

Palatine Roots

The South Carolina Palatines of 1764

Appendix A The Rampys in Germany

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Palatine Roots is a study of the German origins of the Rampy Family with a narrative describing the emigration of Johan Nicholas Rempy to South Carolina with a group of Palatines in 1764

APPENDIX A The Rampys in Germany

Johan Andreas Rempi

Record found in State Records of Emigration out of the Palatinate (Pfalz), in Stadtarchiv Kaiserslautern, 6750 Kaiserslautern, Benzinostrasse 6:

REMPIE, JOHANN ANDREAS

from Zweibrucken to Nova Scotia, 1751, 40 years old.
information from Prof. Punch of Canada.

Researchers: Elizabeth A. Kieffer

W. L. Grenoble, Falls Church, VA (Died 1984) 534-5044

Ref.: Vol. 49, p. 5 "Pfalzer in Amerika", 1894.

From Church records, Landau, Germany:

Marriage - Husband, **Johan Andreas Rempe** (a potter)
26 August 1727 Father, **Johan Paul Rempe** of Meisenheim (a handyman)
Mother, Anna Catherine Bohreit (or Breidt)
Wife, Maria Magdalena Speissert
Father, Theobald Speissert (a baker)
Mother, Anna Maria Dressler (?)

Children of Johan Andreas Rempe born in Landau:

Maria Magdalena Rempi, chr. 22 March 1728

Sponsors ("Taufzeugen"): Capt. Lt. Lutzenberger, Swiss Regiment
Maria Magdalena Breidt

Johan Nicolas Rempe, chr. 16 August 1729 (to S.C., 1764)

Anna Maria Rempie, chr. 5 September 1730

Anna Barbara Rimpi, chr. 9 April 1736 (to Nova Scotia, 1751.)

From Gunter Anthes, Meisenheim, Ger.:

Father - **Johan Paul Rempi**, b. 1673, d. 15 March 1724, a handyman

Mother - Anna Maria Katerina

Children:

Johan Michael (called Nichlaus), b. 28 April 1698, d. 6 July 1740

Maria Elisabeth, b. 1699, d. 1708.

Johan Georg, b. 1707, d. 7 February 1712

Johan Andreas, b. 1711 (not from Anthes) (to Nova Scotia, 1751)

Elisabeth Katerina, b. 27 June 1713, d. 1720.

From Churchbooks, Meisenheim:

Confirmation, **Johan Andreas Rempi**, September, 1721 (age 10 ? is very young)
son of **Paul**, a "day laborer" of Meisenheim.

From Account of Nova Scotia Settlers, vol. 3, P. 16S. Film # 1421430:

RIMBIE, Johan Andreas (& Georg)

Pearl, 1751, Farmer, age 40, from Zweibrucken (i.e. Palatinate-Zweibrucken ("Dieux-ponts")). 1.2.2.1. indebted for 4 freights, fL.283.10.0. Ship's list has the

name as "Rimpi," but the man's signature on indebtedness list (quite a fair one) is either "Rimbie" or 'Rimbia".

Halifax Victuals List, Aug.-Oct. 1752 (list No. 3)- - Barbara, Casper & Elizabeth Rungen (or Rumpen?) (identification of Rungen with Rimbie is fairly confident by a process of matching & eliminating names on both the Pearl's passenger list and the 1752 Vict. list.)

Marriage, 12 May 1752 - Marcus Godfried Lesly, bach., & Anna Barbara Rimpen, spinster (Roll 5). Lunenberg - Mr. Money's Burial Register, 11 April 1795 - Georg Rimby, age 52 (perhaps identical with the Casper of the 1752 Vict. List. His name perhaps "Georg Casper".)

(In the 1964-5 Nova Scotia Directory the name "Rimby" is found at West Dublin, and one "Remby" may be found in the 1964 Telephone directory.)

Township Grants, 30 June 1784 - Georg Rimby - 15 acres.

Miscellaneous (Nova Scotia):

Film # 962591 - Maria Barbara Rimpie, b. 12 January 1780, bapt. 17 January 1780.

Witnesses - Georg Adam Lesly, Ursula Lesly and Anna Barbara Spindler(?)

Parents: Georg and Anna Margaretha Rimpe

Film # 556211 - Will of Georg Rimby dated July 12, 1802. No info.

Johan Nicholas Rempi

1. **Johann Nicholas Rempe**, christened Aug. 16, 1729 in Landau Pfalz Stadt (The Palatinate, SW Germany).

Father: **Johann Andreas Rempin** (Occupation; potter)

Mother: Maria Magdalena Speissert

They were married Aug. 26, 1727 in Landau.

Sister: Anna Maria Rempi, christened Sept. 5, 1730 in Landau.

Sister: Anna Barbara Rimpie, christened Apr. 9, 1736 in Landau.

Grandfather (Pat.): Johann Paul Rempe of Meisenheim

Grandmother (Pat.): Anna Katherina Bohreit (?)

Grandfather (Mat.): Theobald Speissert (Occupation; baker)

Grandmother (Mat.): Anna Maria Dressler (?)

Source: Mormon Gen. Library microfilm records, SLC, Utah.

Nicholas Rumpe, 34 and Catherine Rumpe, 39, his wife, arrived

Charles Town, SC Dec.16, 1764 aboard the ship "Union" (Capt.

Smith) from England. No children are listed , however, it may

be concluded from the subsequent grant of 200 acres that a child

of less than two years was with them. The Rumpes were part of a

group of 300-400 "poor German Protestants".Under the protection

of Capt. Patrick Calhoun, they were settled on Cuffietown Creek

in a township called "Londonborough" near an earlier settlement

of French Huguenots on Long Canes Creek.

For story of this group see: Hewatt, Alexander, The History of South Carolina, 1779.

2. Military record.

Source: Roster of S.C. Patriots in the Revolution

Rambee, Nicholas - - "Served as a sgt. in the militia before the fall of Charleston."

S.C. Audited Acct. No. AA 6222. Nat. Pension Claim No. S 637.

Source: Revolutionary Claims Filed in S.C.

Rambee, Nicholas - - Return No. 64, June 1785.

3. Land Grants in 1801.

Source: Index to Land Grants, S.C. 1784-1801

Film # 5341, Pt. 1: Gen. Index A-Z, Vols. 27-64 (Original at Dept. of Archives and History, Columbia, S.C.)

Pt. 2: L.G. Vol. 14, 1784. Pt. 31: L.G. Vol. 47, 1800-1801.

p. 469 - - Grant to Nicholas Rampey 150 acres surveyed for Jas. Seawright 14 Oct. 1784. "below the ancient boundary line running NE by J. Seawright's land. other side vacant."

p. 470 - - As above, but for 130 acres "surveyed for Drury Murphy 25 Sept. 1784 in the District of Ninety-six between the ancient boundary line on Clave's (Cheves) Creek waters of the Stephensens' creek bounded by a line running NE by Mathew Debois's Land, NE-SE by James Butler's, NW by James Butler's and Wm. Murphy. SW-NW by Leonard Marlborough, SW by Jn. Dooley's, SE-SW by Dury Murphy's." 7 Sept. 1801

There is also a record of 200 acres being granted to Johann Nicholas Remben on Horsepen Ck., near Londonborough, 1765.

4. From will of John Rampay, 1816:

Nicholas and Peter Rampey are Listed as executors with Jas. Stiefle and John Lively. (This Nicholas is probably son of Peter.)

5. From will of Capt. Peter Zimmerman, 1796:

Nicholas Rambay is mentioned as a buyer of property from the estate . Many of the Zimmerman family are Listed among the arrivals on the ship "Union" in 1764.

RAMPYS IN MEISENHEIM, GERMANY

The following data were obtained from the International Genealogical Index in the Mormon Genealogical Library, Salt Lake City, Utah. In most instances, the original churchbook record was copied and examined to provide additional details. The surname was found under the following spellings: REMBE (3), REMPI (10), REMPY (8), RIMBI (1), RIMBY (10), RIMPI (5), and RIMPY (15) in the church records of the village of Meisenheim for the period 1710-1763. It is assumed that all of these refer to the same family name, which, when pronounced by a German, would sound very much like "Rampy" to an American.

(See notes below table.)

Rampys in Meisenheim

Husband / Wife	Marriage dt. (m/d/yr)	Children	Birth date (m/d/yr)
Conrad (Day laborer, straw binder, of Breitenheim)/Maria Magdalena Schmied	ca. 1711	Magdalena Catherine Anna Elisabeth Charlotta Johannes Joh. Nickel (Joh. Georg)	8/16/1712 2/20/1714 12/7/1718 3/3/1725
Paul /(Anna Maria Caterina)	ca. 1697	Elisabeth Catherine	7/2/1713
Joh. Phillip (Son of Georg (A, K) Rimpy of Reiffelbach)		Elisabeth Margaret (K) Anna Catherine	11/25/1715 8/6/1719
1) Maria Angelica Gebert (M)	11/13/1714	Anna Elisabeth (J)	12/28/17??2
2) Barbara Edenborns (L) (Widow)	2/28/1741	Maria Margaret Elisabeth Catherine Sara Elisabeth	1/30/1726 2/16/1729 10/20/1733
Joh. Jacob (Son of Heinrich Rimpy of Becherbach)		Johann (G) Joh. Conrad (H)	1/16/1717 12/27/1717
1) Maria Catherine Steiner	4/21/1716	Joh. Christoph	12/7/1719
2) Anna Christina	?	Maria Elisabeth Joh. Nickel Joh. Jacob Susannah Christina Maria Sara	1/3/1722 11/29/1723 5/2/1728 3/7/1728 6/12/1735
Joh. Nickel (Son of Paul Rimpy of Melsenheim)/Elisabeth Catherine Gruenwald (From Odenbach)	1/28/1721	Joh. Jacob Joh. Christoph Maria Catherine (I) Joh. Christian	11/8/1721 5/5/1728 8/12/1731 8/14/1738
Joh. Peter (Son of Heinrich Rompy (B) of Becherbach)/Anna Margaret Anthes (Weyels)	10/8/1720	Anna Maria (F) Maria Sara Joh. Jacob Anna Elisabeth Charlotta Margaret Maria Catherine (C) Phillip Peter (O) Joh. Nicholas	5/8/1721 9/4/1722 3/24/1724 12/2/1725 2/25/1728 4/29/1730 8/12/1733 12/17/1735
Jacob (Widower)			
1) Catherina Barbara Quasten (Widow from Waldgrenweiler)	1731	1) Joh. Peter (D)	6/2/1732
2) Maria Barbara (same as #1 ?)	?	2) Joh. Jacob	7/24/1735
3) Anna Barbara (same as #1 ?)	?	3) Anna Margaret	8/28/1737

Notes pertaining to above table:

- A. Susannah Elisabeth Rimpy, confirmed 1713, m. Jacob Bernhard 1/14/1716. Dtr. of Joh. Georg Rimpy from Reiffelbach.
 B. "Einwohner" = an inhabitant with limited rights.
 C. Witness: Jacob Rimpy, Meisenheim.
 D. Witness: Peter Rimpy
 E. Joh. Peter Rimpy, b. 1/14/1736 to Maria Margaret Rimby, dtr. of Peter Rimby.
 F. Witness: Anna Maria, dtr. of Jacob Rimby of Odenbach.
 G. Witness: Abraham Wilhelm, line weaver, and Peter Rompy. (The Wilhelm family is related to the Rempis by marriage. See H. Z. Jones.)
 H. The parents are from Breitenheim. Witnesses: Conrad Rimpy from Reiffelbach and Agnus (?) Anthes from Breitenheim. (The Anthes family of Breitenheim and the Rempis family are related by marriage. I met Herr Anthes there in 1987. GAR.)
 I. Witness: Caspar Rimpy. (The name Caspar Rimpy appears in the Nova Scotia records. See above at "Johan Andreas Rimpie.")
 J. Confirmed 1737, age 16.
 K. Married Friederich Funck, 10/21/1738, son of Peter Funck of Callbach. She is the dtr. of Phillip Rempys, local official from Schmittweiler.
 L. Joh. Phillip is a local official and widower from Schmittweiler.
 M. Maria Angelica Rimpy, confirmed 1737, age 15. She is probably a dtr. of Peter b. 9/4/1722.
 N. Maria Margaret, b. 11/25/1760 to Carl Wilhelm Rimpy and Anna Elisabeth.
 O. Joh. Jacob, b. 12/1762 to Phillip Rempy and Catherine Anthes. Also, Phillip Jacob, b. 8/25/1765 to Phillip Rempy and Catherine Anthes.
 P. Charlotta Rempis, dtr. of Phillip Rempis from Breitenheim m. Joh. Jacob Schiel, son of Jacob Schiel from Hundsbach 8/11/1762.

CONCLUSIONS

A careful analysis of the records, including those of the Paul Rimpf family and the Wilhelm-Rimpf family, suggests that all of the Rimpfs in the Meisenheim area have a common ancestor in the father of Paul, Georg, Heinrich and Elisabeth, and that his name is Christian Rimpf. These four are clearly contemporaries who were all married within a period of about seven years (ca. 1690 to 1697) and lived within four miles of each other. Thus the following speculation, which must be proven by a search of the churchbook records from Gangloff, Medard or Meisenheim:

Note: In place of the originally published table showing the family of Christian Ruempf I here present updated information based on later research. This table follows Christian from his roots in Haefelfingen, Switzerland, to Ixheim, Zweibruecken, Germany, and finally to the Meisenheim area of the Palatinate (Pfalz). (G.A.R., 2001.)

Johan Christian Ruempf

b. 14 October 1632, Haefelfingen, Baselland, Switzerland
 m. Margaretha Sonnenberg, 14 November 1654, Ruemlingen, Baselland, Switzerland
 d. 1677-1694, Meisenheim area, Pfalz, Germany

Children of Christian Ruempf

Name	d.o.b.	Place
Jacob ?	ca. 1660	Switz.?
Anna Barbara	1664	Ixheim
Louisa Elisabeth	1666	Ixheim
Hans Georg	1668	Ixheim
Hans Georg	1670	Ixheim
Johan Paul	1672	Ixheim
Anna Catherina	1677	Ixheim
Heinrich	ca. 1678	?

The children of **Johan Paul Rempf** and Anna Maria Catherine Bohreit were:

Joh. Nickel, 1698, Maria Elisabeth, 1699, Johan Georg, 1707-1712, Johan Andreas, 1711-1752 (Nova Scotia, 1751), and Elisabeth Catherine, 1713-1720.

The children of **Johan Andreas Rempf** and Maria Magdalena Speissert were:

Maria Magdalena, 1728, **Johan Nicholas**, 1729 (South Carolina, 1764), Anna Maria, 1730, Anna Barbara, 1736 (Nova Scotia, 1751), Elisabeth, ca. 1742 (Nova Scotia, 1751), Georg, 1743 (Nova Scotia, 1751).