

Dora Perelroisen's autobiographical letter

[This was probably written in 1949 as part of a job application which led to her moving to Moscow. She would marry Alexei Perov in Moscow in 1951. Their son Michael would be born in Moscow in 1956. Michael retained this letter, and made it available to Mike for the website.]

I, Perelroisen, Dora M., was born May 1924 in Dzygivka, Jampol District of Vinnitsa Province. My parents worked in education before the October Revolution; after the October Revolution before 1922 they worked for an agricultural cooperative Arbat, and after 1922 at the collective farm [probably located in Dzygivka]. After 1929 they were government clerks.

Between 1931 and 1941 I went to Gorky School #15 in Chernigov, which I graduated in 1941. I have been a member of the Soviet Communist Party from 1946, membership ID #9124521

I lived in Chernigov between 1932 and 1941. In August 1941 I evacuated to Naryn, Tian Shan Province, Kyrgyzstan SSR. While there, I worked at the county attorney office as a secretary, then office manager, and a manager of the special department. My parents were with me.

Between 1944 and 1947, I was a student in a 2-year party school at the Kharkov Province committee of the Communist Party.

Currently, I am assigned a job of a censor by the Chernigov Province Communist Party committee.

My father - Perelroisen M. Sh. – worked for the Chernigov Province headquarters of the labor bank as the manager of operations. He fell ill and passed away in 1948.

My mother – Perelroisen E. Sh. [This is Elkeh Maidenberg Perelroisen] – works as a bookkeeper at the Chernigov branch of the labor bank #57.

My sister – Perelroisen F. M. – served in the ranks of the Soviet Army between 1942 and 1944. Since 1944, she has been working at the provincial hospital as a doctor.

There are no repressed persons in my family.

[This sinister phrase refers to those accused and convicted as "enemies of the people" during the many Stalinist purges. It was an "obligatory" phrase, son Michael Perov notes.]