



The skeletal remains of the original log house in which the Albertus Webbink family lived near Femme Osage, Missouri. This picture was taken in 1978. A few years later it was dismantled and reconstructed in nearby Augusta, Missouri where it can be seen today.

FIRST GENERATION

1. Albertus Webbink (# ii under #14, sixth generation in Part I of this book), son of Gerrit Webbink and Janna Lamaker. Born, 26 Oct 1826, in Zenderen Parish, Almelo, Dist Borne, Netherlands. Died, 18 Jan 1899, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Burial in Femme Osage UCC Cemetery, St Charles Co, MO.

Albertus was born in Zenderen Parish, Almelo, District of Borne in Holland. During his teens and early twenties he worked as a farm hand in the village of Delden, about three miles from Hengelo, for about seven years. In 1851 he left Delden and went to Germany. In 1859 he married Maria Elizabeth Hackmann in Westerkappeln, Germany, which is about fifty miles from Delden. Their first child, Henry August, was born there and in the autumn of 1860 they sailed for America. They arrived in St. Louis, Missouri in December of the same year. They remained there until June 8, 1861 and then moved to Femme Osage, St. Charles Co., Missouri permanently. The farm is located on what is now called the Osage Ridge Road. The original log house has been dismantled and reconstructed in the town of Augusta nearby.

Albertus was a shoemaker and a farmer. A number of letters from relatives in Holland have been found, translated and are included in these pages. These letters give us more of an insight on life in Holland than in America.

There has been some question as to whether Albertus served in the military during the Civil War. Paul Webbink, a grandson, recalled an incident related to him by his father, William, a son of Albertus, that he was assigned to guard a bridge, somewhere, against the Confederates. However, the documents we show, do not substantially verify this. Nevertheless, times were rough during the depression years of the early 1870's. The family subsisted on the small income of the farm and the shoemaking of Albertus.

He married Maria Elizabeth Catherine Hackmann, daughter of Friederich Wilhelm Hackmann and Catherina Maria Stallman, 1859, in Westerkappeln, Germany. Born, 7 Jan 1837, in Westerkappeln, Germany. Died, 17 Oct 1902, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Baptism: 15 Jan 1837, in Westerkappeln Ch, Westerkappeln, Germany. Burial in Femme Osage UCC, Cemetery, St Charles Co, MO. Immigration: Dec 1860, in St Louis MO. Occupation: Housewife. Children:

- 2 i. Henry August.
- 3 ii. Maria Augusta (Augusta).
- 4 iii. Hermann Friedrich (Fritz).
- 5 iv. Heinrich Albertus (Albert).
- 6 v. Johana Christine Wilhelmine (Wilhelmina).
- 7 vi. George Wilhelm (William).
- 8 vii. Frederike Louise (Louise).
- 9 viii. Johann Hermann (Herman).
- ix. George, stillborn. Born, 17 Feb 1874, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Died, 17 Feb 1874, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Burial: 18 Feb 1874, Femme Osage UCC Cemetery, St Charles Co MO.
- x. Wilhelm Gustav. Born, 4 May 1875, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Died, 23 Jun 1876, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Baptism: 17 May 1875, Femme Osage UCC, St Charles Co, MO. Burial: 25 Jun 1876, in Femme Osage UCC, St Charles Co, MO.
- xi. Hermann August. Born, 15 Dec 1877, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Died, 11 Jul 1878, in Femme Osage, St Charles Co, MO. Baptism: 6 Jan 1878, in Femme Osage UCC, St Charles Co, MO. Burial: 12 Jul 1878 in Femme Osage UCC Cemetery, St Charles Co, MO.



Femme Osage United
Church of Christ
(formerly
Evangelical), where the
early generations of
Webbinks worshipped.

Below: ca 1894
Albertus Webbink in
front of his home with
two of his daughters,
two daughters-in-law
and three grandchildren.

1st row- Meta, Henry, and Fred Webbink, children of Henry Webbink
2nd row- Louise Webbink Thilking (Mrs Henry), Anna Thilking Webbink
(Mrs Henry), Wilhelmina Webbink Thilking (Mrs William), Lena Klippel Webbink
(Mrs Albert) and Albertus Webbink

