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Unter Stalin's Yoch

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Collection:	MONTREAL HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL CENTRE (MHMC-01)
Description Level:	Item
Material Format:	book
Physical Description:	Book : printed, bound, graphic arts : blue, red, grey, white ; Ht: 22.4 cm x W: 14.8 cm
Other Title Information:	Documentary Artifact
Date:	1980
Creator:	Basch, Eliezer
Physical Condition:	Good
Language:	Yiddish

Notes:

376 pages, hardcover book with blue cover. Dust jacket is white with a sketched image on the cover in blue and grey. The cover image shows five men gathered around a fire inside an enclosure with a barbed-wire fence. Photo of the author on an inside page, after title page. Narrative: Donor is Eva Basch, the daughter of Eliezer Basch and Blanka Wiener. Eliezer and Blanka were engaged and escaped together in 1940 to the USSR where they were arrested as political opponents and separated. Eliezer was sent to Siberia (he was liberated in 1948), Blanka was sent to Kazakhstan (liberated 1947). They reunited in Budapest in 1948 where one of Eliezer's brothers still lived. They later went to DP camp in München where they got new ID papers (changed birth dates and official location of wedding). Eliezer and Blanka immigrated to Canada via Halifax in 1950. They stayed in Montreal for a short time (Eliezer had a sister there), then moved to Kingston where Eliezer's brother had a store and lived in Napanee until 1953. In 1953, they moved back to Montreal where Eva could have access to Jewish education. Blanka was a waitress and Eliezer worked different jobs including in an insurance company. Eliezer was the Executive Director of the Labour Zionist organization. They bought a yarn store on St. Laurent Blvd, called "Magasin de fibres L.B" (now La Bobineuse on Mont-Royal East) which they managed until they retired.

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