HOROWICZ Juda Lejb (1906–1942) literary pseudonym Isz-Lewi. Journalist, writer, poet. He was born on 13th February 1906 in Częstochowa into a wealthy, Hassidic family, the son of Abraham Naftali Herc (1880 Piotrków - 1942 Treblinka), a banker, and Pesa née Dziubas.

Horowicz studied in a cheder and with private teachers. In his early youth, he lived in Łódź and became a merchant. He was one of the founders of the Łódź Orthodox magazine “Bejt Jakow Żurnal”. In it, he published essays, short poems and articles. At the same time, he was published in Orthodox magazines in Yiddish and in the Hebrew periodical “Diglejnu” (Our Standard).

After the Germans occupied Łódź in 1939, he was sought after by the Gestapo. He went into hiding. Before the Łódź ghetto was closed off, he fled to Częstochowa and lived in the ghetto. In 1942, together with his entire family, he perished in the Treblinka extermination camp.

In 1925, Horowicz married Małka née Cederbaum (1889 Częstochowa – 1942 Treblinka). They had a son Noach (circa 1933 Łódź - 1942 Treblinka).


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