

K Murielle Pruzan Steinman and Marshall Steinman Papers, 1926-ca. 1960s
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INTRODUCTION

The papers contain government issued documents, business cards, photographs, Star of David badges, and autobiographical and biographical notes.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated by Murielle Steinman to the State Historical Society of Missouri on 11/18/2010 (Accession No. KA1879).

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Lazare Pruzan (1906-1992) was born in Wilno, Poland, and immigrated to Palestine in 1922. In 1931, he moved to Paris, France, where he married Golda Miklitzanski (1910-1958), who was also from Poland. The Pruzans had three children, Maurice, Miriam, and Murielle. The two older children died in their youth. Pruzan changed his first name from Lazare to Robert, and Mireille changed the spelling to Murielle.

Lazare Pruzan was wounded while serving in the French army. In the hospital, he was identified as Jewish and taken as a prisoner of war to the Beaune-la-Rolande camp. The Pruzan's third child, Mireille, was born May 24, 1943. She lived with her mother in Châteauroux, France, where they were taken in by Catholic nuns. The family reunited in Paris at the end of the war. In 1949, Pruzan was able to immigrate to New York from Poland. He worked there for a year until the paperwork came through for his family to also immigrate. Under the sponsorship of Golda's brothers, Harry and Marvin, who lived in St. Louis, Missouri, Pruzan, his wife Golda, and daughter Mireille, moved to that city in 1950. Mireille married Marshall Steinman in 1962.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The papers contain government issued documents, business cards, family photographs, Star of David badges issued to Lazare and Golda Pruzan while they were living in Paris, and autobiographical and biographical notes concerning the Steinmans.

Government issued documents include a permit to live in Palestine, passports, World War II era prisoner of war documents, and a green card issued Murielle Pruzan Steinman.

PREFERRED CITATION

Specific item; box number; folder number; *Murielle Pruzan Steinman and Marshall Steinman Papers (K1096)*; The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-KC].

INVENTORY

- f. 1 Palestine permit, 1926
- f. 2 Passports, 1930s
- f. 3 French / German prisoner of war documents, 1932-1944
- f. 4 Star of David badges, 1940s
- f. 5 Postcards from Italy and France, 1930s-1950s
- f. 6 Business cards, 1930s-1950s
- f. 7 Green card, 1950
- f. 8 Biographical notes, ca. 1960s
- f. 9 Autobiographical notes of Murielle Pruzan Steinman, n.d.
- f. 10 Family photographs, 1930-1979
- f. 11 Family postcard photographs, 1930s-1950s

LOCATION NOTE

The papers are stored offsite (063932) and will need to be retrieved before viewing.

SUBJECT TERMS

Immigrant families
Jews
World War, 1939-1945

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