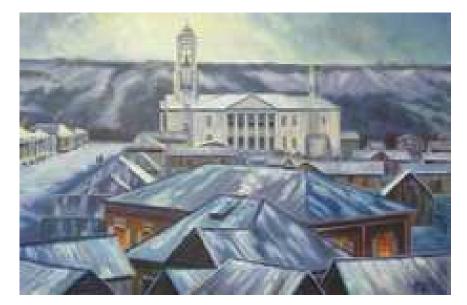
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Mariental, Russia by Michael Boss Oil on Linen – 20" x 30" From the Collection of Signature Associates

Topics: Editor's Comments Letters to the Editor Feature Story – So We Will Know Them Sheila Kreutzer Deverage

Hermann Reunion in August

Whisper: URL for Starvation pictures

GR Proverb:

When the memory goes the news is always new!

Hello To All: This month I wanted to start including "letters to the Editor" in future newsletters, whenever space permits. Also, this is the first Family Reunion that I have published in my newsletters. I think they should be listed as they are a very important part of our heritage, and are a vehicle whereby information is gleaned. If there is an appointed historian for the reunion, I would appreciate being able to publish their notes on their reunion.

We received a phone call from our grandson in Baghdad the other day. He is serving in the Army there. It was so clear, as if next door. Their temperatures were in the 80's during the day; 40's during the night – actually the same as our temps here in Casa Grande, Arizona! Talking to him was a highlight of our day. I was thinking that when my grandfather had to serve in the Russian Army, was he allowed to write letters home to his family? Did any letters such as these survive through the many years?

Letters to the Editor:

Dear Thelma,

Thank you very much for the interesting articles and pictures presented in your March 2009 Newsletter.

Some of the cemetery pictures bring back memories of the cemeteries I visited while in Russia. Whenever I saw and Ellis or Rush County family name on a grave headstone, it touched me deeply. Yes, many of our ancestors are buried in Russia - a sober thought.

Lenten blessings, Sister Mary Elise

Thelma,

I received your newsletter and printed it. It was very interesting. We do not know a lot about our Mariental ancestors yet, but hope to learn more. Many things in the two stories are the same as information that we do know. For instance my husbands grandfather Mathias (Matthew) Rohr and his wife Katherine Hermann both were born in Mariental. He also served in the Russian-Japanese War and fought around Manchuria, and we have a photo of him and his wife in Russia and he is wearing his uniform, but it is different than the one in the newsletter photo. They also left Russia in 1908 to the port city of Libon,(could this have been the same as Luebeck) then to Winnipeg, Canada. (In another document he says that he arrived in New York, thence to Galveston, Texas.) Then they came to the United States, first to Munjor, Kansas then to St. Peter.

I would be interested in seeing Tom Rohr's line of ancestors to see if any match with ours. He is certainly a gifted artist.

Hope you have enjoyed your summer. It certainly has been an unusual one as far as getting ample moisture and being cool. Right now we are hoping for some more hot days to ripen the Milo before we get a frost.

There is another person we met at Convention in Casper that would probably enjoy being added to the Mariental group. Her name is Maxine Fiman. <u>rmfiman@msn.com</u>. I also met Anna Bartkowski.

Sincerely, Cleon and Anita Davis

Note: This letter from Anita was sent last fall, and I forgot to put it in the December newsletter.

SO WE WILL KNOW THEM:



My name is Sheila Kreutzer Derevage. I live in Noblesville Indiana. I have been married for 13 years and have two boys, 8 and 10. I have been a Computer Systems Analyst for over 25 years. I started my genealogy craze in Aug 1988, after attending a Kreutzer Family reunion in Hays Kansas. Lawrence Weigal, the local historian, attended our reunion and read an 8 page manuscript

about the Kansas Kreutzer's and Knoll's.

My late fathers name was Marcellus Fidelis Kreutzer. He was born in Victoria Kansas January 31 1930 and died June 1 1982 in Indianapolis, Indiana of cancer. He was one of 16 children. My grandfather was Fidelis Kreutzer born 1896 in Victoria Kansas and died 1964 in Hays Kansas. He married Philomena Knoll in 1919 at the historical St. Fidelis Catholic Churn also known as "Cathedral of the Plains".

Generation No. 1

JOHANNAS GEORG¹ KREUTZER¹ was born 1726 in Rudin,Kurfalz,Kurbener, Germany¹, and died 1818 in Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia².

More About JOHANNAS GEORG KREUTZER: Immigration: 14 Jul 1766, Arrived in Herzog (Susly), Samara, Russia

Children of JOHANNAS GEORG KREUTZER are:

- 2. i. JOHANNES² KREUTZER, b. 1752, Rudin, Kurfalz, Kurbener, Germany; d. 1824, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.
- 3. ii. ANDREAS KREUTZER, b. 1758, Rudin, Kurfalz, Kurbener, Germany; d. 1839, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.

Generation No. 2

JOHANNES² KREUTZER (*JOHANNAS GEORG¹*)³ was born 1752 in Rudin,Kurfalz,Kurbener, Germany, and died 1824 in Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia. He married ELEONORA LAUBER 1772 in Herzog, Russia. She was born 1756 in Kopenhagen, Denmark. Notes for JOHANNES KREUTZER:

According to the 1766 Census in July he is listed as 18. The Rohleder, Russia Census of 1798 has him listed age 46. That would make his birth year 1752 and age 14 when he migrated to Russia.

According to the 1798 Raskaty/Rohleder Census, Johann had 2 workers, 10 horses, 5 cows, 5 swine, no sheep, no geese, turkeys, duck, had 12 chickens. Johann planted Wheat, Oats, Millet, Potatoes, and Rye in autumn of 1796 and summer of 1798.

In 1797 he harvested 1260 liters of Rye, 6250 liters of Wheat, 840 liters of Oats, and 210 liters of potatoes.

More About JOHANNES KREUTZER:

Immigration 1: 1796, To Rohleder, Samara, Russia Immigration 2: 14 Jul 1766, To Herzog (Susly), Russia Status: 1798, Listed as a invalid in 1798 Raskaty/Rohleder Census

More About JOHANNES KREUTZER and ELEONORA LAUBER: Marriage: 1772, Herzog, Russia

Children of JOHANNES KREUTZER and ELEONORA LAUBER are:

- 4. i. ANDREAS³ KREUTZER, b. 1773, Herzog (Susly) Russia.
- 5. ii. MICHAEL KREUTZER, b. 1776, Herzog (Susly) Russia; d. 1848, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.
- 6. iii. JOHANNES KREUTZER, b. 1784, Herzog (Susly) Russia.
- 7. iv. KASPER KREUTZER, b. 1787, Herzog (Šusly) Russia; d. 1817, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.
- 8. v. ADAM KREUTZER, b. 1791, Herzog (Susly) Russia; d. 1852, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.

Generation No. 3

MICHAEL³ KREUTZER (*JOHANNES²*, *JOHANNAS GEORG¹*)⁸ was born 1776 in Herzog (Susly) Russia, and died 1848 in Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia. He married ANNA KATHARINE WITTMANN⁹ in Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia, daughter of MATHHIAS WITTMAN and MAGDALENA LEDERHOS. She was born 1783 in Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.

More About MICHAEL KREUTZER:

Changed Residence: 1796, Changed Residence from Herzog Russia to Rohleder, Russia

More About MICHAEL KREUTZER and ANNA WITTMANN: Marriage: Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia

Children of MICHAEL KREUTZER and ANNA WITTMANN are:

- 10. i. JOHANNES⁴ KREUTZER, b. 29 Jan 1803, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.
- 11. ii. JOHANN MICHAEL KREUTZER, b. 12 Apr 1807, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia; d. 14 Aug 1882, Liebental (Lubonironvka), Samara, Russia.

- 12. iii. ALOYSIUS KREUTZER, b. 26 Jun 1809, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia; d. 1861, Liebental (Lubonironvka), Samara, Russia.
- 13. iv. FRANZ KREUTZER, b. 1815, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.
- 14. v. MICHAEL KREUTZER, b. 1817, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.
 - vi. KATHARINA KREUTZER, b. 1820, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia.
 - vii. NICKOLAUS KREUTZER, b. 1825, Rohleder (Raskaty), Samara, Russia; m. ANNA MARIA¹⁰; b. 1829.

Generation No. 5



JOHANNES⁵ KREUTZER (*ALOYSIUS*⁴, *MICHAEL*³, *JOHANNES*², *JOHANNAS GEORG*¹)²⁵ was born 10 Jun 1855 in Louis (Ostrogovka), Russia²⁵, and died 29 Mar 1931 in Victoria Kansas²⁶. He married KATHERINA ASSELBORN 24 Nov 1874 in Liebental Russia, daughter of JACOB ASSELBORN and E. PFANNENSTIEL. She was born 17 Dec 1856 in Liebenthal, Russia, and died 02 Nov 1940 in Victoria Kansas.

Notes for JOHANNES KREUTZER:

Johannes was 76 years old when he died. He was twenty years old when he came to the U.S.

John was one of the founding fathers of Herzog, Kansas. He also help build the St. Fidelis Church in Victoria.

He left Saratov, Russia October 24, 1875 on the North-German Lloyd line to He arrived in Baltimore Maryland on November 23, 1876.

There were 2 other Kreutzer families that took passage on the USS Ohio (John died of Chronic Myocarditis meaning Inflammation of heart)

More About JOHANNES KREUTZER:

Burial: Victoria Cemetary Census: 1880, Lived in Herzog Township Kansas Education: 1900, Not able to read or write but was able to speak in English Immigration: 04 Apr 1876, Arrived in Herzog Kasas Immigration Arrived: 23 Nov 1875, Arrived in Baltimore Maryland on SS OHIO from Bremen, Germany Immigration Departed: 1875, SS OHIO

Saved 3 young family members from a stubborn horse and died of internal bleeding (Virgil) 08/2002 My father was one of them

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Notes for KATHERINA ASSELBORN: Katherine was 84 years old when she died. She was 19 years old when she arrived in the United States.

More About KATHERINA ASSELBORN: Burial: Victoria Cemetary Immigration Arrived: 23 Nov 1875, Arrived in Baltimore Maryland on SS OHIO from Bremen, Germany

More About JOHANNES KREUTZER and KATHERINA ASSELBORN: Marriage: 24 Nov 1874, Liebental Russia

Children of JOHANNES KREUTZER and KATHERINA ASSELBORN are:

- i. TWINS⁶, b. Jan 1876; d. Jan 1876.
 - Notes for TWINS:

they were probably born in Maryland they died on the way to Kansas and were buried along the railroad tracks.

I am estimating that they were born around January. Because Anna Marie Kreutzer was born November 16 1876. Nine months prior would be Feb 1876. this only leaves Jan to be the best estimate.

More About TWINS: Burial: The twins were stil born and buried along the side of a railroad on the way to Victoria Kansas

- ii. ANNA MARIE KREUTZER, b. 16 Nov 1876, Victoria Kansas; d. 19 Dec 1942, Victoria Kansas. 24. iii. ANTON KREUTZER, b. 06 Jun 1878, Victoria Kansas; d. 19 Jun 1879, Victoria Kansas.
- iv. CLARA KREUTZER, b. 30 Nov 1880, Victoria Kansas; d. 21 Jul 1919, St. Fidelis Cemetary, 25. Victoria Kansas.
- 26. v. MARGARETHA (MARGARET) KREUTZER, b. 25 Mar 1883, Victoria Kansas; d. 29 Oct 1957, Victoria Kansas.
- vi. ALOYSIUS A. KREUTZER, b. 12 Jan 1885, Victoria Kansas; d. 11 Oct 1952, Hays Kansas. 27.
 - vii. ADAM KREUTZER, b. 29 Nov 1886, Victoria Kansas; d. 21 Dec 1886, Victoria Kansas.
- viii. PETER J. KREUTZER, b. 21 Oct 1887, Victoria Kansas; d. 09 Jun 1967, Denver Colorado.
 ix. CATHARINA KREUTZER²⁷, b. 20 Apr 1890, Victoria Kansas²⁷; d. 21 Mar 1892, Victoria 28. Kansas²⁷.

Notes for CATHARINA KREUTZER: According to Tony Lieker book he has listed that Catharina died March 21 1892

- 29. x. ELIZABETH KREUTZER, b. 27 Apr 1892, Victoria Kansas; d. 07 Sep 1989, Victoria Kansas.
 - xi. SERAPHINA KREUTZER, b. 02 Nov 1894, Victoria, Kansas; d. 02 Nov 1894, Victoria, Kansas.
- 30. xii. FIDELIS JOHN KREUTZER, b. 05 Jun 1896, Victoria Kansas; d. 05 Feb 1966, Hays Kansas.
 - xiii. JOHN JOSEPH KREUTZER, b. 06 Jun 1896, Victoria Kansas; d. 31 Jul 1978, Commerce City Colorado.

xiv. KATHERINE KREUTZER, b. 28 Dec 1900, Victoria Kansas; d. 10 Dec 1903, Victoria Kansas.

Notes for KATHERINE KREUTZER: She died as an infant.

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According to the Kreutzer Bible her name is spelled with a "K" not a "C"



Generation No. 6

FIDELIS JOHN⁶ KREUTZER (*JOHANNES⁵*, *ALOYSIUS⁴*, *MICHAEL³*, *JOHANNES²*, *JOHANNAS GEORG¹*) was born 05 Jun 1896 in Victoria Kansas, and died 05 Feb 1966 in Hays Kansas. He married PHILOMENA IRENE KNOLL 20 May 1919 in Victoria Kansas, daughter of JOHANNAS KNOLL and ANNA LINENBERGER. She was born 31 Jul 1900 in Victoria Kansas, and died 24 Jan 1946 in Victoria Kansas.

Notes for FIDELIS JOHN KREUTZER:

Baptized in the St. Fidelis Church on June 7th 1896. He was baptized by Fr. Gabriel, O.F.Cap. Sponsors where : Joseph Goetz Margaret Braun

Marriage: 20 May 1919, Victoria Kansas

Children of FIDELIS KREUTZER and PHILOMENA KNOLL are:

- 80. i. JOSEPH⁷ KREUTZER, b. 11 Mar 1920, Victoria Kansas; d. 11 Mar 1920, Died in a feather blanket 30 minutes after birth. Joey was born in the barn at the first house
- 81. ii. GEORGINA KREUTZER, b. 10 Apr 1921, Victoria Kansas.
- 82. iii. NICHOLAS FIDELIS KREUTZER, b. 06 Dec 1922, Victoria Kansas; d. 07 Jan 2006, Hays, Kansas.
- 83. iv. ALOYSIUS (AL) KREUTZER, b. 28 Feb 1925, Victoria Kansas; d. 19 Mar 1992, Arvada, Colorado.
- 84. v. LUDWIG KREUTZER, b. 27 Sep 1926, Victoria Kansas; d. 17 Apr 2004, Hays, Kansas.
- 85. vi. VIRGIL KREUTZER, b. 18 Jun 1928, Victoria Kansas.
- vii. MARCELLUS FIDELIS KREUTZER, b. 31 Jan 1930, Victoria Kansas; d. 01 Jun 1982, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- 87. viii. MELVA MARIE KREUTZER, b. 17 Oct 1931, Victoria Kansas.
- 88. ix. LILLIAN LOUISE KREUTZER, b. 14 May 1933, Victoria Kansas.
- 89. x. ROSIE BERNICE KREUTZER, b. 02 Feb 1935, Victoria Kansas.
- 90. xi. IRMA DOLORES KREUTZER, b. 08 Mar 1937, Victoria Kansas.
- 91. xii. PHILOMENA BERTA KREUTZER, b. 22 Dec 1938, Victoria Kansas.
- 92. xiii. FIDELIS JOHN KREUTZER, b. 14 Nov 1940. Victoria Kansas.
- 93. xiv. GARY JOHN KREUTZER, b. 05 Jul 1942, Victoria Kansas; d. 27 Jul 2001, Denver Colorado.
 - xv. FIRMA JEAN KREUTZER, b. 10 Aug 1944, Victoria Kansas; d. 06 Sep 1947. Ferma Jean was a breach baby before she was born a doctor had to use an instrument to turn Ferma jean around. Irma says that Ferma Jean was a beautiful baby but she had seizers all the time.
- 94. xvi. FRANCIS CLAIR KREUTZER, b. 18 Jan 1946, Hays Kansas.



Generation No. 7

MARCELLUS FIDELIS⁷ KREUTZER (*FIDELIS JOHN⁶*, *JOHANNES⁵*, *ALOYSIUS⁴*, *MICHAEL³*, *JOHANNES²*, *JOHANNAS GEORG¹*) was born 31 Jan 1930 in Victoria

Kansas, and died 01 Jun 1982 in Indianapolis, Indiana. He married (1) JANICE LEE STONE, daughter of PETER STONE and MARY EVERETT. She was born 22 Oct 1939 in Indianapolis Indiana, and died 23 Jan 2007 in Indianapolis Indiana. He married (2) JANICE LEE STONE 18 Jun 1960 in Indianapolis, Indiana, daughter of PETER STONE and MARY EVERETT. She was born 22 Oct 1939 in Indianapolis Indiana, and died 23 Jan 2007 in Lawrence, Indiana.

More About MARCELLUS FIDELIS KREUTZER: Burial: 04 Jun 1982, Indianapolis Indiana

More About MARCELLUS KREUTZER and JANICE STONE: Marriage: 18 Jun 1960, Indianapolis, Indiana

Children of MARCELLUS KREUTZER and JANICE STONE are:

- 161. ii. **SHEILA MARIE⁸ KREUTZER**, b. 30 May 1962, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- 162. iii. MARK ALLEN KREUTZER, b. 25 Sep 1964, Indianapolis Indiana.
- 163. iv. SUZANNE RENE KREUTZER, b. 09 Oct 1966, Indianapolis, Indiana.

<u>The John Herman Family Reunion</u>

In 1907 – 08 Johannes Herman, his wife Elisabeth and their family including Cecelia, Alois, Nicolai, Johannes, Adolph, Pauline, Alexander and Caroline and some spouses, left Mariental, Russia. They arrived in Canada in 2008 and after traveling across Canada. Johannes homesteaded in the St. Walburg, Saskatchewan district in April 1909. To mark the 100th anniversary of this event the descendents of John Herman are holding a reunion in St. Walburg, SK, on August 1 & 2, 2009. Events include:

Aug 1 - Tour of John Herman's homestead

- Social evening at Norbert and Linda Oster's farm
- Aug 2 Social activities
 - Dinner at the Elk's Hall

Cost \$25.00 per adult and \$12.50 for children 3-12 yrs

For further information and to register for the Reunion, please contact: Jacquie Mysko Box 68 St. Walburg, Sask. SOM 2TO

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John Herman Family circa 1920.



Back row L – R Mary (Herman) Munro, Alois Trotter, John Rohr sr., Alex Herman, Adolph Herman, Alois Herman, Mary (Rohr) Northridge. 3rd row Elizabeth Trotter, Cecilia (Herman) Rohr, John Herman sr., Elizabeth Herman, Pauline Herman, Margaret Herman (Mrs. Alois) Emma (Herman) Rolheiser. 2nd row Molly (Herman) Eaton, John Herman, Elizabeth (Herman) Kincaid, Gunda (Herman) Esch, Mary (Herman) Roth, Clara Herman, Catherine (Herman) Jeanotte, John Rohr jr., Front row Rudy Herman, Alois Herman jr. (Lex) Gabriel Rohr.

WHISPER

(received from Vera Baljakava-Miller) These pictures are awesome. My grandfather left Mariental with his family (including my father, Anton

Kinderknecht) in 1908! Just looking at these pictures, and knowing that because of my grandfather's decision to leave Russia prevented my father from being caught up in this terrible famine. Our everyday problems seem so insignificant in comparison to what they had to endure.

Just in case you forget what it was like to die of starvation in Russia, here are some graphic photo-postcards.

Also we tend to forget that the Norwegian F Nansen actually raising the funds to help feed the children in the 1921-22 famine, esp in the Volga and Ukr. areas. These postcards were printed in Geneva, to help raise awareness and funds for the Famine Relief Organization.

At the same time, Nansen was trying to resettle 2-million refugees from the Russian revolution and civil war. He was the initiator of the Nansen Passport (for Russians stateless people).

He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for saving millions of people from famine and revolution.

Here is an amazing link which you really should include in your websites =

http://www.artukraine.com/famineart/famine10.htm

Additional sites worth looking at:

http://www.artukraine.com/famineart/nansen.htm http://www.artukraine.com/famineart/nansen2.htm

http://gallery.dspl.ru/Famine.html http://gallery.dspl.ru/Relief.html

1891-92 - other Russian & Volga Famine (a time when GR emigrated to N.american in huge numbers) - crop failure - <u>http://www.artukraine.com/famineart/russfam.htm</u>

and also:

Art, posters, postcards, including Alfredo Mucha to help raise money and conscience for FUND RAISING for the FAMINE.

Famine in picture, famine through art. It might be a Ukr-site but has plenty of pictures of Saratov also.

I was searching for "old postcards" on Saratov and found this instead.

Vera Beljakova-Miller