



HENRY BECKER

John Henry (Johann Heinrich) Becker (22 Aug 1798 - 28 Jul 1852) (#24 on the Becker lineage chart) is the son of Joh. Caspar Becker (#15 on the Becker lineage chart) and Maria Elisabeth Stroh (#124/4 on the Stroh lineage chart). He was born in Nieder-Gemunden, Germany. On 10 Jan 1822 he was married to Catherine (Katharina) Juliane Karl (24 Oct 1792 - 12 Nov 1865), daughter of Adam Karl of Elpenrod. In 1834 he joined the Giessen Society which was formed by Frederich Muench, the pastor of the Evangelical Church in Nieder-Gemunden, of which Henry was a member. Many of the members of this newly-formed society were well educated but Henry was a farmer. Henry came to America with his entire family and sailed on the Medora, a stately three-masted ship and arrived in Baltimore on 24 Jul 1834. The ship list included six children and his wife but nowhere else can there be found a record of the 15 year old daughter, Christine. She is not listed with the family on the German lineage chart nor in any of the census records in the United States. Perhaps she was from another family or traveling alone with the Beckers.

Gert Goebel, a passenger on the ship, who later became Henry Becker's son-in-law, gives a detailed account of their arrival in Baltimore and their trip to Missouri. After dropping anchor a doctor and some officials came aboard and after receiving a report from the captain departed without a glance at the immigrants. After the ship was tied in the harbor the sailors left and bedlam broke loose. Everyone wanted his baggage and chests first but no one knew where to find his own. Order was restored and soon everything was unloaded and restored to the owners on the dock. The customs inspector barely glanced at the baggage. After two months at sea it was a relief to stay in a hotel (agents were sent to the wharf to offer places to stay) and eat at a table.

The Society had already been dissolved on the trip and each one was paid back what he had put in. Friendships had been made so they decided to stay together for the trip west. Most of them were going to St. Louis, so they met again in Wheeling. One of the Society died a few days after landing, of cholera. Another one returned at once to Germany without seeing anything of America - to the amusement of the others. The few Germans they met in Baltimore shook their heads when they found that the newcomers were headed for Missouri. They were told of Indian scalplings, white robbers and murderers, wild animals, and poisonous snakes.

The trip to Wheeling on the Ohio had to be made by wagon. Drivers, who had brought freight from Pennsylvania to Baltimore, agreed to take them and their baggage to Wheeling. Frederick Muench, Henry Becker, and the Goebels decided to travel together and so hired two wagons. The drivers' headquarters was outside Baltimore, so it was a strange caravan that passed through town. The young people were heavily armed as they were sure they would encounter buffalo and bear before reaching the Ohio. They carried heavy guns and cutlasses at their side, which came in handy later for cutting corn for the cattle. One of the society's members had brought along

two goats on the sea voyage in order to have fresh milk for a sick child. One goat was given to a friend in Baltimore and the other was to go to Missouri. The goat and master led the procession down the street, followed by the heavily armed men, and the women and children walked on the sidewalk. The goat was tied behind one of the wagons at the headquarters but she refused to go another step. Finally she was sold to a farmer in Maryland.

The trip through Maryland and Pennsylvania was uneventful and slow; about 15 to 18 miles a day. Friendly people along the way asked them in. The men walked and led the way but the young people were often far ahead. The drivers would take shortcuts and meeting fellow travelers in inns and swapping stories was great.

On the 15th of August they arrived in Wheeling. The Ohio River was so low that only small boats could navigate it. After a week's delay a captain promised to take them on his boat, the "Fairy Queen". At very low places on the river the baggage had to be loaded on a flatboat and tied to the steamboat. One very heavy chest aroused everyone's curiosity and was so heavy that it couldn't be moved. A blacksmith, Dressel from Coburg, believing that blacksmithing was unknown in America, had packed his anvil, vice, large and small hammers, pliers, files, etc. and dragged them with him to America.

The captain was a friendly man and when he heard the Germans singing he was overjoyed. So night after night they sang. The most popular song among the immigrants was a revolutionary song of 34 stanzas, in which each of the German princes was remembered, and one kind of misfortune or another was wished upon him.

New foods were experienced by the immigrants. After their first bite of cornbread they laid it aside, disappointed, thinking it was cake. They soon learned to like it very much. In Cincinnati they ate their first watermelon. The fruit peddler handed them a container of fine salt which they sprinkled on liberally, thinking it was sugar. Another time they saw what looked like melons, only to find they were pumpkins when cut open.

At Paducah, Kentucky, because of the slow trip and the captain having promised engagements, they had to put their baggage on another boat, the "Herald". The crew and captain of this boat were rough and uncouth. They steamed up the Mississippi. A woman, Mrs. Meissner, fell overboard but was rescued and suffered no ill effects. A few days later she gave birth to a large, healthy son.

A few nights later they arrived in St. Louis, which looked cold and unattractive to them. There were few houses and the land was mostly without trees. A few immigrants stayed here and, through the rapid growth of the city, became quite well-to-do. Most of the members of the first Giessner Society had already gone to Illinois because they did not want to become residents of a slave state. A few had gone to Missouri.

The new immigrants settled mostly in western St. Charles County and eastern Warren County in Missouri. The land was hilly and the soil was poor but they cleared land and planted crops and showed their American neighbors what German diligence and frugality could accomplish. They raised enough on



STATE OF MISSOURI; St. Charles County,

IN ST. CHARLES CIRCUIT COURT *July* - **TERM, 1842**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this *20th* day of *July* - Eighteen Hundred and *forty two* personally appeared in open court, *Henry Becker*.

and applied to be admitted as a citizen of the United States. And it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that the said *Henry Becker*

had declared on oath taken in the *Circuit* court of *St. Charles Co.* in the State of *Missouri* on the *Eleventh* day of *May* Eighteen Hundred and *forty* - that it was *bona fide* his intention to become a citizen of the United States; and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court upon the testimony of *James*

McDermott and *John May* witnesses, citizens of the United States that the said *Henry Becker* - hath resided in the United States five years at least and one year at least immediately preceding ~~this application~~ within the State of Missouri, that during the said term of five years he has conducted himself as a man of good moral character; attached to the principles of the constitution of the United States and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same: and the said *Henry Becker*.

having in open court declared on oath that he will support the constitution of the United States and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure forever all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State and Sovereignty whatever and particularly to *the Duke of Saxe*

Demuntz of whom he was last a subject. THEREUPON the court admits the said *Henry*

Becker. as a citizen of the United States.

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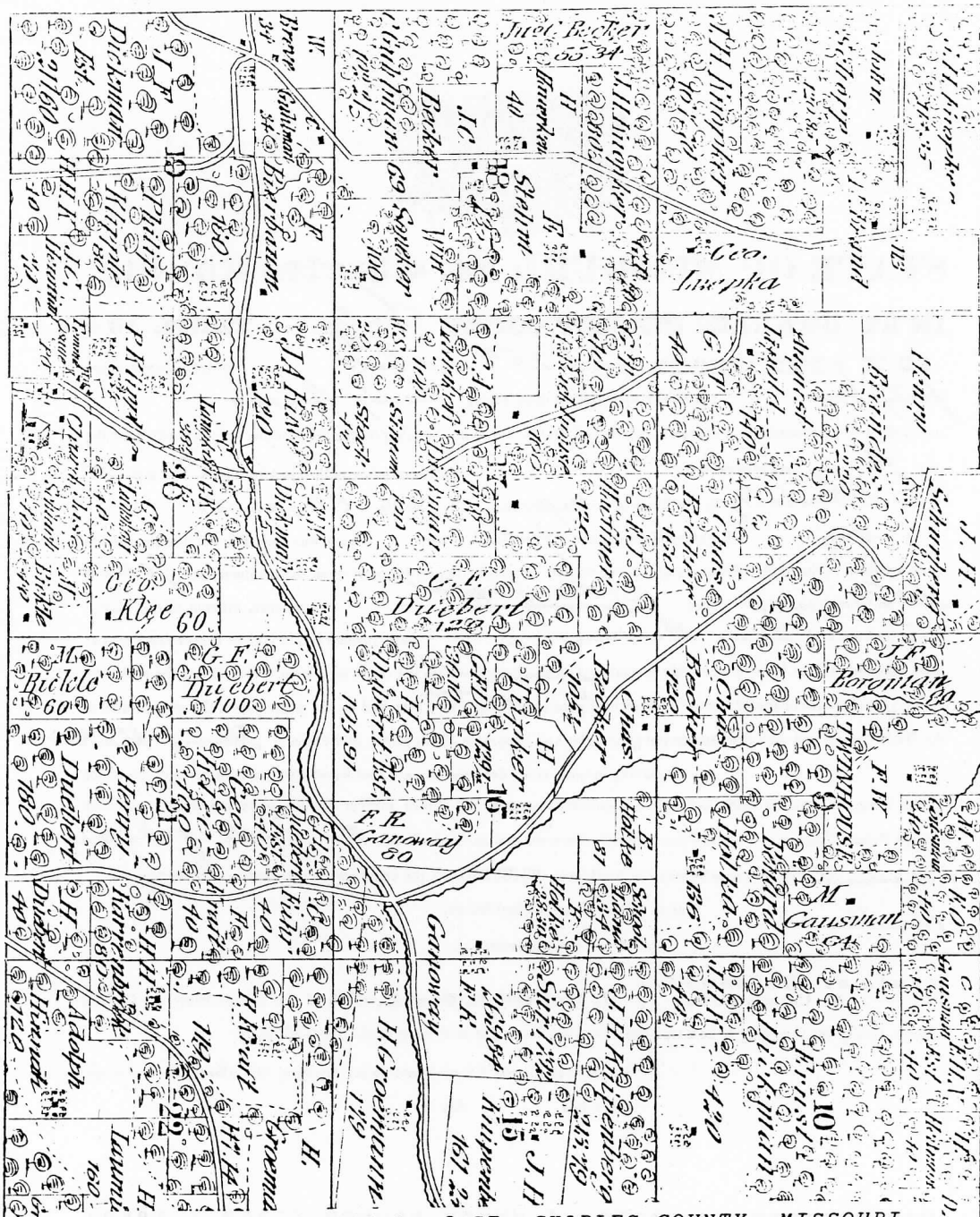
State of Missouri. }
ST. CHARLES COUNTY. }

I, Ludwell E. Powell, Clerk of the circuit court St. Charles

county, certify the foregoing to be a true copy from the Record of said court at the Term aforesaid

IN witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said court this day of 18

NATURALIZATION PAPER of HENRY BECKER (1798 - 1852)



TOWNSHIP 45, RANGE 1 of ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI

Taken from 1875 Illustrated Atlas of St. Charles County, MO, page 44.

SECTIONS 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22.

their small farms that soon they were able to lay back a little money and buy some more land. As the second generation grew up the older people often bought the farms of their American neighbors and divided them among their children.

The Henry Becker family settled near Femme Osage in St. Charles County. This land was in Sections 9 and 16 in Township 45 North, Range 1 East. On the plat map of 1875 it is shown in his son's name, Charles (Carl) Becker. After the death of Henry Becker his widow and children agreed upon the following disposition of the estate (translated from German):

The surviving legal heirs of the deceased Henry Becker, who on the 28th of July 1852 died in Femme Osage Township, Saint Charles County, Missouri and whose heirs have all reached the legal age of majority, i.e., the widow of the deceased Henry Becker, Juliane Karl, Catherine Becker, Caroline Goebel nee Becker with consent of her husband Gert Goebel, Carl Becker, Juliane Becker and Lisette Engel nee Becker with consent of her husband Adolph Engel, are agreed on this day to dispose of the estate, real estate as well as movable assets of Henry Becker deceased without a testament, in the following manner:

First the widow of the deceased Henry Becker, Juliane nee Karl remains in unrestricted possession, of all real property comprised of a farm in Femme Osage Township, St. Charles County, Missouri, to which belongs the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Ninth Section in Township 45, R. 1 eastwards, the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Ninth Section in Township 45, R. 1 eastwards and the same eighty acres more or less in the Sixteenth Section, which had been purchased by the deceased Henry Becker from the State of Missouri as school land, and for which the grant is still missing from the State of Missouri, during her natural lifetime. After her death of the named Juliane Karl widowed Becker are all of the undersigned heirs of the deceased Henry Becker committing to the son of the named deceased Henry Becker, Carl Becker, her rights to the aforementioned property or real property to be conveyed by valid legal property title, and oblige themselves, their heirs, administrators, or executors herewith to fulfill faithfully, in settlement of which the named co-heir Carl Becker pays to each of the co-undersigned heirs, i.e., to Catherine Becker the sum of one hundred fifty dollars, to Caroline Goebel nee Becker and her husband Gert Goebel the sum of one hundred fifty dollars, to Juliane Becker the sum of one hundred fifty dollars, and to Lisette Engel nee Becker and her husband Adolph Engel the sum of one hundred fifty dollars, and upon the subsequent death of the named Juliane Becker, widow of the deceased Henry Becker, in cash.

Second, the named Juliane Becker widow of the deceased Henry Becker remains not only in undisturbed possession of the aforementioned real property and all residential houses and all other structures and cultivated land, but also remains in possession of all house and kitchen equipment, as they were available at the death of the named Henry Becker. Everything during her natural lifetime.

Third, all of the undersigned heirs herewith sell and transfer the entire cattle and agricultural business, as it now was available at the time of the death of the named Henry Becker, with the exception of one horse and one cow which will be held for the benefit of the widowed Mrs. Juliane Becker during her natural lifetime, to the co-undersigned Carl Becker for the sum of Four hundred twenty eight dollars, which same shall be paid in following amounts, namely, to his sister Catherine Becker, cash of two hundred seventy two dollars and to his sister Juliane Becker cash in the amount of one hundred fifty six dollars.

Witnesseth the above, all of the aforementioned heirs of the deceased Henry Becker on this day, the twenty-sixth of August, Eighteen Hundred Fifty Two sign our names and set our seals:

Juliane Becker, nee Karl
Catherine Becker
Caroline Goebel, nee Becker
Gert Goebel as husband
Carl Becker
Juliane Becker
Lisette Engel, nee Becker
Adolph Engel as husband

Henry Becker became an American citizen on 26 Jul 1842. Henry and his wife, Catherine Juliane are buried in the old cemetery of the Femme Osage

Evangelical Church (now the United Church of Christ) in Femme Osage, Missouri. They had five children:

Marie Catherine (Maria Katharina) Becker (5 Dec 1822-before 8 Apr 1904)

Caroline (Karoline) Becker (17 Aug 1824 - 23 Mar 1864)

Carl (Karl) Becker (17 Jul 1827 - 4 (or 14) Apr 1898)

Juliane Becker (17 Feb 1829 - 26 Feb 1905)

Elizabeth (Elisabeth) Becker (4 Nov 1831 - 1888)

MARIE CATHERINE BECKER

Marie Catherine (Maria Katharina) Becker (5 Dec 1822 - before 8 Apr 1904), oldest daughter of John Henry (Johann Heinrich) Becker and Catherine Juliane (Katharina Juliane) Karl, was born in Nieder-Gemunden, Germany. She was 11 1/2 years old when she came to America with her parents. On 12 May 1863 she was married to Fred Valentine at the Femme Osage Evangelical Church. They lived near Cottleville, Missouri. They had one child:

Henry Valentine (30 Dec 1867 - ?)

Henry Valentine (30 Dec 1867 - ?), only child of Fred Valentine and Marie Catherine Becker, was baptized at the Femme Osage Evangelical Church. Not much is known about the above family but the 1900 Federal Census listed Henry as an inmate at the Emmaus Home (an institution for the mentally handicapped) at Marthasville, Missouri.

CAROLINE BECKER

Caroline (Karoline) Becker (17 Aug 1824 - 23 Mar 1864), daughter of John Henry (Johann Heinrich) Becker and Catherine Juliane (Katharina Juliane) Karl, was born in Nieder-Gemunden, Germany. She was 10 years old when she came to America with her parents. Her future husband, Gert Goebel (1 Apr 1816 - 9 Sep 1896), oldest son of David W. Goebel and Henriette Kessel of Coburg, Germany, arrived on the same ship, with his parents, when he was 18 years old. They were married on 18 Mar 1842 in Warren County, Missouri. They lived on a farm in Franklin County, Missouri.

Gert Goebel was a French, German, and Latin scholar. He received his English education in the United States. He farmed until 1849, when he was appointed his father's deputy surveyor. In 1851 he was elected to the office of County Surveyor, which office he held for four years. He was a staunch Union man and spoke out against slavery. In 1862 he was elected to the Senate representing Franklin, Gasconade, and Osage Counties and reelected in 1866, serving for four years. Prior to the war he was a Benton Democrat, but after the opening of the rebellion he became a Republican. In 1870 he was appointed chief clerk of the State Register office and served 18 months. After that he retired to his country home where he was engaged in literary work of various kinds. In 1877 he published a book in German, "Longer than a Lifetime in Missouri". Mr. Goebel made a translation of the book but it was never printed. The book depicts the life of the first German immigrants and of the American backwoodsman. In his early life he spent a large part of his time in hunting.

Gert Goebel described his wife as a simple, brave farm girl from a highly regarded family. She was an exemplary housewife, a good mother and her good-heartedness showed in her eyes. At the time of her death he honored her with the following eulogy: "The deceased was a person of beauty and fidelity, devoted to genuine, animated womanhood, and for our children she was an excellent and irreplaceable mother". Gert Goebel and his wife are buried in a private cemetery on the farm. The inscription on his tombstone reads: "The furtherance of human rights in general was the high purpose of his richly active life".

Unfortunately, no present day descendants of this couple have been found but certainly there are some, not only in Franklin County but all over the country. It is known that Gert and Caroline had 10 children, three of whom died in infancy. The seven remaining children (not necessarily in birth order) are:

August Goebel
Julia Goebel
Emilie Goebel
Cecilie Goebel
Adolph Goebel
Charles (Carl) Goebel
Edward Goebel

August Goebel (?), son of Gert Goebel and Caroline Becker, was born in Franklin County, Missouri. On 2 Jun 1861 he enlisted in the Missouri Reserve Guard. After discharge he served at various times as a guide for United States troops. He was married in 1865 (wife's name unknown). In 1888 he was elected Collector of Revenue in Franklin County and served three terms. August Goebel is the father of four daughters (names unknown):

Julia Goebel (? - before 8 Apr 1904), daughter of Gert Goebel and Caroline Becker, was born in Franklin County, Missouri. In 1864 she married Major August Spinner (Julia Becker's will reads Skinner) of the Missouri Militia, Co. D. Julia was a widow in 1888. August and Julia had three children:

Lina Spinner
Elenore Spinner
Theodore Spinner

Emilie Goebel (?), daughter of Gert Goebel and Caroline Becker, was born in Franklin County, Missouri. Emilie married Benton Osterwald, a blacksmith by trade. They had three children. A son Julius became a civil

engineer and died in Old Mexico. Mathilda "Tillie" Becker, a second cousin of Emilie, had two Osterwald names, Annette and Cecile, in her birthday book and they could perhaps be children of this couple.

Julius Osterwald (?)
? Cecile Osterwald (18 Feb 1871 - ?)
? Annette Osterwald (18 May 1882 - ?)

Cecile Goebel (? - ?), daughter of Gert Goebel and Caroline Becker, was born in Franklin County, Missouri. Cecilie was married in 1890(?) to John Felix Lindauer (5 Nov 1859 - ?), a farmer, and lived in Washington, Missouri. John Felix Lindauer was born in Pennsylvania and came to Franklin County, Missouri, in 1868. They lived on the farm until 1919 and also owned large farms in Kansas and Texas. It is not known if they had children.

Adolph Goebel (? - ?), son of Gert Goebel and Caroline Becker, was born in Franklin County, Missouri. Adolph entered the mercantile business at Chamois, Missouri, and was also a postmaster at Morrison, Missouri. Later he went to North Dakota, Colorado, Utah, and finally to New York where all trace was lost of him. Adolph was also corresponding secretary of one of the largest mining companies in Colorado. It is not known if he was married or if he had any children.

Charles (Carl) Goebel (? - ?), son of Gert Goebel and Caroline Becker, was born in Franklin County, Missouri. Charles Goebel became a farmer. He married Bertha Frick (?), daughter of Capt. Adolph Frick and Elvina Vitt of Franklin County, Missouri. They had one son:

Erwin Goebel

Erwin Goebel (?), son of Charles Goebel and Elvina Vitt, had three sons:

Edward Goebel (? - before 8 Apr 1904), son of Gert Goebel and Caroline Becker, was born in Franklin County, Missouri. Edward Goebel became a druggist and had his business in Louisville, Kentucky. He had one daughter who lived in Portland, Oregon:

CARL BECKER

Carl Becker (17 Jul 1827 - 14 (4?) Apr 1898), only son of John Henry (Johann Heinrich) Becker and Catherine (Katharina) Juliane Karl, was born in Nieder-Gemunden, Germany. He came to America with his parents when he was 7 years old. He was married to Louise Wilhelmine Frederike Meier (9 Dec 1838 - 10 Mar 1861). She died from childbirth when their first child was born.

Carl was a farmer and stock raiser and lived on the family farm near Femme Osage, Missouri, in Sections 8, 9, and 16 in Township 45 North, Range 1 East. This land was acquired by his father and himself through various land patents from the United States Government and the State of Missouri. Carl raised a lot of barley which he sold to the Fischbach Brewery in St. Charles. The barley was hauled to St. Charles in a wagon with two teams of horses and the trip required three days - one day going, second day for unloading and loading supplies and the third day for the return trip. Carl and Theodore Becker (sons of his cousin, John Casper) often helped thresh barley after school on Friday and all day Saturday. The bundles of barley were stored in the wheat barn so they could thresh all winter. This was done with a small threshing machine driven by horse power. Carl always asked his cousin's children to call him Uncle Carl.

Carl was quite well-to-do and donated the iron fence and a clock to the Femme Osage Church. In his will he bequeathed all of his estate to his sister, Julia, who kept house for him for many years.

Carl Becker's will is as follows:

I, Carl Becker of the County of St. Charles in the State of Missouri, being of sound mind and memory, do make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, that is to say:

After all my just debts are paid and discharged, I give, devise and bequeath to my sister, Julia Becker, all of my Real Estate of which I may be in possession of at the time of my death, situated in Sections 8, 9, and 16, Township 45, Range 1 E, St. Charles County, Missouri, during her natural life. She to have and receive the rents, profits and income from the same during her natural life and after her death my said Real Estate shall be sold by my hereinafter named Executor or in case of his death or inability to serve, then by the acting Sheriff of St. Charles County, Missouri at public sale on the premises for cash. Legal notice to be given of the place, time and terms and proceeds of said sale of said Real Estate shall be divided as follows:

One half to be equally divided amongst the following charitable Institutions and Missions: **Emmaus** Institute for Epileptics and Idiots at Marthasville, Mo., Evangelical Seminary at Eden, St. Louis County, Mo., Pro Seminary at Elmhurst, Ill. and the Home and Indian Mission conducted by the Evangelical Synod of North America. The other one half of the proceeds of said sale, to my collateral heirs and be divided and distributed among them as the laws of the State of Missouri directs and requires.

Second, I give and bequeath all of my personal property consisting of money, notes, bonds, etc. of which I may die possessed of as follows: one half of the same to be equally divided amongst the following charitable Institutions and Missions: **Emmaus** Institute for Epileptics and Idiots at Marthasville, Mo., Evangelical Seminary at Eden, St. Louis Co., Mo., Pro Seminary at Elmhurst, Ill., and the Home and Indian Mission conducted by the Evangelical Synod of North America. The other one half of my personal property to my collateral heirs, and be divided and distributed among them as the laws of the State of Missouri directs and requires.

Third, I give and bequeath to my sister, Julia Becker, all of my household and kitchen furniture.

And I hereby appoint H. F. Knippenberg as Executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 7th day of January 1898.

Charles Becker (Seal)

Carl's wife and child are buried in a private cemetery on her parents' farm near Femme Osage located in Section 23, Township 45, Range 1 East. Carl is buried in the Femme Osage Evangelical Church Cemetery. Their child lived only a few months:

Wilhelmine Agnes Juliane Becker (10 Mar 1861 - 2 Jul 1861)

JULIANE BECKER

Juliane Becker (17 Feb 1829 - 26 Feb 1905), daughter of John Henry (Johann Heinrich) Becker and Catherine (Katharina) Juliane Karl, was born in Nieder-Gemunden, Germany. She came to America with her parents when she was 5 years old. Juliane was never married and after the death of her mother she kept house for her brother, Carl, for 33 years. After Carl's death her cousin's son Theodore Becker (son of John Casper), stayed with her for four years and did the farm work. Later, two other children of John Casper, Carl and Tillie Becker, rented the farm and lived there until Julia's death. Julia is buried in the Femme Osage Evangelical Church Cemetery.

According to her brother Carl's will the farm was sold on 22 Jul 1905 at public auction in front of the dwelling on the farm to the highest bidder. The farm consisted of 397.28 acres, more or less, located in Sections 8, 9, and 16 in Township 45 North, Range 1 East (shown on Plat Map under Charles Becker). William and Edward Joerling purchased the farm for \$4,315.

Julia Becker left the following will (translated from German):

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Julia Becker, born the seventeenth of February, 1829, and residing in Femme Osage, St. Charles County, Missouri, of sound mind and full faculties herewith make my last will and testament.

First: All of my furniture, beds, house and kitchen ware, generally everything of such nature which is in my house at the time of my death, as well as everything which is still there in the form of farm tools, as well as my clothes, I bequeath to Mrs. Emilie Osterwald and Mrs. Cecillie Lindauer.

Second: The half of my remaining assets I bequeath to my nephews and nieces, accordingly that Henry Valentine, the only child of my deceased sister Catherine Valentine, receives a third thereof, the children of my deceased sister Caroline Goebel receive a third thereof, namely, Lina, Elenore and Theodore Skinner, who are the children of my deceased niece Julia Skinner, together receive one-eighteenth (1/18), that August Goebel, Carl Goebel, Emilie Osterwald, Cecillie Lindauer, each receive one eighteenth (1/18), that the daughter of my deceased nephew Edward Goebel, whose name I do not know, receives one eighteenth (1/18) and that the children of my deceased sister Lisette Heidmann receive a third thereof, namely Alfred Heidmann, Carl Heidmann and Julia Meredith, each one ninth (1/9) of the half of my assets.

Third: The other half of my remaining assets I bequeath in equal parts to the following Evangelical institutions:

1. The Evangelical Synod of North America
2. The Evangelical Theological Seminary at Eden, St. Louis County, Missouri
3. The Evangelical Pro-Seminary at Elmhurst, Dupage County, Illinois
4. The Evangelical Deaconess House, No. 4117 West Bell Place, St. Louis, Missouri

5. The German Protestant Orphan Asylum on the St. Charles Rock Road, St. Louis County, Missouri
6. The Evangelical Charitable Samaritan Hospital at St. Louis, Missouri
7. The Missouri Emmaus Institute for Epileptics and Idiots near Marthasville in Warren County, Missouri

Fourth: I wish that the aforementioned legacies be paid out as quickly as the law allows.

Fifth: I rescind herewith all previous testaments.

Sixth: I name herewith Theodore Bruere in St. Charles, Missouri, executor to my testament and wish that as such he need not put up any bond.

To witness I have here under in the presence of the undersigned witnesses set my name today April, 8, 1904

Julia Becker

ELIZABETH BECKER

Elizabeth Becker (4 Nov 1831 - 1888), youngest daughter of John Henry (Johann Heinrich) Becker and Catherine (Katharina) Juliane Karl, was born in Nieder-Gemunden, Germany. She was 2 years old when she came to America with her parents in 1834. Elizabeth was married twice. She married Dr. Frederick Heidmann, the first doctor in New Haven, Missouri, then known as The Landing. She left him when their children were small and married Adolph Engel and lived in Holstein, Missouri. According to a deed written 28 Jul 1852 after the death of Elizabeth's father, she was married to Adolph Engel at that time. However, the Heidmann children were born in the 1860s, which makes one question when she was married to whom. Following are the children of Elizabeth and Frederick Heidmann:

Julie Heidmann (1864 - 22 Dec 1928)

Alfred Heidmann(- 3 Mar 1935)

Charles Henry Adolph Heidmann (7 Dec 1865 - 29 Aug 1941)

Julie Heidmann (1864 - 22 Dec 1928), daughter of Frederick Heidmann and Elizabeth Becker was married to Dr. Charles Meredith. They lived in St. Louis and had one son:

Russell Meredith

Alfred Heidmann (- 3 Mar 1935), son of Frederick Heidmann and Elizabeth Becker, was married to Anna Waltz. Alfred was a doctor and lived in Columbia, Missouri. He and Anna had two sons who owned and operated The Corner Drug Store in Columbia. Alfred and Anna had two sons:

Gene Heidmann

Oliver Heidmann

Charles (Carl) Henry Heidmann (7 Dec 1865 - 29 Aug 1941), was a farmer, a Justice of the Peace of Franklin County, and a Notary Public. He was married three times. His first wife, married 17 Feb 1887, was Anna Groppe (19 Apr ? - 10 Jan 1890) who died when their only child, a son, was a baby. He was then married 20 Nov 1890 to Marie Brauks^{who died 29 Apr 1891.} His third marriage was to Louisa Beiermann (28 Feb 1871 - 28 Nov 1946), daughter of Julius Bieremann and Carolina Barner. Other spellings of the Beiermann name are Bieremann and Beirmann. They were married 3 Dec 1891 at Gerald, Missouri, and had eight children. The nine children of Charles Henry Heidmann are:

Frederick Charles Heidmann (13 Nov 1888 - 15 Mar 1961)
Ella Louise Heidmann (14 Oct 1892 - 10 Oct 1981)
Adolph T. Heidmann (5 Jan 1894 - 22 Jul 1949)
Paul Heidmann (6 Mar 1896 - 11 Nov 1946)
Flora Heidmann (29 Apr 1898 - 28 Jun? 1912)
Edna Heidmann (born 24 Oct 1900)
Bondie G. Heidmann (born 10 Sep 1903)
Chester Heidmann (7 Jun? 1908 - 17 Jul 1910)
Herbert Charles Heidmann (born 19 Jan 1911)
also two daughters with Louisa Beiermann died in infancy

Frederick Charles Heidmann (13 Nov 1888 - 15 Mar 1961), son of Charles Henry Heidmann and Anna Groppe, was married on 11 Sep 1918 to Leola C. Zeugin (20 May 1896 - 25 May 1978). Frederick first lived in New Haven, Missouri, and then moved to Washington, Missouri. He was a Justice of the Peace and in real estate. Frederick's mother died when he was a baby and his father remarried twice. Frederick and Leola had three children:

Elmer Charles Frederick Heidmann (born 21 Jan 1920)
Florine Pauline Leola Heidmann (born 8 Nov 1924)
Lavern Louise Heidmann (5 Feb 1927 - 7 Feb 1934)

Elmer Charles Frederick Heidmann (born 21 Jan 1920), oldest child of Frederick Charles Heidmann and Leola C. Zeugin, was married on 23 Feb 1945 to Lucille Barnhart (born 21 Jun 1922), daughter of Gus Hiram Barnhart and Josie Elizabeth Russell. Elmer is a pharmacist in Washington, Missouri. He and Lucille have four children:

Charles Michael Heidmann (born 28 Jan 1947)
Steven Paul Heidmann (born 15 Sep 1952)
Mark Allen Heidmann (born 21 Jul 1954)
Scott Neal Heidmann (born 30 Jun 1959)

Charles Michael Heidmann (born 28 Jan 1947), oldest son of Elmer Charles Frederick Heidmann and Lucille Barnhart, was married on 14 Feb 1970 to Cheryl Taylor (born 30 Dec 1946), daughter of Virdon and Elsie Mae Taylor. They had one son and were divorced in 1982. On 19 Nov 1983 he married Barbara Marquart who had a daughter. Charles and Barbara also have a daughter. Charles has two children and a stepdaughter:

Tyson Michael Heidmann (born 16 Aug 1977)
Chantell Marquart (born ?)
Danielle Cherie Heidmann (born 27 Apr 1985)

Steven Paul Heidmann (born 15 Sep 1952), son of Elmer Charles Frederick Heidmann and Lucille Barnhart, was married on 18 Feb 1878 to Melinda Livengood (born 16 Feb 1957), daughter of Edgar and Bonnie Livengood. Steven and Melinda have three children:

Sean Steven Heidmann (born 17 Apr 1981)
Amy Nicole Heidmann (born 27 Jan 1985)
Casey Lynn Heidmann (born 15 Jun 1986)

Mark Allen Heidmann (born 21 Jul 1954), son of Elmer Charles Frederick Heidmann and Lucille Barnhart, was married on 10 Feb 1979 to Karen Lee Heman (born 6 Jan 1956), daughter of Maynard Heman and Ida Mae Bollman. They were divorced on 20 Jun 1984.

Scott Neal Heidmann (born 30 Jun 1959), youngest son of Elmer Charles Frederick Heidmann and Lucille Barnhart, was married on 5 Jun 1982 to Kim Matthews (born 21 Apr 1959), daughter of Gary and Sally Matthews.

Florine Pauline Leola Heidmann (born 8 Nov 1924), daughter of Frederick Charles Heidmann and Leola C. Zeugin, was married on 9 Oct 1948 to Anton Esser (born 8 May 1918), son of Berney H. Esser and Amelia Stauder. They have three children:

Robert Bernard Esser (born 8 Jul 1950)
Berney Heidmann Esser (born 26 Jul 1955)
Barbara Ann Esser (born 27 Apr 1962)

Robert Bernard Esser (born 8 Jul 1950), oldest son of Anton Esser and Florine Pauline Leola Heidmann, is single.

Berney Heidmann Esser (born 26 Jul 1955), son of Anton Esser and Florine Pauline Leola Heidmann, was married on 28 Oct 1978 to Debra Taylor, daughter of Terry and Mary Taylor. They have two children:

Joshua Anthony Esser (born 13 Feb 1982)
Jason Ryan Esser (born 11 Jun 1985)

Barbara Ann Esser (born 27 Apr 1962), youngest child of Anton Esser and Florine Pauline Leola Heidmann, is single.

Lavern Louise Heidmann (5 Feb 1927 - 7 Feb 1934), youngest daughter of Frederick Charles Heidmann and Leola C. Zeugin, died at the age of 7.

Ella Louise Heidmann (14 Oct 1892 - 10 Oct 1981), daughter of Charles Henry

Heidmann and Louise Beiremann, was born near Boef Creek near Gerald, Missouri. She was married to Leslie George Kohlbusch (23 Apr 1889 - 21 Nov 1959). They have lived in Union, Hermann (where he owned a tavern), and Overland, Missouri. When Ella died her body was donated to the University of Missouri Medical School. Ella and Leslie had one son:

Virgil John Leslie Kohlbusch (29 Jan 1915 - 16 Jan 1966)

Virgil John Leslie Kohlbusch (29 Jan 1915 - 16 Jan 1966), only child of Leslie George Kohlbusch and Ella Louise Heidmann, was married on 25 Dec 1936 to Esther Marie Heidbreder (born 5 May 1916), daughter of Henry William Heidbreder and Lena Amelia Goers, in Hermann, Missouri. Later they moved to St. Louis. Virgil and Esther had two children:

Kay Edna Kohlbusch (born 7 Jul 1940)

Kent Virgil Kohlbusch (born 25 Apr 1942)

Kay Edna Kohlbusch (born 7 Jul 1940), oldest child of Virgil John Leslie Kohlbusch and Esther Marie Heidbreder, *married on 26 Nov 1960* Billy 'Bill' Ray Bass (born 17 Jan 1933), son of James Martin Bass and Elsie Martha Prahl. They live in Florissant, Missouri. Kay and Bill have two children:

Kenneth Ray Bass (born 25 Apr 1963)

Steven Michael Bass (born 27 May 1965)

Kent Virgil Kohlbusch (born 25 Apr 1942), youngest child of Virgil John Leslie Kohlbusch and Esther Marie Heidbreder, *married on 1 Jun 1960* Wilma Anita Meyer, daughter of Edwin and Amelia Meyer. Kent and Anita have three children:

Scott Kent Kohlbusch (born 4 Jun 1964)

Eric Brian Kohlbusch (born 4 Oct 1967)

Traci Rachele Kohlbusch (born 5 Mar 1969)

Adolph T. Heidmann (5 Jan 1894 - 22 Jul 1949), son of Charles Henry Heidmann and Louisa Beiremann, was married to Olga Hoemann. Adolph owned a tavern. he and Olga had one child:

Opal Anna Heidmann (3? Sep 1925 - 27 Dec 1985)

Opal Anna Heidmann (3? Sep 1925 - 27 Dec 1985), daughter of Adolph T. Heidmann and Olga Hoemann, was married to Elmer 'Tuggles' O. Wilmesherr (? - 9 Dec 1984). Elmer owned a used car lot, 'Tuggles Used Cars', in Washington, Missouri. He and Opal have one son:

Glen Michael Wilmesherr (born 18 Feb 1948)

Glen Michael Wilmesherr (born 18 Feb 1948), son of Elmer O. Wilmesherr and Opal Anna Heidmann, is married to Mary _____. Mike lives in Washington, Missouri, and now runs his father's used car lot. Mike and Mary have two children, names unknown.

Paul Heidmann (6 Mar 1896 - 11 Nov 1946), son of Charles Henry Heidmann and Louisa Beiremann, was married to Della Lafemann. They lived in Hermann, Missouri, where they owned a restaurant. They had no children.

Flora Heidmann (29 Apr 1898 - 28 Jun? 1912), daughter of Charles Henry Heidmann and Louisa Beiremann, died at the age of almost fourteen.

Edna Heidmann (born 24 Oct 1900), daughter of Charles Henry Heidmann and Louisa Beiremann, married Paul Kuhn (died 29 Jan 1979), son of a Methodist minister. They celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on 24 Oct 1971 with an open house. Paul owns a car dealership in New Haven, Missouri. Paul and Edna have two children:

Harold Kuhn (born 27 Mar 1922)

Kenneth Kuhn (born ?)

Harold Kuhn (born 27 Mar 1922), oldest son of Paul Kuhn and Edna Heidmann, is married to Jewell _____. They live in New Haven, Missouri. Harold and Jewell have three children:

Jane Kuhn

John Kuhn

Jim Kuhn

Jane Kuhn (born _____), oldest child of Harold and Jewell Kuhn, is married to Kenneth Schriewer. They have three children:

Nancy Schriewer

Brett Schriewer

Malinda Schriewer

Kenneth Kuhn (born _____), youngest son of Paul Kuhn and Edna Heidmann, is married to Erna _____. They live in New Haven, Missouri. Kenneth and Erna have three children:

Gary Kuhn

Kay Kuhn

Karen Kuhn

Bondie G. Heidmann (born 10 Sep 1903), son of Charles Henry Heidmann and Louisa Beiermann, was married on 1 Apr 1924 to Carolina J. Potts (24 Nov 1906 - 18 Dec 1977), daughter of John Chris Potts and Wilhelmina Thilkie. Bondie was first a barber and later became a concrete contractor in Washington, Missouri. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1974. Bondie and Carrie have four children:

Betty Jane Louisa Heidmann (born 11 Aug 1925)

Bondie Charles Heidmann (born 4 Mar 1928)

Stanley Charles Victor Heidmann (born 16 May 1936)
Charlotte Marie Heidmann (born 16 Jul 1945)

Betty Jane Louisa Heidmann (born 11 Aug 1925), oldest daughter of Bondie G. Heidmann and Carolina J. Potts, was born in Hermann, Missouri. On 12 Feb 1948 she was married to Norman Lee Jonas (born 21 Oct 1923), son of Lee Jonas and Katheryn Wiggins. They live in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, and have three children:

Sarah Kathryn Jonas (born 21 Jul 1955)
Lee Allison Jonas (born 9 Nov 1956)
George Alan Jonas (born 31 Jan 1960)

Sarah Kathryn Jonas (born 21 Jul 1955), oldest child of Norman Lee Jonas and Betty Jane Louisa Heidmann, was born in Hermann, Missouri. On 21 Sep 1985 she was married to Gary Lee Todd, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lee Todd. Sarah has a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology from Oklahoma State University and is presently employed as Supervisor of the Virology Department at Oklahoma Children's Memorial Hospital in Oklahoma City.

Lee Allison Jonas (born 9 Nov 1956), son of Norman Lee Jonas and Betty Jane Louisa Heidmann, lives in Houston Texas, and is single.

George Alan Jonas (born 31 Jan 1960), youngest son of Norman Lee Jonas and Betty Jane Louisa Heidmann, lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and is single.

Bondie Charles Heidmann (born 4 Mar 1928), son of Bondie G. Heidmann and Carrie J. Potts, was born in Hermann, Missouri. He was married on 10 Nov 1949 to Virginia Arnsmeier (born 17 Jul 1930), daughter of Leo and Vicki Arnsmeier. They live in Washington, Missouri, and have four children:

James H. Heidmann (born 17 Jul 1950)
Cynthia Dawn Heidmann (born 20 Oct 1956)
Brenda Kay Heidmann (born 28 Feb 1958)
Ava Lee Heidmann (born 28 Nov 1966)

James H. Heidmann (born 17 Jul 1950), oldest child of Bondie C. Heidmann and Virginia Arnsmeier, is married to Roslynn Alfermann, daughter of Herbert Alfermann and Hilda Kleekamp. They have two children:

James Nathan Heidmann (born 6 May 1977)
Sarah Beth Heidmann (born Aug 1980)

Cynthia Dawn Heidmann (born 22 Oct 1956), daughter of Bondie Charles Heidmann and Virginia Arnsmeier, was married on 1 Jun 1974 to Glenn Hamann. They had one child and are divorced. Cynthia was married to Roger Weiskopf (born 16 Feb 1954) in June 1979. Cynthia has one child:

Julie Ann Hamann (born 10 Nov 1974)

Brenda Kay Heidmann (born 28 Feb 1958), daughter of Bondie Charles Heidmann and Virginia Arnsmeier, was married on 26 May 1979 to John Kukay (born 16 Oct 1955), son of Peter Kukay and Juanita Reiber. They live in St. Louis and have two children:

Heidi Ann Kukay (born 29 Oct 1979)
Greta Marie Kukay (born 28 Nov 1982)

Ava Lee Heidmann (born 28 Nov 1966), youngest daughter of Bondie Charles Heidmann and Virginia Arnsmeier is single.

Stanley Charles Victor Heidmann (born 16 May 1936), son of Bondie G. Heidmann and Carolina J. Potts, was born in Washington, Missouri. On 21 Jan 1961 he was married to Carol Gray, daughter of L. L. and Sarah Gray. Carol died of childbirth when their only son was born. In July 1964 Stanley was married to Elizabeth L. Schonberger. Stanley and Elizabeth had four children and are divorced. Since then Stanley has remarried (wife's name unknown). Stanley's five children are:

Greg Heidmann (born 28 Dec 1961)
Matthew Heidmann
Kate Heidmann
Bart Heidmann (born ? - 14 Jul 1970)
Stanley Charles Victor Heidmann, Jr.

Charlotte Marie Heidmann (born 16 Jul 1945), youngest daughter of Bondie G. Heidmann and Carolina Potts, was married on 8 Oct 1968 to Frederick H. Ehlenbeck.

Chester Heidmann (7 Jun 1908 - 17 Jul 1910), son of Charles Henry Heidmann and Louisa Beiermann, died at the early age of 2.

Herbert Charles Heidmann (born 19 Jan 1911), youngest son of Charles Henry Heidmann and Louisa Beiermann, was married on 10 Sep 1933 to Viola Kamper (born 3 Sep 1912), daughter of Fred Kamper and Christina Heidbrink. They live on a farm at Gerald, Missouri. Herbert and Viola have three children:

Dorothy Heidmann (born 10 Aug 1934)
Shirley Heidmann (born 8 Aug 1937)
Judy Heidmann (born 11 Nov 1947)

Dorothy Heidmann (born 10 Aug 1934), oldest daughter of Herbert Charles Heidmann and Viola Kamper, was married on 21 Sep 1952 to Marvin Kreftmeyer (born 1 Jan 1931), son of William Kreftmeyer and Amanda Hurst. They live at Owensville, Missouri, and have three children:

James Kreftmeyer (born 13 Jan 1955)
Marilyn Kreftmeyer (born 21 May 1956)
Linda Kreftmeyer (born 14 Apr 1958)

James Kreftmeyer (born 13 Jan 1955), oldest child of Marvin Kreftmeyer and Dorothy Heidmann, was married on 20 Jul 1974 to Kay Depperman (born 17 Aug 1956), daughter of Leo Depperman and Leola Brune of New Haven, Missouri.

They have three children:

Crystal Kreftmeyer (born 24 Oct 1974)
Christopher Kreftmeyer (born 3 Jan 1980)
Christine Kreftmeyer (born 5 Jun 1983)

Marilyn Kreftmeyer (born 21 May 1956), daughter of Marvin Kreftmeyer and Dorothy Heidmann, is married to Darryl Rasmussen (born 14 May ____), son of Henry Rasmussen and Joyce Traub. They have two children:

Bradley Rasmussen (born 5 Jan 1980)
Gena Rasmussen (born 13 Oct 1983)

Linda Kreftmeyer (born 14 Apr 1958), youngest daughter of Marvin Kreftmeyer and Dorothy Heidmann, is married to Rodney Stolte, son of George and Melva Stolte. They have one daughter:

Laura Stolte (born 13 Jun 1984)

Shirley Heidmann (born 8 Aug 1937), daughter of Herbert Charles Heidmann and Viola Kamper, was married on 27 May 1956 to Ronald Smith (born 24 Dec 1935), son of James and Doris Smith. They have three children:

Dennis Smith (born 30 Jul 1957)
David Smith (born 8 Sep 1968)
Shari Smith (born 27 Mar 1979)

Judy Heidmann (born 11 Nov 1947), youngest daughter of Herbert Heidmann and Viola Kamper, was married 18 Sep 1965 to Marvin Williman (born 16 Mar 1946), son of Marvin and Delores Williman. They have two children:

Cheryl Williman (born 11 Nov 1967)
Christine Williman (born 10 Jan 1976)

