

KROLL François (1881 -)¹ Tilleur/Huy (BE)

Biography

François KROLL was born in 1881 in Tilleur/Huy. He was the eldest son of Adolphe KROLL and Laure Joseph GRAFTIAU. Guillaume KROLL was one of his brothers.

In 1888 François came to live in Luxembourg when his father took on the job of *Fabrikationschef der Luxemburger Hochöfen-Gesellschaft*, locally known as "*Brasseurs Schmelz*".

François KROLL was educated at the Athénée in Luxembourg-city and in 1906 qualified as engineer at the *Berlin-Charlottenburg* Technical University.

Judging from the patents that François filed, he worked as an engineer in the Belgian metallurgical industry (Huy, Brussels).

On 23 April 1924, at the age of 43, François KROLL and Mathilde HAMÉLIUS (born 16 February 1890 in Diekirch) married in Brussels. Mathilde was the daughter of Jean Ernest HAMÉLIUS, a lawyer who became Director of the *Banque et Caisse d'Epargne de l'Etat* and occupied such prestigious posts as *Président du Conseil d'Etat*, *Président de l'Administration des Biens de la Couronne* ...²

Mathilde's brother Jules HAMÉLIUS was a notary.

François and Mathilde, having married in Brussels, presumably settled there in 1924.

In 1939 Mathilde separated from François and returned to Luxembourg (*rue des Acacias*); she applied for "*séparation des biens*" (separation of goods) from her husband through a public writ (*exploit d'huissier of 10 June 1939*)...³

François KROLL died prior to 1950.

¹ FamilySearch database (GM6F-FXL)

² <u>Family tree Mouris-Bernard</u>

³ Luxembourg, Quotidien du matin, 14/06/1939, page 6