Introduction

Based on the format of the book, a short description of how to use the book to locate family members is in order.

First, look up the name in the index located at the back of the book. Be sure to use the maiden name for married women. Generally the first page is the location where it will show the birth. The second page number will show the family.

If you turn to the first page number you will notice a bolded number next to the family and a Roman numeral next to each of the children. If a child has a bolded number next to its name, it will be the location of that person in the book. Be sure when looking up the number next to a child that you stay within the same branch of the family, as each branch has its own numbers. If a child has no children and is married, a number will not be found and marriage information will be found here. Roman numbers indicate the order of birth.

I know this sounds complicated but really it isn't. Bottom line: look up name in index and go to that page or pages. (This will help you to understand what I have attempted to convey above.)

In those cases where a first name is omitted you will see a "**Fnu**" meaning **F**irst **N**ame Unknown. Those cases where the last name is omitted you will see a "**Lnu**" meaning **L**ast **N**ame Unknown.

Periodically you will see statements like **Notes for** or **More About Notes for**. These are side issues that relate to the individual; they add a little history and in some cases a little clarity. **More About:** When facts disagree between sources, the variations are noted under here. An example would be sometimes one source has a first name spelled one way and another source has it spelled differently. Another example is different birth or death dates. It is my hope that this book will serve to correct these issues. Please inform me as to which is correct and I will be glad to make changes.

The information in this book is only as good as the people that took the time to check it. Please send any corrections and or additions to me at johnhoag@jhoagfamily.net. My postal address is 2111 S 49th Street, Kansas City, KS 66106

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The following text is as it appears in the book <u>Epochs of History of the First Mennonite Church of Pretty Prairie</u>, <u>Kansas</u>. I have left it as it was written. It is believed that the Rhine phalz should be Rhine Pfalz, Ensiedel should be Einseidel and where the book states Wolynia, it should really be Volhynia.