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Hans-Reeb House in St. Maria Park, Nancy, France. Relocated there from Zutzendorf for 1909 International Exposition as an example of Alsatian architecture. Originally built in 1798. Read more about Zutzendorf and Alsace in Our Heritage - The Old Country, pg. 8. Photo supplied by Michael Reeb.

## From the President's Desk



Hard to believe the summer will be over soon and fall fast upon us. We should reach 100 members this year and hopefully become the definite source for accurate Reeb, and its variations, ancestry research as well as a real-time link to our living family.

As we become more organized, I would like to see our organization become a repository for listing all know family members world wide, perhaps through a telephone listings search at first and later email and snail mail contacts. I would like to see us organized into state and foreign country units with a family member being responsible for a given geographic area. Then the next time we try to have a national reunion we would have a better resource for spreading the word and follow-up.

I have talked with Shannon about ways to keep our organization vital and she has many good ideas. I would welcome input from all our directors and members on ways to grow and keep our association in tune with your needs. The more we can get active interaction, which I know John V. Reeb has always sought and welcomed, the more data we will have and members will know they are valued and want to contribute.

Dr. Paul R. Reeb, President  
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## Reph Appointed final board position filled

Ron Reph has accepted the final board position for the Reeb Families Association and will serve as an interim officer until elections are held next year.

Ron is the youngest son of Clifford Alfred Reph and Jennie Irene Muschko. He was born in Northampton, PA in 1938. He moved to Allentown, PA in his early years and graduated from Allentown High School. Reph, a graduate of Rochester Institute of Technology, in Rochester, NY holds degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Printing Mangement. He worked for 3M Company in various laboratory, sale and marketing capacities and traveled extensively throughout the US and many countries throughout the Pacific.

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# Genealogical Puzzles

BY JOHN V. REEB

As you are well aware, since The Rape Family Tree was published, we have access to certain records that were not available at that time. I am really enjoying working with the Texas vital records that are now online as well as the California records. I am finding both, in conjunction with the SSDI, helpful in providing more details on the Rapes. Here is something that just proves that you cannot always take the Social Security Death Index at face value:



A Thomas Johnson Raye married a third wife, who The Rape Family Tree shows as being "Eugenia McKee" (page 325). Texas Marriage Records showed their marriage took place in Ellis County on 31 March 1979. He was then 63 and she was 65. Texas Divorce Records show that she was divorced 6 Feb. 1979 in Tarrant County from a Robert B. McKee whom she had married 24 March 1976. However, it is interesting that the Social Security Death Index shows her as "Eugenia McKee" born 30 June 1913 and died May 1979, with last address as Lancaster, Dallas County, Texas. More interesting is the Texas Death Records that does indeed show her as "Eugenia RAYE" and gives her date of death as 1 May 1979 in Dallas County, Texas.

This reminded me of so many times when I could not find someone's death in the Social Security Death Index even when I had every reason to believe it should be there. In this case, if I did not have all the other clues I would have not found her record either. I think my lesson here is that one has to use every resource possible and do a lot of comparing before making certain conclusions. Evidently, she never bothered to change her name with Social Security Department when she married Thomas Johnson Raye—possibly not getting around to it since she had divorced McKee in Feb. 1979 and married Raye in March of the same year. She then died in May 1979, only about two or three months later.

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Ron accepted an early retirement after 36 years with 3M. The past three years he and his wife, Vickie, have been living their "Dream Life" on a lake in Central Minnesota. The Rephs volunteer for Emergency Medical Services in their community and enjoy special motorcycle and car events at the Brainerd International Raceway.

"We have three children and three grandchildren and don't seem to spend enough time for either," wrote Reph. "We don't know how we found time to work!"

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## Dues and Memberships

Dues are \$15.00 U.S. funds a year per household - starting June 1 to May 31. Members who submit dues throughout the year will pay full price and receive all that year's back issues of Reeb Roots. Dues paid in April or May will be credit to the next calendar year and no back issues will be sent.

Members are entitled to full benefits of the association including but not limited to quarterly newsletters, a pass word for the Reeb Families Web Site and participation in all activities.

Make checks payable to: Reeb Families Association and send to treasurer.

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## Queries

Genealogical queries are welcome. All queries to be sent to Editor and will be published as space permits.

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## Other Material

You may send news items, family stories, coming events, family group sheets, descendency charts, photos or anything else you feel might be of interest to our members.

They will be published as space permits and at the discretion of the editor. Please send a SASE if you wish items to be returned.

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## Policy

Submitted material (including letters to the editor) and correspondence is considered open to editing and publishing, unless otherwise noted.

# The Family of Johann Peter Reeb, Roxheim

## A short introduction in origin and places

BY WERNER REEB

Johann Peter Reeb is the common ancestor of a large group of people in America and Europe. His descendants mainly live in Germany and the USA, but also moved to Netherlands, France, Brazil and other countries. Only a few "snapshots" can be given at this place to introduce the family. In addition, where not necessary as a timeline, I leave out dates.

1. While there is much known about his descendants, the facts about the origin of Johann Peter are rather obscure. On September 6, 1735, he married Anna May in Roxheim, then duchy of Sponheim. His marriage record in the Catholic churchbook names him as the son of "Franzreben ex Griegsfeld". It was not unusual to draw given name and surname together, so this meant Franz Re(e)b from Kriegsfeld, a little Palatinate village, not too far away. But what looks like a simple statement leads into a maze of questions.

According to the known records there never lived someone with the name of Reeb in Kriegsfeld. Even more, the inhabitants at that time were Reformed and not Catholic. But there were two families living in Kriegsfeld that were named Franzreb. So, was he Johann Peter Franzreb? Rather not, since he lived on known as Johann Peter Reeb. No further record names him otherwise. And even more: there is no sign that he as a member of the Reformed church married a Catholic woman. A marriage between people of different faith was far from being usual and would at least have needed some explanation in the churchbook that the children had to be brought up in Catholic faith etc. But then, was his father from a different place? A possibility. The marriage record itself was obviously written by someone who was not very concentrated on what he was writing. Was there another place named Kriegsfeld? Not impossible. Or was Franz Reeb just living and working in Kriegsfeld for a short time? Not impossible, too.

Johann Peter was a miller and his son as well as one of his grandsons became miller, too. So, the family moved around the different mills in the area, they generally stayed in Roxheim and Weinsheim, where a small part of the family still is living.

2. Only two of Johann Peter's known grandsons survived childhood.

a) Sebastian, the older one, became a miller. In 1808, he bought a mill in Weinsheim, where his name still can be seen carved into a blank in a barn. Yet, he was not able to hold the mill for long. He and his wife both died on the same day, February 17, 1814. So I was not able to find out why, one has to remember that Napoleon was defeated by the Russian winter of 1813/1814. One of the main roads for their retreat went through Weinsheim, and they were followed by allied Prussian, Austrian and Russian troops. So, it is not unlikely that roving soldiers killed Sebastian and his wife.

French occupation had another effect. The civil register was invented and since the official language was French, names turned into French, too. Sebastian's son Peter for example is registered born as Pierre. He and his youngest brother Philipp Michael immigrated to America in the middle of the last century. They settled in the area of Belleville, IL. Perhaps one of their descendants may give a guideline of how the families developed there. Sebastian's third son Andreas stayed in Weinsheim and became the ancestor of the few Reeb that are still living there.

b) Sebastian's younger brother Peter moved from Weinsheim to Daxweiler, a small village northeast from Weinsheim, where he and later on his sons worked as tailors. Many of his descendants still live in Daxweiler or one of the surrounding villages. Yet, in the generation of his grandsons once again a part of the family left the area.

3. Two of his grandsons moved to Norden, a town near the North Sea, from where their descendants spread through out North Germany. Another grandson, Peter, born 1840, immigrated to America. He lost all contact to the rest of his family, and no one knew what happened to him. Only lately there were hints provided by our genealogist that he might have lived in Albany, NY. I am still looking for the whereabouts of his descendants.



# Tips for the Beginning Genealogist

BY JOYCE HARRISON

## Wills, Letters of Administration and Estate Records



Once you have determined where your ancestor lived at the time of his/her death, a search for his/her Will may be helpful. Any person who was of legal age, of sound mind, and was free from restraint had the right to leave a Last Will and Testament. A person who left a signed, dated Will is said to have died "testate." One who died without leaving a Will died intestate. An oral Will, usually given to several witnesses

by a person who expects to die shortly and has no written Will, is called a "nuncupative Will."

The witnesses to a Nuncupative Will testify in court as to the wishes of the deceased and these records can be found in the estate records of that county.

If you have access to a genealogy library, check the card file for books available on the state and county in which your ancestor died. Many researchers have abstracted and compiled the information from probate records and have published books, which might cover the time period in which your ancestor lived and died. Also check the filmstrips file for Wills; Letters of Administration; Administrators Bonds; Appraisements and Sales; and Annual Returns. A clerk's copy of the original will may have been filmed along with the appraisal of the estate and the returns reported by the executor of the estate.

If you have to visit the county courthouse in search of a Will, go to the Probate Court and ask to be allowed to examine the records. These are supposed to be available for the public to view, without charge.

Information gained from Wills varies greatly. The ideal Will, of course, names the spouse and all of the children as well as what each heir inherits. However, other things can be determined by the wording of the Will. For instance, if the Will says "...weak of body (or 'aged', or 'dyin')," it indicates that the person making the Will was ill or expecting to die soon. If the Will mentions "a Christian burial," you know the person was not Jewish. If the phrase, "In the name of God, amen," or any other oath, is used, you know the person was not a Quaker. If the person died intestate, an administrator of his estate would most likely have been appointed by the court upon application by a member of the family or close friend. The administrator had to have one or two bondsmen sign a security for his administration of the estate.

Appraisers would then be appointed to inventory and put a value on everything the deceased person owned. The appraisal would be submitted to the court by the administrator who would then petition for the right to sell the personal property of

the deceased, usually at a public sale either at the home of the deceased or at the courthouse in the county of residence. Reports would be made to the court by the administrator concerning the amount of money earned from the sale as well as disbursements from the proceeds to pay debts and to pay for the care of the deceased person's family and the division of the estate among the heirs. The final settlement of the estate may not have taken place until the youngest child of the deceased reached the legal age of inheritance (usually 21). When the estate was finally settled, the administrator filed "papers of dismissal" and the court released him from this duties.

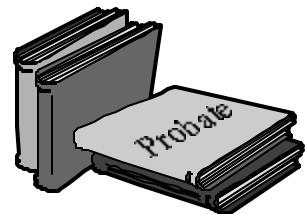
Usually, the most predominant purchasers at the sale of the property were the wife of the deceased and the adult children or other relatives. So, much can be learned from these records even when there was no will: the approximate date of death; the worth of his estate; the names of wife and children; the names of other family members; and the approximate age of the minor children which can be determined by the date of dismissal of the administrator.

Another type of record that is often helpful is Guardianship Appointments. When a man died and left minor children, the guardianship of those children was not often given to the mother but to a male relative or family friend. The application for guardianship or the appointment of a guardian required a court order. The guardian had to produce bondsmen to act as security for his guardianship. These records will also be found in the Probate Court files.

It is best to remember that when dealing with Wills, that most original Wills have not survived. What you will be looking at, in either books or on film is the court clerk's copy, particularly if it is recorded in an official court record book.

If you find the handwriting difficult to read, look at some of the other records in the same book or on the same film. If there are documents written by the same clerk, it will help to compare letters of the alphabet from one document to another. Tip: in words like "glass," the first "s" looks like an "f" in the handwriting of the 1700s and 1800s. "T"s, "F"s, "G"s, and "L"s often looked much alike and sometimes only the context of the document will determine the correct word.

And, one last tip—always record where you are, the date you were there, the title of the document/record book, the number of the record book, or the title and author of the book you are using and page numbers. Believe me, you won't be able to remember all of that once you return home and reread your notes—and you may want to go back for a second look.



*If you have any specific questions or topic you would like Joyce to cover, send a letter or email to: Joyce Harrison (see officer listing for address)*

# Researching Veterans' Records

Military records can be a valuable resource for the genealogist. The National Archives holds historical records dating from the Revolutionary War to the present. Information contained in these records will depend on the type.

Military service records rarely contain family information. Pension applications contain the most complete information regarding a person's military career and generally are the most useful to those doing research. Pension records may contain statements from the individual, his wife or acquaintances plus documents that list the children, injuries or illnesses and places of residence. Bounty-land warrant applications are often filed by the widow and may include marriage and death dates.

Pension files are based on Federal service before WWI. Military service for the Confederate States were authorized by some Southern States but not by the Federal Government until 1959. Bounty-land warrant applications are based on Federal Service before 1856. Military service records are based on service in regular forces raised by the Federal Government, including volunteers who fought in various wars in the Federal Government's interest from the Revolutionary War through the Philippine Insurrection, 1776-1902.

Photocopies of a file's content may be requested by submitting NATF Form 80 to the National Archives and Records Administration, Attn: NWCTI, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20408-0001. You can request NAFT Form 80 by writing to National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001 or by sending a request to: inquire@nara.gov. (Limit 6 forms per request.)

## Civil War Soldiers

Sources: Ancestry.com *Civil War Muster Rolls*, Union microfilm roll RG 94; Confederate microfilm roll RG 109 M253, U.S. Nation Archives; Ancestry.com, *American Civil War Database*, Historical Data Systems Inc., PO Box 196, Kingston, MA 02364. Also, Janet B. Hewett, *The Roster of Confederate Soldiers 1861-1865 Vol. XIII*, 1996 (Extracted by Joyce Harrison)

*NOTE: The following names have been supplied for informational purposes only. No effort has been made to determine if each individual is of our ancestral line. Some Rapes, for example, may be descendants of the Irish Rapes. Always cross-references your sources.*

<u>State</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Enlist Date</u>	<u>Enlist. Place</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Company/Unit</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Army</u>	
AL	RAPE, Augustus D.				46th Inf. Co. B. Music		Conf.	
	Rape, B.F.				1st Inf. Co. H		Conf.	
	Rape, Charles				Cav/ Barbieri's Bn. Brown's Co.		Conf.	
	Rape, G.				34th Inf. Co. E.		Conf.	
	Rape, Gustavus				24th Inf. Co. I		Conf.	
	Rape, James				48th Inf. Co. C.		Conf.	
	Rape, James F.				1st Inf. Co. H		Conf.	
	Rape, John				59 Inf. Co. C		Conf.	
	Rape, John W.				3rd Inf. Co. F		Conf.	
	Rape, S.				34th Inf. Co. B.		Conf.	
	GA	Rape, Allen	03 May	1862		53rd Inf. Co. B.F.	Priv	Conf
		Rape, Andrew I.				Inf. 10th Bn. Co. D		Conf
		Rape, George W.				27th Inf. Co. H.		Conf.
Rape, G.W. Sr.		03 May	1862	34		Priv	Conf	
Rape, G.W.		09 Sep	1861			Priv	Conf	
Rape, G.W.					53rd. Inf. Co. F.		Conf.	
Rape, Jackson					61st Inf. Co. I		Conf.	
Rape, James					53rd. Inf. Co. F		Conf.	
Rape, James M.		02 Mar	1863	18		Priv	Conf	
Rape, J.M.C.D.		04 Mar	1862		39th Inf. Co. B	Priv	Conf	
Rape, J.W.					8th Inf. (St. Guards) Co. K		Conf.	
Rape, M.A.		02 May	1862		53rd Inf. Co. B	Priv	Conf	
Rape, Martin G.		24 Sep	1861		3rd Res. Co. A	Priv	Conf	
Rape, Milton A.		02 Jul	1861		19th Inf. Co. G	Priv	Conf	
Rape, T.M.C.		24 Sep	1861			Corpl	Conf	
Rape, Peter	02 Jul	1861		19th Inf. Co. G	Priv	Conf		
Rape, Peter M.D.				44th Inf. Co. I		Conf.		
Rape, Taylor				3rd Res. Co. A		Conf.		
Rape, Thomas				61st Inf. Co. I		Conf.		

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	Rape, Thomas W.				Hvy. Arty. 22nd Ba Co. F.		Conf.
	Rape, W.				3rd Res. Co. H		Conf.
<b>Illinois</b>	Rape, Alfred N.	12 Aug	1862			Priv	Union
	Rape, Butler	13 Nov	1864			Priv	Union
	Rape, James H.	25 Jul	1861			Priv	Union
	Rape, Peter C.	12 Aug	1862			Sgt.	Union
<b>Indiana</b>	Rape, Sameul	24 Jan	1865			Priv	Union
	Rape, Uraih L.	17 Oct	1864			Priv	Union
<b>MS</b>	Rape, C.M.				36th Inf. Co. F		Conf.
<b>NC</b>	Rape, James P.				26th Inf. Co. B		Conf.
	Rape, J. M.				2nd Jr. Res. Co. F		Conf.
	Rape, J.S.				30th Inf. Co. H		Conf.
	Rape Samuel				48th Inf. Co. G.		Conf.
	Rape, Samuel M.				37th Inf. Co. D.		Conf.
	Rape, William P.				48th Inf. Co. A		Conf.
<b>NY</b>	Rape, Anthony	24 Aug	1863	Wilna		19	Priv
	Rape, James	24 Aug	1863	Wilna		20	Priv
	Rape, John	22 June	1861	Long Island, NY		19	Priv
	Rape, John	25 Mar	1865	Auburn, NY		19	Priv
	Rape, Martin	23 Jul	1862	Canton		19	Priv
	Rape, Thomas	31 Jul	1863	Wilna		24	Priv
<b>NC</b>	Rape, Henry N.	16 Sep	1861	Union Co.	37th Inf. Co. D	26	Priv
	Rape, James P.	05 Jun	1861	Union Co.		23	Priv
	Rape, J.S.	21 Sep	1863	Union Co.		44	Priv
	Rape, Samuel R.	28 Feb	1863	Union Co.		18	Priv
	Rape, William P.	05 Feb	1862	Union Co.		20	Priv
<b>Ohio</b>	Rape, George	07 Nov	1861			24	Priv
	Rape, John	03 Jun	1861			27	Priv
	Rape, John S.	22 Aug	1864			26	Priv
	Rape, Lafayette	20 Sep	1861			19	Priv
	Rape, Lafayette	09 Sep	1861			19	Priv
	Rape, Peter	08 Nov	1861			37	Priv
	Rape, William	10 Oct	1861			18	Priv
<b>PA</b>	Rape, William	25 Oct	1862				Priv
<b>SC</b>	Rape, Henry R.				22nd Inf. Co. E		Conf.
<b>TN</b>	Rape, John A.				2nd (Smith's) Cav. Lea's Co		Conf.
	Rape, T.A.				26th Inf. Co. G.		Conf.
<b>TX</b>	Rape, Augustus J.				35th (Brown's) Cav. Co.K		Conf.
	Rape, Henry				Cav. Border's Regt. Co. C.		Conf.
	Rape, J.H.				7th Inf. Co. B		Conf.
	Rape, John				Inf. 3rd. St. Troops Co H.		Conf.
	Rape, W.F.				17th Cons. Dismtd. Cav. Co. A		CoNF.
<b>Illinois</b>	<b>REAP</b> , Jacob	10 Sep	1861				Priv
	Reap, Thomas	04 Oct	1864				Priv
<b>IN</b>	Reap, John F.	22 Feb	1865				Priv
<b>MA</b>	Reap, Michael	11 May	1862			26	Priv
<b>NC</b>	Reap, Daniel	01 Feb	1862	Rowan Co.		22	Priv
	Reap, Ephraim	28 Feb	1863	Rowan Co.		17	Priv
<b>PA</b>	Reap, Michael						Priv
	Reap, Patrick	13 Jan	1864				Priv
	Reap, Samuel	27 Oct	1861				Priv

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WI	Reap, Henry	24 May 1864				Priv	Union
Illinois	REAPE, Jacob				Co E, 9 Illinois Calvary	Priv	Union
	Reepe, (Reape) Thomas				Co H, 24 N.Y. Calvary	Priv	
NY	Reape, Thomas	21 Feb 1865	N.Collins, NY	18			
PA	Reape, Jacob				Co I, 84 PA Infantry	Priv	
	Reape, Michael				Co K, 84 PA Infantry	Priv	
	Reape, (Reap) Patrick				Co I, 46 PA Infantry	Priv	
	Reape (Reap) Samuel P.				Co F, 81 PA Infantry	Priv	
Illinois	REEB, Conrad				Battr'y E.A.E. ILL. Art'y	Priv	Union
	Reeb, Nicolaus	17 April 1861				Priv	Union
LA	Reeb (Reel) George				Co D, 2 La Infantry	Priv	
MA	Reeb, George	05 Jun 1862		17		Priv	Union
	Reeb, George			25		Priv	Union
	Reeb, George				Co I, 3 MA Calvary	Priv	
					also Co. H, 33 MA Infantry		
Ohio	Reeb, Charles				Co G, 106 Ohio Infantry	Priv	
	Reeb, Charles				Co A, 132 Ohio Inf. N.G.	Priv	
	Reeb, Charles	22 Aug 1862		37		Priv	Union
	Reeb, Charles	02 May 1864		34		Priv	Union
	Reeb, David	02 May 1864		26		Priv	Union
	Reeb, David				Co A, 132 Ohio Inf. N.G.	Priv	
	Reeb, Jacob	14 Feb 1865		26		Priv	Union
	Reeb, Joseph	02 Sep 1862		30		Wagoner	Union
	Reeb, Henry	03 Sep 1862		44		Priv	Union
NY	Reeb, Charles				Co I, 96 N.Y. Inf.	Priv	
PA	Reeb, Adam				Co C, 134 PA Infantry	Priv	
	Reeb (Reber), Effenger L.				Co D, 191 PA Infantry	Sgt. Major	

## Family Notes

### Get Well Wishes to

Hallie Brueggemann, mother of Secretary Rosanne Brueggemann who recently returned from a hospital stay and to Rosanne who broke her wrist in a fall. We wish you both a speedy recovery and hope that life will soon return to normal in the Brueggemann household.

### New Arrival

On July 7, 2000 Cheyenne Nicole was born to David and Teisha Williams. Cheyenne weighed 9 pounds and 5.2 ounces and was 22 inches long. "She is just beautiful," reported proud first-time grandmother Aileen Norris. " (She has) black hair like her mommy and blue eyes like her daddy." Congratulations to all!

### Thank You

I would like to extend my thank-you to the Reeb Families Association for the nice get well card I received while recovering from my hospital stay.

--Hallie Brueggemann,  
ggg-granddaughter of Gustavus Rape, TN

## ¿Habla usted el español?

### Do you speak Spanish?

Thanks to the efforts of Pablo Reeb, Reeb Roots has an international flavor. If you are a regular visitor to the Reeb Families web site, you may have noticed the addition of a Spanish version of our newsletter. Pablo, who resides in Cipolletti Rio Negro Argentina, has volunteered to translate each edition for the benefit of our Spanish-speaking members. Pablo has also begun contacting other family members in Argentina for possible future membership. It is this kind of dedication that makes our family so wonderful. My sincere thanks to you, Pablo, your endeavors are appreciated. Perhaps in the near future we will find a translator for our German members.

### Did You Know . . .

In Germany, Christmas Day is actually two days, December 25th and 26th, with the 26th referred to as the *zweite Weihnachtstag* (second Christmas Day).



# Our Heritage - The Old Country

By MICHAEL REEB

## Napoleonic Alsace

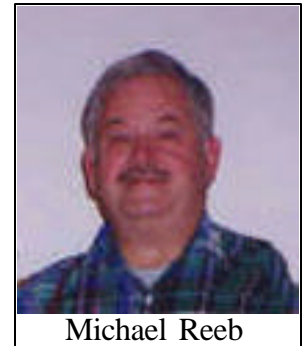
By 1800, the Zutzendorfers, and fellow Alsatians, were fully involved in the French Revolution. Their experiences from 1793-1800 found most of them wondering about this new form of government. They were still not patriotic, flag-waving citizens as found in Paris and western France. Alsatian emotions and feelings towards their country would change during Napoleon's rule and they would become bonded to France.

A number of factors would bring about this change in feelings. First off, the economy surged from 1803 on as Alsace was a logistical staging area for Napoleon's wars with Austria and Prussia. Agricultural production and prices were at an all time high. Farmer, Hans Reeb of Zutzendorf, built his "showcase" house there during this period. The good soils there were planted mostly to grain during this period. However, in 1811, the "Prefect" (department head) ordered 27 acres of sugar beets to be planted, at which the village council asked, and received a reduction to half of the size of acreage. England's naval blockade of France caused the government to establish sugar plants to compensate for lost shipments from outside. The farmers made more money, with less expense to the soil and labor, with grain rather than beets.

Another factor in bonding the Alsatians to France was the wars. A large number of her soldiers rose from the enlisted ranks to officers in Napoleon's army, more so proportionately than the rest of France. More than sixty Alsatians made the rank of General, or higher, of which twenty-four have their names inscribed on the Arc De Triomphe in Paris. Numerous officers and men were decorated with France's highest military award, The Legion of Honor. Heinrich Reb of the Moselle received this medal. Two Alsatians became Marshals of France, Franz Kellerman and Franz Joseph Lefebvre, and from Lorraine, Michael Ney. The Reeb families of Alsace were also very much involved. According to my family's traditions, via deceased Aunt Amelia, a great grandfather from Zutzendorf was a Sergeant who survived the march to Russia with Napoleon in 1812. There were no more details, but I was able to confirm from civil records that the story is likely true. Johann George Reeb, born in 1788, and his brother, Hans Jacob, born in 1790 and a possible vet, were both absent from any records until 1813. In George's case, he was noted as a day laborer in the early 1800s, and after returning he became a wagon builder and wheelwright, a trade he surely learned in the military. His conscription class would have been called in 1807. The history books tell us that many Alsatians were used in logistics for moving materials to the front because of their agricultural background. Several such units supplied depots in Smolensk, Russia. When Napoleon began his retreat from Russia the supply units were pulled back to Germany, which is a likely reason George survived. More than three-fourths of those who retreated from Moscow proper perished.

In 1812 in Zutzendorf, due to the war efforts, there was no

butcher, baker, flour dealers, or brewers, only two inns and one oil lamp maintainer. Artisans, such as shoemakers, tailors, and weavers, were plentiful and producing goods for the military. I have found only three Zutzendorf death records during the Napoleonic Wars, of which two were cousins. A grenadier died in Portugal, and artilleryman in Prussia, and the other was unspecified. As previously noted, Michael Reeb's time of death is unknown, but probably was before the campaigns of Napoleon.



Michael Reeb

The Reeb's of the Keskastel area and Moselle were equally involved in the Napoleonic Wars, but records are generally lacking. Johann Heinrich Reeb, born in 1771 at Harskirchen, was stationed at Wesel, Germany, near the Holland border, during much of the Napoleonic Era. Four of his children were born there.

Napoleon's empire fell apart in 1813 with his southern German allies (Hesse, Wuerttemberg, and Pfalz), turning on him. By early 1814, the Austrians and Russians had entered Alsace on their way to attack Paris. Napoleon soon abdicated and was exiled on the island of Elba. Within a year, he escaped from there and marched toward Paris, adding thousands of soldiers sent to arrest him to his own force. He again took up the sword, but after 100 days was defeated at Waterloo, Belgium. He died on the Island of St. Helen in 1821 where he had been exiled. Alsace was to suffer dearly from 1815 to the fall of 1818. Thousands of Russians and Austrians occupied the region, which caused severe food shortages during the winter of 1816-1817. Poor crops were blamed for the famine, but it was aggravated by many foreign mouths to feed.

*This is the second in a series of articles written by Michael Reeb on our family's European heritage. Comments or questions may be sent to Mike Reeb at mcjar@micron.net or directed to the editor of the newsletter.*

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# The Editor's Notes

## A Christmas Gift

Now that fall has arrived, life has slowed down enough to return to my genealogy research. My desk is always full of bits and pieces that need to be entered in my genealogy program or researched further. Then there is the enormous stack of family history that requires binding before sending off to my siblings for Christmas. I was planning to have this project finished last year but I just could not find a good stopping point—if there is such a thing in genealogy research. Research always has unique twists and turns—sometimes leading to a remarkable conclusion.

My oldest sibling, half-brother Ramon Carpenter, is close to twenty years older than me. My father raised Ramon; his birthfather was not a part of his life. In the late 1970s, I began my family quest researching the Rape family. My mother was adopted and little is known about her birth family. Through the years, Ramon asked how to locate information on the Carpenters—my mother has always been rather vague about that time in her life. I would offer a few suggestions and gave little thought to his needs. He and his wife had joined the LDS church and I felt they could start their search there.

In July '99, Ramon, now 70 and disabled with Parkinson's disease, again expressed interest in researching his family. I started to repeat my same standard answers when I realized just how selfish I had been. I often feel a part of me is missing since I cannot locate my mother's birth family. Imagine how Ramon must have felt with no family ties. I said I would see what I could do.

I brought home their tiny box of genealogy and began to enter it into FTM. I could at least get their information into some kind of order and perhaps fill in a few missing pieces. I questioned my mother, who in her elderly years is a little more forthcoming. She supplied me with enough data to start some basic research. I began with the 1910 Idaho County, Idaho census and soon found Ramon's grandparents, his dad and his siblings. Mom began to supply me with some very interesting Carpenter stories. Apparently A.C. Carpenter's wife, Maggie, had died of an accidental poisoning and the children had been raised by relatives or adopted out. By October, I felt I had enough to put together a nice little booklet, complete with photos that mom had provided—it would be a nice Christmas present.

I had just about reached a dead-end in my Carpenter research when a few days before Thanksgiving, I received an email from a lady who saw a query I had posted. Julie revealed no information but wanted to know what my interest was in A.C. This was an unusual response from a genealogist and being a Rape through and through, I was immediately suspicious. We exchanged several emails, neither of us revealing much. Finally, Julie and I began to exchange stories. Her mother's father was a son of A.C. Carpenter (a sibling to Ramon's father, Ted). I filled in the missing pieces on Ted's family. This was Ramon's Carpenter family, but I was reluctant to share the news—it would be better not to tell than have them reject him. Not all families wish to be found.

Christmas was only a few days away when I heard from Julie's mother, Ruth. She had been trying for years to put the family back together and could not wait to speak to Ramon. I shared the news with him on Christmas day and the next day he received her call.

In the past few months, Ramon has visited several of his new cousins and the family recently held a reunion in his honor. What started out to be a Christmas gift for my brother actually became a gift to me. The light in his eyes and the animation in his voice when he speaks of his new family will warm my soul for years to come.

May your holiday season  
be warm and bright!  
Shannon

## Bits n' Pieces

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our contributors to this issue. Without them, there would be little to share. Dr. Paul Reeb, Werner Reeb, John V. Reeb, Michael Reeb, Joyce Harrison, Mary Jane Kerkmeyer, Ron Reeph and Pattie Schuknecht--you are all terrific.

The mailing of the winter issue of Reeb Roots (due out in late Dec.) will be delayed until after January 1. This issue will contain the yearly financial report for the association. It will take a few days to receive the bank statements, etc.

Also in the next issue we will begin to seek nominations for the spring election of officers. Our interim officers are doing a great job but it is time for the members to have their say.

Speaking of the future, many of you have expressed interest in holding an association get-together aka reunion. While this is a noble cause, it will require a great deal of time and effort. The association does not have any plans for the near future, but would welcome your thoughts and ideas. Now is the time to plan!!

## Queries

**Mary R'Mentha Rape:** This is my grandmother's given name. Is anyone familiar with this name? Her father had a middle name that began with an "R." Could that have been his name as well or is this a derivative of some other name--German perhaps?

- Aileen Norris (DaveNorris@aol.com)

1718 Partridge Hill Rd Lancaster, SC 29720

**Henry R. Rape:** Died possibly 1884, possibly in Monroe, NC but I cannot prove that. Does anyone know anything about this man or have any suggestions as to how I might find his grave? -- Aileen Norris (see above)

**Happy 4th Anniversary** to my wonderful Jeff -- the light of my life and the unsung hero of our association. He's our technician, proofreader, errant-person and is always willing to listen! Love, Shannon

# One Thing Leads to Another

BY PATTIE GOTTSCHALL SCHUKNECHT

A woman left a candle unattended in an apartment building in Racine last January. Some papers nearby ignited and soon several sections of the complex were ablaze. The police and fire departments arrived on the scene about 3 a.m. and the entire building was evacuated. This included an elderly woman in fragile health living in the unit located the farthest from the site where the fire originated.

This woman was my cousin, Gertrude Nott, granddaughter of old-time Lodi photographer, Welcome Nott. Pounding on her door awakened her from a sound sleep. Having no idea what was going on, she was afraid to open it, so the rescue workers broke it down. They quickly identified themselves, wrapped her in a blanket and had her sit on a chair, which they carried out on the lawn. When the fire subsided, they transported her to a church, and later to the home of a friend.

In the next few weeks, this night of trauma took its toll on Gertrude. After several emergency trips to the hospital, she was transferred to a nursing home. At this point, she felt it was necessary to give up her apartment. She offered me her dining room set, which included, besides the large table, six side chairs, two arm chairs, a sideboard buffet and a butler's server.

We hired a moving van to bring it to our place and unload it in our garage. After much measuring, we determined that it would not fit in our house. The obvious thing to do was to add a room.

As the room progressed, it became apparent that new windows to match the ones in the addition should replace the old, ill-fitting windows in the main part of the house. Then, too, the old siding didn't match the new siding so there was nothing to do but to replace that as well.

The wonderful wide-open spaces in the new room make us long for more of the same in the original part of the house. This necessitates serious sorting and discarding. If I were good at sorting and discarding, it wouldn't be so necessary. Dreading the required decisions involved in all this sorting and discarding causes me to indulge in my favorite habit: procrastinating.

The best kind of procrastinating is nostalgic reminiscing. Tables have always been important in my life. The kitchen was the social center in my childhood home. Guests invariably walked past the front door to enter the kitchen and then pulled up a chair to sit at the kitchen table. My mother always said if she built a new house it would be one big kitchen with cubbyholes around the edge for sleeping.

When we finished a meal, my father would turn his chair to the side, lean forward with elbows on his knees, light a cigarette and start telling stories. He had a story for every occasion and recounted them with such enjoyment that we were drawn in by the spell. The talking usually took longer than the eating.

The first time Bob came to call on me he was treated to the favorite "Chrislaw" supper of pancakes and gravy. (It's a wonder he came back!) The uninitiated usually say 'yuck!' but Bob pitched in as if he had been born in Bavaria, (or Scotland, or wherever the custom originated) and kept my mother busy over the griddle until she had to mix up a second batch.

When I was growing up, holiday dinners at the Grout House on Pine Crest Farm produced an incredible abundance of food spread on my mother's mahogany dining room table. The cousins all jockeyed for positions close to Uncle Ralph Chrislaw, where the food seemed to gravitate. When my mother died, we gave that table to our son Schoen and his wife.

After Bob and I were married, we lived on the Robertson place on Highway 60 between Lodi and Prairie du Sac. It had a huge farm kitchen with a large pantry. We acquired Grandma Eva Rapp Chrislaw's big square oak table with elephant legs which became the center of our family's daily activity--serving meals, mixing up batches of cookies, writing letters, sewing or just coffee klutching with friends and, of course, kids finger painting and doing crafts.

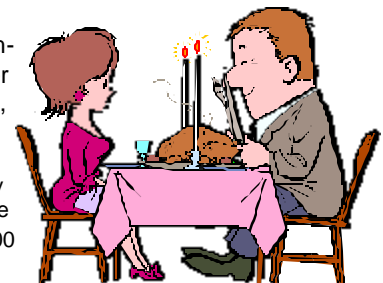
When we moved to our present house, the table moved with us. Having been spoiled by our big farm kitchen at our first home, we put the big oak table in the dining room. It always seemed somewhat over-sized for our little house, but installing a wood stove in the corner, made things really crowded. It is now in our daughter Shelagh's house in St. Albans, Vermont. Luckily, our daughter, (Cherie in North Dakota) has a house that's even smaller than ours or she might be looking for a table from us too.

I have really missed having a big table, so when Gertrude offered hers, I couldn't turn it down. One thing leads to another, from a candle left burning, to a new dining room, to this article. I hope the formal dining room set can make the adjustment to our very informal lifestyle. It will have to go some to match the happy memories of tables from our past.

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Illinois State Archives  
Margaret Cross Norton Building  
Capitol Complex  
Springfield, IL 62756

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The Illinois State Archives web site also contains search capabilities, index databases and information on requesting a records search.

## Reeb Marriages

*The following records of marriage are provided by Mary Jane Kerkemeyer. Researched at the Morris Library, Southern IL, Univ. Carbondale, IL 62901. (618)453-3040. Counties: Alexander, Clinton, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jacson, Jefferson, St. Clair, Union, Washington, White, and Williamson. (All listings are as read, including misspellings)*

–**REEB**, Christian and **ROMERIS**, Catherine. m. 10/03/1847 by G.H. Ostlangenberg, Catholic priest of Belleville. license # 1993

–**REEB**, Jacob and **ZEILMANN**, Mrs. Margaret m, 10/14/1849 by Father G. H. Ostlangenberg, priest of Belleville

\*This marriage certificate is handwritten by the priest stating they were married on this date by virtue of two-week Publications of Bands. license # 2556

–**REEB**, Philip and **HUG**, Catherine m. 10/22/1854 by Rev G. H. Ostlangenberg, priest of Belleville, license # 4232

–**REEB**, John and **MICHEL**, Elizabeth \*John Reeb under oath stated that Elizabeth was over age 18. m. 9/06/1855 Pastor Spiess \* I found him to be pastor of the Holy Ghost United Church of Christ license#4583

–**REEB**, Catharine and **BOESCH**, Valentine m. 7/02/1861 by Paul Limacher, license#788

–**REEB**, Maria and **LONGDON**, John m. 7/10/1861 \*on license July 12, 1861 is listed as date of marriage. T. A. Eaton, Pastor M.E.C., Lebanon, Ill married them, license #789

–**REEB**, Nicholas and **LAREIN**, Catherine m. 9/08/1861 by Rev. P. J. Baltes This is a hand-written marriage notice by Rev., license #886.

–**REEB**, Andreas and **HART**, Wilhelmine m. 9/13/1861 \*on marriage license date is 9/14/1861 married in Floraville by a Wilhelm Busch, license # 8

–**REEB**, CONRAD and **MEHRING** Louise m. 2/04/1868 by a Catholic priest, license # 2880

–**REEB**, William and **HERR**, Margaretha 10/27/1875 \*newspaper says 1888\*, license#2577

–**REEB**, Peter age 30 of West Belleville and **GIBBONS**, Mrs. Susan age 40 of West Belleville m. 4/27/1876 by a Justice of the Peace in West Belleville, license #751

–**REEB**, Elizabeth age 19 of Belleville and **NICIPORSKY**, Francis age 29 of Belleville m. 8/27/1877 by Rev. ?, a Catholic priest at St. Peter's Church, license#320

–**REEB**, Peter Jr., age 33 of West Belleville, a coalminer \* second marriage (parents P. Reeb and Elizabetha Franz) **KLEMKE (SCHAENEMANN)** Elizabeth age 25 of Reeb Station \*second marriage, (parents are John Klemke and Elizabetha ?) m. 9/06/1879 in Belleville by a Justice of the Peace. Witnesses: ? Reeb and ? Reeb, license #718

–**REEB**, Jacob age 26 of West Belleville, a coal miner (parents are Jacob Reeb and Margaretha Joere) **WAGNER**, Margaret age 24 of West Belleville (parents Peter Wagner and Christine R. Lenz) m. 9/30/1879 by a Justice of the Peace in West Belleville Witnesses: Wm Kraull and Emma Sulmann, license #769

–**REEB**, Elizabeth age 43 of E.St. Louis \*this is her second marriage, John Reeb was first spouse (parents: Phillipp Reeb and Elizabeth Franz) and **HELLBRUICK**, John age 39 of E.St. Louis, a laborer his second marriage (parents: Jacob Hellbruick and Maria Leimbark) m. 1/13/1880 in E. St. Louis by Christopher Koenig, a Catholic priest Witnesses: Hyeronimus Noll and Barbara Noll, license #908

–**REEB**, Nicholas age 20 of West Belleville. a coalminer (parents are Jacob Reeb and Margarethe Georg) \* Nicholas Reeb, guardian, gave his assent to marriage\* and **KUEHN**, Mary age 18 of West Belleville (parents are Christian Kuehn and Mina Stark) m. 4/6/1880 by Rev Anton Versting, ass't priest of St. Peter's Church of Belleville. Witnesses: Jacob Reeb and ? Reeb, license #1043

–**REEB**, Peter age 23 of West Belleville, a coal digger (parents are Peter Reeb and Russ) **GUCKEMUSS**, Maria age 20 of West Belleville (parents are Joseph Guggemus and Maria Rissmeier) m. 9/07/1880 in Belleville at St. Peter's Church. Witnesses: John Reeb and Mary ?, license #1228

–**REEB**, Philip age 22 of Belleville, a brickyard worker (parents are Nick. Reeb and Cathar. Ehrenstein) **FUESS**, Maggie are 21 of Belleville (parents are William Fuess and Maria Schopp) m. 8/25/1885 at St. Peters Church Belleville by Rev. Stephen Stenger Witnesses: William Reeb and ?, license #1202

–**REEB**, Katie age 24 of Belleville (parents John Reeb and Elizabeth Michel) **KUEHN**, William S. age 24 of Mascoutah, a farmer (parents are Lucas Kuehn and Margareta Klein) m. 3/02/1886 by Reb. Stephen Stenger at St. Peter's Church in Belleville Witnesses: Grank Kuehn, Maggie A. Schaeffer, E. Th. Genez, license # 1585

–**REEB**, Peter age 21 of E. St. Louis, a machinist (parents: John Reeb and Elizabeth Reeb) **GAA**, Elizabeth age 21 of E. St. Louis (parents: Martin Gaa and Louise Ulrich) m. 9/16/1889 in E. St. Louis by Rev Christopher Koenig, a Catholic priest. Witnesses: Conrad Reeb and Catharine Reeb, license #3662

–**REEB**, John age 32 of Belleville **STRAUBINGER**, Mary age 21 of Belleville m. 7/07/1891 by H. J. Hagen, Chancellor, a Catholic priest in Belleville, license #666

–**REEB**, John Jr. age 26 of Belleville, a brick mason (parents: Nicholas Reeb and Margarita Erstein)

**GEORGE**, Emma age 26 of Belleville (parents: Charles George and Margaret Gibbons) m. 12/29/1891 by James M.

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Gough in Belleville at St. Luke's Church Witnesses: L. G. Lerch and ? Georges license # 1035

--**REEB**, John J. age 28 of E. St. Louis, cannot read (parents: Johann Reeb and Elizabeth Gindler) **GINDLER**, Mary A. age 24 of Collinsville (parents:Karl Gindler and Margarethe Engelhard) m. 2/23/1892 at Black Jack near Troy, Madison Co., by ? Freytag, ordinance minister of the Gospel of the ? of North America. Witnesses: L. Reachner and Louisa Bohnenstiehl, license # 1108

--**REEB**, Edward age 20 of E. St. Louis, a bar keepe (parents: Conrad Reeb and Louise Mehring) **WEBER**, Emma age 19 of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, father gave permission to marry (parents: Peter Weber and Theresia Eismann) m. 4/27/1892 in E. St. Louis by Rev Christopher Koenig, a Catholic priest Witnesses: R. McGonery and Amalia Weber. license #1296

--**REEB**, Catherina age 21 of E. St. Louis (parents: John Reeb and Elizabeth Reeb) **BRUEGGEN**, Henry age 25 of E. St. Louis, laborer (parents: Berhard Brueggen and Walburgis Lohram) m. 10/12/1892 by Rev. Christopher Koenig a Catholic Priest in E. St. Louis Witnesses: Wilh.Benton and Marg. Reeb, license #1570

--**REEB**, Katie age 40 of New Swansea, a 1st marriage (parents John Reeb and Margareta Fautz) **SHEPERS**, Bernard age 43 of New Swansea, a laborer, a 2nd marriage (parents are Johann Herman Shephers and Maria Eliz. Nehensten) m.5/09/1893 in Belleville by Reb Hagen, Chancellor Witnesses: Adam Boettninger and Lizzie Schell, license# 2007

--**REEB**, Lizzie age 21 of Belleville (parents: Peter Reeb and Elizabeth Rust) **STRAUBINGER**, John age 27 of Fayetteville, a laborer (parents: Benedict Straubinger and Mary Ruge) m. 10/17/1893 in Belleville by Rev. Budde at St. Peter's Cathedral Witnesses: Chris Reeb, Rosa Straubinger, Conrad Reeb, Caroline Weber, Jos. Straubinger, Cath. Rust, license # 2325

--**REEB**, Margaretha age 24 of E. St. Louis (parents Conrad Reeb and Elizabeth Mehring) **HOLTEN**, Frank age 25 of E. St. Louis, a merchant, (parents: John Holten and Charlotte Eickelmann) m. 6/05/1894 in E. St. Louis by Christopher Koenig, a Catholic priest Witnesses: Julius Holten and Eliz. Reeb, license #2784

--**REEB**, Valentine age 30 of Belleville, a coalminer (parents Peter Reeb and Elizabeth Rust) **GLAUBER**, Lena age 25 of French Village (parents John Glauber and Mary. Cath. Vosselmann) m. 9/12/1894 by Reb Hagen, a Catholic priest at St. Peter's Cathedral in Belleville Witnesses: John Glauber and Katie Rust, license#2887

--**REEB**, Conrad age 28 of Belleville, a miner (parents Peter Reeb and Elizabeth Rust) **WEBER**, Carrie S. age 24 of Fayetteville (parents are Peter Weber and Bertha Mohr) m. 10/29/1895 by Rev Hagen, a Catholic priest at St. Peter's Cathedral Witnesses: Christ Reeb, Amanda Fischer, George ?, Emilie Mohr, Walter Fischer, E. Hellman, license # 3784

--**REEB**, Bertha age 20 of E. St. Louis (parents John Reeb and Elizabeth Reeb) **CHRISTELBAUER**, Rudolph age 27 \*on back side of license age listed as next birthday is 33., machinist, of E.St. Louis (parents: Wenzel Christelbauer and Josephine ?) m. 5/07/1896 by a Catholic priest Rev. Christopher Koenig at E. St. Louis Witnesses: W. J. Fenner and ? Eaker, license #5100

--**REEB**, Mary age 19 of Belleville (parents are Peter Reeb and Marie Klenke) **PALMER**, Max age 24 of Belleville, a

brewer (parents are Edward Palmer and Mary Gose) m. 11/25/1896 in Belleville by Rev. Lauer, St. Mary's Church, license # 5444

--**REEB**, Jacob age 25 of Belleville, a coal digger (parents: Nicolas Reeb and Catherine Ehrstein) **FRICKE**, Magdalena age 22 of Belleville (parents Theodor Fricke and Mary Bertelsmann) m. 1/28/1897 in Belleville by Rev J. Hagen, a Catholic clergyman Witnesses: Conrad Vonnahance and Barbara Germann, license#5598

--**REEB**, Christian age 24 of Belleville, a miner (parents are Peter Reeb and Elizabeth Rust) **KLEIN**, Nettie M. age 22 of Belleville (parents are Peter Klein and Margaret -last name cut off of page) m. 10/12/1898 by Rev. Hagen, a Catholic priest at Cathedral Witnesses: Albert Klein and Mary Andries, license#8706

--**REEB**, Conrad age 31 of E. St. Louis, bank employ (parents Conrad Reeb and Louise Mehring) **WILDE**, Ida age 25 of E. St. Louis (parents Henry Wilde and Barbara Mild) m. 4/25/1900 by Christopher Koenig a Catholic priest at E. St. Louis Witnesses: Edmund Reeb and ?, license#10007

--**REEB**, Rose age 19 of Belleville (parents are Jake Reeb and Maggie Wagner) **BENDER**, Adolph C. age 24 of St.Louis, a steam fitter helper (parents are Johann Bender and Wilhelmine -- family name forgotten) m. 1/02/1901 in Belleville by Alfred E. Meyer, a Minister of the Gospel. Witnesses: Nick Reeb and Elizabeth M. Reeb, license #10502

--**REEB**, Minnie age 20 of E. St. Louis (parents are Conrad Reeb and Louise Mehring) **HOLTEN**, Joseph W. age 26 of E. St. Louis (parents are John Holten and Charlotte Eickermann) m. 6/19/1901 in E. St. Louis by Rev Koenig, a Catholic priest Witnesses: C. A. ? and Lulu Reeb, license # 11193

--**REEB**, Peter age 32 of Belleville, a contractor \*2nd marriage (parents are Nicholas Reeb and Catherine Ehrstein) **KAUB**, Amanda age 32 of Belleville (parents are Caspar Kaub and Helen Hoffmann) m. 9/19/1901 by Rev J. Hagen in Belleville St. Peter's Cathedral witnesses: Adolf Reeb and Louie Kessel, license # 255

--**REEB**, Elizabeth age 20 of Belleville (parents Nicolas Reeb and Mary Kuehne) **BOWER**, Samuel age 27 of Belleville (parents are John Bauer and Catherine Macke) m. 11/12/1901 by Rev. Lauer in Belleville, Rector of St. Mary's Catholic Church witnesses: Aloys Bauer and Lizzie Shilling, license # 470

--**REEB**, Bertha age 19 of E. St. Louis (parents are Conrad Reeb and Louise Mehring) **THOENE**, H.C. age 26 of E. St. Louis, a machinist (parents are George Thoene and Catherine ?) m. 4/16/1902 in E. St. Louis be Rev Cluse, a Catholic priest Witnesses: Edmund Reeb and Amelia Thoene, llicense # 988

--**REEB**, Adolph age 23 of Belleville, a contractor (parents Nic. Reeb and Catherine Ehrstein) **HELFRICH**, Celia age 20 of Belleville (parents Jacob Helfrich and Lina Schellmann) m. 4/12/1904 by a Catholic priest Rev. Hagen in Belleville at St. Peter's Cathedral Wittness: Robert Helfrich and Cecelia Reeb, license#451

--**REEB**, Nick age 24 of Belleville, a coal miner (parents are Jacob Reeb and Maggie Wagner) **ITEN**, Laura age 22 of Belleville (parents are Clemens Iten and Sally ?) m. 11/24/1904 in Belleville by Alfred E. Meyer, Minister of the Gospel. Witnesses: John Kuhne and Lena Menzke, license # 1419