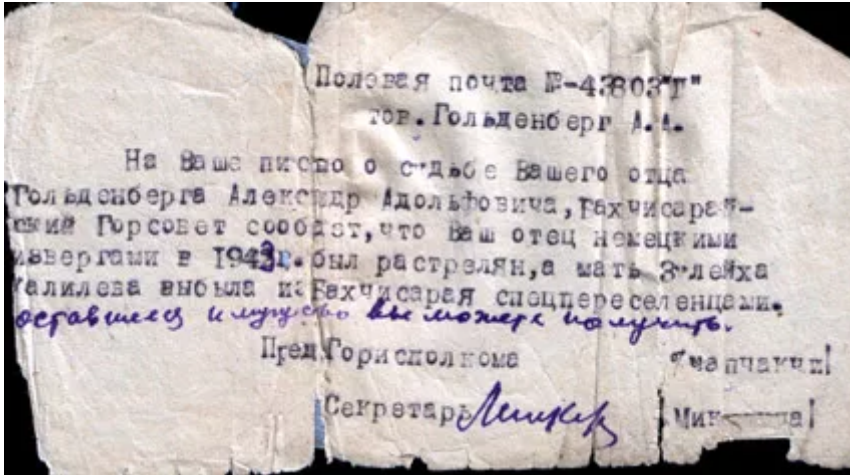


The Letter To Front To Adolf Goldenberg



This letter was sent to the front to Adolf Goldenberg, my cousin, referring to the death of Alexander Goldenberg in 1943.

It reads as the following:

Field mail fi 43803 "Ä".

To the comrade Goldenberg Ä.Ä.

Referring to your letter stating death of your father Alexander Adolfovich Goldenberg, Bakhchisaray municipal council apprises you that your fathers was shot by German fiends in 1943, and mother Zeileikha Khalileva was evacuated from Bakhchisarai. You can receive the remaining chattels.

The chairman of the municipal council (no signature) [Chapchakchi]

Secretary(signature) [Mikulina].

My father's brother Alexander Goldenberg was born in 1885. He was a gynecologist and obstetrician. He lived and worked in Bakhchisarai. He delivered many children in Bakhchisarai.

Uncle Sasha died during great patriotic war, he was shot with other Bakhchisarai Jews in 1942 though he became Muslim and his second wife was Tartar, but it did not help. His first wife Lidia came of a wealthy Jewish family.

She died at a young age from tuberculosis. His son Adolf was born from his first wife. Alexander married the Tartar Zulfia Khalilova. They did not have children, just raised Adolf. Zulfia survived from war.

After Crimea was liberated by the Soviet troops she was exiled somewhere in Siberia with other Crimean Tartars [Forced deportation to Siberia].

In 1940 my cousin Adolf graduated from Leningrad Polytechnic institute and became an engineer. He was mobilized to tank troops at the beginning of great patriotic war. He went through war, and was conferred many awards.

He lived in Moscow after war. He carried a dreadful document on his chest during war . It was a reference from Bakhchisarai district council regarding his parents' fate: 'Father was shot by the fascists and mother was exiled by Soviet authorities'. He met his future wife Olga before the war. It was a romantic story.

The fiancée was waiting for him, and they got married after war. Adolph's wife was Russian It was difficult for Adolf to find a job after war, maybe because he was a Jew. He worked at scientific and research institute as an engineer.

He was a post-graduate, and then defended doctorate degree. He was very intelligent. We were friends He was fair and kind. He was involved in metallurgy, and was a good expert.

He passed away in 1990 and is buried in the Moscow city cemetery.