name Aaron comes from the Hebrew Aharon meaning exalted one. In the bible Aaron was the older brother of Moses and first high priest of the Hebrews: Exodus. 4.
- 1837 Aug. 14. Aaron was born in Saxony to Daniel and Lena (the word Lena is almost illegible and may be in error) Mandelbaum. Ref: Death certificate of Aaron on file at Bureau of Vital Records Dept. of Public Health, Springfield, Ill.
- 1844 Solomon Mandelbaum, Aaron's brother, born in Saxony. Ref: 1880 census, Webster county, Nebraska.
- 1852 Aaron came to the U.S. from Saxony: Ref. death cert.; informant, Jacob D. Mandelbaum. "Aaron came to the U.S. from Germany when he was 16 years old." (1853); Irma Weil; 1973.
- 1860 Solomon Mandelbaum came to Cincinnati, Ohio and there learned the cigar trade. Ref.: History of Nebr.; p. 1486
- 1860-1864: No Mandelbaums appear in the Chicago directories these years.
- 1861 Civil war. "Aaron was in the civil war": family tradition; probably wrong: 1.) Did not serve in the military forces of the U.S.: death certificate; informant, J.D. Mandelbaum.  
2.) No pension or military records on file at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.; 3 July, 1974.  
3.) Aaron not in the Index of Indiana civil War veterans: Archives, Ind. State Library; 1974.  
4.) No Mandelbaums in the Index of Ill. Civil War soldiers.
- 1861 "Mandelbaum, Moses; cigar maker. 600 Central Avenue". Ref.: Cincinnati City Directory; from the Cinc. Historical Soc.; Eden Park, Cinc., Ohio.
- 1863 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, cigar maker, boards 37 Clinton."; ibid.
- 1863- "Mandelbaum, Moses, cigar maker, works 605 Central Ave." ibid.
- 1864 "Mandelbaum, Moses, boards 37 Clinton." ibid.
- 1863 Solomon Mandelbaum came to Chicago in 1863 and worked at the cigar trade 2 years: Hist. of Nebr. p. 1486
- 1867 Aaron Mandelbaum was a cigar maker in Chicago: family tradition.
- 1865 "Mandelbaum, Samuel, home 477 Plum" ref.: Cincinnati city Direct.
- 1865 Solomon Mandelbaum started a cigar factory in Chicago and employed 10-15 hands. He continued this business for about 5 years: Hist. Nebr.
- 1865 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, cigars and tobacco, 111 W. Madison.": J.C.W. Bailey & Co's Chicago City Directory. 1865-6 p.433
- 1866 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, cigars and tobacco, h 111 W. Madison"  
"Mandelbaum Solomon, umbrella mnr, n 109 W. Madison."  
Ref.: ibid. 1866-67. p. 618
- 1867 "Mandelbaum Aaron, 111 W. Madison, h same"  
"Mandelbaum Solomon, umbrella mkr 109 W. Madison, h same"  
Ref.: ibid., 1867-68 p.647
- 1868 "Mandelbaum Aaron, cigars, 111 W. Madison, r same"  
"Mandelbaum Solomon (Mandelbaum & Co.), and furniture, 109 W. Madison, r same"  
"Mandelbaum Solomon, cutter, Hensch Bros. bds. 111 W. Madison"  
"Mandelbaum & Co. (Solomon Mandelbaum & Joseph Katzenstein), furniture, 79 W. Madison"  
Ref.: ~~ibid~~: 1868-69 p. 594 Edward's Annual Dcty of Chicago
- 1869 "Mandelbaum Jacob (Mandelbaum & Saunders), bds. 61 W. Van Buren"  
"Mandelbaum Solomon (Mandelbaum & Co.), bds. 64 W. Randolph"  
"Mandelbaum & Co. (Solomon Mandelbaum & Joseph Katzenstein), furniture mnfg. 79 W. Randolph"  
Ref.: ibid: 1869-70 p. 588

- 1870? "Also Solomon carried on the furniture trade about 8 years Hist.Nebr.  
1868 December. Solomon Mandelbaum married (prob. Chicago) Miss Adaline Weinberg, daughter of David Weinberg; Hist. of Nebr. Solomon was about 24 years old. See birth date above. Adaline was about 18 years old. Ref: Adaline died 1912 at age 62; therefore was born about 1850, and would be 18 in 1868; obituary of Adaline in the Adams county Democrat (Neb.): 18 Oct. 1912, p. 1, col.1
- 1870 Carrie, daughter of Solomon and Adaline born in Illinois, and:  
1871 Jacob, their son, born in Ill. Ref.: 1885 Nebr. census.  
1868 Emma, first child of Aaron and his wife Lena, born in Ill., and  
1870 Hanna, second child of Aaron and Lena born in Ill.: Ref.: 1880 census, Dyer, Ind., Lake county, St. Johns township, p. 520
- 1871 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, stoves and furniture, 61 W. Van Buren", and  
"Mandelbaum, Solomon, furniture dealer, 44 W. Randolph.": listings in Edwards' Directory of the City of Chicago. 1871. p. 603.
- 1871 Oct. 8th. Chicago fire occurred. Pop. was 306,000. Ref.: Enc. Brit. "Aaron's furniture store burned out in the Chicago fire": May Bloom. "In his early years Aaron had a men's furnishing store, but a fire burned it out and he became a salesman (Peddler) after that.": Anna Leah Lans.
- 1871 "Mandelbaum Jacob, clk. Stein, Hirsch & Co. r. 61 W. Van Buren" Note: this was the address of Aaron Mandelbaum in 1871, selling stoves and furniture; therefore this Jacob is the brother of Aaron...r.g. Ref.: ibid. p. 603.

Other Mandelbaums in Chicago 1865-1878 (see above references)

Mandelbaum, Simon, cutter  
= " Samuel, dining room  
" Henry, peddler  
" Frederick, teamster  
" Isaac, cutter  
" Daniel, ?  
" Benjamin (Mandelbaum Bros.) printers  
" Meyer, ( " " ) "  
" David, cutter  
" Lena, Miss, dressmkr (1878;h 627 Carroll Ave.)

Other Mandelbaums in New York City 1850-1865: (Searched because Ann Lans stated "We had a lot of Mandelbaum relatives in New York many years ago, but lost track of them.": 1974 letter.)

Mandelbaum, : David Frederick  
Philip Wolf  
Henry Charles  
Jacob Baruch  
Joseph Israel  
Lehman Samuel  
Simon Sarah  
Julius  
Perau  
Benjamin

- 1872 Rosa Mandelbaum, 3rd child of Aaron and Lena born. (1880 census)
- 1874 Irene, 4th child of Aaron and Lena born (1880 census).
- 1874-1875 "Mandelbaum, Aaron. Clerk, Childs & Baer. r. 13 English."  
 "Mandelbaum, Solomon, furniture. 44 W. Randolph."  
 "Mandelbaum, J. furniture. 142 Canalport Ave." Was this  
 Aaron's brother, Jacob? (Jacob visited the home of  
 Jacob D. Mandelbaum, son of Aaron, was a bachelor,  
 and died and is buried in Chicago; ref.: Sylvia Grayson.)
- "Mandelbaum, Daniel. r. 143 Canalport Av." Was this a brother  
 of Aaron? Note that Aaron's father was Daniel Mandel-  
 baum. (Ref.: Aaron's death cert.)  
 Ref.: The Lakeside Annual Directory of the  
 City of Chicago: Williams, Donnelly & Co. 1874-75; p. 743
- 1877 Jacob Mandelbaum, 5th child of Aaron and Lena, born in Ill.  
 Ref.: 1880 census. Date: Sept. 15; tradition. Mid. name: Daniel.
- 1876 Solomon Mandelbaum came to Hastings, Nebraska and was manager  
 of the firm of M. Weinberg & Co. for 3 years
- 1878-1879 Solomon and Aaron Mandelbaum are not listed in the Lake-  
 side Directory of Chicago.
- 1879 July 28. A tornado blew out the front of Solomon Mandelbaum's  
 store in Blue Hill, Nebr. Ref.: Hist. Nebr. p. 1486
- 1880 Mandelbaum, David, age 68, a clothing cutter, born in Saxony  
 is listed in the 1880 census of Chicago, p. 5, line 2.:  
 Emilie: his wife. age 48. born in Prussia.  
 Myer; son. age 19. born in New York. (1861)  
 Benjamin; son. age 15. born in Ohio. (1865)  
 Louis; son. age 10. born, Ill. (1870)  
 Lena; daughter, age 8. (Note that Aaron's mother was Lena.)  
 Dora; daughter, age 5. (Note: Sylvia Grayson remembers a  
 Dora Unger, who was a Mandelbaum, who was a relative.)  
 Inference: David Mandelbaum might be a brother of Aaron.
- 1880 Census. Dyer, Ind.: from the National Archives.  
 Mandelbaum, A. 41 b. Saxony ; mother b. Saxony; father b. Saxon  
 " Lena 39 " " " " "  
 " Emma 12 Ill. AARON'S OCCUPATION listed  
 " Hanna 10 " as "Pedler"  
 " Rosa 8 "  
 " Irene 6 "  
 " Jacob 3 "
- Joseph Peschel is the family next to Aaron Mandelbaum in this census  
 "He was Aaron's best friend and Aaron died at his house." (Sylvia  
 Grayson.) Solomon.
- 1880 June 3, 4. "Mandelbaum, /age 36; boarder. Dry Goods Merchandiser.  
 born in Saxony. mother and father born in Saxony. (Ref.:  
 census. Nebraska, Webster county, Potsdam twp.)
1881. Aug. 20. Solomon Mandelbaum established business in general  
 merchandise with M. Weinberg in Nebr., had a branch house at Blue  
 Hill, Nebr. The main house was in Chicago, Ill. Ref: Hist. of  
 Nebr. The Western Hist. Co. 1882. p. 367.
- 1882 Mandelbaum, Solomon. gents furng. 144 Wabash Av. house 573 State  
 Chicago City Directory for 1882
- 1884 Aaron's wife Lena died when Jacob was 7 years old. He never  
 married again. Ref: Anna Leah Lans.; letter.  
 Lena died in childbirth and the baby died also: Letter from  
 Irma Weil, 1973. The baby was named Theresa: Sylvia Grayson.  
 J.D.'s daughter Theresa was named after the baby: family tradition.  
 Lena Mandelbaum is buried at Waldheim cemetery; family tradition.  
 (Aaron is buried there. Ref: death cert.); Chicago.

1885 Solomon Mandelbaum age 41 Occupation: Retail grocer  
 Adaline " wife 33  
 Carrie " daughter 15 page 10  
 Jacob " son 14; Ref.: Census; Nebr. Webster co. Potsdam  
 township. Jacob was known as "Big Jake from the country".  
 He visited Chicago occasionally, and J.D.'s children knew  
 him. Ref.: family tradition.

1886 Mandelbaum Aaron, peddler, h. 86 Newberry Av.  
 Mandelbaum Aaron, Trav. agt. h. 292 W. 14th  
 Ref.: Lakeside Annual Directory, p. 990

1893 Mandelbaum, Aaron, salesman. h. 48 Hastings

1880 & on: Aaron Mandelbaum used to go among the farmers to sell things  
 to earn a living. He took turns staying with his children each  
 time he came in from the farms. He was a kindly, quiet man. Ref:  
 letter from Ahna Leah Lans.

1927-1925. Aaron lived in a room behind the hardware store of Jacob  
 D. Mandelbaum and Stella on Lincoln Avenue. He walked many miles  
 each day when he could. Ref.: Tradition.

1926 Nov. 14. 8:00 p.m. Aaron Mandelbaum died in the town of  
 Crete, Ill. near Dyer, Ind., in Will county, Ill., a widower,  
 age 89 years and 3 months, of "arteriosclerosis". Occupation:  
 retired. Wife, Lena. Had lived 11 months in Crete. Burial at  
 Waldheim cemetery 17 Nov. 1926. Ref.: Death certificate from  
 the Bureau of Vital Records, Dept. Public Health, Springfield, Ill.  
 Aaron, Lena, and Irene Mandelbaum are buried at Free Sons  
 Cemetery, Forest Park, Ill.: Ref.; last will and test., Estella  
 Mandelbaum, 4 Jan. 1964.

1927 5 July. JACOB MANDELBAUM, brother of Aaron, died at 6140 Drexel  
 (probably the Jewish Old Folks Home.) Listed as single.  
 Born 6 Jan. 1852 in Germany. Real estate salesman before  
 retirement at age 65. Lived in Chicago 60 years. Was self  
 employed. Died at Michael Reese Hospital of Ca. of rectum.  
 Never served in armed forces of U.S. Died 2 July 1927.  
 Buried at Evergreen Park, Cook County, Ill. on 5 July 1927.  
 Died age 75 yrs., 5 mo's, 26 days. Undertaker: Harry  
 H. Gass, 936 E. 47th St. License 41 Ken 0700. Dirchts Chapel.  
 Ref: copy of death certificate, on file, bureau  
 of Vital Statistics, State Dept. of Health, Springfield,  
 Ill.



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Aaron was a cigar maker in Ohio and in Ill., 1863-1868. His brothers Solomon and Moses were cigar makers. Could other Mandelbaum cigar makers be related?

1861 "Mandelbaum Wolf, segars, h 200 Christie" Ref NYCity Direct.

1856 "Mandelbaum, Benjamin, segarmaker, h 202 Seventh"  
Ref.: N.Y. City Directory p. 549; 1856-57

1865 "Mandelbaum, David, segarmaker, h 173 Orchard"

" " , Jacob, segars 219 Av. A"  
Ref. N.Y. City Directory, p. 643: 1865-66.

1860 "Mandelbaum, Charles h 236 5th" Ref. ibid p. 569

If the above Benjamin and Jacob are related to Aaron Mandelbaum, then consider the other Mandelbaums in New York City listed in the same neighborhood:

1856 "Mandelbaum David, jeweler, h 198 seventh"

" " Israel, pedlar, 204 seventh"

" " Jacob, h 176 Sixth"

" " Julius, jeweler, h 188 Seventh"

" " William, pedlar, h 323 Eighth"

Ref.: N.Y. City Directory p. 549 1856-57

#### UNCLE SIMON:

"Mollie Netcher was first cousin to my father (J.D. Mandelbaum) and Uncle Simon was an uncle to both of them." Ref.: Ann Lans; letter, 1974.

"Gram had an uncle Simon who had a pawn shop." (Gram was Estella Hambujer Mandelbaum.). "Mollie Netcher's father pawned a ring with his uncle Simon.."). Ref: Ann Lans. Letter. 1974.

Was "Uncle Simon" the following Simon Mandelbaum?

1865 "Mandelbaum, Simon, cutter Henoeh & Brds, bds 197 Monroe"  
Ref.: Bailey & Co. Chicago City Direct. 1865-6

(NOTE: the only other Mandelbaum listed in 1865 in Chicago was Aaron Mandelbaum.)

1867 "Mandelbaum S., cutter Henoeh Bros." Ref.: ibid 1867-8

1868 "Mandelbaum Simon, cutter, r. 95 Adams" Ref.: ibid 1868-9

1869 "Mandelbaum Simon, cutter, Abraham Louis, r 95 Adams. ibid  
(Note: A Simon Mandelbaum, clothing, taylor, is listed every year in N.Y. City starting 1852 on through 1865. In 1855 there were two Simon Mandelbaums in N.Y. In the first year searched, 1850, there were only 3 Mandelbaums: 2 Davids and 1 Phillip in N.Y.)

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AARON MANDELBAUM'S BROTHERS:

1. SOLOMON MANDELBAUM; Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum ran away to Nebraska to live with his Uncle Solomon. Solomon had a son named Jacob. Ref: tradition known to all 4 daughters of J.D.M. Solomon proven in numerous records in Chicago & Nebraska. (see pp.1&2).
2. MOSES MANDELBAUM: in 1863 this man was listed as boarding at the same address as Aaron Mandelbaum in Cinc., Ohio. Both were cigar makers. The rooming house was 37 Clinton. Aaron was known to be a cigar maker when he first came to Chicago by his grandchildren. Aaron listed as cigar maker 1865-8.
3. JACOB MANDELBAUM: Uncle Jacob well known to Aaron's grandchildren Sylvia & Anna Leah in Chicago as a bachelor who died at advanced age in a Jewish old people's home in Chicago. In 1869 Jacob M. boarded at 61 West Van Buren street in Chicago which is the same address where Aaron Mandelbaum was listed as selling stoves and furniture before the Chicago fire in 1871.

LENA MANDELBAUM  
wife of Aaron

by R. Grayson

It has been a family tradition, not previously proven, that LENA MANDELBAUM, wife of Aaron, and mother of Emma, Hannah, Rosa, Irene, and Jacob, was a first cousin to Aaron and that her maiden name was Mandelbaum also.

This tale has been of particular interest because a discovery of Lena's family origins clearly would assist in tracing more relatives and ancestors. A new documentation of Lena's kin has just come to light which is of great interest.

The reader will recall that Aaron and Simon Mandelbaum were the first two Mandelbaums listed in the Chicago City Directory. The year was 1865. It is known that Aaron was born in 1837 and died in 1926 (see his biography). Simon Mandelbaum, according to the inscription on his gravestone at the Free Sons of Israel Cemetery was born in Gehaus Sachsen, W. Germany Dec. 21, 1836, and died Jan. 17, 1890.

The Estate papers of Simon Mandelbaum have been discovered on file in the Probate Court of Cook County, Ill. They were filed Jan. 20, 1890. A bond was signed by Rosa Mandelbaum, his widow, of 1707 Wabash Ave., Aaron L. Weil, and Julius Stern. The most interesting of the estate papers is the Table of Heirship. The following names are listed as "Only Next of Kin":

"1. ROSA MANDELBAUM, Widow.

"2. Emma Mandelbaum, Hannah Mandelbaum, Rosa Mandelbaum, Irene Mandelbaum, and Jacob Mandelbaum, only surviving children and heirs at law of LENA MANDELBAUM, wife of AARON MANDELBAUM, who was a sister of said SIMON MANDELBAUM and who died in the lifetime of said Simon Mandelbaum.

"3. JENNIE FINKELSTEIN, widow of Maurice Finkelstein, deceased,  
...sister

"4. SOLOMON MANDELBAUM...brother

"5. ROSA KOBLENTZER, wife of Adolph Koblentzer...sister

"6. JULIA MANDELBAUM...half sister."

The above document clearly shows that Lena was a Mandelbaum before marriage and that she was a sister to Jennie Finkelstein who was the mother, incidentally, of Mame and Belle Finkelstein, and the step mother to Jacob and Phil Solomon. (Gerald and Helen are children of Jacob and Phil lived with Rosa Mandelbaum, sister of Jacob D. Mandelbaum.)

The Solomon Mandelbaum above is the second Solomon listed frequently as living or working with Simon in the City Directory and is not the same Solomon Mandelbaum as the brother of Aaron who went to Nebraska.

It is clear also, that Simon, Lena, et al. are from a Mandelbaum whose name we do not know, and who probably is a brother to Aaron's father Daniel Mandelbaum. David Mandelbaum, father of Sarah (Joel), Isaac (Ike), Benjamin F., Dora (Unger), and others, is a third brother in the generation of Daniel. That is, there was the line started by Daniel, the line started by David, and the line started by the father of Simon and Lena and Jennie.

CHAPTER 4

JACOB DANIEL MANDELBAUM



Simon Mandelbaum's widow married a Mr. Wald by 1892 according to the estate papers. Perhaps some one will remember an Aunt Rose Wald. Or an aunt Rosa Koblentzer.

Simon, who was ~~44~~<sup>5</sup> at death, and Rosa apparently left no children.

Simon and Jennie were uncle and aunt to Jacob if it is true that Lena was the first cousin of Aaron. Therefore, Simon might be the Uncle Simon of Jake the family recalls as taking the Amethyst ring of Lena's in on pawn at one time. Simon had a cigar shop, however, not a pawn shop. The assets of the store at 1734 Wabash Ave. included a stock of cigars, stationery, and fancy notions.

LENA MANDELBAUM, wife of Aaron and sister of Simon, according to her gravestone at Free Sons Cemetery, was born Oct. 10, 1839 and died March 13, 1884. The cemetery records list the cause of death as "confinement." The 1880 census of Dyer, Ind., listed her birthplace as Sachsen, Germany. (Saxony.) No doubt the town was Gehaus, the same as listed on the gravestones of her bother Simon and her uncle David.

--March 1975



Jacob and Stella Mandelbaum

ESTELLA HAMBUJER MANDELBAUM



The children of Jacob and Stella  
Mandelbaum



Anna Leah, Theresa, Sylvia Mandelbaum  
1910



Bernice Mandelbaum



## JACOB DANIEL MANDELBAUM

by R. Grayson

Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum, son of Aaron and Lena Mandelbaum, was born September 15, 1877 according to the records of the Grand Secretary of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the state of Illinois. Their files show that he was raised in Prudence Lodge No. 958 on August 30, 1918 and died a member of good standing of that lodge on February 13, 1955.

Jacob (Jake) was the 5th and youngest living child of Aaron and Lena, the 6th, a daughter, having died in infancy and the mother Lena, having died in confinement, March 13th, 1884 when Jake was but 6½ years of age. Jake's other sisters at the time of the mother's death were Emma, age 15; Hanna, age 13; Rosa, age 11, and Irene, age 9. Their father, Aaron was 44 and never remarried. Jake and all his sisters were born in Illinois according to the 1880 census of Dyer, Indiana. Inasmuch as there is no record of them having lived outside of Chicago before going to Dyer, it is assumed that all were born in the city of Chicago.

According to Sylvia, his daughter, Jake left school to support himself and to run away to his uncle Solomon Mandelbaum in Nebraska by "hitch Hiking" on a grain. Bernice stated that Jacob quit school after the 4th grade and went to Nebraska. He loved it there and would tell his children later how he rode a horse bareback on a farm. Solomon Mandelbaum's son, also a Jacob Mandelbaum was tall and known as Big Jake from the country. Big Jake visited the Mandelbaum family in Chicago many times at the home above the hardware store on Lincoln Avenue. Big Jake, the 1st cousin of our Jacob D. Mandelbaum, was born to Solomon and Adaline (nee Weinburg) Mandelbaum about 1871 in Illinois (no doubt Chicago) according to the 1885 census of Webster county, Nebraska. Therefore, Big Jake was about six years old when little Jake was born in 1877. Solomon and Adaline had only one other child, Carrie, born about 1870, who married Sam Grabschied of Pipestone, Minn. Adaline, age 62, wife of Solomon, died September 28, 1912, at her home, 4827 Harrison Street, Kansas City. Solomon Mandelbaum died at age 81 at the same home address in Kansas City on March 1st, 1924. According to the death certificate, his son Jacob was still living at the same home address at the time.

It is probable that Jacob D. Mandelbaum returned to Chicago by 1888 at the age of 10, although it is not known whether he went to Nebraska before or after the age of 10. The clue to this is the 1888 Chicago city Directory which lists Jacob Mandelbaum as a student at the Bryant & Stratton Chicago Business College. Perhaps that is too advanced a school for our Jacob and the listing refers to his uncle, Jacob Mandelbaum, the brother of Aaron. The uncle would have been about 36 years old in 1888; perhaps he went to school to learn the real estate business.

Jacob D. Mandelbaum

At any rate, Jake did go to night school and studied mechanical drawing. By the time he was 13 he lived in a boarding house, had a good job, and was completely self supporting, according to Bernice. At the age of 16, in 1893, he was listed as a "machinist", living ("boards") at 48 Hastings street, Chicago, the same address as his father Aaron Mandelbaum, who was listed as a salesman.

Early in the year 1899 Jacob D. Mandelbaum, age 21, married Estella Hambujer (Hamburg, Hamburger), daughter of Ephraim and Annie, who had moved from Detroit to Chicago in 1890. Stella had been born in Detroit December 19, 1881, the youngest of 11 children. She was 17 years old when she married. Their first child, Anna Leah, was born the 10th of December 1899. Ann married Jacob Joseph Lans, born 1889 in Kiev, the Ukraine, U.S.S.R. (died 1964, Pasadena, Calif.). They had two children: Sherman Bennet Lans, born Feb. 3, 1923, married Joan Olive Selwood, born Feb. 27, 1927, London, England; and Elizabeth (Betty), born Jan. 19, 1924, married 1st William Edward Davies March 24, 1946; second, David Abraham Kahn, (b. Oct. 13, 1916) married March 26, 1970.

Apparently Jake had started his first store before he married. According to a news clipping from October 1939, he started a "lock shop" which later became a bicycle shop at the space where Wiebolt's store is now at Lincoln and Belmont Avenues. "When Jacob Mandelbaum, the hardware merchant, came to Lincoln Avenue ....in 1897 in that place, he paid only \$8.00 a month rent."

Stella had lived at 3250 Lincoln Avenue in a four-room flat over a candy store, as a young girl, according to another news clipping. "Her parents were offered the house and lot for \$2,500 and they paid only \$6.00 a month rent." This address is where the Bond Clothing store was at the time of the news article.

The hardware store on the corner of Lincoln and Newport that the children and grandchildren all remember so well was at 3430 Lincoln Avenue and the phone number was L.V. 5551, according to a 1939 newspaper advertisement. (Jake advertised: "Serving This Community for 41 years. Mandelbaum's Hardware. J.D. Mandelbaum, prop. Everything in Hardware Tools and Paints.")

Theresa, the second daughter of Jake and Stella was born 14 months after Ann, Feb. 10, 1901. She married Bernard (Barney) Lewis. Their only child was Flora Estelle Lewis, born Dec. 21, 1924 in Chicago. Flora married Frank Henry Yaffe of St. Louis, Mo., born March 17, 1921.

The third daughter of Jake and Stella was Sylvia, born April 27, 1905, married on June 1st 1924, to Roland Howard Grayson, of Chicago, born April 15, 1903, in Indianapolis, Ind. Their children were: Richard Roland Grayson, b. Oct. 21, 1925, mrd. Gertrude June Lind, b. June 2, 1925; Patricia Vivian Grayson, b. Aug. 21, 1927; & Priscilla Rose Grayson, b. Dec. 24, 1940. Pat mrd. Robert Jebavy, b. June 5, 1925; Priscilla mrd. Roger Rutter, b. Feb. 3, 1935.

Jacob D. Mandelbaum

The 4th and last child of Jake and Stella was Bernice, born Oct. 21st, 1910, in Chicago. Bernice married Michel Robert Beck, born 1900 in Russia, died Chicago Feb. 19, 1952. Their children are Michel Dimitry Beck, born Nov. 24, 1938, mrd. Gail \_\_\_\_\_; Nicholas David Beck, b. Sept. 21, 1942; and Bonnie Susan Beck, b. Dec. 14, 1945, mrd. \_\_\_\_\_ Mullen.

"Aunt" Nora Coughlin was the housekeeper of this family for 53 years, according to Anna Leah, and she was so loved that she was regarded as a member of the family. She was a strict Catholic and it "never bothered Nora when Gram observed any Jewish holidays...Gram would buy her fish on Fridays and during Lent." Nora lived to a very advanced age with Stella in California.

The Lincoln-Belmont-Ashland Business Association, still a going concern, was formed in 1902 by three men, according to an old newspaper clipping. They were Jacob D. Mandelbaum, Charles Siegler, and Dr. Christian Keller, an optometrist. Dr. Keller had his office above the store of Roland Grayson on Lincoln Avenue and Jake's hardware store was across the street. Dr. Keller's son, by coincidence, now an old man, is an optometrist in St. Charles, Ill., the home of the author of this biography.

In January of 1945 the Lincoln-Belmont Boester newspaper announced that Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Mandelbaum, "owners of the Mandelbaum hardware store, 3430 North Lincoln, have sold the business to Bill Schmiegl and will go in for fishing, loafing, and general leishurely living." The sale of the business occurred on Jan. 6th, 1945, after 46 years in the hardware business and 46 years of marriage. "Cheery Mr. Mandelbaum, who doesn't look his 68 years, says, 'We're both in good health so we're going to quit now and enjoy life. My wife has helped me with the business all these years and, by gosh, she deserves a rest and some fun.'" They then "took it easy at their home address, 1325 Newport."

Ten years later, Feb. 13, 1955, Jake died. Betty Lans Kahn saw him a few days before he died in the hospital. He told her what his favorite poem was and asked her if she would like to hear it. She said yes, and he recited it completely. The poem is beautiful. It is Abou Ben Adhem, by James Henry Leigh Hunt. From "One Hundred and One Famous Poems," 1924. See appendix for complete poem.

Jake was 77½ years old. He died leaving 4 children, 9 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren, according to his obituary in the Feb. 15, 1955 Chicago Tribune. He was given a Masonic burial by his nephew Daniel Maerker, and was interred initially at Ridgelawn cemetery, Chicago, then permanently at Hollywood Memorial Park Cemetery, Los Angeles, Calif.

Stella lived another 13 years. She died aged 86 on Feb. 7, 1968, in Los Angeles, Calif., and is buried at the side of Jacob in the Hollywood Memorial Park Cemetery.

MANDELBAUM GENEALOGY NEWSLETTER

with miscellaneous notes, additions, and corrections.

by r. grayson 3/28/75

JACOB MANDELBAUM, the son of Solomon who was a brother of Aaron Mandelbaum of Chicago.....died in Kansas City, Mo., 9 Oct. 1941 age 70 and is buried at the Elmwood Cemetery in K.C. He had lived in that city 43 years...moved there in 1898. He was born in Chicago 8 Feb. 1871 and was a meat packer.

Ref: State of Mo. death cert.  
# 33856

MATILDA R. MANDELBAUM, nee Reach, dtr. of Isaac & Rose (nee Negbauer) was the wife of Jacob Mandelbaum above. She died in Kansas City age 79 on 3 Aug. 1949, was born in Leavenworth, Kansas 15 Sept. 1875, had lived in K.C. 60 yrs, is buried at Elmwood Cem.

Ref.: Mo. Cert. #26966

JACOB MANDELBAUM, the brother of Aaron entered the Drexel Home for the Aged at 6140 So. Drexel, Chicago, on 28 Jan. 1925. He stated that he was born 6 Jan. 1852, came to Chicago directly from Germany in 1867. Died age 73 unmarried without issue after living in the Home 2 years and 5 months.

Ref.: Phone call to the Home,  
Jan. 1975.

Inferences: Did this youngest son of Daniel (presumably) come to the U.S. WITH his parents at age 15 in 1867?

CAROLINE GRABSCHIED, 1869-1944, the dtr. of Solomon and sister to Jacob above is buried in the family plot at Elmwood Cemetery in K.C. with her husband SAM GRABSCHIED, 1870-1931. Solomon Mandelbaum, 1843-1924, and his wife Adeline, 1851-1912, are buried there also.

Ref:Letter, Elmwood Cem. Society

JACOB D. MANDELBAUM on his 1954 driver's license was 5 feet 7 inches, weight 196 pounds, had brown eyes, gray hair, stated he was born Sept. 15th, 1876, 1 year earlier than the Mason record.

Ref: Dr. Lic. owned by B. Beck

Who was: HENRY MANDELBAUM, b. 22 Feb. 1886, Chicago, died 1 July 1934?

Ref: Mason's record

THE FREE SONS OF ISRAEL is a national association started 125 years ago for dignified Jewish burials & is the oldest American Jewish fraternal order, has been a social order also for the past 65 yrs. Was started by German & Bohemian Jews, has Lodges in New York (30), Boston, L.A., Miami, Chicago, & other cities.

Ref:Phil Miller, Pres.Chic. Lodge

JULIA MANDELBAUM, the half-sister of Lena Mandelbaum (Aron's wife) and Jennie Finkelstein according to the estate papers of their brother Simon Mandelbaum, might be the Maiden aunt of Jacob D. Mandelbaum, who lived in New York City. She was a school teacher about 1920.

Ref: B. Beck

JACOB D. MANDELBAUM went to night school in Chicago with his best friend, JOE SCHROM, who also went into the hardware business at 2008 Roscoe st., Chicago. Joe's wife, Meta is alive and aged 98½, lives at 4925 West Waveland Ave., Chicago. Their dtr Evelyn is at that address, phone 777-6180, & told me many of her fond memories of the Mandelbaums when I phoned her March 14th, 1975 at suggestion of Bussy.

--r. g.

LENA MANDELBAUM, mother of Jake, died in childbirth in Dyer, Ind. Bussy visited the "very flat in which she died " with her father Jake.

Ref.: Bubs.

MOSE SALKEY, husband of Fannie Hambujer, was also a cousin of Jacob D. Mandelbaum. Estella met Jacob when she went to visit her sister Fannie and Jake was there visiting his cousin Mose. Seven days later in Oct., 1898, Estella & Jake were engaged.

Ref.: Bubs.

UNCLE MAX FRIEND was 1 of 12 children, all rich. One brother was Dr. Emanuel Friend, head surgeon at Micael Reese. Max inherited a lot of money from his father who was rich from the liquor business before prohibition.

Ref: AnnaLeah Lans

AUNT NORA COUGHLIN died age 93, lived with Estella 53 years. Nora was a widow who's 17 yr. old son died of TB.

Ref.: Ann

BETTY LANS KAHN...her name is not Elizabeth, but BETTY VIRGINIA; her favorite nickname is BECKY.

Ref.: Betty

HANNAH DARMSTADTER HAMBUJER was not born in Darmstadt, but in Birkenau (Odenwald) in the grand-duchy of Hesse-Darmstadt.

Ref.: Prof. Karl Darmstadter

MOLLIE NETCHER NEUBERGER was the dtr of Morris & Ernestine Alpiner. Family tradition is that she was a cousin to Jake. We have not found the connection yet.

Ref: Book of Chicagoans (1917)  
p. 501.

MORE MANDELBAUMS

10/29/75

IRMA WEIL remembers a cousin who is yet alive with whom she grew up, the daughter of the safe-mover, JOSEPH MANDELBAUM. The Daughter is:

ESTHER MANDELBAUM, now known as ESTELLE HALL or Mrs. Earl Hall, of Leisure Village at the town of Fox Lake, Ill. Home phone no. : 312-587-1128. She is married a second time; first husband was a Howell. I talked with Estelle; she states that Irma's mother Hannah and Joseph Mandelbaum were second cousins but she does not know the link. She states that there was a family bible and that Harold had it, that Harold, the son of Joseph had died, but that Harold's wife, Clara Mandelbaum might have it.

CLARA MANDELBAUM, 1914 Sawyer Street, Chicago, phone 235-8560: I talked to Clara. She said she knew Jacob D. Mandelbaum and remembers his hardware store and that she still has two Jewish figurines that Jake gave her. Clara said that her husband Harold died Oct. 27, 1966 age 71 in Chicago. She does not have the family bible, but she thinks that Harold's daughter might. Harold had 2 daughters, one died. The one that is alive is MARGIE BATAGLIA, is married to a Sam Bataglia, (not the gangster), lives in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., at 7101 NW 74th Place; Phone no.: 305-987-2149. Zip code: 33313. New Ph:305-721-3992

LENA WEIL, nee MANDELBAUM, sister of JOSEPH MANDELBAUM the safe-mover, died about 1968, according to Estelle Hall, and had a daughter who might be alive. The Daughter, Rose Weil married an attorney, WALTER ZITTENFIELD, who died about 12 years ago. They once lived on Lake Shore Drive. (All metro Ph bks searched: NO Zittenfield found.)

ETHEL BUTTERFIELD, the daughter of Sarah Abrams who was a sister to Joseph Mandelbaum the safe mover: Ethel married a second time to a Mr. LARSON. So ETHEL ABRAMS BUTTERFIELD LARSON is a daughter of SARAH MANDELBAUM ABRAMS; possibly Ethel is alive in Chicago, according to Clara Mandelbaum. Clara says Mrs. Hall knows more.

MARGIE BATAGLIA, of Fort Lauderdale; I phoned her. She does not have the family bible; thinks Clara has it. Her sister Elaine died age 46 in 1973, left only child, Paula Wolf of Hollywood, Fla. Margie is 56. Her father Harold was born 1896, md. Gladys first, Clara 2nd, now about 70. Esther Hall has 1 son by 1st marriage, Milton John Howell. Gladys is Margie's mother. Margie remembers Jacob D. Mandelbaum, says her grandfather and Jake were cousins. Her grandfather Joseph Mandelbaum md. 1st Minnie Adler who died 1910, 2nd, Marie.

THEORY: Henry Mandelbaum, the father of Joseph Mandelbaum the safe mover, was probably the brother of Daniel Mandelbaum, the father of our own Aaron Mandelbaum.

MANDELBAUM-HAMBURG GENEALOGY NEWSLETTER #2

April 3, 1975; r. grayson

GEHAUS, the town in which David Mandelbaum was born in 1816 and Simon Mandelbaum was born in 1836 (and therefore the probable birthplace of Aaron and Lena Mandelbaum) had a total population of 859 in the year 1932, of whom 23 were Jewish. GEHAUS is part of the Thuringian County of Eisenach and is now located in the German Democratic Republic (East Germany). Thuringia and Saxony are two closely interconnected regions and the Grand Duchy of Weimar became part of the State of Thuringia in 1919. This explains the gravestone inscription, GEHAUS SACHSEN-W. GERMANY; the "W." stands for "Weimar".

Ref.: Mr. Fred Grubel, Sec., Leo Baeck Inst., 129 E. 73rd St., N.Y., 10021

EMMA MANDELBAUM MAERKER wrote songs. "Plea for Deliverance" was copyrighted in 1938 by Emma Maerker, Chicago, Ill. A photocopy was sent to me by B. Beck. ..r.g.

MAURICE H. MANDELBAUM, Ph. D. in Philosophy at Johns Hopkins U., Baltimore, Md., was born Dec. 9, 1908 to Maurice H. Mandelbaum and Ida (Mandel). Maurice Mandelbaum, Sr., and his mother Clara lived on Vernon Street in Chicago. Maurice Mandelbaum, Sr., died 19 Feb. 1951. The father of Maurice Mandelbaum Sr. was MAX H. MANDELBAUM who went from New York to Cleveland, Ohio, and then in 1855 to La Point, Mich. He moved then to Hancock, Mich., where he died in 1873 when his son Maurice was 7 years old. A relative named M.J. MANDELBAUM in Cleveland, born 1855, an investment banker, died childless in the 1930's. QUESTION: Could Max Mandelbaum have been related to Aaron Mandelbaum?

Ref.: Letters from Maurice Mandelbaum, jr.

MRS. IDA M. MANDELBAUM, died in Chicago Dec. 18, 1954, daughter of Leon Mandel, one of the founders of the Mandel Bros. Dept. Store, wife of the late Maurice Mandelbaum, mother of Mrs. Frances M. Arenberg, Maurice H. Mandelbaum, & Mrs. Barbara M. Kirschheimer; sister of Mrs. Louise M. Wineman, Florence Mandel, Mrs. Blanche M. Strauss, Mrs. Fannie M. Foreman; grandmother of 7 children. Ref.: Estate Notice & Obit., Chic. Trib. Jan. 12, 1955.

BENJAMIN F. MANDELBAUM. Estate papers, probate court, Cook Co. Died age 51 on 22 Feb. 1915. His heirs were: 1.) Abraham Mandelbaum Franklin, son of Benjamin F. Mandelbaum (and his first wife, Tina, who died before he did). Abraham was adopted by Samuel Franklin of 5004 Grand Blvd., Chicago, was age 26 at time of Benjamin's death, therefore born 1889. 2.) Bertha Mandelbaum, age 22. Mrs. Milton Rich. 3.) David Mandelbaum, age 16. Benjamin Mandelbaum was buried by Lewis E. Hamburg & Co., of 4649 Prairie Ave.

JOSEPH MANDELBAUM, THE SAFE MOVER, of 1239 Washington Blvd., is thought by some to have been a cousin to Jakob. D. Mandelbaum. Joseph was b. 26 Feb. 1865 in N.Y., d. 23 Sept 1955 in Chi. Father was HENRY MANDELBAUM, junk pedler, b. 1820, d. 16 Sept. 1885 age 64 when he took carbolic acid by mistake, buried at Free Sons, and mother was Eliza, b. 1826, d. age 68 Oct. 24 1894. Wife of Joseph was Marie. Children of Henry & Eliza were 1.) ABRAHAM MANDELBAUM (1863-1925) who mrd & divorced Alvina, no issue. 2.) JULIUS MANDELBAUM (1868-1894), never mrd. 3.) JOSEPH MANDELBAUM (1865-1955), 4.) SARAH MANDELBAUM, mrd. David Abrams, d. 6 Dec. 1925, 5.) LENA MANDELBAUM, mrd. Jos. Weil, 6.) BARBARA MANDELBAUM, (1856-9 Dec. 1926), mrd. Meyer Goetz...had 6 children: Gus, Dave, Harry, Blanche Goodman, Viola Mathews, Bella Scwab. Note Sarah Abrams above had 1 child: Ethel Abrams Butterfield. References: 1. 1880 Chi. Census 2. Will of Jos. Mandelbaum, prob. court, Chicago. 3. Estate of Abraham Mandelbaum, prob ct., June 19, 1926  
QUESTION: Does any one recognize any of these names?



HENRY MANDELBAUM of 344 S. Morgan Street in the 8th ward of Chicago, Ill. age 64 died Sept. 15th, 1885. Born in Germany. Occupation, pedler. Ref.: Death cert. # 70072  
He, his wife Eliza, and their children Joseph, Julius, and Abraham are buried at Free Sons of Israel Cemetery.

SAMUEL MANDELBAUM, b. 1834, d. 7 , a horse dealer, b. in Prussia, and his wife Pauline Mandelbaum, b. 1850 in Switzerland, had children Julia, b. 1874 in Md; Solomon Mandelbaum b. 1876 in Ill.; and stepdtr Razey, b. 1879 in Ill.  
Ref.: 1880 census of Cook County.

THE AMETHYST RING evryone mentions as having been pawned at one time, now owned by Annaleah, is mentioned in the will of Jacob D. Mandelbaum, dated 5 July 1952, filed at the Probate Court of Cook co. March 7, 1955 on page 2: "I give and bequeath my amethyst heirloom ring, which I received from my mother, to my grandson, Sherman B. Lans." The ring and all other property was bequeathed to Estella inasmuch as she was living at the time of Jake's death, under the terms of the will. The important fact is that the famous amethyst ring was originally the property of Lena Mandelbaum, Jake's mother, and apparently this was not known or remembered.

SOLOMON MANDELBAUM. Daniel Grayson visited the National Archives recently and found a Solomon Mandelbaum of Cinc., Ohio, born in 1843, who was listed as a deserter from the army in the civil war. Remember that our Solomon Mandelbaum was born in 1843, was in Cinc., Ohio in 1865 learning the cigar trade ? We will try to get more documentation.

LESTER MANDELBAUM, of the 1st National Bank of Chicago states that his father, LESTER PALMER MANDELBAUM referred to DAVID HALE MANDELBAUM as a second cousin. The brother of Lester Palmer Mandelbaum was IRVING W. MANDELBAUM, b. 2/22/1891, Chicago, died without issue 1960-63. The father of Lester and Irving Mandelbaum was RICHARD ("MANDY") MANDELBAUM who died about 1900. His wife was an actress named \_\_\_\_\_ Palmer. Ref: 1. Mason records 2. Phone call to Lester, jr. Inference: Possibly related to Jacob D. Mandelbaum; need to know father of Richard or other connections.

# Chicago Tribune

Thursday, January 8, 1981

## Action line

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**Q**—Your recent comments [December 28] on the 1911 change in the Chicago numbering system may have shed some light on my family genealogical research. My great-grandfather, Aaron Mandelbaum, had a furniture store at 61 W. Van Buren St. in the 1871 Edwards Chicago city directory. I had assumed that that part of the city was destroyed by the Chicago Fire on Oct. 8, 1871. Your information leads me to believe that his store was west of the Chicago River and might not have been involved in the fire. Perhaps it was some other fire.

Richard R. Grayson, St. Charles

**A**—Your suspicions were correct. His business, at what now would be 524 W. Van Buren Street, apparently burned down in a separate fire. It was on Oct. 7, the day before the Chicago Fire. In "Chicago: Its History and Its Builders," J. Seymour Currey wrote: "On the night of Saturday, Oct. 7, there was a large fire which started near the corner of Clinton and Van Buren streets. A high southwest wind was blowing and the flames soon

spread beyond the firemen's control, burning north as far as Adams Street and east to the river. . . . Had the devastation not been followed immediately by a calamity as overwhelming as that which a few hours later fell upon the city, the fire of Saturday night would be remembered as one of the city's great misfortunes." A total of 16 acres were destroyed, principally coal and lumber yards along the river.

From the Lincoln-Belmont Booster

about 1945

## *Mandelbaums to Retire From Hardware Store*

By Helen Hand

Life is going to become very precarious for the finny tribe come the springtime, for Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum, owners of the Mandelbaum Hardware store, 3430 Lincoln, have sold the business to Bill Schmieg and will go in for fishing, loafing, and general leisure living.

Two of Lake View's grandest people, the Mandelbaums are also going to devote more time to the coming generations, namely their 8 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all the offspring of their 4 daughters.

The Mandelbaums will have been married 46 years in April and have been in the hardware business 46 years, 8 in the 3200 block on Lincoln and the rest at the present location, Newport and Lincoln. Actual sale of the business was made Jan. 6 but Mr. Mandelbaum is staying on for a few months to help the new owner learn all about the firm which will still retain the Mandelbaum name and will be run on the same prin-

ciples that made the store a regular neighborhood institution.

When spring comes Mr. Mandelbaum and his wife, Estelle, plan to take a country cottage near some well-stocked lake and spend long hours tempting the piscatorial beauties onto their hooks. This will be the first real vacation for both of them since they've never had more than 9 days off before. And the last time they relaxed a bit in that way was 6 years ago.

Until the grass starts turning green again they'll be taking life easy at their home address, 1325 Newport. Cheery Mr. Mandelbaum, who doesn't look his 68 years, says, "We're both in good health so we're going to quit now and enjoy life. My wife has helped me with the business all these years and, by gosh, she deserves a rest and some fun. I know as long as I stick it out she would, too, and I'd rather keep her than the store." Which sounds like a certain silver-haired lady still holds full title to a certain gentleman's heart. Maybe this will be a sort of second honeymoon for both of them.

**STANLEY T. KUSPER, JR.**  
COUNTY CLERK

JAN 28 1975

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS—130 NORTH WELLS STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606

Form 206 B 637

Registration Number 251-4

STATE OF ILLINOIS }  
COOK COUNTY }

**REPORT OF DEATH**

VITAL STATISTICS DEPARTMENT — COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

1. Name of Deceased Daniel Mandelbaum
2. Place of Death 142 Canal Port Ave. Date of Death March 2, 1880
3. Address of Deceased 142 Canal Port Ave.
4. Name of Hospital or Institution \_\_\_\_\_
5. Sex Male Race White
6. Date of Birth 1810 Age 70 Yrs. Birthplace Germany
7. Occupation \_\_\_\_\_
8. Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_
9. Mother's Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_
10. Cause of Death Pneumonia

Interval Between Onset and Death \_\_\_\_\_

11. Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Medkle M.D.
12. Disposition: Burial Removal Cremation \_\_\_\_\_ Date March 2, 1880  
Cemetery Waldheim  
Location \_\_\_\_\_
13. (Funeral Director) Firm Name Chalefoux  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

March 4, 1880

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.  
County of Cook, }

I, STANLEY T. KUSPER, JR., County Clerk of the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois, and Keeper of the Records and Files of said County, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the original Record on file, all of which appears from the records and files in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Cook, at my office in the City of Chicago, in said County.

*Stanley T. Kusper, Jr.*  
County Clerk

*Richard R. Grayson, M.D.*

*Internal Medicine*

*24 Hour Telephone: 584-2230*

*103 West Main Street, St. Charles, Illinois*

Aaron Mandelbaum is buried in single grave number 3415 at Free Sons of Israel Cemetery, 15th and Desplaines Ave., Forest Park, Ill. Telephone no.: FO 6-1190.

His wife, Lena Mandelbaum is buried nearby in "Old Free Sons South Cemetery" in single grave number 367. She was buried there on 13 March 1884 and a weathered marble stone marks the grave. Ref.: Sexton, Mr. Freiman; phone call 12/26/74. The records do not show her place of death or the undertaker. Her name is listed as Lena and not Leah.

Old undertakers were called and they did NOT bury Lena Mandelbaum: 1. Pizer; started in 1906; 2. Weinstein, started 1894; 3. Weinstein and sons, started 1890; 4. Furth & co. this was in existence in 1884 but they have no record of her burial.

STATE OF ILLINOIS - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
 CERTIFIED COPY OF A DEATH RECORD

FEE RECEIPT NO. 883796

*Paul Bolobay M.D.*

PLACE OF DEATH County of <i>Cook</i> District No. <i>10</i>		STATE OF ILLINOIS Department of Public Health - Division of Vital Statistics	
City of <i>Chicago</i>		STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
(a) Residence No. <i>6140</i>		(b) Non-residential give city or town and State <i>60645</i>	
FULL NAME <i>Jacobs, Alexander</i>		(c) Maiden name <i>Frederick</i>	
SEX <i>Male</i>		COLOR OR HAIR <i>White</i>	
MARRIAGE STATUS <i>Single</i>		DATE OF DEATH (month, day, year) <i>July 15, 1977</i>	
DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) <i>January 6, 1902</i>		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from <i>July 15, 1977</i> to <i>July 15, 1977</i>	
AGE <i>75</i>		CAUSE OF DEATH <i>Cerebral infarction</i>	
OCCUPATION OF DECEASED <i>Retired (60 yrs)</i>		CONTRIBUTORY <i>Arteriosclerosis</i>	
BIRTHPLACE (City or Town, State or Country) <i>Unknown, Germany</i>		PLACE OF BIRTH (City or Town, State or Country) <i>Unknown, Germany</i>	
NAME OF FATHER <i>Unknown</i>		NAME OF MOTHER <i>Unknown</i>	
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER <i>Unknown, Germany</i>		BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER <i>Unknown, Germany</i>	
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <i>Unknown</i>		PLACE OF BURIAL (Cemetery, Location, Township, Road, Dist., Village or City, County, State) <i>Graceland, Unknown Park, Cook, Ill</i>	
INFORMANT <i>Hospital Records</i>		DATE <i>July 15, 1977</i>	
P. O. Address <i>566 1/2 1901 North Dearborn St, Chicago, Ill 60614</i>		SIGNATURE OF DECEASED <i>Alexander Jacobs</i>	
P. O. Address <i>870 W. Jackson St, Chicago, Ill 60645</i>		SIGNATURE OF WITNESS <i>Harvey H. Gass</i>	
P. O. Address <i>870 W. Jackson St, Chicago, Ill 60645</i>		SIGNATURE OF WITNESS <i>Michael G. Gass</i>	

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the record of death as made from the original certificate of death for the decedent named therein and that this certificate was established and filed with the Department of Public Health in accordance with the statutes of Illinois.

SPRINGFIELD

SEPTEMBER 5, 1974

*Joyce C. Lashof, M.D.*  
 Director of Public Health and  
 State Registrar

OBITUARIES:

AARON MANDELBAUM, age 89, beloved father of Jacob, Mrs. Hanna Weil, Mrs. Emma Maerker, brother of Jacob Mandelbaum, Nov. 14. Funeral services Wed. Nov. 17 at \_\_\_ from 4336 Broadway. Interment Free Sons, Waldheim.

--Chicago Tribune Tues. Nov. 16, 1926

JACOB D. MANDELBAUM of 1325 Newport Ave. beloved husband of Estella devoted father of Annaleah Lans, Theresa Lewis of Santa Ana, Cal., Sylvia Grayson of Maywood, Ill, and Berneice Beck of Hollywood, Cal. loving grandfather of nine, great grandfather of 11. Services Wed. 11 a.m. at chapel 5206 Broadway, interment Ridge Lawn. Member of Prudence Lodge no. 958 A.F. & A. M.

-- Chicago Tribune Tues. Feb. 15, 1955, p.11

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STATE OF MISSOURI }  
CITY OF JEFFERSON }<sup>SS</sup> I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is an exact reproduction of the certificate for the person named therein as it now appears in the permanent records of the Bureau of Vital Records of the Division of Health of Missouri. Witness my hand as State Registrar of Vital Statistics and the Seal of the Division of Health of Missouri this date of

JAN 24 1975

Herbert R. Corvick, M.D.

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1. PLACE OF DEATH

City Jefferson Precinct 1 Ward 2  
Township 1 Precinct 1 Ward 2  
City Jefferson Precinct 1 Ward 2  
City Jefferson Precinct 1 Ward 2

2. FULL NAME

Residence No. 4327 Harrison St. Jefferson Mo. (If nonresident give city or town and State)  
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred 40 yrs. 0 mos. 0 ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth 50 yrs. 0 mos. 0 ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Widower

6. MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED AND OF WIFE OF

7. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Dec. 10 1843

8. AGE YEARS 81 MONTHS 2 DAYS 19 If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.

9. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

Profession, or kind of work Retired  
Name of nature of industry, or establishment in which employed (or employer) Real Estate

10. CITY OR TOWN (COUNTRY) Germany

11. NAME OF FATHER Dr. Mandelbaum

12. PLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Germany

13. NAME OF MOTHER Dr. Know

14. PLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Germany

15. INFORMANT (Address) Jack Mandelbaum  
4327 Harrison

16. SIGNED Herbert R. Corvick REGISTRAR

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) March 1 1924

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Dec. 26 1923 to Feb. 29 1924 and that I last saw him alive on Feb. 29 1924 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 12:30 a.m.

18. THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:  
Chronic Myocarditis  
(duration) 1 yr. 2 mos. 0 ds.

19. CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) Pulmonary Congestion  
(duration) 0 yrs. 1 mo. 0 ds.

20. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED  
IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH? Germany

21. DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? No DATE OF 1

22. WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? No

23. WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Algebra  
(Signed) F. S. ... M.D.  
3 - 1 - 1924 (Address) Jefferson

\*State the DEGREE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENCE, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)

24. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Edinwood DATE OF BURIAL Mar. 3 1924

25. UNDERTAKER Julian K. Sanders ADDRESS 3024 Forest



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STATE OF MISSOURI }  
CITY OF JEFFERSON } ss I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is an exact reproduction of the certificate for the person named therein as it now appears in the permanent records of the Bureau of Vital Records of the Division of Health of Missouri. Witness my hand as State Registrar of Vital Statistics and the Seal of the Division of Health of Missouri this date of

MAR 17 1975

*Herbert R. Corral*  
State Registrar of Vital Statistics

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Subs. File No. 33856  
Primary Registration District No. 1002  
Registrar's No. 3292

1. PLACE OF DEATH:  
(a) County: JACKSON  
(b) City or town: KANSAS CITY  
(c) Name of hospital or institution: 4327 HARRISON STREET  
(d) Length of stay: In hospital or institution: 43 YEARS (Specify whether in this community: years, months or days)

2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:  
(a) State: MISSOURI (b) County: JACKSON  
(c) City or town: KANSAS CITY  
(d) Street No.: 4327 HARRISON  
(e) Citizen of foreign country: No (Yes or No)

3. (a) FULL NAME: JACOB MANDELBAUM  
(b) If veteran, name was: No (c) Social Security No.: No

4. Sex: MALE (5. Color or race: WHITE) (6. (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced: MARRIED (b) Name of husband or wife: MATILDA (c) Age of husband or wife if alive: 63 years

7. Birth date of deceased: FEB 8 1871 (Month) (Day) (Year)

8. AGE: Years: 70 Months: 8 Days: 1 If less than one day: hr. min.

9. Birthplace: CHICAGO ILLINOIS (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

10. Usual occupation: MEAT PACKER

11. Industry or business:

12. Name: SOLOMAN MANDELBAUM (13. Birthplace: GERMANY (14. Maiden name: ADELINE WEINBERG (15. Birthplace: GERMANY)

16. (a) Informant: ROBERT O. MANN GERMANY (b) Address: 430 GREENWAY TERRACE

17. (a) Burial (b) Date thereof: 10/10/74 (c) Place: burial or cremation: Bethel-Norwood

18. (a) Signature of funeral director: (b) Address: 3004 North Ave (c) Date: 10/10/74

19. (a) (b) (c)

20. DATE OF DEATH: Month: OCT day: 9 year: 1974 hour: 1 minute: 30 P.M.

21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 10/9/74 to 10/9/74 that I last saw him alive on 10/9/74 and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.

Immediate cause of death: Paralysis agitans 39p

Due to: No

Other conditions: Myocardial infarction 3 days

Major findings: Of operations: No Of autopsy: No

22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following:  
(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify):  
(b) Date of occurrence:  
(c) Where did injury occur? (City or town) (County) (State)  
(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place?  
While at work? (Specify type of place) (a) (b) (c) (d)

23. Signature: (M. D. or other) Address: Date:

# Elmwood Cemetery and Crematory

OFFICE OF SECRETARY-SUPERINTENDENT  
4900 TRUMAN ROAD - BENTON 1-0373  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64127

5 March 1975

R R Grayson, M D  
103 West Main Street  
St. Charles, Ill. 60174

Dear Dr Grayson:

Please forgive me for not answering sooner, not negligence, just plain old flu.

After checking the Mandelbaum property - Block H - Lot 179 we found the following on the markers.

Matilda Mandelbaum	1875 - 1945
Sam Grabscheid	1870 - 1931
Caroline Grabscheid	1869 - 1944
Solomon Mandelbaum	1843 - 1924
Adeline Mandelbaum	1851 - 1912
Jacob Mandelbaum	1871 - 1941

Dear Dr. Grayson:

Mrs. Vaughan has asked me to answer you letter of April 14th. Enclosed is an obituary of Jacob Mandelbaum found in the Kansas City Journal, Friday, October 10, 1941, page 12, column 3. I also rechecked the Kansas City Star for the dates October 9-October 13, 1941 without finding an obituary for Mr. Mandelbaum.

Jacob Mandelbaum—Services for Mr. Mandelbaum, 70, of 4327 Harrison St., who died Thursday at his home, were held this afternoon at the home. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery. Mr. Mandelbaum was the former president of Mandelbaum & Sons, a packing company. He retired in 1928 to manage his farm holdings in Western Kansas. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Tillie Mandelbaum; a son, Robert D. Mann, 438 Greenway Terrace; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Bloch, New York, and a sister, Mrs. Carrie Grabschied, Minneapolis.

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MAR 17 1975

*Herbert R. Loral*  
State Registrar of Vital Statistics

No. 200 10-48		DIVISION OF HEALTH OF MISSOURI STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		State File No. 26966	
FILED AUG 21 1949		REG. DIST. NO. 149		PRIMARY REG. DIST. NO. 1002	
1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Jackson		2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived 11 months previous to death) a. STATE Mo. b. COUNTY Jackson		REGISTRAR'S No. 2280	
b. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give township) OR TOWN Kansas City		c. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give township) OR TOWN Kansas City		3. NAME OF DECEASED a. (First) MATILDA R. MANDELBAUM b. (Middle) R. c. (Last) MANDELBAUM	
4. FULL NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION 103 Ward Parkway		6. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 103 Ward Parkway		4. DATE OF DEATH (Month) (Day) (Year) 8 3 1949	
5. SEX M. a. COLOR OR RACE W. C.		7. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED Widowed		8. DATE OF BIRTH Sept. 15 1875	
9a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during part of working life, even if retired) Homemaker		9b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY		9. AGE (In years, Months, Days) 72	
10a. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Leavenworth Kansas		10b. CITIZENSHIP (U.S. or foreign) U.S.		11. FATHER'S NAME Isaac Reisch	
12a. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME ROSE NIEGBAUM		12b. NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE Fred Mandelbaum		13. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) No	
14. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 4		15. INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE OR NAME Robt. P. Mann		16. ADDRESS 422 W 61st	
17. CAUSE OF DEATH Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c) *This does not mean the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asthma, etc. It means the disease, injury, or complication which caused death.		18. MEDICAL CERTIFICATION I. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH* (a) Acute Pulmonary Edema ANTECEDENT CAUSES (b) Arterio-sclerotic Heart Disease 6 mos (c) Coronary Thrombosis 6 mos II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS (Conditions contributing to the death but not related to the disease or condition causing death.) 4-50		19. INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH 12 mos	
19a. DATE OF OPERATION		19b. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION		20. AUTOPSY? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
21a. ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, HOMICIDE		21b. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.)		21c. (CITY, TOWN, OR TOWNSHIP) (COUNTY) (STATE)	
21d. TIME OF INJURY (Month) (Day) (Year) (Hour)		21e. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/> NOT WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/>		21f. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR?	
22. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from June 1878, to Aug 3, 1949, that I last saw the deceased alive on Aug 3, 1949, and that death occurred at 5:25 P.M. from the cause and on the date stated above.					
23a. SIGNATURE JOCK H. HOLS		23b. ADDRESS 20 S. Biggs Hwy Kansas City, Mo		23c. DATE SIGNED Aug 5 1949	
24a. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Iowa		24b. DATE 8/17/49		24c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Elmwood Cem	
24d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) Mo. U.S.		24e. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE		24f. ADDRESS 3024 Truxtun	
DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE 8-5-49		REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE Heraldine Holmes		25. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE Carroll Davidson	

WRITE PLAINLY—USING UNFADING BLACK INK—MAKE A PERMANENT RECORD

THE LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters. He re-  
storeth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of  
righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though  
I walk through the valley of the shadow of  
death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou  
preparest a table before me in the presence of  
mine enemies, thou anointest my head with oil:  
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and  
mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;  
and I will dwell in the house of the  
Lord for ever.

Psalm 23

**MRS. ESTELLA MANDELBAUM**

**BORN**

December 19, 1881, Detroit, Michigan

**PASSED AWAY**

February 7, 1968, Los Angeles, Calif.

**SERVICES**

Friday, February 9, 1968, 1:00 p.m.

Pierce Brothers Hollywood Chapel

**OFFICIATING**

Rabbi William A. Sanderson

**ORGAN SELECTIONS**

Pierce Brothers Staff

**INTERMENT**

Hollywood Memorial Park Cemetery

**DIRECTORS**

**PIERCE BROTHERS HOLLYWOOD MORTUARY**

5959 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood, Calif.

HOLLYWOOD 5-5181

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul, he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

23rd Psalm

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

THERESA LEWIS

Native of Illinois

Passed Away July 3, 1983

Graveside Services  
Westminster Memorial Park  
July 6, 1983 at 11:00 A.M.

Officiating  
Rabbi Haim Asa  
Temple Beth Tikvah  
Fullerton, California

Services will conclude at Graveside

Interment  
Westminster Memorial Park



January 25, 1980

Annaleah Mandelbaum Lans

Services for Annaleah Mandelbaum Lans, 80, of Glendale, Cal., a Chicago resident for more than 50 years, were held Monday in the Church of the Little Flowers, Glendale. Mrs. Lans, who died in a Glendale hospital, was the daughter of the late Jacob Mandelbaum, who operated Mandelbaum's Hardware Store, 3430 N. Lincoln Av., for 47 years. Her son, Sherman, of LaCanada, Cal., practiced law in Chicago for many years. Other survivors include a daughter, Betty Kahn; three sisters, and six grandchildren.

**STANLEY T. KUSPER, JR.**  
 COUNTY CLERK  
 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS—136 NORTH WELLS STREET  
 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.—Issued by State Board of Health. 10751

*State of Illinois,*  
**COOK COUNTY.** **CITY BOARD OF HEALTH.**

1. Name *Harold Mandelbaum*  
 2. Sex *Male* Color *White*  
 3. Age *67* years *4* months *1* days  
 4. Occupation *Electrician*  
 5. Date of death *Sept 27 1934* — *11:15 P.M.* SEP 28 1934  
 6. *Single, Married, Widower, Widow.*  
 7. Nationality and place where born *Germany*  
 8. How long resident in this State *Twenty five years*  
 9. Place of death *427 Front St* *4th* Ward  
 10. Cause of death *Embolic thromboembolism* Complications \_\_\_\_\_  
 Duration of disease *Two to three weeks*  
 11. Place of burial *Waldheim*  
 12. Name of Undertaker *J. E. Smith* *2227 Cottage Court, Wash*  
 13. Dated at *Chicago* *18946* *Sept 27 1934* *H.D.*  
 Residence *2227 Cottage Court, Wash*

The Physician who attended any person in a last illness should immediately return this Certificate, appropriately filled out, to the County Clerk. If the party deceased died outside the limits of the City of Chicago, all deaths outside the city limits should be returned on these blanks to the

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.  
 County of Cook,

I, STANLEY T. KUSPER, JR., County Clerk of the County of Cook, in the State aforesaid, and Keeper of the Records and Files of said County, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the original Record on file, all of which appears from the records and files in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Cook, at my office in the City of Chicago, in said County.

*Stanley T. Kusper, Jr.*  
 County Clerk

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 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS—136 NORTH WELLS STREET  
 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: CITY OF CHICAGO  
 UNDERTAKER'S REPORT OF DEATH

1. Name of Deceased (In full) *James [unclear]*

2. Sex *M* Color *W* Place of Birth *Chicago* Father's Birthplace *Chicago*

3. Age *65* years *0* months *0* days. Lived in Illinois *65* years *0* months *0* days.

4. Died on the *5th* day of *May* 190*7*, at about *11:30* P.M.

5. Single, Married, Widowed, Divorced, Occupation *None*

6. Place of Death *3630 Chicago* Ward *13*

7. Place of Burial *Reston Chapel* Undertaker *W. G. [unclear]* License No. *57*

Date of Burial *5-10* 190*7* Address *725 College* Tel. *8-3997*

Hour *10 A.M.*

**PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF CAUSE OF DEATH.**  
(See "Suggestions as to the Certificates of Cause of Death," on back of Report.)

I hereby certify, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the cause of death of the above named and described deceased was as hereunder written:

CAUSE OR CAUSES OF DEATH Immediate and Determining	<i>Diabetes Mellitus 50</i>			
	Years	Months	Days	Hours
Contributing Cause or Complication	<i>Infection of Hand [unclear] (left)</i>			
	Years	Months	Days	Hours
		<i>5(?)</i>		
		<i>1 1/2 yrs</i>		

Witness my hand, this *5th* day of *May* 190*7* (Signature) *[Signature]* M. D.

Address: *4825 Belmont Ave* Tel. *6-8-77*

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }  
 County of Cook, } ss.

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COUNTY CLERK  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS—129 NORTH WELLS STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606

7007  
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.

OFFICE OF THE CORONER OF COOK COUNTY, ILL.

Chicago, Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1885

This is to Certify, That I, HENRY L. HERBIEZ, Coroner,

in and for the County of Cook, State of Illinois, have viewed the body of Henry

Mandelbaum, dead at 344 S. Morgan St

in the 8<sup>th</sup> Ward of said City and County; that I have held an Inquest

upon said body, and that the ~~Verdict of the Jurors~~ is, that he came to his death

By accidentally taking a dose of  
Sarcobolic acid by mistake

Name of Deceased Henry Mandelbaum

Age 64 Years

Sex Male

Nativity German

Color White

Occupation Pedler

Married or Single

Place of Birth 344 S. Morgan St.

Date of Death September 15<sup>th</sup> 1885

STATE OF ILLINOIS,  
County of Cook, } ss.

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*Stanley T. Kusper, Jr.*  
County Clerk



Drivers License of Jacob D. Mandelbaum



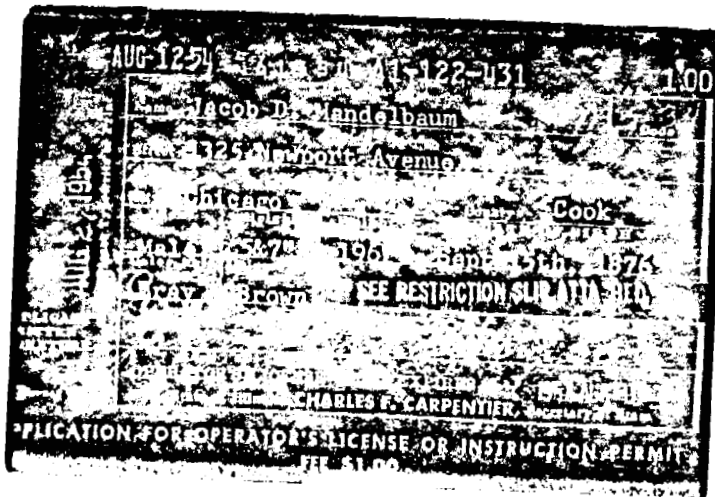
Restriction slip may not be detached from operators card at any time.

A1-122-431

Owner of operators license must at no time drive in violation of the restrictions endorsed hereon:

Permitted to drive only when wearing corrective eye lenses.

RESTRICTED TO THE USE OF MOTOR VEHICLE EQUIPPED WITH LEFT OUT. SIDE REARVIEW MIRROR.



# CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Clark Street and North Avenue - Chicago 60614

CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY--Reference Report: Chicago Fire, 1871

The Chicago Fire of 1871 began Sunday, October 8th, between 8:30 and 8:45 P.M. in a barn behind the Patrick O'Leary home at 137 (now 558) De Koven St. While the cause of the fire is unknown, over a dozen theories have been expressed as to how it started. The most common story is that Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over a lighted lantern. The fire quickly moved north and east from the barn, sparing the O'Leary home. Houses, fences, sidewalks and other structures in Chicago were at that time constructed almost entirely from a dry resinous pine that burned rapidly. The city was suffering from a drought and had already experienced many serious fires during the first week in October, including one on October 7th that had caused almost \$1,000,000 worth of damage. The firemen were tired and some of their equipment had been damaged.

The first fire engine arrived on the scene of the O'Leary fire at 9:24 P.M., and others soon came to its assistance, but the fire spread rapidly through the dry wooden city. On the average the fire spread about fifteen feet every minute or six miles an hour. Flaming debris carried aloft by convection whirls ("fire devils"), settled in various places, igniting new fires. Thus what we refer to as the Great Chicago Fire was actually a number of fires burning in different places at the same time.

The fire burned all night Sunday and throughout the day Monday, October 9th. A light rain began to fall about 11:00 P.M. on October 9th. The fire eventually died out between 2:00 and 4:00 A.M. on Tuesday, October 10th.

Although the fire had begun west of the South Branch of the Chicago River, most of the damage was concentrated to the east of the North and South Branches of the River. The general boundaries of the fire were Lake Michigan on the East, Harrison and Taylor Streets on the South, Fullerton Avenue on the North, and the Chicago River branches and Jefferson Street on the West. The burned area was 4 and 3/4 miles long from north to south with an average width of one mile, covering 3.32 square miles or 2,124 acres. Included in the burned area was the entire central business district and much of the industrial capacity of the city. A total of 17,450 buildings had been destroyed. One third of the city had burned. The value of property lost in the fire was placed at between \$196,000,000 and \$200,000,000.

About 98,500 people were left homeless by the fire. There is no list of names for those who died in the fire, nor is there a record of their number. Within two weeks of the fire the coroner had counted 107 bodies, most of which were not identified. The coroner estimated that the number of deaths was near 300. A statue to their memory, "Pillar of Fire" by Egan Weiner, was erected in 1961 on the site of the O'Leary premises, now the location of the Chicago Fire Academy.

All of the most readily available general histories written about Chicago have chapters and/or bibliographic references concerning the fire. Either the History of Chicago by A. T. Andreas (vol. 2, 1885) or by Bessie Louise Pierce (vol. 2, 1940 and vol. 3, 1957) is especially significant. Also available to researchers for use in the Society's library, as well as from other libraries or book dealers, are the books listed on the selected bibliography given on the back of this sheet.

In Loving Memory of  
Dave F. Noble

Born  
AUGUST 26, 1901

A mason sleeps in quiet peace —  
His ev'ry task is done —  
He always walked with upright step  
'Til his rewards were won.  
With apron down he faced his work  
With kindly lasting smile,  
But now he rests in heaven's realms  
But we are here a while  
To emulate his thorough work  
Until we greet him where  
The day divided in three parts  
Is always kind and fair.

Franklin Lee Stevenson

Passed Away  
THURS., MARCH 12th, 1981

Services Held at  
SKAJA TERRACE  
FUNERAL HOME  
MON., MARCH 16th, 1981  
ONE P.M.

Officiating  
REV. ROBERT C. HUBBARD

Interment  
RIDGEWOOD CEMETERY

3-21-81

Dr. Richard Grayson  
103 W. Main St  
St. Charles, Ill

Dear Folks:-

I am enclosing - folder

I thought you would like to  
know.

It has left me with a  
very empty heart. after  
being together for 5-4 years

Wishing you good health  
& love both you.

Mrs. Elizabeth F. Noble  
& Family

Dave F. Noble  
6822 Madison Street  
Niles, Illinois 60448



**Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Illinois**  
 Chicago, Ill., SEAL 15, 1954  
 THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT BRO.  
J. D. MANDELBAUM  
 whose signature appears on the margin hereof, has paid to  
 PRUDENCE LODGE No. 958, A. F. & A. M., of Chicago, Illinois  
 the sum of 17.50 Dollars in full of all dues  
 and charges to said Lodge to DEC. 31, 1954  
**1570**  
 (SEAL) *Morris Robinson*  
 SECRETARY

SIGNATURE

**CHICAGO MOTOR CLUB**  
 AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION  
 MAIN OFFICE, 88 EAST SOUTH WATER STREET  
 CHICAGO FRANKLIN 2-1818

Mr. Jacob D. Mandelbaum,  
 1325 Newport Ave.,  
 Chicago 13, Ill.

DUES PAID TO  
**3-31-1955**  
 3  
 48

BAIL BOND ALSO COVERS

No. DC-447443

*Joseph H. Braun* SECRETARY  
*Chas. H. Taylor* PRESIDENT

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J. D. MANDELBAUM  
 IDENTIFICATION CARD

1325 W. Newport Ave.

Chicago 13 County Cook ILLINOIS

Name of Car Plymouth Style dr. Sedan Year 1949

Factory No. 1P196290 Engine No. P18-118808

Deluxe and Bore of Cyl. 6 Horse Power 28.36

*J. D. Mandelbaum*

1954

CHARLES CARPENTER, Secretary of State