Sara Schönova



This photograph shows my sister Sara Schön, nee Schönbrunova. It was taken at a photo studio in Michalovce sometime before World War II. Sarika was a delicate creature. She married Maximilian Schön. We called Maximilian Mishi. I still remember their wedding. The dance for the young people that came to the wedding took place in a pub in Inacovce. Pubs in these small villages served as social gathering places, cultural centers of sorts. The day of their wedding, there was a lot of mud in the village, and so that the wedding guests wouldn't get dirty, they hired some gypsies. Their task was to carry the young people on their backs to the pub, for which they got paid. This was because at Jewish weddings, Jewish young people that knew the bride and groom also participated.