BROADWAY

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Broadway, the film, unfolds like a stage production...featuring a cast of memorable and highly colourful characters from the same family, but their lives are as different as their points of view.
In this story, each of them tries to reconstruct the history of an extraordinary woman, Rosa Schäfer, their grandmother and the great-grandmother of the author of this film!
Rosa seems to have left her mark on everyone. To each of them, she was a woman of many facets: strong and independent, an activist for women's rights, a Freudian before her time, a herbalist as well as a collaborator for the Germans during WWII, a spy for the French ...
For her own investigation into Rosa's life, the author was able to rely on an extraordinary fund of family archives: hundreds of photographs and hours of film that tell not only a personal story but the larger (hi)story of France and Germany.
These photos were stored in a suitcase bearing the name "Broadway" in large letters on its side - the perfect title for the story of a 'comédie humaine'...

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