



Temple Israel FOUNDATION

Biographical Information Sheet

Grosser

Bruno Grosser

Born: March 1, 1853, Germany

Died: December 7, 1911

Married: to Laura Schayer, January 26, 1892
in Denver, Colorado

Laura Schayer Grosser

Born: September 16, 1864, Germany

Died: March 28, 1924

Married: wife of Bruno Grosser

Aldolphine Grosser

Born: March 22, 1893

Died: August 14, 1914

Married: Adolph Marvany, June 16, 1914,
Denver, Denver, Colorado

Rosalie H. Grosser

Born: April 18, 1896

Died: May 18, 1973

Married: Max Strasburg, March 23, 1915,
Denver, Colorado

Julius Grosser

Born: 1869(?)

Died: August 23, 1895, Leadville, Colorado, buried
in Hebrew Cemetery, Block C, Section 6, Grave 8

Bruno Grosser was born in Germany on March 1, 1853, and immigrated to the United States in 1873.¹ He married Laura Schayer in Denver on January 26, 1892.² On July 24, the newspaper social column noted that Bruno Grosser, editor of *The Denver Fiedibus*, was in the city visiting Mr. A. Schayer, Laura's brother, and family.³

On August 14, 1893, Bruno again came to visit his brother-in-law, Adolph Schayer.⁴ Bruno and Laura soon moved to Leadville, living at 209 W. 7th Street, with Bruno working as a clerk for Adolph Schayer at his wholesale liquor and cigar store at 315 Harrison Avenue.⁵

On March 22, 1894, Bruno and Laura gave a dinner party at their home; the guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. Schayer, Miss Lizzie Schayer,⁶ Mrs. Joseph Baer, Mr. Theo Baer,⁷ Mr. E. Katz,⁸ and Mr. J. O. Heimberger.^{9,10} On September 30, with the setting of the sun, the Jewish New Year began. Bruno, who was active in the Temple Israel choir, sang basso parts for the special program presented to the congregation¹¹ and again for the Yom Kippur celebration on October 11.¹² Bruno and Laura attended the *Jewish Ladies Reading Club* dance at the Vendome Hotel on October 18 in honor of the third year anniversary of the club's organization.¹³

On January 20, 1895, Laura attended the *Jewish Hop* held at the Vendome Hotel.¹⁴ On February 15, Aldolphine, the Grosser's daughter, attended a party for little Helen Janowitz's seventh birthday.¹⁵ On April 7, Laura and Aldolphine went to Denver for a visit with relatives.¹⁶

Julius Grosser, Bruno's brother, was the victim of a deadly accident on August 15. Julius, while traveling to Leadville on the Rio Grande to visit his brother, fell off of the train at Tennessee Pass and landed on the tracks under the wheels. He was brought to the city and taken to Dr. Sol Kahn¹⁷. Dr. Kahn called Dr. D'Avignon, Dr. Lee Kahn, and Dr. Jeanette to assist him. The doctors decided to amputate the arm. They discovered it had been torn from the shoulder so the bones did not have to be cut, however the bones in the forearm were crushed to a pulp. Julius died within an hour after the operation was completed. Julius was 26 years old and unmarried. He is buried in section 6 and grave 8 of the Hebrew Section of the Evergreen Cemetery.¹⁸



Bruno opened a variety store located at 110 E. 6th called *The Wonder* on December 1 at 110 E. 6th Street.¹⁹ A great selection of merchandise was offered for sale including toys, fireworks, crockery, and skates.

On January 24, 1897, Laura attended a surprise thirty-fifth anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. I. Kahn.²⁰ On April 18, Laura left for an extended visit with her mother and other relatives in Denver.²¹ Bruno returned from a business trip to Denver on June 20th.

In 1898, Bruno Grosser appears in the Denver, Colorado City Directory living at 742 Clark Street.²²

The Grossers returned for a visit, as guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bloomfield on July 27, 1902.²³

¹ Year: 1910; Census Place: Denver Ward 10, Denver, Colorado; Roll: T624_116; Page: 6A; Enumeration District: 0130; FHL microfilm: 1374129

² Colorado Marriages 1858-1939, compiled by The Denver Public Library.

³ *One Gay Week in July*, Society, (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, July 24, 1892). P7

⁴ *Some Society Events*. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Evening Chronicle, August 14, 1893). P2

⁵ TB Corbett and JH Ballenger. *Corbet, and Ballenger's Twenty-second Annual City Directory: Containing a Complete List of the Inhabitants, Institutions, Incorporated Companies, Manufacturing Establishments, Business, Business Firms etc. in The City Of Denver for 1882*. (Denver, CO: Ballenger Publishers. 1894). P#136.

⁶ For more information on the Schayer family, please visit: <http://www.jewishleadville.org/schayer.html>

⁷ For more information on the Baer family, please visit: <http://www.jewishleadville.org/baer.html>

⁸ For more information on the Katz family, please visit: <http://www.jewishleadville.org/katz.html>

⁹ For more information on J. O. Heimberger and family, please visit: <http://www.jewishleadville.org/heimberger.html>

¹⁰ *Sackcloth Laid Away*. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Evening Chronicle, March 26, 1894). P2

¹¹ *New Year of the Hebrews*. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Evening Chronicle, September 30, 1894). P1

¹² *Yom Kipur in the Clouds*. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Evening Chronicle, October 11, 1894). P4

¹³ *An Evening of Pleasures*, (Leadville, CO. USA. The Evening Chronicle, October 19, 1894). P2

¹⁴ *Jolly Reign of Winter*. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, January 20, 1895). P4

¹⁵ *A Flutter for February*. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, January 20, 1895). P4

¹⁶ Personal Mention. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, April 7, 1895). P5

¹⁷ For more information on the Kahn Family, please visit: <http://www.jewishleadville.org/kahn.html>

¹⁸ *He Fell to an Awful Death*. (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, August 16, 1895). P8

¹⁹ *No Monopoly*, (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, December 1, 1895). P6

²⁰ *The World of Society*, (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, January 24, 1897). P5

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²² Ancestry.com. *U.S. City Directories, 1822-1995* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011.

²³ Society, (Leadville, CO. USA. The Herald Democrat, July 27, 1902). P10



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