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A R AND N F :

A: My name is C S . My maiden name was E . I was born
1915, June 1st, in a small town in Hungary. This time by the first World War my father
was in the War. My grandparents from father's side have a big material store in
Hungary. The Communist—when the war was lost in 1918, the Communist in the village
robbed everything from my grandfather.

My uncle came back from the war. He was an officer in the Army and somebody
gave a knife in his back and then my grandparents and my uncle went to Budapest and
they rented a big apartment and they were living over there together.

In 1920 my brother was born and we were in Budapest and when we came back in
the train I remember just everything was broken, the windows. There was no light, no
heat. When we came home our home was locked. They cut the light to the power. This
way the _____ the President who was later the President Horthy, came in
with a white horse.

Our home was robbed, many things were taken. Few weeks later, they took the women,
the Jewish people, tell every Jewish is communist and also the Christian Communist and
they beat them up. I remember my father coming home and he was very beaten up.
After they have another rule over there, numerous clauses. This means that not many

Jewish people can go up to university, only few who want to be a doctor they have to go to Italy. I take my elementary school, I take it in the village.

My father had a little farm, four families were working for him. My mother worker of the milk. This was my mother's pocket money. My father was the President from the Jewish Community and on Purim we had an open house I remember. My parents supported three poor families. Every milk, flour, corn, and wheat, they have every year, they have it free. Then I went the four gymnasium in the village and after I went to the boarding school in Budapest.

When I was a small girl every vacation we went to my grandparents in Budapest he was living. My grandfather never worked. He was in good situation and after my brother was born in 1920, he can't go to Hungary in the university, he had to go to Brno. Then the Germans come in and he find out in 1938, December, that the Fine Arts in Toulouse, University in Toulouse. He went to France and he never see the parents again. He had no chance to come back.

In 1935 in Budapest, by accident I meet my first husband. In 1936, I meet him again. He was from Yugoslavia. These was before the first war with Hungary and after they became Yugoslavia, and the city name was Novi Sad. I was married in 1937 and 1938 my first son was born. The name was A P .

In 1941 my second was born. We had a very nice life with no anti-Semitism. My husband had a factory and I had a nurse by the children and a cooking room and we had a chauffeur, a car, and we had a nice life over there. In 1942, my father was killed. We had a telephone call, we run home, and I stayed over there with my two children and I stayed over there and my husband have only one week permission, this time the war was