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Hooray, We're Going To America!

What follows is an excerpt from Larry Christiansen's web site about being on board the ship, Marianne, in the autumn of 1843. That was the same trip that the Henry Lippold family took to the United States from Germany. Until now, we have had to rely on stories of other German immigrants sailing on different ships during years other than 1843. Now, thanks to Jill Carter Knuth of Stanford, California, we have a first-hand account as told by her relative, Ernst Bohning. You will want to read the complete account on the Internet at http://members.aol.com/sycophant4/bohn1843.htm

"[17] The quarters we had were not very nice, and did not come up to our expectations. They were made of rough lumber, nailed together to make compartments, each one holding four people. They were located directly below the upper deck, one compartment on top of another like in a barracks. In the upper compartment it was hardly possible to sit upright, while the lower ones were six to seven feet high. Here we had to live and sleep. These bunks were at the sides of the hold. In the middle were our boxes and chests and other luggage. In this "home" there were no windows. A steep ladder at each end led to the upper deck. There was only a little light coming through the stair hatches, and in the middle of the hold it was dark. So this was the "beautiful" boat we had dreamed about.

18] For a while we did not go below, but stayed on deck and watched the coast and the Fatherland slowly disappear. That's when nearly everyone's eyes became moist, and the women dabbed at their eyes with the corners of their aprons. We children and the young men were excited and in good spirits. I hoped the journey would last a long time, and when I asked my father how long the trip would be, he answered, "That's up to God."

[19] Soon it was night and we crept into our bunks. But we didn't go to sleep for a long time because the young folks played tricks and joked, and it was late before nature took over and everyone fell asleep.

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The families I am searching are:
ARCHIBALD, BARNETT, BOULTON, COBB,
FIELDING, GLADDISH, HELSTROM, HUNTER,
LEE, McCOWN, McKINNEY, PERRYMAN,
ROGERS, SPIVEY, VAUGHN, WALL, WALKER,
and WILLIAMSON
ALTHOUSE, ARMES, BECHTOLD, BOUNDS,

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DIECKMANN, FINK, FITZ-RANDOLPH, GROSSMAN,
HEDGES, HENNING, HUNT, JOURDAN, JUDKINS,
LIPPOLDT, MARTIN, SCALES, SCHREIBER,
SCHULTE, SCHWEIKARDT, SKELTON,
STINCHFIELD, STRICKLAND,, STUMBERG,
TANNER, TEVAULT, WHITE, WOOD,

and then some...

- [20] However, before long that night, a storm came up. It made the joints of the ship creak, and tossed everything back and forth. It made a racket I shall never forget. Our cooking pots, kettles, cans, plates and cups (which were fortunately all made of tin) flew around in the room as if they were being thrown by someone. The trunks did not stay in one place, but slid back and forth. In addition, there was the noise of the sea, the whipping and howling of the wind, the running of sailors over our head, and the shouted commands of the captain.
- [21] Below, it was really pitch-dark, and on top of everything else, we began to feel seasick. It was a miserable feeling that went into us and then poured out again through the heart and mouth. Every one of us thought his last hour had come. Everything the Old Adam had taken in before, he now had to give back again. We prayed to the living God that he would rescue us from this danger. He did; toward morning the weather turned pleasant and calm and we felt moved to thank God for saving us. We began singing a hymn, and somebody read aloud from the Bible how our Lord Jesus and his disciples sailed over Lake Gennesaret and he stilled the rage of the storm.
- [22] The sermon was preached by a man named Koring, a farmer coming from Prussia. He and his wife were both short and fat and so were both of their children, who also had very small slit-eyes. But they were good, pleasant people. Koring continued as our Pastor during the entire trip, and each Sunday we had a church service, with the captain and most of the sailors taking part as well.

CAPTAIN WIETING

- [23] God had heard our petitions and had led us to a ship with an honest and decent crew. The captain was a splendid man who was especially devoted to us children. He probably had a family of his own at home, and that's why he was so good to us. When he patted us on the cheek, he did it with such tenderness, it touched our hearts. The trip on the "Marianna," as our three-master was called, was very good, as far as the handling of the passengers and the food was concerned, and considering the conditions of the times.
- [24] Wieting, as the captain was called, once laid his hand on my head and said to me, "Boy, you are quite smart and strong. If you eat well for a few years, I could then use you on my ship." He impressed me so much, I would have gone with him right there. In the meantime, my brothers and sisters and myself helped ourselves to the plentiful supply of salted and preserved meat. The other food was not so tasty, but it was very filling. Syrup and plums were considered a delicacy, but we didn't touch them. We couldn't think of anything more unappetizing. There were plenty of potatoes boiled in their skins, and ship's hardtack bread which we softened in coffee. We couldn't have bitten into it dry; but soaked, and with butter added, it tasted delicious.
- 25] The captain let the old folks and those who were sick have special meals from his kitchen. Naturally, they were better than ours were, and this action really showed his humanity and goodness. As the master is, so are the servants. With the exception of one sailor, all the seamen were good-hearted people who were helpful in every way, and made our lives easier. Others, specifically my older brother, who had made the journey before us, had not had such good going. My brother complained later that he had an underhanded captain and a rough crew on his ship, and the passengers had almost died of hunger. "

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LIPPOLDT and allied families

In the summer of 1997, after we learned where our Lippold family came from in Germany, I ordered a microfilm from Salt Lake City that included records from 1808 – 1812 of Gesmold Germany (locality indicated on the passenger list as home). There were Lippold names as well as Dickman names. Much of the material was in a narrative format and there was both German and Latin script that was very difficult to read. I did not get much more than a list of names. Recently I looked over the films availbale and saw one for Melle Germany which is the community that Larry Christiansen has determined many of the passengers were from when our family came to the US. I still am not much better at reading the film, but the format this time is like a ledger, and I see the names of our ancestors. They spelled the name without the "t" at the end. Henry's wife's maiden name was Schulte. They were parents to other children who died before the trip to the US. The records are of births, marriages, confirmations and deaths of the Evangelical Church of the Melle Parish. From early to mid 1800's. Other names besides Lippold are Engel, Dieckmann and various spellings of Myer which are names of relatives in Indiana, too. I even found birth of an Ernst Hein Bohning 28 Sep 1826 and wonder if he was related to the young Bohning who left us his account of the trip to America on the previous pages. I have the film on indefinite loan status and am determined to make the time to do a translation of the information.

Otto had shared a while back that his daughter Connie remembered grandmother Leona Tevault Lippoldt telling her that when grandfather's family came to the US that they added the "t" to their name. Glad to have that confirmed.

Since the last newsletter, I have made contact with Betty Jo Scales Land regarding her 5-generation chart that I copied when I was at Willard Library last summer. She lives in Princeton, IN and I was hopeful that she could share some information about the Scales and Woods families. Her grandfather was brother to Jane Scales and their parents were Elizabeth Ann Woods and Elijah Scales. Jane married Louis Lippoldt (1900 picture Jane and Louis Lippoldt family is on the home page). She says that Elizabeth was called Betsy. I am also communicating with Beth Craig of the west coast who has lots of interesting narratives about Woods families and some other leads for me. Stay tuned.

The Hedges family that ties into the Tevaults is a challenge, too. We have traced the family back to Ohio County, KY, but cannot figure out which family they belong to there. Have had some help from Lee Weller and recently from Charles Hedges. Camille Aydt also thinks she may make a connection for us as a member of her family has done some research in KY on the surname.

Our condolences go out to the Meyerholtz families and the Careys and Finks.

We learned from Anna Mary Feldmeyer of Huntingburg, IN that her Dad, Millard J. Meyerholtz, Sr, 86 died on February 9, 1999. He was William and Caroline (Lippoldt) Meyerholtz 'son. Last of Caroline's children. He was buried in St. Peter's Lutheran church cemetery, Stendal., IN

Nancy Fink Carey, 56 of Petersburg, IN died on Wednesday, February 16, 1999 and was buried in Walnut Hills Cemetery. She was daughter of John and Ruth Fink, granddaughter of Lelia and Wesley Fink.

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Ian Spivey's Genealogy Connections

January, 1999 saw the debut of another genealogy home page on the Internet. The address is: http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~lspivey/index.htm.

The purpose of this web site is an archive of my bookmarks of genealogy sites on the Internet. I also share a minimal amount of my research efforts and information exchanged among our families. Links lead to resources for further exploration and documentation of our shared family trees. These are the main areas of the site:

Families

There are separate "FAMILIES" pages that represent the four distinct branches of Ian's maternal and paternal grandparents. On each of these pages is a list all the surnames in the allied grouping. There is an overview and questions to research as well as a 5-generation chart starting with the grandparent and working back. The chart includes vital information of known ancestors. (I am still working on these). Also on the page is a table with columns labeled "Surnames/GenConnect/ Listserves/Genealogy Forums/Military Information about units relatives served". Then there are rows listing the family names and links to various Internet sights that have information about the surnames. Some pages have more information listed than others. A fifth page in the section lists "cyber-cousins" researching our names and links to any related home pages.

Resources

The "RESOURCES" section is the one that is growing as I come across more internet sites to share. The links on this page are bookmarks for places I try to check on a regular basis. I am including genealogy web sites pertaining to counties and states where I know our relatives lived. Some of the counties have query pages and I am getting around to posting questions about relatives on each of them. There are also links to historical societies, genealogy records and surname search engines. I recently included links to German sites as well as ones about histories of Methodists and Lutherans. The "Genealogy Tools" heading will be expanded to include books I have used, books I would like to acquire and any research tips I feel are pertinent.

Documents

The third section, "DOCUMENTS" includes pages titled Biographies, Cemeteries, Census, Charts, Newsletters and Recipes. On the second page is a list of cemeteries by state and county. The link to the individual cemeteries might include a picture I took, names of relatives I know buried there and sometimes there is a link to a reading of the markers that is on someone else's Internet site. The census page is a table of the surnames and corresponding Soundex number. A couple of the names link to internet sites where you can view that family's census information. The charts page links you to the 5-generation charts I mentioned with the Families section. You might notice that at the top of each chart I have a colored border. The four colors correspond to my document's filing system and the four family lines are similarly color-coded in my genealogy computer program. I have a page that lists the genealogy newsletters and a link to each in the PDF format for downloading. And then there is the recipes section where I want to include family favorites — need your contributions.

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Photo Album

The last section is called PHOTO ALBUM and currently there are pictures of Fink, Lippoldt, Schreiber, Spivey, Tevault and White ancestors. The most recent addition is a photo of the 1900 Spivey Reunion including the identification of all 68 people in the picture. Thanks to Charlene Brazell for sharing this incredible piece of history. Other contributors to the online photo section are Bonnie Wade, Gary & Nancy Kapperman, Dale White and Karen Crigler.





And now a word from the sponsor.......The server that my genealogy research home page is on is called RootsWeb. The purpose of the RootsWeb Genealogical Data Cooperative (http://www.rootsweb.com) of California is to make large volumes of data available to the online genealogical community at minimal cost and to provide support services to online genealogical activities. All of RootsWeb's databases, mailing lists, and other activities are open to the public. They welcome corporate and individual sponsors. Different services are provided to the contributor based on their level of support. As a "sponsor", I can have a home page, four GenConnect Boards and four mailing lists. Hope you check the page from time to time.

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SPIVEY and allied families

Monitoring the Internet has provided several new contacts and more information on the Spivey, Perryman, Gladish and McCown families.

Reneee Chastain figured that there might be a link to the Spivey family through a Childress relative born in Timpson, TX. In looking through the records I copied from J. Frank Spivey's notebook, I found a handwritten account of Emma Spivey Childress' family history that confirms Renee's family is part of the James Jackson and Mary Susan Spivey clan.

Last week, Ed Spivey shared that he "met the neighbors two doors down, across the alley from us. Her mouth fell open when I introduced myself...she said, 'My maiden name was Betty Jo Spivey, and I grew up at Leona, Texas.'" Her father is 75 year old Harvey Spivey. Not sure yet where they fit in, but am sure Ed will figure it out for us.

Recently, I have been communicating with the Hallmark family that is collecting information on the Perryman line. Looking at the naming of children and similar given names in our line, there is bound to be a connection.

Through the Gladish family in Indiana, I am e-mailing Camille Aydt of Oakland City. I was able to send her copies of the land grants for her relative. We are about the same age and have a lot in common. She may have some leads for my paternal family, too.

Leonard McCown started a McCown listserve last month. There are a dozen McCown's participating. You might want to check out Steven's web site at http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/mccown as there are many details about the family name including coats of arms and tartans.

FIELDING and allied families

When I was at our local downtown library, Selby, I looked through genealogy books on Florida, and was quite excited to find a Sterling Fielding. Turns out this is the one married to Pernina, so I was able to help Jim Harris with a lead.

Discovered the William and Mary Quarterly Historical Magazine was online for viewing. There is an article on the Fielding family in Volume XVIII 1909 – 1910 about the early Fielding family of Virginia. Jim was able to get me a photocopy from his university library.

While in Tallahassee this month, I once again visited the Florida Archives. I copied Confederate Pension Applications for Elizabeth Fielding, widow of James J. Fielding as well as one of Mrs. Thomas W. Fielding. Elizabeth and James were married in Dover, TN in 1856. They moved to Florida where he enlisted in a Florida regiment. He was killed in TN in 1861. His widow had not remarried when she filed for a pension in 1899. Mrs. Thomas W. Fielding stated she married Thomas in 1874 in Bradford County, FL. He had served in a Florida unit also and died in 1897. There is a letter in the file that indicates that she may have been married previously and her given name was Margaret Elizabeth.

I also found Fieldings in the 1840, 1850, 1860 and 1870 Census Index books for Tennessee and the 1870 and 1910 Census Index books for Florida. I came across a book published by the Columbia County Historical Society that had information on cemeteries. The Siloam Church and Cemetery are listed and statement that "the following pioneer families supported the church, cemetery and community: Wilson, Collins, English, Fielding, Terry, Lipsey and Wilder." I checked with the Chamber of Commerce in Lake City on the drive home, and made a short detour to the cemetery where I found the markers for Sterling B. Fielding and his wife, Martha and some of their children.

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FINK and allied families

At the end of January, I received an e-mail response to a query I had posted in November on the Vanderburgh County, Indiana GenConnect Board. Dan Goebel of Crown Point, Indiana stated that we are tied in directly with his family. He went on to say, "Louisa Raber was my great-great grandmother the sister of Jacob Fink who died in 1857. The Fink family is from Nieder Ingelheim in Hessen, Germany. I can provide you with a solid pedigree going back to around 1600. The family immigrated around 1843. The father Johann Caspar Fink died around 1844 in Vanderburgh County. The mother Maria Rosina Schweikardt remarried to Jacob Frederick Raber. "

Well, you can bet I e-mailed Dan right back. Dan has done a lot of work translating German church records. He gave me the film numbers to order from Salt Lake City, so I could see for myself what he has read. As I write, that film is on backorder.

I shared this news with Jeanne Miller of New Harmony. As we were discussing all the hypoth-sizing I had done about Jacob Fink's sisters, I realized that one of the sources I had copied last summer were cemetery records of Wabash County, IL where Jacob's sister Christina Fink Rodrian Kirsch was buried. Jeanne picked up on that and introduced me to Karin Kirsch who had compiled those records. Karin gave me the contact of Scott Bosecker (www.mindspring.com/~sbosecker/home.htm) who has photos of Christina on his home page.

Karin also sent along a copy of the family history of the Rabers compiled by Mary Ankenbrand. In the manuscript she refers to the 1850 Census of Armstrong Township, Vanderburgh County, IN and listed there is Rosene remarried to Jacob Raber, their 3 young sons born in Indiana and her 4 children all born in Germany. Jacob was listed as 17 and a laborer, Elizabeth [Louise] 14, Christina 10, and Barbary 8. With this information, we now have record of the first US census where our Fink family is documented.

There are a couple of things to report on the search for Lelia White's mother's family. Dale White wrote last November and shared a recollection of Lelia's father's step-brother, Mitchell Jones. He told about an incident in the community of Lone Rock, MO where they were living. "One night a family by the name of Bounds had a dance at their home. ... A bunch of strangers, whom they thought were tie hackers came without being invited. A fight started and some of the lights were put out. One of the dancers grabbed a lamp and took it to the porch, getting the women to follow him. In the dark the tie hackers ran out leaving the members of the dance in the house fighting. The fellow who held the lamp on the porch stepped around so that the light shone into the room, they saw the situation. When they quit, they found that one of the Bounds had cut his brother so badly that he had bled to death..... One sister of the man who was killed later married my step-brother, Frank White." Later in his account he told about a group of timber workers that were telling of their experiences at dances. One fellow told about the worst time he ever had at a dance up in Wayne County, MO at one of the Bounds' home. Mitchell told the worker that if the Bounds ever knew that the man had been there, they would hunt him down.

I have found land grants issued to Isaac and Stephen Bounds in Wayne County, MO. That county is adjacent to Butler County, MO where I understand Lelia and her mother, Anna Bounds were each born. I will use these clues when I read the "Boundless Bounds" book by Ruth Dryden that I have ordered on microfiche from Salt Lake City. In my dictionary, the noun tie-hack means a faller and hewer of cross-ties, in case you were like me and did not know that off the top of your head.

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This and that

Thanks to Terry Rademacher for sending along this account from an Indiana paper. Note this was printed 111 years ago about Ian's 3rd greatgrandfather, a merchant at Beadles & Tevault Dry Goods, Stendal, Indiana.

Huntingburgh Argus 26 April 1888

Mr. Hiram Tevault met with quite a streak of bad luck. One of his mules died on last Thursday and a valuable horse, died Sunday morning. At the present writing another mule and a young horse are sick, all seem to be effected alike. Our veternary surgeons seem to be puzzled over the matter, and say, they never saw anything like it before and do not know what it is nor what to do for it. As no other horses in the neighborhood are effected, it seems to us that these horses were poisoned with a poisonous drug or perhaps a poisonous weed in the hay. **PHOENIX BOY**

Bike Ride for a Cause

Wanted to let you know that relative Mike Tevault is participating in a 6-day, 500 mile bicycle ride July 12 – 17, 1999 to benefit several AIDS related groups in the Midwest.

The Twin Cities-Wisconsin-Chicago AIDS Ride will benefit 6 not for profit organizations in the Chicago area. More than 2000 cyclists are expected on the ride that starts in Minneapolis-St. Paul and ends in Chicago.

Mike has to raise at least \$2300 in pledges before the ride. He has been employed by the Mishawaka (IN) Police Department for 20 years. His current job consists of Community Relations as well as teaching the DARE program, and doing bicycle patrol during the warmer months. If you want more information and can help pledge any amount for Mike's effort, contact him by e-mail at Shield19@aol.com

Prune Whip

"Linda, Here's another family recipe that I remember Mother making for Sunday dinners. I thought it was delicious. You're welcome to use it in your next news letter family recipe section. I don't know what you do with the egg yolks - an omelet maybe. Chef Otto" Lippoldt

5 egg whites	 1 1/2 c dried prunes	— 2 T butter or margarine	—— 1/4 tsp salt
2 T + 1/2 c sugar	 1/4 tsp cream of tartar	— 2 tsp grated lemon peel	

- 1. In large bowl of electric mixer, let egg whites warm to room temperature about 1 hour.
- 2. In medium saucepan, combine prunes with just enough water to cover; over medium heat bring to boiling. Remove from heat let stand covered for 10 minutes.
- 3. Drain prunes, preserving liquid; remove pits. Press prunes and liquid thru food mill or blend in blender to make a puree. Measure 1 ½ cups of prune puree; set aside.
- 4. Preheat oven to 350 F. Butter bottom and side of 2-quart casserole; then sprinkle with 2 T of sugar, coating completely.
- 5. At high speed, beat egg whites with cream of tartar and salt until soft peaks form.
- 6. Gradually add ½ cup of sugar (2 T at a time) beating well after each addition. Continue beating until stiff peaks form.
- 7. Combine prune puree with lemon peel, mixing well.
- 8. With rubber scraper, using an under-and- over motion, gently fold prune mixture into egg whites until just combined.
- 9. Turn into prepared casserole; set in pan containing 1-inch hot water.
- 10. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until lightly browned. Serve warm with whipped cream if desired

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