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dia 15 de Ma. de 1931

No. /31/5279

A quien corresponda:

Se manifiesta por la presente que el ciudadano polones Michel GOLDFINGER, nacido en Serokomla, Polonia, en el ano 1905, y la ciudadana polonesa Basia Pesa GOLDFINGER, nacida en Radzyn, Polonia, en el ano 1899, ambos residentes actualmente en Mexico D.F. y registrados en esta Legacion,--son esposos legitimos y como aquellos vinieron de Polonia a Mexico.

Encargado de Negocios

March 24, 1939.

Re: Mr. & Mrs. Michel Goldfinger,
- and daughter - relative of

Mrs. Rosa Kupersmith.

Mr. A. Freyer,
Shreveport, La.

Dear Mr. Freyer:

I have been asked to assist an immigrant family, now living in Juarez, Mexico, to permanently enter the United States, and find that they have relatives in your City.

In writing to Mrs. Kupersmit of your City, I suggested that she call on you for assistance in filling out the affidavits I sent her, and will very much appreciate anything you can do for her.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Freyer and yourself, I am

Most sincerely,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,

FZ:LG

May 25, 1939.

Mr. Morris Coopersmith,
1522 Anna Street,
Sheveport, La.

Dear Mr. Coopersmith:

Referring to the affidavits sent for the purpose of presenting the Goldfinger family before the American Consul in Juarez, Mexico, it is necessary that you furnish documentary evidence to support your claim and that of your mother. Statements and letter from the bank, income tax report and tax receipts on property, if you have any, must be attached to affidavits.

Therefore I would appreciate your furnishing this evidence, and thank you to give this your prompt attention.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,
1016 Olive Street,
El Paso, Texas.

EZ:LG

March 25, 1939.

Mrs. Rosa Kupersmith,
123 Tecker Street,
Shreveport, La.

Dear Mrs. Kupersmith:

Your daughter and son-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Goldfinger, now living in Juarez, Mexico, have asked us to assist them in locating in the United States.

I am therefore sending to you affidavit blanks of support for you to complete. I would suggest that you call on Mr. Abe Freyer, Attorney, who will be glad to advise you with reference to the aforementioned affidavit and documentary evidence which must be attached. Since two sets of affidavits are required, I am attaching another set in blank for another member of your family to use.

As soon as these papers are completed, please send them to me, so that I may arrange all other documents necessary before the family presents their case to the American Consul in Juarez, Mexico.

Thanking you for your prompt attention, I am

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,
1016 Olive Street,
El Paso, Texas.

LAW OFFICES
WISE, RANDOLPH, RENDALL & FREYER
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

ALLEN RENDALL
A. B. FREYER
A. B. FREYER, JR.

March 27, 1939.

Mrs. Frank Zlabovsky,
1016 Olive Street,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Zlabovsky:

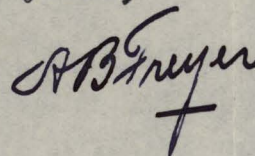
Re: Mr. and Mrs. Michel Goldfinger
and daughter

I have your letter of the 24th and note that you have suggested to Mrs. Coopersmith that she call on me for assistance in filling out affidavits in the above matter, and, of course, I shall be very glad to help in any way possible.

I note Ada, Marcus and the children are with you and I hope they are all getting along fine.

With affectionate regards from house to house, I am,

Sincerely yours,



ABF L.

CONSULADO DE POLONIA.
Mexico D.F.
Calle Palma 29.

Mexico D.F., 17 de Abril de 1939

A QUIEN CORRESPONDA:

El Consulado de Polonia certifica que en los libros del Registro Civil del Distrito de Radzyn no se encuentra el certificado de nacimiento de la senora BASIA PESA GOLFINGER-KUPERSZMIT, la cual nacio en la ciudad de Radzyn en Polonia en el mes de mayo de 1899.

Por el Consul de Polonia.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
SHREVEPORT, LA.
June 7, 1939

American Consul
Juarez, Mexico

Dear Sir:

The purpose of this letter is to give you some information in regard to Morris Coppersmith of 1522 Anna Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, and his mother, Mrs. R. Coppersmith, of the same address.

Morris Coppersmith is the son of Mrs. R. Coppersmith and each are conducting a separate business.

Morris Coppersmith is in the shoe business and, according to his financial statement, he has a net worth of around \$6,500 which consists of \$1,500 in cash and the balance in merchandise. He always has been able to borrow whatever money he needed from our Bank but in the past year or so he has gotten his business in good financial circumstances and it is unnecessary for him to borrow money.

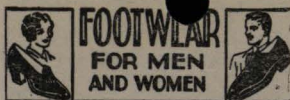
His Mother, Mrs. R. Coppersmith, who conducts a business for herself, in our opinion is worth in the neighborhood of \$7,500.

These folks are very frugal and enjoy a good reputation in our community. We believe they are in financial circumstances to take on the responsibility of providing for the couple whom they are endeavoring to bring to the United States.

Yours very truly,

P. A. Singlust
Vice President

P. A. Singlust/A



CADDO SHOE COMPANY

SHOES AND CLOTHING

123 TEXAS STREET

SHREVEPORT, LA.

June 9, 1937

Mrs. Fannie H. Glabovsky
1016 Olive St.
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mrs. Glabovsky:
Am enclosing statement and
letter from bank. The income
tax report and tax receipts show
very small figures, so will not
be of much value to my opinion.
Therefore I am not sending same.
Hoping this will be sufficient to
present the case to the American
Consul. In the meantime if there
is anything else that I can do I
will be more than glad to do it.
Thanking you.

Yours very truly,
Mossie Cofferwith

February
Tenth
1941

American Consul
Juarez, Mexico

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Rosa Coppersmith and her son Morris Coppersmith advise me that they are trying to get a visa for Basia Goldfinger, her husband Michel Goldfinger, and their daughter Guillermina Goldfinger.

In connection therewith, Mrs. Goldfinger is the daughter of Mrs. Rosa Coppersmith, and a sister to Morris Coppersmith.

These people have been friends and customers of our bank for many years, and are good citizens in our community. They operate a store here and have the financial capacity to take care of the Goldfingers upon their arrival in this country.

If you will grant their request for a visa I am sure they will make this country good citizens.

Yours very truly,

J. P. Sealy
LR

Vice President



Hermina Goldfinger, age 10, born in Mexico City and now living in Juarez, with her parents. She is an only child in this family. Her father is in the leather business and ekes out a meager living. They occupy two rooms (inadequate sanitary facilities). This family originally came from Poland and immigrated to Mexico City during the year 1929, moving to our Border Town in 1938. Hermina attends Lamar School and is in the Fifth Grade.

COUNCIL OF SERVICE FOR FOREIGN BORN, Inc.
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

Surname **Goldfinger** First **Michel** Age **34**

Born in **Poland**

Names and Ages of adults, and children. (list)

Wife: **Basie Pesia, age 40 (Poland)**

Daughter: **Gussie, age 9, born in Mexico.**

Nationality **Mexican**

Lit.

Illit. Marital Status: M. S. D. W.

~~DELETED~~

Name

Address **712 Membrillo, Juarez, Mexico**

Relationship

Disposition: Admitted _____ Detained _____

Services rendered _____

Date of arrival _____ Steamer _____

Port Worker **F.Z.**

REMARKS: **Gussie attending school in El Paso**



CADDO SHOE COMPANY

SHOES AND CLOTHING

123 TEXAS STREET

SHREVEPORT, LA. Feb. 13, 1911

Mrs. Fannie H. Glabowsky
1016 Olive St.
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mrs. Glabowsky,

Enclosed you will find letters to be presented to the American Consul in the Goldfinger case.

I instructed Dun and Bradstreet to send statements to the consul and they are sending same.

We cannot furnish income tax receipts as we do not have any.

Hoping that this will be sufficient.

Yours very truly,
Morris Coppersmith

GOLDFINGER, Michel

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(dictated 2-21-41)

Status

Case consists of a Polish born couple, Michel Goldfinger, age 40, his spouse Bisie Pesie, age 40, their Mexican born daughter Hermina, age 12, and an American born infant girl, age two weeks.

Family arrived in Juarez, Mexico in 1937 when they called on the El Paso Section of National Council of Jewish Women for advise with reference to border crossing privileges of their child attending school in El Paso, Texas. The family was one of means--while not wealthy, comfortably situated. They were assisted in the renting of a domicile in Juarez, 712 Membrillo. They secured border crossing priviliges and child was entered in Lamar School in El Paso. During the entire period, up to the time of their application for legal permanent entry into the United States, they were given only advise and moral support. Mrs. G's mother, Mrs. Rosa Kupersmith (Cooper-Schmidt), an American citizen, living at 1522 Amy Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, repeatedly asked assistance in getting these people admitted into the United States legally. In 1939 Mrs. Rosa Kupersmith became very ill and asked for her daughter's attendance at her bedside. Mrs. G. was granted a visitor's visa and after four months she returned to Juarez, Mexico. Again in November, 1940 Mrs. K. became dangerously ill and asked for her daughter and Mrs. G. was again granted a visitor's visa to visit her mother. While in Shreveport, Mrs. G. gave birth to a daughter, in January of that year. She returned to Juarez, Mexico with her children February 6, 1941 and proceedings were initiated to arrange for the documents necessary for application for entry. This family is national Mexican, born in Poland. They were legally admitted on February 18, into the United States. Family was admitted at this Port of Entry and will depart February 25, for their permanent home in Shreveport. In presenting their case, the auditor's report showed they had 40,000 pesos to their credit in the bank and outside collectible of 10,000 pesos. During their stay in Juarez, their monthly income exceeded 200 pesos. Also during that time Hermina underwent an emergency dental operation, and although we paid the bill, the money was refunded, to our organization by the family. Affidavits and documentary evidence were sent by the family from Shreveport at our request. These people were in business in Mexico City and when they came to us, we found that they were financially able to take care of themselves.

Remarks

In presenting this case, we experienced a difficulty because the American Consul claimed the child was not registered and refused to accept it. Denials received from the Polish Consul in Mexico City, but they were overruled.

Zlabovsky (Rosenwasser):cg

