

Griffel of Nadworna

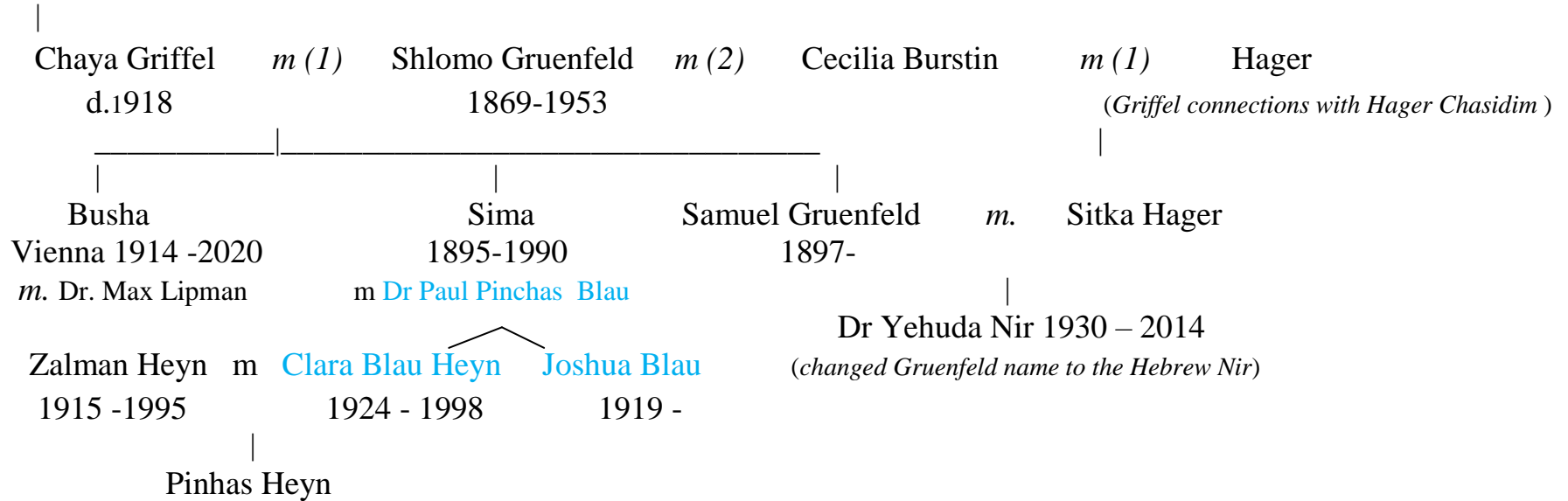
Children of Eliezer Griffel (1850-1918) and Sarah Matel Chajes (d. 1940)

see Edward Gelles, "An Ancient Lineage" (2006), section on "My mother's Family", chapters 12-17

- 1 David Mendel Griffel (1875-1941) *m.* Chawa Wahl (1877-1941)
Issue : my mother Regina (1900 – 1954)) and my uncles Zygmunt (1897-1951) and Edward (1904-1959)
- 2 Machla Griffel (b. 1876) *m.* Benzion Wilner
- 3 Zissel Griffel (b. 1878) *m.* Zygmunt (Shalom) Lamm
Issue : Dr Arnold Lamm, father of physician Dr Stephen Lamm (1948-)
- 4 Isaac Chaim Griffel (1880-1930) *m.* Judith Breit (d. 1938)
Issue : Dr Jacob Griffel (1900-1962) the eldest of ten children (Biography of Jacob Griffel : "*Date Line - Istanbul*")
- 5 Shaya Griffel (b. 1883) *m.* Adela England
- 6 Leibish Griffel (b. 1885) *m.* Ziporah
- 7 Benjamin Griffel (b. 1887) *m.* Chana Kahan
- 8 Rivka Griffel (b. 1888) *m.* Berish Rapaport
- 9 Rachel Griffel (b. 1892) *m.* Bonya (Abraham) Ohrenstein
- 10 Chaya Griffel (d. 1918) *m.* Shlomo Gruenfeld (1869-1953)
Issue : Busha Lipman (1914 -2020)
Sima Blau (1895-1990), mother of Clara Blau Heyn (1924-1998) and Joshua Blau (1919 -)
Samuel Gruenfeld (1897 -) m Sitka Hager, parents of Dr Yehuda Nir (1930 - 2014)
(Autobiography of Yehuda Nir : "*The Lost Childhood*")

Descendants of Chaya Griffel, daughter of Eliezer Griffel and Sarah Matel Chajes

Eliezer Griffel (1850-1918)
m. Sarah Chayes (d. 1940)



Family connections of Chaya Griffel are referred to in “An Ancient Lineage “ (2006), chapter 15 , page 106. Eliezer Griffel and some of his family were followers of their relative, the Hager Chasidic leader of Ottynia, as noted in my book on page 112.

Autosomal DNA matches between Pinhas Heyn and Edward Gelles support his maternal Blau - Griffel connections. *see* notes on following page

Notes

My mother Regina Gelles nee Griffel was a first cousin of Busha and Sima Gruenfeld.

Busha died this year at the age of 105.

Sima married Dr Paul-Pinchas Blau of Cluj –Napoca (1889-1948). The Blau family moved from Transylvania to Baden around 1928 and then to Vienna before going to Palestine in 1938.

Clara Blau became a Professor of Botany at the Hebrew University and an academic administrator and her brother Joshua Blau is an internationally known Professor of Jewish and Arab linguistics, a foreign member of the British Academy and recipient of other honours. He is now 100 years old. Clara married Zalman Heyn, of an old rabbinic line, who was a composer as well as an Israeli public servant.

Yehuda Nir, Professor of Psychiatry at Cornell University and consultant in New York was the author of “The Lost Childhood “ (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich , 1989) describing his extraordinary years of survival under Nazi occupation in Poland.