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THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY
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EDWARD D. DUFFIELD, PRESIDENT
HOME OFFICE, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

E. LOUIS KLIGERMAN
SPECIAL AGENT

305 WEST GOLD AVENUE
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

November 16th, 1938

Mrs. Fannie Zlabovsky, Field Executive
Committee for the Service of the Foreign Born
National Council of Jewish Women
1016 Olive Street
El Paso, Tex.

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

Being acquainted with your very efficient services in enabling Miss Ruth Seligman to enter the United States through El Paso for permanent residence, I am taking the liberty of asking your aid with regard to a lady who desires to enter under practically the same circumstances. If you will consult with our mutual friends Mr. H. M. Blackwell, Assistant Inspector in charge U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service at the International Bridge and American Consul George P. Shaw at Juarez, Mexico, I'm quite sure that much detail can be completed in order to facilitate and simplify admittance prior to the lady's departure from Albuquerque for El Paso.

Mrs. Anna Mueller, distant relative of the Nordhaus family of Albuquerque, is here on a visitor's visa issued August 13, 1938 by the American Consul at Bremen, Germany. She is a resident of Hannover, Germany, having been born in Neuhaus, Westphalia, Germany August 8, 1891. Mrs. Mueller has a son in Albuquerque and a daughter in Washington, D. C., both of whom entered the United States about two years ago on permanent visa. Originally she desired only to pay a visit to her children, having left her husband, mother and young son in Hannover, Germany. The debacle of last week in Germany demands a complete change of plans and we, her family and friends, believe it dangerous for her to return. Late cables from her husband also advise her to take immediate steps for permanent residence here. At present he too is endeavoring to obtain visas from the American Consul at Hamburg for admittance to the United States. The Mueller case is indeed tragic as is the plight of every Jew in Germany.

Since Mrs. Mueller's funds are very limited we believe the least expensive procedure is to enter by port of entry El Paso, which is the nearest point.

The following requirements are in the possession of Mrs. Mueller:

1. German Passport and Visitor's Visa
2. Affidavit by Mr. Robert J. Nordhaus in support of application for immigration visa (in triplicate)
3. U. S. Treasury Department statement of Income Tax payments 1935, 1936, 1937 by Mr. Robert J. Nordhaus.
4. Letter from Vice-President Fred White, Albuquerque National Trust and Savings Bank vouching for the financial stability of Mr. Robert J. Nordhaus.
5. Letter from Mr. John P. Murphy, Manager Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce vouching for the financial stability and integrity of Mr. Robert J. Nordhaus.

The police certificate and certified birth certificate are not at hand and due to conditions in Germany they can probably never be obtained. In Miss Seligman's case Consul Shaw overlooked the police certificate requirement and I trust that he will act likewise in this case. Also I hope it will be possible for him to overlook the birth certi-

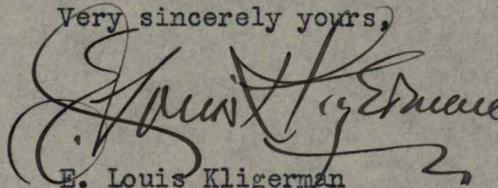
Mrs. Fannie Zlabovsky--#2

November 16th, 1938

ificate requirement. Nevertheless Mrs. Mueller is making diligent effort to comply. I note that the German passport shows birth date August 8, 1891 and it is my belief that the birth is substantiated by this notation.

We await your advices and assure you of our most heartfelt thanks.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. Louis Kligerman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "E" and a long, sweeping underline.

ELK/EP

E. Louis Kligerman

November 19, 1938.

Mr. E. Louis Kligerman,
305 West Gold Avenue,
Albuquerque, N. M.

Dear Mr. Kligerman:

Complying with your request, I consulted Mr. Blackwell with reference to your letter. Consul Shaw has been transferred to Mexico City, but I took the matter up with Vice-Consul Pangburn.

Dr. Pangburn says that they have no recent ruling on the waiving of birth certificates. It will therefore be necessary for Mrs. Miller to secure that document before we can present her case. The papers that you mention will be sufficient to guarantee against the public charge requirement.

There are no available numbers from Germany at this time, but it is possible that a cable will bring a number to be issued within the next two or three months. During that time she would be compelled to take up her residence in Juarez, Mexico. We have appealed to Washington to grant parole to the United States for such a stay, but up to the present time, no action has been taken. Once a case has been presented and accepted by the American Consul, before he takes action to send a cable he makes it clear that the law requires residents on Foreign soil to remain there until the number is issued.

I will be glad to take care of Mrs. Miller if she comes to El Paso for the purpose of a change of status. If she cannot secure a birth certificate a refusal from German authorities will be accepted.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,
Field Executive.

FZ:LG

ROBERT J. NORDHAUS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
Box 1309
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

December 16, 1938

Mrs. Fannie Zlabovsky
Field Secretary,
Council of Jewish Women
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

Re: Mrs. Anna Mueller

Mr. Louis Kligerman of this city has already written you in regard to the application of the above named relative of mine for admission into the United States on a Permanent Visa. I have in my possession the following papers:

1. German Passport and Visitor's Visa

2. Affidavit in support of application for immigration visa, in triplicate.

3. U.S. Treasury Department statement of my income tax payments for 1935, 1936 and 1937.

4. Letter from the Vice President of the Albuquerque National Trust & Savings Bank vouching for my ability to support the above named person.

5. Letter from the Manager of the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce vouching for my financial integrity.

Mrs. Mueller's birth certificate has been received, and forwarded to Vice Consul Pangborn at Juarez

In order to expedite Mrs. Mueller's entry into this country on permanent visa, through Juarez (she now has a visitor's visa) expiring March 18th), I would appreciate your advising me whether it would be best to forward the papers to you so that the matter would be handled as speedily as possible, or whether I should forward the papers directly to Vice Consul Pangborn for pre-examination. The birth certificate was sent to Mr. Pangborn because we thought that the other papers had already been delivered to him by Senator Chavez, who took them with him on a trip to El Paso a few days ago.

Thanking you, I am

Very Truly Yours

R. J. Nordhaus

December 21, 1938.

Mr. Robert J. Nordhaus,
Box 1309,
Albuquerque, N. M.

Dear Mr. Nordhaus:

Re: Mrs. Anna Mueller

Answering your letter of the 16th, I wish to state that all documents mentioned are sufficient to receive favorable acceptance from the American Consul in Juarez, Mexico. However, there are no available quota numbers for Germany, our last report is for two years.

When the application is accepted by the American Consul, Mrs. Mueller will be forced to remain on Foreign soil until her number is available unless you can get a waiver from Washington on the Foreign Residence Law. It is possible that Mr. Chavez, Senator from your District, can help in that manner.

In view of the fact that Washington is making every effort to take care of all German Refugees now in the United States, I would suggest that Mrs. Mueller delay making her change of status. Under the present ruling she is not deportable, and can get an extension on her Visitor's visa. If her German Passport expires in the meantime, that can also be extended since the German Government has given permission to their Consuls to extend Visas wherever the applicant can prove that it is for the purpose of remaining on other than German soil. If Mrs. Mueller would rather take the chance of changing her status at this time, I will be glad to help her.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,
Field Executive.

FZ:IG

CONGREGATION ALBERT

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

DR. S. E. STARRELS, RABBI
309 SOUTH 14TH STREET

February 1, 1939.

Mrs. Fannie Zlabovsky,
Field Secretary,
National Council of Jewish Women,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

I understand that Mrs. Anna Mueller is coming to El Paso the beginning of next week to confer with you on the matter of securing a permanent immigration visa. I have known Mrs. Mueller since her arrival in Albuquerque several months ago on a visit from Germany. She is a splendid person in every way, and I am deeply interested in her welfare. I earnestly trust that a way will be found to facilitate her early settlement here, which will take care of her personal problem and also enable her to turn to the help of her dear ones abroad. Any advice and help you are able to render will be greatly appreciated by her as well as my myself.

With thanks for your interest in this case,

I am

Yours sincerely,

S. E. Starrels

Bernard Schuster
3701 Pershing Drive
El Paso, Texas

April 22, 1939
Recd: April 25

Dear Mrs Razovsky:

Thank you very much for your kind letter, dated March 24, I have been ill for some time and must apologize for not having answered sooner.

My German passport expires October 16, 1941. I obtained a new visitor's visa in Juarez, Mexico February 15th, 1939, which has been issued until July 15th, 1939.

Mrs. Zlabovsky suggests, that I should try to get a number in Juarez, July 1st at the beginning of the new quota year, as my husband has written recently, that it will take now another 2-2½ years, until he and my little boy get their quota numbers, although they are on the waiting list in Hamburg since October 1938. I do not know, whether it will be advisable for me, to try the same thing, I did in February - to give up the visitors visa once more July 1st and to ask the American General Consul in Juarez to send once more a cable to Berlin, to try to obtain a non preference number for me. If I really should get a number, it will not be available for a long time and I would have to wait in Mexico, which is almost impossible for me on account of my financial situation. If I should get a number, would it be possible to obtain a waiver on the residence law, through the influence of a Senator, so that I could spent the waiting time in the U.S.? Senator Hatch of New Mexico is willing to help, if there is any possibility in your opinion? I am afraid, if I wait until my husband and child come over here in 2½ years, that the borders of the U.S. might be closed in the meantime to any emigrant from Germany.

I shall be very thankful for your advice.

Sincerely yours,

(sgd) Anna Mueller.

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May 3, 1939

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky
1016 Oliver Street
El Paso, Texas

Re: Mrs. Anna Mueller
c/o Mr. Bernard Schuster
3701 Pershing Drive
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

The situation of Mrs. Anna Mueller was referred to us by a member of the community and we wrote to Mrs. Mueller in regard to her question as to whether she had any preference on the quota because her children were legally in the United States although not citizens.

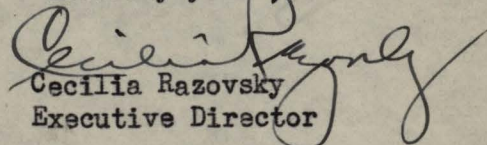
Mrs. Mueller has now written to advise that her German passport expires October 16, 1941. We are enclosing an exact copy of her recent letter to us. We would be very much interested in a report from you on this case and to ascertain what the possibilities of her immigration are.

Would the United States health regulation requiring two years residence in Mexico affect the situation any in the Mueller matter?

So far as we can gather from Mrs. Mueller's letters she is in the United States on a visit and wishes to arrange for permanent immigration but is not willing to wait outside of the country until her quota number is reached.

May we assure you once again of our sincere appreciation for your usual splendid cooperation.

Sincerely yours,


Cecilia Razovsky
Executive Director

ASP:SBT
Enc.

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American Committee for Christian-German Refugees
American Friends Service Committee
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American Jewish Congress
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee
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Committee for Catholic Refugees from Germany
Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
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Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced German Scholars

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International Student Service
Jewish Agricultural Society
Musicians Emergency Fund, Inc.
National Council of Jewish Women
Zionist Organization of America

May 9, 1939.

Miss Cecelia Razovsky,
165 West 46th Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Re: Mrs. Anna Mueller
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Miss Razovsky:

Mrs. Mueller's case was referred to me in September of 1938, shortly after her arrival in the United States on a Visitor's Visa. At that time she was visiting relatives in Albuquerque, N. M. She delayed coming to El Paso until February, 1939, at which time I presented her case before the American Consul in Juarez. Prior to her entry into Juarez, we appealed to the American Consul to use this as a test case when sending a cable for a number and if the reply from Germany was negative, he would give her a new visitor's visa to the United States since they cannot send the cable until the applicant has cancelled the former Visa.

The Mexican authorities refused to admit Mrs. Mueller, so she was advised to cross the bridge on a sight seeing tour, which enabled her to make her application at the Consulate, and remain in Juarez for 24 hours until the return of the reply. The cabled reply was, that there were no available numbers until the new fiscal year. Our good friend Consul-General Blocker immediately issued a Visitors Visa, which you will admit is not within regulation, and the Immigration Department honored that Visa until the 15th of July, also a courtesy to our Organization. All these officials feel certain that a number will be obtainable about the 1st of July, and I have repeatedly advised Mrs. Mueller that she is not a preference case and would have to wait for the regular quota number, also that she does not need any assistance from Senators or Congressmen, since her case is accepted and approved by the American Consul in Juarez, Mexico.

As to her staying in Mexico after the first of July, when she is again to appear before the American Consul, will entirely depend upon the reply to the cable to Berlin sent at that time. If the number is to be issued at once then her stay will be about 24 to 36 hours, but if numbers are not available for a long period, the American Consul will again cooperate with us and grant her another extension. I feel that we are doing everything possible to help Mrs. Mueller. She is not a subject 17 and will have to stay in Mexico.

Over

Miss Cecelia Razovsky,
No. 2.

For your information, Mrs. Mueller has written numerous letters to various organizations, also to Mr. Hirschfield in Washington. Evidently she is not satisfied with our interpretation of the law, for which I am truly sorry, because we try hard to show our sympathetic understanding in all these refugee cases and try to help them to the best of our ability.

Trusting with the information furnished you, you will be in position to advise Mrs. Mueller, I am with kindest personal regards,

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,
Field Executive.

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May 12, 1939

Mrs. Frank H. Zlabovsky,
Field Executive
National Council of Jewish Women
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky: RE: MRS. ANNA MUELLER

Thank you very much for your detailed report on the Anna Mueller case. We have suggested to Mrs. Mueller to keep in touch with you and to be guided by your advice. We are again writing to her today to ask her to do this.

Sincerely yours,

Ann S. Petluck
Ann S. Petluck

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE June 28, 1939

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

CHICAGO

DEPARTMENT Service Foreign Born

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky, El Paso Section

TO 1016 Olive St., El Paso, Texas

FROM Marion E. Schaar

SUBJECT Mrs. Anna Mueller, c/o Bernard Schuster - 2701 Pershing Drive, El Paso, Texas

The situation of the person named above came to our attention through ^{an} the interested party in Chicago. Mrs. Mueller wishes admittance to the United States on a permanent visa. She was born in Neuhaus, Westfalia, Germany on August 8, 1891. She was admitted to the United States on a visitor's visa which was issued by the American Consul at Bremen, Germany. She entered the United States on September 18, 1938 at the port of New York on a German passport which was issued October 17, 1936 and which expires on October 16, 1941. She was admitted for a period of six months.

Mrs. Mueller has a daughter living in Washington, D.C. and a son, Wolfgang, who is living in Albuquerque, New Mexico. They entered the United States on July 18, 1936, each having a permanent visa. There still remains in Germany, Mrs. Mueller's mother, husband and twelve year old son. It was her original intention to return to Germany before the expiration of the six months, however, due to the change of conditions there Mrs. Mueller felt that it would be advisable for her to remain in the United States and to make an effort to perfect a change in status.

In order to do this on February 11, 1939 she presented herself before the American Consul at Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, leaving the United States via El Paso, Texas and relinquishing her visitor's status. Robert J. Nordhaus of Albuquerque who is a relative, furnished Mrs. Mueller with an affidavit of support. Consul Blocker at Juarez found all the papers in order and cabled to the American Consul at Hamburg for a permanent quota number. The return cable advised that there was no number available. Consequently, Mrs. Mueller was readmitted to the United States at El Paso February 15, 1939 on a visitor's visa which was granted by Consul Blocker for one year. The immigration authorities at El Paso, however, were only willing to grant her admittance for a period of five months which expires July 15, 1939.

May we ask you to give Mrs. Mueller such assistance as you are able in order to help her? We are writing to Mrs. Mueller in order to advise her to get in touch with you and wish to thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Reply attention;

H.S.Aries:rp

Enc.

Mrs

To: Honorable Carl A. Hatch
 United States Senator from New Mexico
 Senate Office Building
 Washington, D.C.

Subject: 1. Mrs Anna Mueller, relative of Robert J. Nordhaus, Albuquerque, and Louis C. Ilfeld, Las Vegas.
 2. Born in Neuheus, Westphalia, Germany, August 8, 1891.
 3. Citizen resident of Hanover, Germany.
 4. Admitted to the United States on Visitor's Visa issued by the American Consul at Bremen, Germany, entering Port of New York, September 18, 1938 for a period of six months having German Passport issued October 17, 1936, expiring October 16, 1941. Mrs. Mueller visited for a short time in Washington, D. C. with her daughter, who migrated from Germany some two years ago on a Permanent Visa, and then Mrs. Mueller proceeded to Albuquerque, New Mexico to visit with her son, Wolfgang Mueller, who entered the United States July 18, 1936 on a Permanent Visa from Hamburg, Germany. Affidavit of Support for said son, Wolfgang Mueller, was furnished by the late Max Nordhaus, and he is at present in the employ of the Charles Ilfeld Company at Albuquerque. Originally it was the intention of Mrs. Mueller to visit her daughter and son and then return to Germany before the expiration of six months. Her husband, mother and young twelve year old son are in Germany at the present time. Shortly after her arrival here conditions in Germany changed so completely as to make it imperative that she remain here and seek a Permanent Visa. In order to obtain a Permanent Visa it seemed advisable to go to the nearest American Consul at Ciudad Juarez, Mexico for admission, which she did, leaving through El Paso, Texas and relinquishing her Visitor's Status February 11, 1939. Robert J. Nordhaus furnished her Affidavit of Support and all her papers being found in order and complete for admission under a Permanent Status, American Consul Blocker at Juarez cabled the American Consul at Hamburg, Germany for a Permanent Quota Number. The Consul at Hamburg replied by cable that no Number was available at that time. Consequently Mrs. Mueller was readmitted to the United States at El Paso, Texas February 15, 1939 on a Visitor's Visa granted by Consul Blocker for one year, but the Immigration Authorities at El Paso granted her admittance for only a period of five months to July 15, 1939. She is now residing with her uncle, Bernard Schuster, 3701 Pershing Drive, El Paso, Texas.

Request: Mrs. Mueller and her relatives, Robert J. Nordhaus and Louis C. Ilfeld, earnestly beg admittance of the applicant under a Permanent Status as the situation is such in Germany that she cannot return there. She is especially concerned with the welfare of her younger son in Germany. Her husband and mother have also applied for Quota Numbers

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Carl A. Hatch

United States Senator from New Mexico

for admittance to the United States. All the applicants had considerable means in Germany, but their properties have been confiscated to a great extent. Their relations here are financially stable and have excellent standing as citizens of the state of New Mexico. Guarantees for support are more than adequate and it is assured that the applicants will never become public charges. The admittance of Mrs. Anna Mueller is so very important to her at the earliest possible moment that we beg of you to personally contact the State Department at Washington. We trust that the State Department can immediately arrange to have the American Consul at Hamburg, Germany, transmit a Quota Number for the use of Mrs. Mueller to the American Consul at Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. After admittance of Mrs. Mueller, she hopes to obtain a Preference Quota Number for her younger son in Germany who so vitally needs her care and guidance.

Respectfully submitted

E. Louis Klegerman

305 West Gold Avenue
Albuquerque, New Mexico
April 14th, 1939

June 28, 1939

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky, El Paso Section
1016 Olive St., El Paso, Texas

Service Foreign Born

Marion E. Schaar

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August 21, 1939
Paid to Hotel Koper the fee of
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Fammin H. Z.

July 20, 1939.

Miss Marion E. Schaar,
130 N. Wells St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Miss Schaar:

Re: Mrs. Anna Mueller

Please be advised that the case of Mrs. Mueller has been taken care of by this Office from the time of her arrival to Albuquerque, New Mexico until the present day. She has received every consideration, and we feel she should consider herself most fortunate that she is permitted in the United States as an alien after making a permanent application for entry. This was made possible thru the influence of our office. As you know she is a non-preference quota subject, and there are no quota numbers available from Germany at this time. She has filed application for an extension of stay and it will be granted her within a short time.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,
Field Executive.

FZ:LG

Re: Mrs. Anna Mueller

10/29/39

On August 8th, I again presented the above case to the American Consul, on which date a cable was sent but as yet no reply has been received. We were having difficulties with the Mexican authorities in this case, and I was successful in having the American Immigration Authorities at El Paso, reinstate her on the visa issued to her last March. We also received an extension of her stay in the United States for another six months. This case cost the El Paso Section, NCJW \$10.95 for cable and \$14.50 for Hotel bill in Juarez, Mexico. We are not making an issue of this amount because we think that the relatives will reimburse the organization.

Fannie Zlabovsky.

NATIONAL REFUGEE SERVICE, INC.

AN ORGANIZATION DESIGNED TO CARRY ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL
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165 WEST 46TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

July 29, 1940.

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AIR MAIL.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky, Field Executive,
National Council of Jewish Women,
El Paso, Texas.

Re: Mrs. Anna Mueller,
Son: Peter (13)

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

We are in receipt of a letter from the firm, Potash & Cameron, regarding Mrs. Anna Mueller.

They are inquiring as to the present possibilities of Mrs. Mueller's 13 year old son, Peter's emigration with the large transports of British children, thru the same procedure as has been arranged for these British children.

Up to this writing, all of our German born children have been coming thru on the regular quota, necessitating affidavits and awaiting their Consul appointment. If the Consul approves the documents submitted and grants them a visa, they are then in need of transportation fare.

If you will be good enough to obtain from Mrs. Mueller, the present address of her child in London, we shall communicate with Mrs. Phipps, Director of the Children's Committee, requesting a report on the present status of Peter Mueller.

Thanking you for your kind co-operation,

Sincerely yours,

Cecilia Razovsky

Cecilia Razovsky
Director
Migration Department

SARA N EGELSON/ms

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(dictated 2-25-41)

Status

Case consists of a German born separated woman, age 49.

In June 25, 1940, Mr. Paul Harvey and investigator, accompanied by Mrs. Mueller, called on the American Consul in Juarez, Mexico to confer with him regarding the possibility of securing a number under the quota on July 1, 1940. Mr. Blocker, the American Consul General, felt that it was possible, providing a cable be sent on June 30, and a number would be available for the first of July, but that cable could not be sent unless Mrs. M. took up her residence in Juarez, Mexico and checked out of the United States. She refused, however, to do this. She appealed to many friends at Washington for some way to secure her visa without the necessity of departing from the United States, and at the same time to get her son, Claus Peter, who is 12 years old, into the United States. He is living in England at the present time. The Consul General had at all times shown a sympathetic understanding in this case, because Mrs. M. is a type of person who refused to accept any assistance from her wealthy relatives in the Southwest. When the block of German numbers came to Juarez, Mexico on February 4, the El Paso Section was immediately advised. Mrs. M. immediately went to Juarez, and was the first to receive a quota number for the year of 1941. She is now making her home in El Paso and is making a livelihood following her profession as a Swedish masseuse. This case received considerable publicity because of her constant appeal to Congressmen and Senators to contact the American Consul in Juarez in her behalf. Her husband is living in London, England.

Relatives of Mrs. M. are a son, Wolfgang, who was admitted into the United States in 1936, and a daughter, living in Washington. Claus Peter, now living in England on a farm, is supported by Mrs. M who sends money to the people with whom the child is living.

Zlabovsky (Rosenwasser):cg

INFORMATION FOR APPEAL

All Ports of Entry

National Council of
Jewish Women
1319 Broadway
New York, N. Y.

TO:

DATE:

FROM:

RE:

PORT OF ENTRY NUMBER:

NAME: (FULL) *Mrs. Anna Mueller (Rosenthal)*
Hammover, Germany
FORMER ADDRESS: (Including country of origin and transit country) *1110 1/2 Montana Street, El Paso, Texas*

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: *August 8th 1891 Neuhaus, Westphalia, Germany*

FAMILY DATA

MARRIED ☒
SINGLE
WIDOWED

ACCOMPANIED BY: WIFE AND CHILDREN: NAMES AGES PRESENT RESIDENCE *none*

WHO REFERRED IMMIGRANT TO AGENCY? *none*

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: (Particularly with regard to ability to maintain self.
Is there a physical handicap? If so, describe it;
is it of recent origin?) *Health perfect*

OCCUPATION OR PROFESSION: (Give full details. If there is a physical
handicap has it interfered with work?)
*my profession is
swedish masseuse*

AFFIANT:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

DESTINATION:

PASSPORT - NUMBER AND COUNTRY:

Date issued: *October 20th 1936*
When expired: *October 16th 1941*

M. 335/36 Germany

TYPE OF VISA:

When issued: *visitors issued Aug. 13th 1938*
Where issued: *Bremen, Germany*

WHEN AND WHERE DETAINED

departed for Mexico Febr. 11th 1939

CAUSE FOR EXCLUSION:

*received visitors visa
February 15th 1939*

EXCERPTS OF TESTIMONY AT HEARING - Prefer verbatim report wherever possible.

(If space inadequate, attach on separate sheet.)

*because number was not available when
entering Mexico. Was granted a
visitors visa to return
to U. S. A.*

AFFIANTS (ESPECIALLY INTERESTED)

Railroad fare to destination

WHO WILL PLACE BOND IF NECESSARY:

INFORMATION FOR APPEAL

All Ports of Entry

National Council of
Jewish Women
1819 Broadway
New York, N. Y.

TO:

DATE:

FROM:

RE:

PORT OF ENTRY NUMBER:

NAME: (FULL)

FORMER ADDRESS: (Including country of origin and transit country)

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:

FAMILY DATA

MARRIED

SINGLE

WIDOWED

ACCOMPANIED BY:

WIFE AND CHILDREN:

NAMES

AGES

PRESENT RESIDENCE

WHO REFERRED IMMIGRANT TO AGENCY?

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: (Particularly with regard to ability to maintain self.
Is there a physical handicap? If so, describe it;
is it of recent origin?)

OCCUPATION OR PROFESSION: (Give full details. If there is a physical
handicap has it interfered with work?)

AFFIANT:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

DESTINATION:

PASSPORT - NUMBER AND COUNTRY:

Date issued:
When expired:

TYPE OF VISA:

When issued:
Where issued:

WHEN AND WHERE DETAINED

CAUSE FOR EXCLUSION:

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AFFIANTS (ESPECIALLY INTERESTED)

Railroad fare to destination

WHO WILL PLACE BOND IF NECESSARY:

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE**

No. _____

**APPLICATION FOR VERIFICATION OF LAST ENTRY OF AN ALIEN FOR USE IN
CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF PREFERENCE VISAS AS PROVIDED
FOR IN SECTION 6 OF THE IMMIGRATION ACT OF 1924, AS AMENDED.**

IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE:

The undersigned alien Anna Rosenthal Muller
now residing at 1220 Montana Street El Paso, Texas
(Street and number) (City or town) (State)
hereby requests that the American Consul at London, England be furnished a verification of my last
lawful admission into the United States for permanent residence therein, to be used in connection with application of my wife or
unmarried children now under 21 years of age for an immigration visa, as provided for in paragraph 2, section 6 of the Immigration
Act of 1924, as amended.

Last arrived in the United States International Bridge of El Paso, Texas
(Name of steamship) (First, second, or third class)
El Paso, Texas
(Port of arrival)
February 4, 1941
(Date of arrival)

If you are the holder of a certificate of registry issued under the act of March 2, 1929, give number of the certificate _____

Name under which admitted Anna Rosenthal Muller

At that time I was yes married and my occupation was none

Place of birth Neuhaus, Germany Date August 8, 1891

Last permanent residence before date of entry Hanover, Germany
(City or town) (Country)

Name and complete address of nearest relative or friend at time of entry in country whence you came none

Emilie Rosenthal Neuhaus, Germany

Name and address of person to whom destined at time of last entry Robert J. Nordhaus
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Whether in United States before time of last entry Yes If so, give dates from September 18, 1938
to February 4, 1941

By whom accompanied at time of last entry alone

Father's name Louis Rosenthal Mother's maiden name Emilie Schuster

At time of my last entry I traveled on immigration visa and I have not been absent from the United States since that time.
(passport) (permit to reenter)

PROSPECTIVE IMMIGRANTS

- Wife _____
(Full name) (Date and place of birth)
Now residing at _____
(Street and number) (City or town) (Country)
- Child Claus Peter Muller born Hanover, Germany December 30, 1926
(Full name) (Date and place of birth)
Now residing at St. Neots-Hunts, England
(Street and number) (City or town) (Country)
- Child _____
(Full name) (Date and place of birth)
Now residing at _____
(Street and number) (City or town) (Country)
- Child _____
(Full name) (Date and place of birth)
Now residing at _____
(Street and number) (City or town) (Country)
- Child _____
(Full name) (Date and place of birth)
Now residing at _____
(Street and number) (City or town) (Country)

(Full signature of applicant as now used)

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A. Mueller.
1220 Montana St.
El Paso, Texas.

Esc. de XII_13, Sol. se le
inf. requisitos para inmigrar
al país.

Mig.

PARA POSTERIOR INFORMACION. FAVOR DE CITAR EL NUMERO DE REGISTRO Y OFICINA A QUE SE TURNO EL ASUNTO