How to Find a US Census Record When All You Have is an Address? (Example 2)

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This article will describe a step-by-step method for finding the people living at a specific address in US Census records.

Example

To illustrate with an example, consider the ship manifest of the SS Bremen, sailing from Bremen on 16 October 1929. The ship arrived in New York on 22 October 1929. On board was Fulop Weinstock, a widowed watchmaker, age 63, from Hungary, going to his daughter, listed as REDOE...CZA, residing at 527 West 157th Street in New York.

The name is not really decipherable.



How do we find the real name?

Approach

One way to approach this research is to find out who was living at that address in the 1930 census. To do this, first find the address on a map to determine what side of the street the location is on, and what the street names are that surround it on the other three sides. Google and Mapquest are on-line tools that can yield this



Then, start with the tools available at Steve Morse's website.

Step 1: Go to http://www.stevemorse.org/and click on US Census for the sub-menu.

Step 2: Click the Unified 1880-1950 Census ED Finder to use the tool for "Obtaining the Census Enumeration District for



an 1880 to 1950 Location in One Step".

Step 3: On the resulting page, input the criteria to use for the search. In this case the criteria were:

Unified: 1930
State: New York
County: New York
City or Town: Manhattan

House Number: 527
Street: 157th W

• Cross or back street on same city block: 158th W

• Cross or back street on same city block: **Amsterdam Av**

 Cross or back street on same city block: Broadway

 Cross or back street on same city block: <do not select from the dropdown>

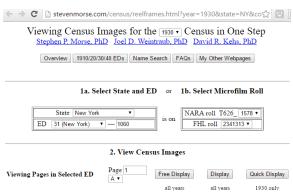
• On the bottom section, below the "1930 ED numbers corresponding to your location" section, in the box for "Clicking on a 1930 ED number above will display the", make sure the radio button is selected for: 1930 Census Pages

• Click on: **31-1060**

Unified 1930 ▼ Census ED Finder (Obtaining the Census Enumeration District for an 1880 to 1950 Location in One Step)
Stephen P. Morse, PhD & Joel D. Weintraub, PhD
ED Viewer Census Codes Search by Name Frequently Asked Questions My Other Webpages
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE 1950 CENSUS UTILITIES. CLICK <u>HERE</u> FOR MORE INFORMATION.
Enter as much of the 1930 location as you know
If you select your city from the list of cities displayed, you will be able to enter street-level information If you select "other" from the city list, you will be able to type in your city or town name
State New York County New York City or Town Manhattan
House Number 527 Street 157th W
You can reduce the number of EDs by selecting cross streets and back streets that complete the city block
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Step 4: A "Viewing Census Images" page will display. Under part 2 of the page click on **Free Display**.



The FamilySearch page will present the first of many pages for the specific Enumeration District (E.D.) of the address in question. In the current example, that is page 1 of 28. That means it is necessary to page through as many as 28 pages in order to first find the specific street and then the specific house number. Furthermore, some house numbers span more than one page, so it may be necessary to page further through, until the family being sought is found, or the house number changes (meaning they family in question no longer was at this address).



Step 6: Expand the view of the page by clicking magnify tool in the display window. It looks like a big plus sign.

Each census page has 32 columns. The first column is the street address and the second column is the house number. The street address is written perpendicular to the page, so it is necessary to scroll down a bit on the page and read it sideways. The house number is only listed once, each time it changes (and typically not each time, next to



the each family). In the case of the first page for NY E.D. 1060 of the 1930 census, the first page starts with 550 West 158th Street. It will be necessary to page through until the street change to 157th and the house address is 527.

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Step 7: Page through the pages until page 20, where in the middle of the page, address 527 is listed. Browsing through the lines on pages 20 thru 22 does not seem to display a name beginning with "Red...".

Result: This method did not locate this

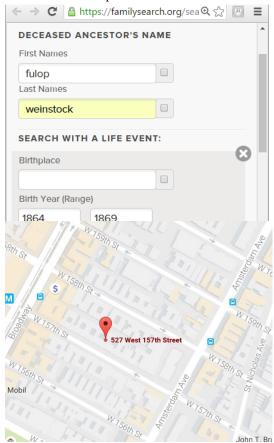
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family at this address. There may be many explanations. Fortunately, this "failure" will lead to a greater success.

New Attempt: Because neither a surname of "Weinstock" nor a surname starting with "Redo..." was found at 527 West 157th a new approach is needed. Checking FamilySearch (via:

https://familysearch.org/search/record/results?co unt=20) for Fulop yields 2 possible results not considered:

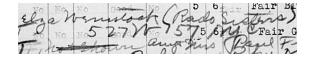
> A 1928 Passenger Arrival for a Phillip Weinstock of the correct



age and birth country

 A Naturalization Index record for Fulop for the NY Southern District Court

Examining both records yields some immediate results. The 1928 manifest (line 12) first page lists Phillip as a watchmaker from Budapest. This matches the previous manifest examined, the one from 1929. The second page of the entry has hand-written detail of where Phillip was going; to his Elza Weinstock (Rado Sister's) at 527 W 157 NYC. This is obviously the same person. There is now 2 more clues, another Weinstock name: Elza, and another form of surname: Rado. As this record is from 1928, and uses the same address as the 1929 manifest.



The naturalization index yields a new avenue to consider in terms of the 1930 census. The index for Fulop's Declaration of Intent is dated 26 November 1930. The address on the index card is 5025 Broadway in NYC. It is now possible to repeat the process of looking up an address in the 1930 census.

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The street boundaries for 5025 Broadway are 215th Street, 214th Street and Park Terrace.

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Unified: 1930
State: New York
County: New York
City or Town: Manhattan
House Number: 5025

- Street: Broadway
- Cross or back street on same city block: 215th W
- Cross or back street on same city block: 214th W
- Cross or back street on same city block: Park Ter W
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- Click on: 31-1166

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Step 5: The Steven Morse website will redirect the page to the FamilySearch website.

Step 6: Expand the view of the page by clicking magnify tool in the display window.

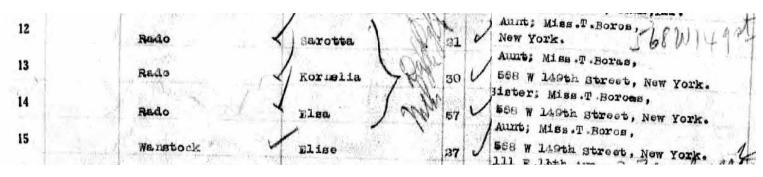
Step 7: Paging through all the pages until page 37, where house number 5025 begins. In the middle of the page, address 5025 is listed. On lines 27 – 29 there is listed Rose Redo, her daughter Cornelia and step-daughter Elsie. Fulop/Phillip however is not listed.

Searching Ellis Island records for Kornelia Rado yields her initial arrival, in 1921 (see image below), together with Sarrota and Elsa Rado, as well as Elise Weinstock (from Nagyvarad). They were all going to Miss T. Boras, sister to Elsa, at 568 W 149th in NYC. To trace the 1920 census record for this entry requires knowledge of the 1930 E.D., which is 31-1030. A check on page 13 of that 1930 census does not show a BORAS family. Using the 31-1030 as the E.D yields a corresponding 1920 E.D. number in New York of 1472, which is 48 pages long. House 568 begins on page 14, line 90. It ends on page 17 and no Boras or Boros family was listed.

It is beyond the scope of this brief article to track down the rest of the family tree that came to light with the simple inquiry of where Fulop Weinstock went. However, some of the further research that is possible is presented below. Do not discount the untapped resource that can be utilized with the addresses on a manifest.

JewishGen provides further detail on this family structure. Searching for both the surname of Rado and the surname of Weinstock in the JewishGen Hungary Database yields a marriage record for Roza and Mor. The JewishGen 1882 birth record for Lipot Weinstock indicates a name change to the surname of BOROS. FamilySearch also has detail on these individuals. See the following page for some results.

Using the Address Lookup feature of Steve Morse's website may offer new alternatives to locating relatives in the United States.



13 Oct 1921 Ship Arrival Manifest of the S.S. Olympic for Kornelia, Sarrota & Elsa Rado with Elise Weinstock



Hungarian Births

Searching for Surname (exact) : RADO AND Surname (phonetically like) : WEINSTOCK 2 matching records found. Run on Sun, 14 Aug 2015 14:16:45-0600								
Name	Date of Birth	Father	Town Registered / Record#	Town	Comments	Source (Film/Item)		
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RADO, Karoly	13-May- 1889	Mor	Budapest / 82-08 Local Gov't	Pest	Father born in Apostag, Mother	LDS 642970,		
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Hungarian Marriages

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			4-Dec-1892	Groom: b.25- Sep-1865 in Tokaj, father watchmaker.			
WEINSTOCK, Fulop	Jonas / Roza (BENJAMIN)	27	Nagyvarad	Bride: b. 26- Aug-1873,	Romanian Nat'l Archives - Oradea: 797		
WEISZ, Etelka / Eszter	Ignacz / Klara (KOHN)	19	Nagyvarad Local Gov't. Bihar	father jeweller. Witnesses: all four parents. Rabbi Dr Kecskemeti (Neolog)	464-02		

Hungarian Births

Searching for Givenname (DM soundex): FULOP AND Surname (starts with): WEINSTO AND Surname (phonetically like): WEISZ 3 matching records found. Run on Sun, 14 Aug 2016 14:27:48-9600								
Name	Date of Birth Sex Father Mother		Town Registered / Record# Jaras Megye	Town Born	Comments	Source (Film/Item)		
WEINSTOCK, Erno	28-Aug- 1893 M	Fulop Etel WEISZ	Nagyvarad / 881- 01 Local Gov't Bihar	Nagyvarad	Father from Tokaj mother from Nagyvarad Witness: Ignacz Welsz	Romanian Nat'l Archives- Oradea:777		
WEINSTOCK, Eliz	15-Oct- 1894 F	Fulop Etelka WEISZ	Nagyvarad / 951- 03 Local Gov't Bihar	Nagyvarad	Father from Tokaj mother from Nagyvarad	Romanian Nat'l Archives- Oradea:777		
WEINSTOCK, Margit	05-Aug- 1896 F	Fulop Etel WEISZ	Nagyvarad / 970- 05 Local Gov't Bihar	Nagyvarad	Father merchant from Tokaj Mother from Nagyvarad	Romanian Nat'l Archives- Oradea:778		

Hungarian Marriages

Searching for Surname (DM soundex) : RADO AND Surname (phonetically like) : WEINSTOCK 1 matching record found. Run on Sun, 14 Aug 2016 14:09:43 .0600							
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RADO, Mor WEINSTOCK, Roza	Ascher / Rezi (BASCH) Mark / Rozalia (BINJAMIN)	29	05-Aug-1888 Pest Budapest Local Govt Pest-Pilis-Solit-Kis-Kun	Groom b. Apostag, father's name Rosenstock	LDS642975 Vol.36 98-05		

Hungarian Births

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WEINSTOCK, Lipót / Lipmann	13-Feb- 1882 M	Márkus Rozália BENJAMIN	Nagyvárad / 150- 07 Local Gov't Bihar	Nagyvárad	Changed name to BOROS	Romanian Nat'l Archives-Oradea 765	

Rose Rado

New York, New York City Municipal Deaths

Name	Rose Rado
Event Type	Death
Event Date	08 Aug 1938
Event Place	Manhattan, New York, New York, United States
Address	5008 Broadway
Residence Place	Manhattan
Gender	Female
Age	73
Marital Status	Widowed
Race	White
Occupation	Housewife
Birth Date	11 Oct 1864
Birthplace	Hungary
Burial Date	08 Aug 1938
Cemetery	Beth David
Father's Name	William Boros
Father's Birthplace	Hungary
Mother's Name	Fannie Weinstock
Mother's Birthplace	Hungary
Spouse's Name	Morris Rado

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