Genealogy Report for Julius Schepps

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Section 1: Julius Schepps (1895-1971)

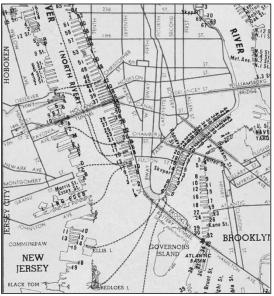


Julius Schepps¹

*"I will never liquidate my obligations to this city that my father brought us to. Next to my family and my country, the greatest love I have is for Dallas and its people – especially its unfortunate ones." – Julius Schepps, 1950*²

Parents' Immigration

Julius Schepps was the third child born to Joseph Schepps and Jennie Nathanson. Joseph and Jennie emigrated from Russia in 1891. They were a part of the massive surge in Russian Jewish emigration that occurred between 1880 and 1924.



Piers at the Port of New York³

Their ship departed from Bremen, Germany and, assuming they sailed on a standard direct route, arrived about nine days later at the Port of New York. Depending on their steamship company, their ship would

have docked at piers on the west side of New York City or, in the case of the Bremen-based Norddeutscher Lloyd steamship company, across the Hudson River at Hoboken, New Jersey.

In 1891, passengers in third class (steerage) would have been ferried directly from the ship's pier to the United States immigration processing center in the Barge Office on the end of lower Manhattan near the Battery. The Barge Office was used as the United States immigration processing center from 19 April 1890 to 31 December 1891.⁴ Lower Manhattan would be where immigrants first set foot on American soil.



Barge Office, Lower Manhattan c. 1890⁵

Joseph and Jennie Schepps briefly remained in New York City. Their daughter, Rebecca, was born there in early 1892. Shortly thereafter, they moved to St. Louis, Missouri.

St. Louis, Missouri

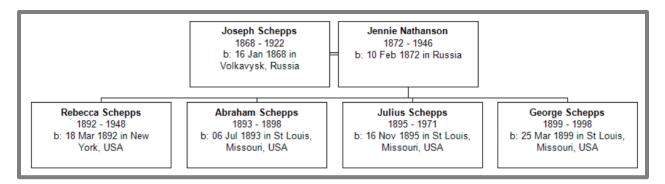
In May 1895, Joseph acquired a building at 1014 N. Eleventh Street, between Carr and Wash streets. The New York Matzos Company, with Joseph Schepps as the proprietor, operated from this address. The family also lived there.



1901 Advertisement, The Jewish Voice⁶

Children of Joseph and Jennie Schepps

Joseph and Jennie Schepps had three boys in St. Louis in the 1890s. Julius Schepps was born at home on 16 November 1895.



Children of Joseph Schepps and Jennie Nathanson

- Rebecca Schepps⁷ was born on 18 March 1892 in New York. She died on 08 November 1948 in Dallas, Texas. She married Carl Metzger, in March 1910 in Dallas, Texas.
- Abraham Schepps⁸ was born on 06 July 1893 in St Louis, Missouri. He died on 18 March 1898 in St Louis, Missouri.
- 3. Julius Schepps⁹ was born on 16 November 1895 in St Louis, Missouri. He died on 25 May 1971 in Dallas, Texas. He married Phyllis Corine Eickman on 17 Ocobert 1915 in El Paso, Texas.
- George Joseph Schepps¹⁰ was born on 25 March 1899 in St Louis, Missouri. He died on 14 January 1998 in Dallas, Texas. He married (1) Lily Cohen on 30 May 1917 in Hill, Texas. He married (2) Dixie Shelley Jones on 12 October 1961 in Harris, Texas. He married (3) Evelyn Crews in 1964.

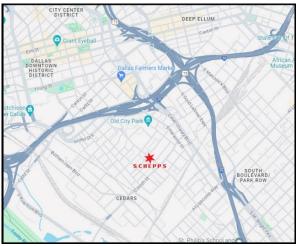
Joseph Schepps became a United States citizen on 08 October 1898 in the Circuit Court of the City of St. Louis. He declared his support of the Constitution of the United States and renounced his allegiance to the Emperor of Russia. In accord with U.S. naturalization regulations at the time, his wife Jennie was also deemed a naturalized U.S. citizen.

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1898 Naturalization Record for Joseph Shepps¹¹

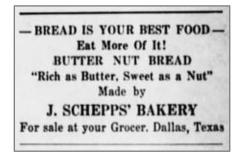
Dallas, Texas

In 1901, the family left St. Louis, moved to Dallas, and established Schepps Bakery on South Ervay Street between Hickory and Segar Streets. This area south of downtown and Interstate Highway 30 is known as the *Cedars* district. In the early decades of the 20th century, this neighborhood was the heart of Dallas' Jewish community.



Dallas Location of Schepps Bakery & Home

On ship manifests in the 1910-1915 timeframe, family members of Joe and Jennie Schepps who emigrated from Russia often listed Joe Schepps and the Schepps' south Ervay street address as their destination. Likewise, U.S. Census records, WWI draft registration cards, and city directories are replete with the listings of the Schepps' siblings, nieces, and nephews who worked at Schepps' Bakery in one capacity or another.



1920 Advertisement, The Jewish Monitor¹²

Community Involvement of Joseph and Jennie Schepps

Joe Schepps held positions in baking industry associations, both nationally and statewide. For example, in May 1921, at the convention of the Texas Association of Baking Industry in Waco, TX, Joe Schepps, was elected treasure, a position he held for several years. (At that same convention, his son "Jules" Schepps was elected vice president.)¹³ Jennie Schepps was quite active in the Council of Jewish Women and in 1921 she was one of four vice-presidents.¹⁴



Parents of Julius Schepps¹⁵

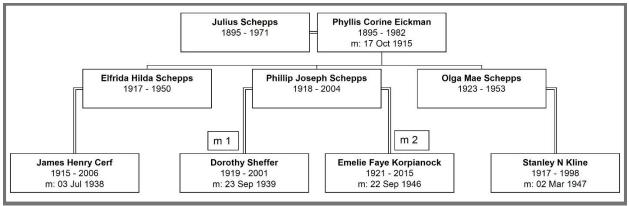
Joseph Schepps died in 1922 at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, New York. Jennie Schepps died in 1946 at the Dallas home of her daughter, Rebecca Metzger.¹⁶

Shortly after Joe died, Jennie attended the national conference of the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society (JCRS) in Denver, Colorado.¹⁷ She was present at the opening of the new hospital and the dedication of a room she endowed in memory of her husband. Jennie remained an active supporter of the JCRS and in 1926 was a member of the Texas state executive committee that toured the state to raise funds for a proposed Texas wing to the JCRS hospital in Colorado.¹⁸

In 1944, on behalf of himself, his sister Rebecca, brother George, and their children, Julius Schepps presented a building at Young and Akard streets in Dallas to the Community Chest in tribute to the civic activities of his parents. The Community Chest was an umbrella organization for charities that addressed sundry causes and community needs, particularly in the areas of healthcare, education, and hunger. The building offered office space for many disparate projects and groups.¹⁹

Family of Julius Schepps and Phyllis Eickman

Julius met his wife, Phyllis Corine Eickman, in El Paso, Texas, where they were both working for the El Paso Times newspaper. He was in the circulation department, and she was a photographer. They married on 17 Oct 1915 in El Paso at her parents' home. Phyllis was born in St Louis, Missouri on 13 May 1895. She was the fourth child of Phillip Eickman and Meta Kahltert.²⁰



Family of Julius Schepps and Phyllis Eickman

Julius Schepps and Phyllis Corine Eickman had the following three children:

- Elfrida Hilda Schepps²¹ was born on 31 Jan 1917 in El Paso, Texas. She died on 07 Feb 1950 in Dallas, Texas. She married James Henry Cerf²² on 03 Jul 1938 in, Dallas, Texas. He was born on 14 March 1915 in Corsicana, Navarro, Texas. He died on 01 January 2006 in Corsicana, Navarro, Texas.
- 2. Phillip Joseph Schepps²³ was born on 26 March 1918 in Dallas, Texas. He died on 15 September 2004 in Dallas, Texas. He married (1) Dorothy Sheffer²⁴ on 23 September 1939 in Dallas, Texas. She was born on 27 June 1919 in Kentucky. She died on 04 October 2001 in Knoxville, Knox, Tennessee. He married (2) Emelie Faye Korpianock²⁵, daughter of Jack David Korpianock and Bertha Marion Fische, on 22 September 1946 in Dallas, Texas. She was born on 15 January 1921 in Dallas, Texas. She died on 14 June 2015 in Dallas, Texas.
- Olga Mae Schepps²⁶ was born on 17 November 1923 in Dallas, Texas. She died on 25 Juyl 1953 in Dallas, Texas. She married Stanley N Kline,²⁷ son of Morris Kline and Sadie Weinberger, on 02 March 1947 in Dallas, Texas. He was born on 07 February 1917 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. He died on 18 January 1998 in Dallas, Texas.

Julius Schepps Business Interests

Amateur Baseball

Amateur baseball was booming across America in the early 1920s. Julius and his brother George, inherited shares in the Dallas team when their father died, and they remained actively involved in the sport for some years. In February 1922 Julius was a featured speaker to a group of representatives and patrons of city baseball leagues meeting at Fort Worth. He reported that the number of amateur baseball fields in Dallas had grown from seven to 17 in the past two years.²⁸

Seventy teams were expected to play in the 1922 season. These teams represented every conceivable group, including workers' unions, professions, and businesses. Both Schepps Bakery and Schepps Dairy, owned by Julius' uncle Maier Golman, fielded teams.

By 1946, Julius and his brother George were the majority owners of the Dallas Rebels, a minor league team in the Dallas Amateur League. When their mother died the Dallas newspaper reported suspending the Rebels' spring training for a few days.²⁹

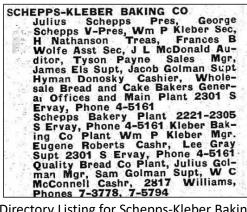
Full-scale spring training for three score of candidates for the Dallas Rebels and their affiliates in leagues of lower classification will be resumed at the local park Wednesday. Because of the death Sunday night of Mrs. Jennie Schepps, mother of the cub owners, George and Julius Schepps, there was no practice Monday and there will be none Tuesday. Manager Al Vincent, his assistant instructors and the players will attend funeral services at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Temple Emanu-El.

1946: Spring Training Suspended

Schepps Bakery

Since it was established in 1901, Schepps Bakery had grown significantly under Joe Schepps' management. In 1921, Joe retired, and ownership and management of the bakery passed to his two sons: Julius and George. The business continued to grow, acquiring Kleber Baking Company and the United States Baking Company.

The Schepps-Kleber Baking Company listing in the 1927 city directory for Dallas identifies the positions held by Julius and George, as well as their uncle Hyman Nathanson, and three of their Golman cousins: Jacob (Jake), Julius, and Sam Golman. Hyman Donosky is married to another cousin, Anna Shtofman.



1927 Directory Listing for Schepps-Kleber Baking Co.³⁰

The Schepps family sold their interest in the company in 1928 to the Purity Baking Company. As a result, Julius Schepps became quite prosperous, as did his brother, George.

Life Insurance and Wholesale Liquor Businesses

While the sale of the bakery made him a wealthy man, Julius lost a great deal of his wealth in the 1929 stock market crash. For the remaining 40 years of his life, his wealth came primarily from two business interests: life insurance and wholesale liquor.

Civic Involvement & Recognition

In addition to managing his business interests, Julius often attended more than 1,000 meetings a year – meetings related to his wide-ranging civic and charitable interests and activities. Those interests and activities are documented in many places and only a few illustrative examples are included here.

As a 26-year-old man in 1922, Julius was appointed to his father's place on the Mercantile Bank Board. At that time, R. L. Thornton, another Dallas civic leader, was President of the bank. Julius retained that position until he died.²

Julius was honored in 1950 for his work as "chief barker" (1948-1949) by the Variety Club, the children's charity organization of the show business industry. He was additionally honored for his leadership role in raising \$600,000 to relocate the Bedford Boys Ranch, a residential alternative for 10–14-year-old boys committed by the court system.

In 1958 the Jewish Welfare Federation named its newly constructed, \$850,000 development on 14 1/2 acres in North Dallas the "Julius Schepps Community Center". Then Dallas Mayor R. L. Thornton introduced Julius Schepps as "one of the men who made Dallas the great city it is."³¹

The B'nai B'rith Foundation of the United States presented its highest award, its Gold Medallion Humanitarian Award, to Julius Schepps in 1965. In a letter soliciting contributions towards the award banquet and the educational programs of B'nai B'rith, Julius is described as "a man who has given a lifetime of consecrated service to his fellow man and is one of the most distinguished Jewish citizens of Texas".³²

Death

Julius Schepps died on 25 May 1971 in Dallas, Texas, at age 75. His wife, Phyllis Corine Eickman, died eleven years afterwards on 08 Aug 1982 in Dallas, Texas. They had six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. They are buried in Shearith Israel Memorial Park, on the near east side of downtown Dallas.³³



Julius Schepps

"Next to my family and my country, the greatest love I have is for Dallas and its people – especially its unfortunate ones." – Julius Schepps, 1950

Julius Schepps Park

In 2000, a small park in downtown Dallas was dedicated to the memory of Julius Schepps. It is situated where Commerce Street and Interstate 45 come together. Julius Schepps served for 18 years on the Dallas Park and Recreation Board and during his tenure he promoted the acquisition and preservation of open spaces for the public.

His son Phil Schepps thought his father would be pleased with this park space: "He had a belief that if somebody didn't watch out, commercialism would eat up all the land, and we'd have nothing but buildings and asphalt. I think he would be very, very happy."

Coincidentally, the section of Interstate 45 where the park is located is known as Julius Schepps Freeway. Designated in recognition of Julius' civic contributions, the Freeway is that portion of Interstate Highway 45 between Interstate Highways 30 and 20 in downtown Dallas.³⁴



Julius Schepps Park³⁵

Section 2: Russian Jewish Origins: Names and Towns

Names of Paternal Grandparents: Meyer Schepps and Esther Golland

Joseph Schepps' 1911 passport application records that he arrived at the port of New York on 05 September 1891 aboard the S/S Zala, which had departed from Bremen, Germany. Julius' grandson, Joe Schepps, recounts a family story that Joseph Schepps changed his name from Yussel Yislovsky to his German neighbor's name prior to emigrating.³⁶

No vessel named the S/S Zala is recorded on ship databases; however, there is a Norddeutscher Lloyd steamship, the S/S Saale, that sailed twice a month from Bremen, to Southampton, and New York City in 1891. The spelling of the vessel on Joseph's passport application could simply be a phonetic error, i.e., the recorder wrote phonetically what they heard the applicant say.³⁷

Unfortunately, Joseph Schepps (or Yussel Yislovsky) and his wife, Jennie Nathanson, are not listed on the extant 1891 Bremen embarkation manifests, for the S/S Saale or other ships. However, many passenger manifests were not preserved in the gap between Castle Garden closing (April 18, 1890) and Ellis Island opening (January 1, 1892). Joseph Schepps and Jennie Nathanson reportedly arrived during this gap.³⁸

Subsequent arrival records for Schepps family members invariably list "Schepps" as their surname, with only slight spelling variations (e.g., Scheps or Shepps). Perhaps there was agreement among the emigrating family members to adopt the surname "Schepps" or perhaps it was their actual surname.

Examples of Schepps family members on Galveston, Texas passenger lists³⁹ include:

- 1911: Dora Scheps, Julius' first cousin
- 1912: Nathan Scheps, Joseph's brother, and three of his children
- 1913: Friede Scheps, Nathan's wife, and five of their children

The forename of Julius' paternal grandfather, Meyer⁴⁰, was identified on three of his children's Texas death certificates⁴¹:

• 1923: Certificate for his daughter, Ann I Golman, Julius' aunt, Anna Schepps

- 1947: Certificate for his son, Julius' uncle, Nathan Schepps
- 1968: Certificate for his daughter, Fannie Siegel, Julius' aunt, Fannie Schepps

Julius' paternal grandmother, Esther Golland, was identified in two of her daughters' Texas death certificates:

- 1923: Ann I Golman, Julius' aunt, Anna Schepps
- 1968: Fannie Siegel, Julius' aunt, Fannie Schepps

Names of Maternal Grandparents: Nathan Yoselovsky and Sheine Kaplan⁴²

While no records indicating a different Russian surname for "Schepps" were discovered, five records identified the Russian surnames for Julius' maternal grandparents, Nathan Yoselovsky and Sheine Kaplan. These are:

1. 1913:

The naturalization petition of their son and Julius' uncle, Azriel Yoselevsky, identified his birth surname as Yoselevsky. Interestingly, at the time of his naturalization, he requested his name be officially changed to Azriel Nathanson.⁴³

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1913 Naturalization Petition of Azriel Nathanson

2. 1923:

The passenger list for Julius' grandmother, Sheine Kaplan, identified her as Shane Yossselovskaya, the feminized surname of her husband's surname, Yosselovsky.⁴⁴

3. 1939:

The California death certificate for their son and Julius' uncle, Maurice Nathanson, identified his mother as Shana Kaplan and his father as Nathan (Nathanson or Matson).⁴⁵

4. 1943:

The naturalization petition of their daughter and Julius' aunt, Sarah Edelstein, identified her birth surname as Yoshelovsky.⁴⁶

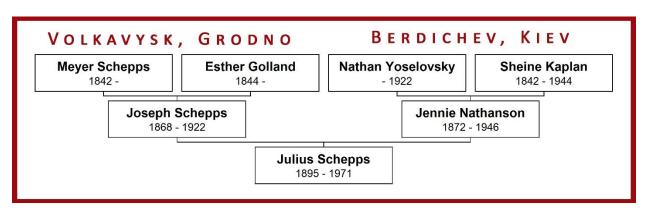
5. 1971:

The Mexican death registration for Roschke Yosilovsky Kaplan, their daughter and Julius' aunt, which identified both of her parents, Nathan Yosilovsky and Sheine Kaplan. Her name follows the Mexican/Spanish surname convention (i.e., father's surname then mother's surname).⁴⁷

Towns of Origin

Julius Schepps' parents and grandparents were born in the Russian Empire. The Empire was divided administratively into several provinces. The ancestors of Julius Schepps were from towns located within the provinces of Grodno and Kiev, in the western area of the Empire.

His paternal ancestors were from the town of Volkavysk, in the Grodno Province.⁴⁸ His maternal ancestors were from the town of Berdichev, in the Province of Kiev.



Names and Russian Locations for Julius Schepps' Grandparents

Volkavysk, Grodno

Three records identify Volkavysk as the town of origin for Schepps family immigrants.⁴⁹

- 1911 Passport Application for Julius' father, Joseph Schepps
- 1912 Passenger List for his uncle, Nathan [Nusson] Schepps, and three of his children
- 1914 Passenger List for his aunt, Anna [Ahane] Schepps Golman

Berdichev, Kiev

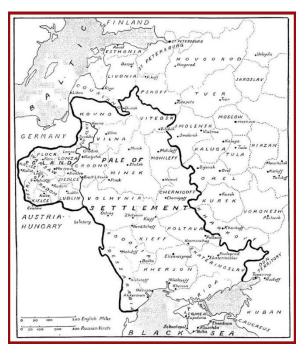
Five records identify the town of origin for the Nathanson/Yoselovsky family.

- 1907 Declaration of Intention for Julius' uncle, Hyman Nathanson⁵⁰
 - Last foreign residence: Berdichev, Russia
- 1907 Petition for Naturalization for his uncle Azriel Joselevscky⁵¹
 - Born: 15 June 1880 in Berdicheff, Russia
- 1913 Passenger list for his aunt, Friede Stoffmacher⁵²
 - o Last residence: Berdichev, Kiev, Russia
 - Born in Berdychev
- 1923 Declaration of Intention for his uncle, Maurice Nathanson⁵³
 - Born: 03 Sep 1873 in Berdichev, Russia
 - Last foreign residence: Berdichev, Russia
- 1923 Passenger List for his grandmother Shana Yosselevskaya⁵⁴
 - Last residence: Berdechev, Poland

Section 3. The Pale of Settlement

Note: Sources that informed this section of the report are listed on page 23.

The Grodno and Kiev provinces were located within the Russian Pale of Settlement. The Pale of Settlement was an area in the western borderlands of the Russian Empire designated by Catherine the Great in the 1790s as a settlement and containment area for the Jewish population that had come into the Russian Empire following the partitions and final dissolution of the Polish-Lithuanian Confederate. The Pale included 15 Russian provinces and 10 provinces in the Russian Protectorate of Poland.



Pale of Settlement⁵⁵

For the most part, Jewish inhabitants were prohibited from migrating beyond the boundaries of the Pale. In 1912, 95 per cent of the Jews in the Russian Empire lived within the boundaries of the Pale. Antisemitism was both official policy and widespread practice within the Pale.

Antisemitic Policies

During the 1800's and early 1900's, Jewish life within the Pale was characterized by antisemitic-inspired restrictions in most social and economic arenas, including: limitations on occupations, professions, and trade; access to land and property ownership; and prohibitions on both migration beyond the borders of the Pale and residence in Imperial cities, like Kiev, within the Pale.

Jewish Culture

Contributing to the separateness and isolation of the Jews within the Pale from the overwhelmingly Christian remainder of the Russian Empire were Jewish language, laws, and cultural traditions. The native language of Jews was Yiddish – not Russian or Polish; they generally maintained their own religious schools (yeshivas) – taught in Yiddish not Russian; Jews ate in accord with Kosher laws versus the usual diet of others; and Jews celebrated their own religious seasons and holidays - notably not traditional Christian seasons and holidays.

Charity

Fundamentally, Jewish culture is ethically grounded in charitable giving; Jewish children are taught they have a duty to help the needy. Community social programs within the Pale provided help and support to the poor, the sick, the handicapped, and refugees. Official charitable and social organizations provided services such as schooling for poor children, loans for the needy, visits to the sick, dowries for needy brides to marry, and prayers for the very ill as well as participation in their funerals.

Military Conscription

Conscription of boys and men into the Russian services, including Jews within the Russian Pale, was in force throughout the Empire by 1827. However, the requirements for the annual number of conscripts were different for Jews and non-Jews (e.g., four versus two per 1000 inhabitants), and their youngest ages (e.g., 12 versus 18 years).

Conscription policies changed a great deal over the 19th century. By the mid-late 1850's the mandatory age for conscripted service was raised to 20 years for both Jews and non-Jews, and the duration of service was reduced from 25 years to six years plus nine years in the reserve force.

Between 1874 and 1914, Jews were disproportionately represented in the Russian military services while discrimination and bias were rampant. Despite their participation in the Russian military, the general Russian opinion viewed Jews as unpatriotic draft dodgers.

Impoverishment of Jews within the Pale

As a result of the discriminatory restrictions, dramatic population growth in the 19th century, and a general lack of economic development, poverty levels among Jewish communities within the Pale were high. In some areas 20 per cent or more of inhabitants received charitable subsidies. Others received money from relatives living abroad and international aid societies.

Pogroms

Tsar Alexander II was assassinated in 1881, a crime most Russians falsely blamed on a Jewish conspiracy. In the aftermath, widespread violent pogroms against the Jewish population were undertaken by Russian soldiers and mobs of peasants. Entire villages were burned, businesses destroyed, and thousands murdered.

Additionally, In 1882 with full endorsement from Tsar Alexander III several punitive anti-Semitic laws, called the May Laws, were enacted. These laws further diminished Jewish movement, economic opportunity, and civil liberties within the Pale.

In 1906, Philip Cowen, an immigration inspector of the U.S. government, reported on the causes of increased Jewish immigration from Russia to the United States. He investigated within the Pale of Settlement, spoke with eyewitnesses of pogroms, and identified 637 pogroms in his report. He documented "appalling and unremitting persecution of Russian Jews" in which "entire Jewish cities were ransacked and destroyed while hundreds of Jews were brutally murdered".⁵⁶

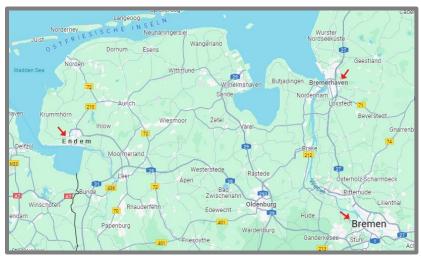
Mass Emigration

Against the difficult, destructive, and depressing backdrop of life within the Pale, mass migration of Russian Jews ensued. Between 1881 and 1910 over 1.5 million Jews came to America, 70% of them from Russia. Over a third of the Jewish population of the Russian Empire had emigrated by 1920.

Prior to boarding their ship, people had to travel from their homes in Russia to their embarkation ports, perhaps Bremen or Hamburg in Germany. In the case of the Schepps, the distance from their hometown of Volkovysk, Russia to Bremen was about 700 miles and they had to cross the Russian/German border. The Cowan Report describes the obstacles and treachery immigrants faced on their journey to the ships:

Cowan accompanied Jewish immigrants on their journey to escape Russia, and found out that Jewish persecution did not end with their departure. Jews were repeatedly charged double or triple the cost of passports and boat tickets to America. Cowen provides information about the long and complicated journey that Jewish immigrants took from Russia to America, including descriptions of bribery and corruption of government officials, smuggling people out of Russia, and repeated medical checks, especially of the eyes. ^[55]

Julius Schepps' parents, aunts, and uncles, were among the Russian Jews in this massive wave of Russian Jewish emigrants. Some departed Europe from Bremen, Germany, either the Port of Bremerhaven or Endem Port.



Bremen Emigration Ports: Emden & Bremerhaven

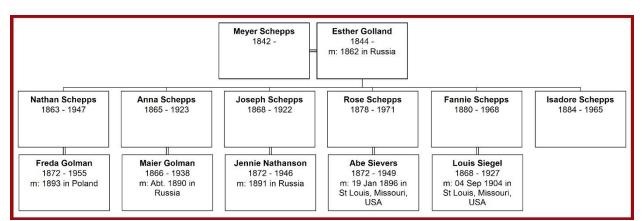
Between 1890 and 1914, five siblings of Joseph Schepps' and five of Jennie Nathanson's siblings, emigrated from Russia. Jennie's sister Roshke (Yoselovsky) Zaslow, emigrated between 1923 and 1930.

Section 4. Schepps Family Emigration

Among his siblings, Joseph appears to have emigrated from Russia first. He arrived in New York City in 1891 and soon moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where his family remained until 1901. Two of Joseph's sisters emigrated from Russia and came to St. Louis during Joseph's time there: Rose Schepps arrived c. 1894/1895⁵⁷ and Fannie Schepps c. 1899/1900⁵⁸.

Joseph lived in Dallas, Texas, from 1901 to 1922. Three of his siblings emigrated from Russia during that time. His older brother, Nathan Schepps arrived in Galveston, Texas in 1912.⁵⁹ Joseph's third sister, Anna

Schepps Golman arrived in Galveston in 1914.⁶⁰ Joseph's younger brother, Isadore, arrived in Dallas, Texas by 1914.⁶¹



Julius Schepps' Paternal Aunts and Uncles

St. Louis, Missouri

Rose Schepps & Abe Sievers

ROSE SCHEPPS was born on 14 April 1878 in Russia. She married Abe Sievers, originally Abe Siff, a bookbinder, and an immigrant from Russia, on 19 January 1896 in St. Louis, Missouri. They had seven children in St. Louis, six girls and one boy.⁶²

Abe was born on 15 April 1872 in Riga, Russia. They remained in St. Louis until their deaths. Abe died on 13 September 1949 in St Louis, Missouri. Rose died on 21 April 1971 in St Louis, Missouri.⁶³

Fannie Schepps & Louis Siegel

Fannie Schepps was born on 04 September 1880 in Grodno, Russia. She married Louis Siegel in St. Louis, Missouri on 04 September 1904, the year of the World's Fair. He was born in 1868 in Russia.⁶⁴

They had six children, four girls and two boys, all born in St. Louis. One son died prior to 1920. The family lived in East St. Louis, Illinois in 1920 and the following year, Fannie and her five children moved to Dallas, Texas.⁶⁵

Louis does not appear to have moved to Dallas with his family. He died on 10 December 1927 in Alton, Madison, Illinois and was buried in Beth Hamedrosh Hagodo Cemetery in St. Louis County. Fannie remained in Texas until her death on 06 October 1968 in Dallas, Texas.⁶⁶

Dallas, Texas

In 1914 Joseph's older sister, Anna Shepps, and his older brother, Nathan Schepps, emigrated from Russia and arrived at the Port of Galveston in Texas. No record was discovered that recorded the arrival of Joseph's younger brother, Isadore Schepps. He may have arrived about 1912; he is first recorded in the Dallas city directory in 1914.

Nathan Schepps & Freda Golman

Nathan Schepps was born on 16 January 1863 in Volkavysk, Grodno, Russia. He married Freda Golman, daughter of Joseph Golman and Esther Fichl, in 1893 in Poland. She was born on 17 July 1872 in Poland. She died on 19 October 1955 in Dallas, Texas. He died on 02 September 1947 in Dallas, Texas.⁶⁷

Their eldest daughter, Dora Scheps, arrived at Galveston in 1911 from Bremen, Germany, and was planning to join her uncle, Carl Metzger, who was married to her cousin, Rebecca Schepps. The Metzger family operated a dairy farm in Dallas, TX.

Traveling with Dora was Yankel Golman, a baker, and her cousin, also born in Russia. He was planning to join his uncle, [Yo?] Schepps, at 2225 S. Ervay in Dallas, the Dallas address of Schepps Bakery.

1911 Passenger List Entries for Dora Scheps and Yankel Golman⁶⁸

Nathan and Freda's family arrived in Galveston from Bremen in two groups:

- In 1912 Nussen (Nathan) Scheps arrived with his three older children: Dwojre (Dora), Mojsche (Morris), and Schye (Louis). They were joining Nathan's brother, Yerschon Scheps in Dallas, TX. (Dora appears to have returned to Russia after her 1911 Galveston arrival.)⁶⁹
- In 1913 Freide Scheps arrived in Galveston with their six younger children: Gerschen (Abraham), Jankel (Jake), Maier (Mair), Isser (A. I.), Neche (Nettie), and Male (Eli). They are joining their husband and father, Nathan Scheps at 2245 S. Ervay Street in Dallas, TX.⁷⁰

Schepps Dairy

Nathan and Freda Scheps founded Schepps Dairy in 1914, selling raw milk to locals. After Nathan retired in 1941, ownership passed to a partnership of two of his sons, Eli and Harmon Schepps. In 1960, Eli sold his interest in the Dairy to Harmon, who incorporated Schepps Dairy with himself as CEO. In 1984, Harmon Schepps sold the dairy to Foremost Dairies, Inc. At that time Schepps Dairy had \$100 million in annual sales.⁷¹

Anna Schepps & Maier Golman

Anna Schepps was born between 1865-1871 in Volkavysk, Grodno, Russia. She married Maier Golman, son of Eli Golman and Bessie, about 1890 in Russia. He was born on 05 July 1866 in Zebelin, Russia. Anna died on 24 September 1923 in Dallas, Texas. Maier died on 04 November 1938 in Dallas, Texas. His death certificate reports that he had been involved in agriculture.⁷²

Anna, her husband, and eight children arrived in 1914 in the United States at the Port of Galveston, Texas, having embarked on their sailings at Bremen, Germany. The Golman's four older children came individually (1911-1913).

1911

• Their second son, Yankel (Jake) Golman, a baker, age 18, arrived. He was joining his uncle, [Yo??] Schepps, at 2225 Ervay Street, Dallas, Texas.⁷³

1912

 Their third son, Schulem (Sam) Golmann, a baker, age 17. He was joining his uncle, Y Scheps, at 2223 S. Ervay Street in Dallas, Texas. (2223 is crossed out and 657 is written in.)⁷⁴

1913

- Their eldest son, Sarach (Julius) Gollmann, a merchant, age 22, arrived. He was also joining his uncle, J. Schepps, 2225 S. Ervay Street, Dallas, Texas.⁷⁵
- Their elder daughter, Briene (Bertha) Goldmann, a dress maker, age 18, arrived. She was joining her uncle Y Schepps, 2225 So. Ervay Street, Dallas, Texas.⁷⁶

1914

Ahane (Anna) and Meier Golmann, ages 43 and 47, arrived in Galveston with four of their children: Chaim (Hyman), 17, a butcher; Rivke (Rebecca), 15, a maid servant; Abram (Abraham), 14; and Mordke (Max), 11. They were joining their son, Y Golman, at 2225 S. Ervay Street in Dallas, TX.⁷⁷

Golmans Bakery and Oak Cliff Bakery

Julius and Jake Golman both held management positions at Schepps Bakery when it was sold to Purity Baking Company in 1928. In 1930, the brothers opened two bakeries: Golman Baking Company, Julius Golman, president; and Oak Cliff Baking Company, Jake Golman, president. Thirtyone years later, Jake Golman became Chairman of the Board for both companies. At that time, the two bakeries served 15 counties in North and Central Texas, baking Sunbeam and Holsum brand breads and cakes, and distributing them to thousands of groceries, restaurants, and cafes.⁷⁸

Isadore (Izzy) Schepps

Isadore Schepps was born on 10 February 1884 in Russia. He was born deaf and was speech impaired. He never married.⁷⁹

No record was discovered that recorded the arrival of Isadore Schepps. He may have arrived about 1912/1913; he is first recorded in the Dallas city directory in 1914. He worked in Schepps Bakery from 1914 to 1925 as a bread wrapper. At different times, he lived in Dallas with his brother Joe Schepps' family and with his sister, Fannie Schepps. Julius' brother, George Schepps, was the contact person listed on Izzy's 1942 WWII draft registration.⁸⁰

He died on 18 December 1965 in Dallas, Texas. Julius Schepps was the informant on Izzy's death registration. He is buried in Shearith Israel Cemetery in a plot with Joseph and Jennie Schepps.⁸¹

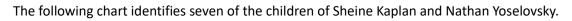
Section 5. Yoselovsky/Nathanson Family Emigration

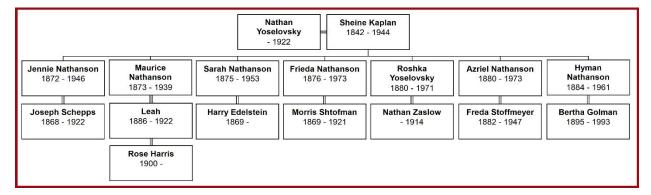
Sheine (Kaplan) Nathanson

Sheine (Kaplan) Nathanson was born between 1842-1853 in Kiev, Russia.⁸² She married Nathan Yoselovsky. Seven of their children emigrated from Russia. Her husband, Nathan, died about May 1922 in Russia, possibly in Berdichev, which at that time was within the Soviet Ukraine/Soviet Union. In 1923, after the death of her husband, Sheine immigrated to Dallas, Texas, with the assistance of her daughter, Jennie Schepps.⁸³

Jennie Schepps recounts her six-month European stayover in 1923 when she assisted her mother and widowed sister, Roshke, to emigrate from Russia. She describes not being allowed to enter Soviet Russia, as well as the burden of administrative entanglements prior to securing her mother's exit. Jennie's sister, Roshke, was unable to secure a passport and remained in Russia at that time.⁸⁴

About 1931 Sheine left Dallas and moved to Los Angeles, California, where her sons Maurice and Azriel, and her daughter Sarah lived. Sheine died on 30 May 1944 in Los Angeles, California. She is buried in Shearith Israel Memorial Park in Dallas, Texas.⁸⁵





Children of Sheine Kaplan and Nathan Yoselovsky

DALLAS, TEXAS

Jennie Nathanson & Joseph Schepps

Jennie Nathanson was born on 10 February 1872 in Russia, perhaps in Berdichev, Kiev. She married Joseph Schepps, son of Meyer Schepps and Esther Golland, in 1891 in Russia. He was born on 16 January 1868 in Volkavysk, Grodno, Russia. He died on 09 April 1922 in St. Mary's Hospital, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Olmsted, Minnesota. She died on 10 March 1946 in Dallas, Texas.⁸⁶

Frieda Nathanson and Morris Shtofman

Frieda Nathanson was born in 1876 in Kiev, Russia. She married Morris Shtofman, likely in Berdichev, Kiev, Russia, as their five children were all born there. He was born in 1869 in Russia. The family emigrated from Berdichev in 1914, and arrived in Baltimore, Maryland.⁸⁷

They then migrated to Dallas, Texas. Morris died on 05 June 1921 in Dallas, Texas. Frieda died on 26 January 1973 in Dallas.⁸⁸

Hyman Nathanson and Bertha Golman

Hyman Nathanson was born on 15 June 1884 in Minsk, Russia. He married Bertha Golman, daughter of Maier Golman and Anna Schepps, on 02 January 1917 in Dallas, Texas. She was born on 16 December 1895 in Zebelin, Russia.⁸⁹

Hyman died on 25 July 1961 in Texas. Bertha died on 21 June 1993 in Dallas, Texas.⁹⁰

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Maurice Nathanson & (1) Leah & (2) Rose Harris

Maurice Nathanson was born on 03 September 1873 in Berdichev, Kiev, Russia. He first married (1) Leah (surname not identified). She was also born in Berdichev, Kiev, Russia. She died in 1923 in Los Angeles, California.⁹¹

He next married (2) Rose A Harris on 02 August 1928 in Los Angeles, California. She was born in 1900 in New York. Maurice died on 25 August 1939 in Los Angeles, California.⁹²

Sarah Nathanson and Harry Edelstein

Sarah Nathanson was born on 02 January 1875 in Russia. She married Harry Edelstein, in 1901 in New York.. Sarah died on 14 October 1953 in Los Angeles, California.⁹³

Azriel Nathanson and Freda Stoffmeyer

Azriel Nathanson was born on 15 Nov 1880 in Berdichev, Russia. He married Freda Stoffmeyer. She was born in 1882 in Berdichev, Russia. She died on 15 April 1947 in Los Angeles, California. Azriel died on 22 August 1973 in Los Angeles, California.⁹⁴

MONTERREY, MEXICO

Roshke Yoselovsky and Nathan Zaslow

Roshka Yoselovsky was born in 1880 in Russia. She married Nathan Zaslow. He likely died between 1914 and 1923 in Russia. (His death date is estimated to be between the 1914 birth of youngest child, who was born in Russia, and Jennie Schepps' 1923 newspaper interview reporting that her sister in Russia had "orphans" at that time.) Roshke died on the sixth or seventh of October 1971 in Mexico City, Distrito Federal, Mexico.⁹⁵

Section 6. A Legacy of Charity and Service



Julius Schepps

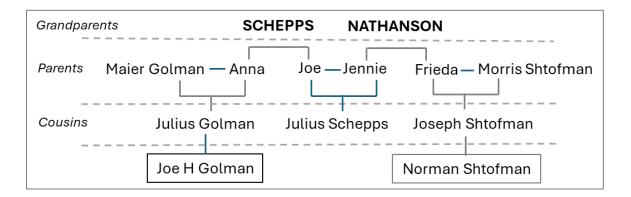
"I had a father who was the most unorganized charitable person there ever was. He used to give to everything without asking any questions. My mother gave too, but she investigated.

I guess I inherited any generosity I might have from them. I don't know whether it is an endowment or an affliction." – Julius Schepps, 1958⁹⁶

In 2001, Julius' grandson, Joe Schepps, spoke with admiration of his grandfather. A successful business executive himself, Joe observed that "having money that can be used to help people improve their lives is the ultimate reward for a business person." Joe recognized that "the tenets of Judaism are woven into [his] world view".⁹⁷

Joe Schepps is a proud steward of a family legacy grounded in the culture and faith of his immigrant Russian Jewish ancestors and exemplified in the humanitarianism of his grandfather, Julius Schepps.

Concluding this report are two examples of this legacy in the generation between Julius Schepps and his grandson, Joe Schepps. One is Norman N. Shtofman of Tyler, Texas, from Julius' Nathanson side, and the other is Joe H. Golman of Dallas, Texas from Julius' Schepps side.



Norman N. Shtofman, Tyler, Texas⁹⁸

Norman N. Shtofman exemplifies the legacy of charity and service to his community. Norman is Julius Schepps' first cousin, once removed (i.e., in the next younger generation), on his maternal Nathanson side.

Norman is the grandson of Frieda Nathanson and her husband Morris Shtofman. (Frieda and Jennie Nathanson were sisters.) The Shtofmans emigrated from Berdichev, Russia with their five children in 1914. They sailed from Bremen, Germany to Baltimore, Maryland, and then proceeded to Dallas, Texas.

One of their five children was Norman's father, Joseph Shtofman, who was 6-year-old Josef Stoffmacher at the time. Joseph Shtofman entered the wholesale shoe business with a brother-in-law in Dallas at the age of 16. In 1929 he founded the Shtofman Company, a successful family-owned wholesale-retail shoe business, and moved the company to Tyler, Texas in 1932.

His son, Norman, joined the company in 1948 when he was 20 years old. Norman worked for the company for 54 years and retired in 2003 as Chairman of the Board.

In addition to his corporate responsibilities, Norman shouldered civic responsibilities. He was the Mayor of Tyler, from 1982 to 1984 and served three terms on the Tyler City Council.

He was known for saying:

"So, let's do it." instead of, "It can't be done."

He contributed his time and talent to many organizations and charities. He served as President, Chairman, or Director of some 30 organizations that offered services to the community in diverse areas, including the arts, Jewish activities, and health care. Additionally, he was a member of many other organizations serving the Tyler and East Texas communities, as well as the Palm Desert, California community, where he and his wife had a second home.

In recognition of his generosity, his philanthropy, and his fund-raising efforts, Norman received numerous awards. These included: Tyler's 1996 T. B. Butler Outstanding Citizen and the 2002 Volunteer Fundraiser, East Texas Communities Foundation.

Joe H. Golman, Dallas, Texas⁹⁹

Joe Golman is the son of Julius Golman, who is the first cousin of Julius Schepps. Joe's father, Julius Golman, was born in Volkavysk, Grodno, Russia. In 1913 Joe's father immigrated to the United States at Galveston, Texas under the name of "Sarach Gollmann".

Joe Herman Golman was born on 13 March 1924 in Dallas, TX. In 1943 he married Frances Lee Goodman. Joe joined his father-in-law's produce company, Goodman Produce, in 1946 and later became the president and a member of the board.

In 1960, at age 35, Joe was reported to be the youngest person, with the longest sustained record of active volunteer civic service in Dallas City Hall history. That service history included: the Public Welfare Board (1947), the North Dallas Zoning Committee of the City Plan Commission (1949-1953), and the Board of Adjustment (beginning in 1953).

Joe was actively involved in the Dallas Citizens Council, and the Greater Dallas, East Dallas, and Oak Cliff chambers of commerce, as well as the Salesmanship Club. He was a life board member of both the Jewish Community Center and the Shearith Israel Congregation.

"The Good Lord and the city have been good to me. [Being involved] is one way of fulfilling an obligation you have to mankind."- Joe Golman, 1960

Julius Schepps would likely have agreed. In fact, Joe Golman served on the United Fund board with Julius Schepps in 1966.¹⁰⁰ That year, Julius Schepps was vice-president of the board and Joe, age 42, was just beginning a three-year stint.

Joe also served on the Dallas City Council, starting with an appointment in 1962, and being elected for two more terms. He then served two terms in the Texas state legislature, 1969-1973.

Joe Schepps died in Dallas on 23 September 1996. His son gave him this tribute:

"He was always involved in giving back to the community. . . He was proud of Dallas and his Jewish heritage."

A Fitting Legacy:

Norman Shtofman and Joe H. Golman echo Julius Schepps' life of generosity and service.

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