# **Our Family**

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# Other Sugenheim families

# THE BRADERS OF SUGENHEIM

# ISAAK WOLF BRADER

was born in Sugenheim in 1771. He was taken into "Schutz" in Sugenheim in 1809 and received "Matrikel" 2165. (1) He married about that time. Isaak was a peddler dealing mainly in drapery. The family lived in house No 109 (now Schlossstrasse 29), which Isaac had bought in 1811 for 414 fl. (2)

We know of two daughters of Isaak, but had probably had other children.

Guetel (Karoline) BRADER

born 20 September 1813, married Salomon WEISSMANN.

Esther BRADER

was born on 10 October 1816 and married Isaak HAMMELBACHER (H 1.2) on 26 August 1839.

## Bernhard BRADER

who married Karoline Gutmann (K1.2.1.2.2), daughter of Kallmann Loew Gutmann and Malka, in 1850 may also have been a son of Isaac Wolf.

## THE EDELSTEINS OF SUGENHEIM

#### HEINEMANN EDELSTEIN

succeeded Max Mendel Weissmann as teacher and cantor in 1899 and also served the community as slaughterer. He was married to Jeanette née Kahn. The Jewish Elementary School finally closed in 1924, as the Community had shrunk. The couple still lived in Sugenheim in 1933 though may have eventually moved. They were deported and became victims of the Holocaust. Jeanette died in Theresienstadt on 6 February 1943 and Heinemann also in Theresienstadt on 10 May 1944. Their three children were born in Sugenheim.

# Ludwig EDELSTEIN

born on 11 June 1899 moved to Munich and emigrated from there to Palestine.

#### Mina EDELSTEIN

born 12 July 1900 settled in Nuremberg, where she established a business. She remained single and also managed to emigrate to Palestine.

# Rosa EDELSTEIN

was born on 18 August 1902. She was married to Hermann Schoenfeld.

#### THE FRIEDMANNS OF SUGENHEIM

## SIGMUND FRAENKEL (SECKEL) FRIEDMANN

was born in Fuerth on 27 June 1813. On 16 August 1837 he married Babette (Braeunle), widow of Isaac Hirsch Reichhold, whom she had married on 16 December 1834 and who died around 1836. Babette née Hessel had been born in Wilhermsdorf. She transferred her Matrikel (2178) (3) to her new husband. They lived in house 115 (4) (Schlossstrassse 15). Sigmund appears also to have continued Isaac Reichhold's business of soap maker.

Sigmund and Babette had at least two children:

Regina FRIEDMANN was born in Sugenheim and married the Isaak HORN, a widower born in Huettenheim on 26 August 1824. They settled in Huettenheim where their children were born:

- Max Horn (19.6.1862 19.6.1862)
- Lazarus Horn (13.2.1864 19.11.1866)
- Mordel Horn (5.8.1866)
- Samuel Baer Horn (22.3.1869)
- Bernhard Horn (29.7.1870)

Sophia FRIEDMANN, born in Sugenheim, married Suess Liebenstein of Huettenheim and settled there. Suess died sometime between 1904 and 1912. They had eight children who moved from Huettenheim to Mainstockheim and Scheinfeld.

Babette appears to have died in the 1840s as Sigmund married his second wife Sophie ALLER-SHEIMER of Creglingen. He died in Sugenheim on 13 September 1890.

Children of Sigmund and Sophie all born in Sugenheim:

Sali FRIEDMANN, born 1849, was in 1866/1867 in service in Fuerth.

Max FRIEDMANN born 7 October 1850 in Sugenheim. After serving an apprenticeship in Fuerth he married Jenny Bamberger (born 12 June 1864 in Bayreuth) and settled in Fuerth, where he died on 14 December 1924.

Rosalie FRIEDMANN married [...] Hollaender

Doris FRIEDMANN, born 1853, was between 1870 and 1892 also in service in Fuerth.

Bernhard FRIEDMANN, born 1 December 1854, also settled in Fuerth. He was a partner in the firm Max FRIEDMANN, haberdashery and materials. In the early 1890s he married Henriette Weisenbeck, born in Fischach on 22 March 1871. They had at least one son: Sigmund FRIEDMANN born 14.1.1897 in Fuerth.

Klara FRIEDMANN, born 1857, was also in service in Fuerth.

# THE KANNREUTHERS IN SUGENHEIM

## JAKOB GABRIEL KANNREUTHER

The long serving religious and Jewish elementary school teacher of Sugenheim was born in Wannbach around 1799. He was the son of Kusel Baerlein Cunreuther (born 1764 in Kunreuth), "*Schmuser*" (5) by occupation, and his wife Lea (born Kunreuth 1769). The family settled in Wannbach and lived in one of the three Jewish dwellings in Schloss Wannbach. (6)

Jakob became a private teacher in Pretzfeld before being appointed as religious teacher and cantor in Sugenheim sometime before or around 1828.

When in 1829 a Jewish elementary school was established Jakob Kannreuther was also appointed as its teacher. According to a contract drawn up in September 1829, when 20 Jewish children attended the school (7):

"The Jewish community expects their religious teacher to carry out his duties and his work with regard to school lessons, as cantor, as well as the reading from the Torah as previously, punctually and conscientiously at all times, except in unavoidable circumstances, for which it promises on its

part to hand over to him willingly and without wrangling, whatever he is entitled to according to law, right and contract.

#### also that

"The religious teacher will do the written work of the community free of charge, however against the reimbursement of writing materials, and stipulates that for such occasions as weddings, star functions no foreign religious teachers or rabbis shall be called in, unless so ordered by the District Rabbi. The Jewish community promises this, as they would never choose a stranger for such occasions, if such is not requested on part of the Rabbinate".

Kannreuther was entitled to receive a free annual allocation of wood for his own accommodation as well as for the school but was responsible for its regular heating.

He declared his annual income as:

150 fl fixed salary as religious instructor

33 fl Remuneration for leading in prayer according to agreement

35 fl School fees for the performance of elementary instructions on weekdays

10 fl 30 kr School fees for lessons on holidays

20 fl. Income for calling up to the Torah or the so called "Schnodergeld"

12 fl Valuation of free accommodation

27 fl 30 kr Valuation of wood for heating

15 fl for incidentals according to agreement.

a total of 303 fl

"With this sum I can judge my annual income with confidence. I therefore hope that with the removal of any obstacles on part of the local Christian school, which may possibly have stood in the way of Jewish children on their temporary transfer for elementary instruction to me, the Royal District Inspection shall favourably examine my agreement with the Jewish community and that it will be graciously approved by the Royal government.

That this is my fondest wish will be understandable, as not only my sphere of activity will be increased herewith and I shall be able to improve the religious instructions, as not only the worry of my livelihood has been removed, but that the opportunity will be given to me to be able to improve my intellectual development through the procurement of the necessary aids, according to my wishes.

I also beg you to be convinced that, as far as I am concerned, I will do everything in order that the children entrusted to me shall not be disadvantaged, as I shall take great pains with the lessons, also with awareness to cleanliness and the purity of language."

A marriage licence was issued on 13 August 1830 and Jakob shortly after that married Babette Lindner, daughter of Isaac and Karoline, born in Markt Erlbach on 18 August 1808. They lived in house No 75 (now Hauptstrasse 26). Some further research is necessary to ascertain whether this house was in effect also used for school rooms.

Jakob retired around 1865 and died in Sugenheim on 4 September 1877. Babette later moved to Fuerth and died there 12 April 1896 and is buried on the old Jewish cemetery.

Jakob and Babette's children were all born in Sugenheim but none remained there. Two sons emigrated to England and three of their daughters to the USA. Only two daughters stayed in Germany, one of whom settled in Fuerth and the other in Kaiserslautern.

#### Their sons

# Joseph (Jack) KANNREUTHER.

His year of birth is uncertain. When he moved to England in 1848 his age was given as 25 years, though other information give him as aged 17 years at that time, which seems more likely. He worked in Birmingham for the export business, which his uncle Maximillian Lindner, brother of his mother Babette, had started around 1840. In 1865 Joseph set up his own export firm Kannreuther & Co. in Birmingham. Joseph also served as Hon. Dutch Consul. He died in Birmingham on 21 May 1889.

## Sigmund KANNREUTHER

is recorded as aged 21 years when he also left Sugenheim for Birmingham in 1848. He died in 1889 in Alexandria.

Lotte KANNREUTHER married a Hanauer and lived in Utah USA.

Louise KANNREUTHER married a Reizenstein and lived in Baltimore USA.

Sofie KANNREUTHER also married a Reizenstein and settled in Philadelphia USA.

Johanna KANNREUTHER married Ernst Lehmann and lived in Kaiserslautern.

Bertha KANNREUTHER was born in Sugenheim on 26 January 1837. She married Isaak Silberschmidt, a teacher at the "Koenigliche Realschule" (Royal Secondary School) in Fuerth. They both died in Fuerth and are also buried on the old Jewish Cemetery there.

## THE WALTERS OF SUGENHEIM

## SAMUEL LOEW WALTER

was born in Ullstadt on 15 November 1808. He moved to Sugenheim in 1845 to marry Karoline née Weissmann, widow of Loew Hirsch Hirschmann (I - 1.4.3.1.), who transferred her *Matrikel* (2161) to him. Karoline died on 13 March 1864 and was survived by her husband until 29 January 1891.

Two children are known:

Getta WALTER

born around 1845. She remained single and died in Sugenheim on 23 August 1901.

Their son

Abraham WALTER

was born 1 December 1846 and died in Sugenheim on 27 July 1926. His first wife was Babette SELLING (13 April 1857 - 18 November 1882 Sugenheim) by whom he had five or six children. She obviously died in childbirth as the birth of a Babette WALTER is recorded on 18 November 1882, the same day as the death of a Babette WALTER.

Hermann WALTER (28.4.1875)

Karoline WALTER (5.7.1876) married on 31 October in Sugenheim Hermann HILB, born 24. May 1875 Aufhausen. The couple settled in Goeppingen.

Fani (Fanny) WALTER (28.7.1877 Sugenheim - 8.5.1945) Izbica was married to the widower SCHALK and lived in Leutershausen.

Bernhard WALTER, born 20.5.1878, emigrated to USA.

Isidor WALTER (15.10.1880 Sugenheim)Isidor and his half brother Albert lived in Bamberg, where they had a "*Maschinengeschaeft*", probably a shop selling sewing machines. He was deported "to the east".

Babette WALTER (18.11.1882) (8)

Abraham married his second wife Babette GOLDMANN on 27 March 1883 and had another five children by her.

Heinrich WALTER (25.2.1884) married Rosa KOHN of Burgkunstadt in 1909. They probably lived in Bamberg. During World War I Heinrich served in the 2.

Bavarian Reserve Infantry Regiment and was killed on 25 October 1916. (9)

Jeanette WALTER (6.5.1885)

Albert WALTER (9.5.1888) lived in Bamberg and was in busines with his half brother Isidor. He was deported "to the east".

Frida WALTER (1.2.1890) lived in Kronach and was married to Ludwig LAMM, born 19.4.1888 in Friesen. They were both deported to Izbica.

Rosa WALTER (26.5.1892) on 8 September 1922 married Heinrich HAM-BURGER, born 29.12.1892 in Bad Kissingen.

# THE WEISSMANN FAMILY OF SUGENHEIM

So far it has not been possible to clearly identify the members of this family. All that has been established is that descendants of Meyer Jacob adopted the family name WEISSMANN.

Much further research is required.

#### MEYER JACOB,

one of the Sugenheim "*Schutzjuden*" who lived there in 1756 and is one of the twelve mentioned in the Kahlsbuch of that year. He died in Sugenheim in 1771

Daughter Sara in 1763 married Samuel Jaidel of Wiesenbronn. (10)

Further sons-in-law are also recorded (11):

- Loew Isaak Roemlinger of Rothenbau
- David Baruch of Muehlhausen
- Meyer Moses of Kleinlangheim, who seems to have died in 1772.

## MOSES LOEB MEYER

in 1772 was a two year old son of the late Jacob Meyer His uncle Joseph Meyer Jacob is recorded as his guardian. (12) Much further research is required.

#### JOSEPH MEYER JACOB

a brother of the above Meyer Jacob, seems to be another of the Sugenheim Jews named in the 1756 Kahlsbuch. He was born around 1727. He married Bela (born 1735) and had three sons.

## W 1) JACOB LOEW JOSEPH

son of the late Meyer Jacob, applied for "Schutz" in June 1801 in Sugenheim and wanted to marry the daughter of Moyses of Lauderstadt. He stated that his father had been blind for several years before his death, and he, Jacob Loew Joseph was now living with his mother and four siblings in a rented house. (13) He got his Matrikel (2176) on 11 August 1802 and adopted the family name WEISSMANN. His year of birth on the list of Sugenheim "Matrikel" is given as 1772 and his occupation as "Schmuser" and dealing in old iron. He relinquished his Matrikel, which in 1828 were allocated to his son

# W 1.1.) Solomon Weissmann

(born 9 November 1811 - 29. May 1898) married Guetel (Karoline) BRADER. She was the daughter of Isaak and Roesle Brader (see Brader) and was born in Sugenheim on 20 September 1813. According to Sugenheim Matrikel he was employed as a worker.

#### Their children

W 1.1.1.) Joseph Weissmann (1 December 1863 - 8 September 1931 Sugenheim) was single.

W 1.1.2) Jacob Weissmann was born on 13 April 1855. In 1889 he married Flora SCHWARZ of Schnaittach. Jacob and his wife still lived in Sugenheim in 1933 and were victims of the Holocaust. Their children

W 1.1.2.1) Johanna Weissmann (1 April 1893)

W 1.1.2.2) Bernhard Weissmann (28 August 1894)

W 1.1.2.3) Betty Weissmann (22 June 1898)

all moved from Sugenheim and settled elsewhere.

## W 2) HIRSCH JOSEPH

(born 1773) also adopted the family name WEISSMANN. His immatriculation in Sugenheim is dated 25 April 1807 (2177) He was a peddler. In 1808 (24 February) he bought house #111 (now Schlossstrasse 25). The name of his wife is not known. Only one daughter has been found so far

W 2.1.) Karoline Weissmann was born 4 November 1808 and on 4 February 1840 married Hirsch Loew HIRSCHMANN (see I - 1.4.3.1), son of Loew Hirsch.

It is not known if or how Max Mendel Weissmann is related to other members of the Weissmann family of Sugenheim.

#### MAX MENDEL WEISSMANN

born in Wassertruedingen on 27 March 1843, was engaged in 1865, after the retirement of teacher Jacob Kannreuther, as the new cantor and Jewish teacher of Sugenheim, though was not immediately accepted as teacher of the Jewish elementary school, as he had not passed the necessary examinations at that time. Twice weekly he also had to give religious instruction in Ullstadt. In February 1890 he celebrated his Silver Jubilee as Chasen and teacher and the Sugenheim Community voted 200 Marks towards a presentation to him on that occasion.

Max Mendel was married to Lena Kuhlmann of Dispeck. They lived in house No 75, now Hauptstrasse 26, the house also previously occupied by teacher Kannreuther and his family. They both died in Sugenheim on 9 July 1897 and 30 May 1890 respectively.

Children of Max Mendel and Lena Weissmann born in Sugenheim:

- Martin Weissmann, born 1 March 1876 in Sugenheim was married. He was deported and perished in Westerbork
- Felix Weissmann (6.6.1879 19.7.1881 Sugenheim)
- Hugo Weissmann, born 4 August 1882 in Sugenhem, was deported from Nuremberg to Riga on 29 November 1941.

# **Footnotes**

- (1) STN Matrikel Sugenheim
- (2) Gerhard Rechter
- (3) STN Matrikel Sugenheim
- (4) Gerhard Rechter
- (5) Schmuser, a term used in certain areas of Franconia similar to peddler
- (6) Josef Seitz in "Juedisches Leben in der Fraenkischen Schweiz" (Jewish Life in Franconian Switzerland) VI. Wannbach
- (7) CAHJP, Jerusalem N 26/28

- (8) A Betty WALTER, probably the above, lived in Schwandorf and was married to a Protestant named BÄUMLER. She was deported and murdered in Piaski.
- (9) RJF
- (10) Gerhard Rechter
- (11) do.
- (12) STN Herrschaft Sugenheim Seckendorff Record No 128
- (13) STN Herrschaft Sugenheim Seckendorff Record No 136