

14. Respondent has two sisters, both married, one in Budapest and the other in Tiszasuly, Hungary. They are 49 and 52 respectively.
15. He has no children.
16. Respondent left Hungary November 29, 1956.
17. He arrived in the U.S. May 24, 1957.
18. Since his arrival in the U.S. he has only been in New York.
19. His immediate plans are to get a job as a locksmith and to get settled here in the U.S.
20. He has not been interviewed by any Western organization since leaving Budapest.
21. Respondent speaks and writes German.
22. No active participation.

Character description:

Respondent is a bespectacled, short, middle-aged man, neat and tidy in appearance. He is very cheerful, with a good sense of humor. Thirty-five years ago his fiancée married someone else when he was out of a job. Since then he has been unable to find anyone like her and has remained a bachelor. For over thirty-five years he has been living in furnished rooms with no home of his own. A distant aunt took care of him and he is very attached to her and her family. He seems an excellent craftsman, but was hardly able to live on what he earned. He is not interested in politics. He was an enthusiastic sports fan and liked to chat with his fellow workers over a glass of wine in the corner pub. He is a typical example of Hungarian assimilation. His father, a Bohemian, came from Bohemia at the age of 30. His name is Bohemian. For a long time he has been a Czechoslovak citizen, but he would very much resent being considered anything else but Hungarian.

Date of Interview:
June 3-4, 1957
Interviewer: Ivan²to
Place of Interview:
New York City

I. PERSONAL INVENTORY

1. M-59
2. 53
3. Male
4. Single
5. Roman Catholic
6. Born in Budapest.
7. Spent most of life in Budapest.
8. Just before the revolution broke out, respondent resided in the Ninth District of Budapest, close to the Killian Barracks.
9. In 1932 respondent was in Czechoslovakia for three months of military service. After his father, he was considered a Czechoslovak citizen.
10. Respondent did not serve in the Hungarian army.
11. His education is their equivalent of eight grades of elementary school.
12. Respondent has been a locksmith and a machine-repair man for over 35 years.
 - a. Before 1945 he was employed in various small shops in Budapest.
 - b. After 1945 he worked for the Hungarian-Dynube Shipping Company, the MAVAG machine factory, the EMAG agricultural machine factory, and for the last three years he was a printing machine repair and maintenance man in the government printing shop in Budapest.
13. Respondent's parents are not living.