

Julius Bondy



This is my maternal grandfather Julius Bondy. He produced soda water, but it was rather his wife who ran the company. They had their store on the main square in Holic. My grandparents weren't rich; they were middle class businessmen.

My grandmother Maria Bondyova, nee Buchwaldova, died quite early, so my grandfather lived with us. He had three or four sisters. One of them lived in Budapest; she married a musical composer called Karol Stefanides. He wasn't a Jew and that part of the family probably survived the Holocaust. The other two or three sisters were in Vienna and either them or their daughters were killed in the Holocaust.