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Brief History Of The Yoder Family Reunion

In the year 1920 some members of the Yoder Family had a meeting to consider the idea of having a yearly meeting of the Yoder Family. It was decided to give the idea a trial, and A. L. Yoder of Ashland, Pa. was elected as the first president. This meeting to consider the idea of a Reunion was held July 27,1920 and the first Reunion met near Ashland August 7, 1920,with 151 members present.

A. L. Yoder served as President from 1920 to 1925.
L. K. Yoder of Reedsville was President from 1925 to 1928.
Paul B. Yoder, Palmyra was President from 1928 to 1930
Henry B. Yoder of Manatawney was Pres. from 1930-31
Dr. Kensie Yoder of Reading was Pres. from 1931 to 1932.
Leonard Yoder of Reading was Pres. 1932 to 1933.
Robert F. Yoder of Schilligton served as Pres. for one year, 1933 - 1934.

At the Hershey meeting in 1934 Joseph W. Yoder of Huntingdon was elected President and has been re-elected to date, 1954.

The first reunions, at least one, was held in Pres. A. L. Yoder's grove one fourth mile west of Mabel. Other reunions were held at Keffer's Station, Schuylkill Park, Rolling Green Park, Carsonia Park near Reading, and Lititz Park.

Due to the fact that holding the Reunion at widely different places caused some people trouble to find the place, it was decided that until further considered the Reunions should be held at Mt. Lebanon Park near Lebanon to accomodate the Yoders in the eastern part of the state, and to accomodate the Yoders in the western part of the state Kishacoquillas Park between Lewistown and Burnham should be used, alternating each year. Since there never was any audible objection to this plan that method has been followed each year since about 1944.

Others who served in various capacities of the organization are: John B. Yoder, Lebanon, Jacob H. Yoder, Altoona, Charles F. Yoder, Palmyra, Jonas J. Yoder Jr., Mattawana, John D. Yoder, Belleville, Robert R. Yoder, Schuylkill Haven, Ira L. Yoder, Selinsgrove, Paul R. Yoder Huntingdon, Russell H. Yoder, Reading, John K. Yoder, Belleville, John P. Yoder, Belleville, Jacob P. Yoder, Belleville, William F. Yoder, Duncansville.

Lady Secretaries: Sadie Yoder Spicher, Belleville, Sarah Yoder Sharadin, McClure, Mrs. Thomas Yoder, Allensville

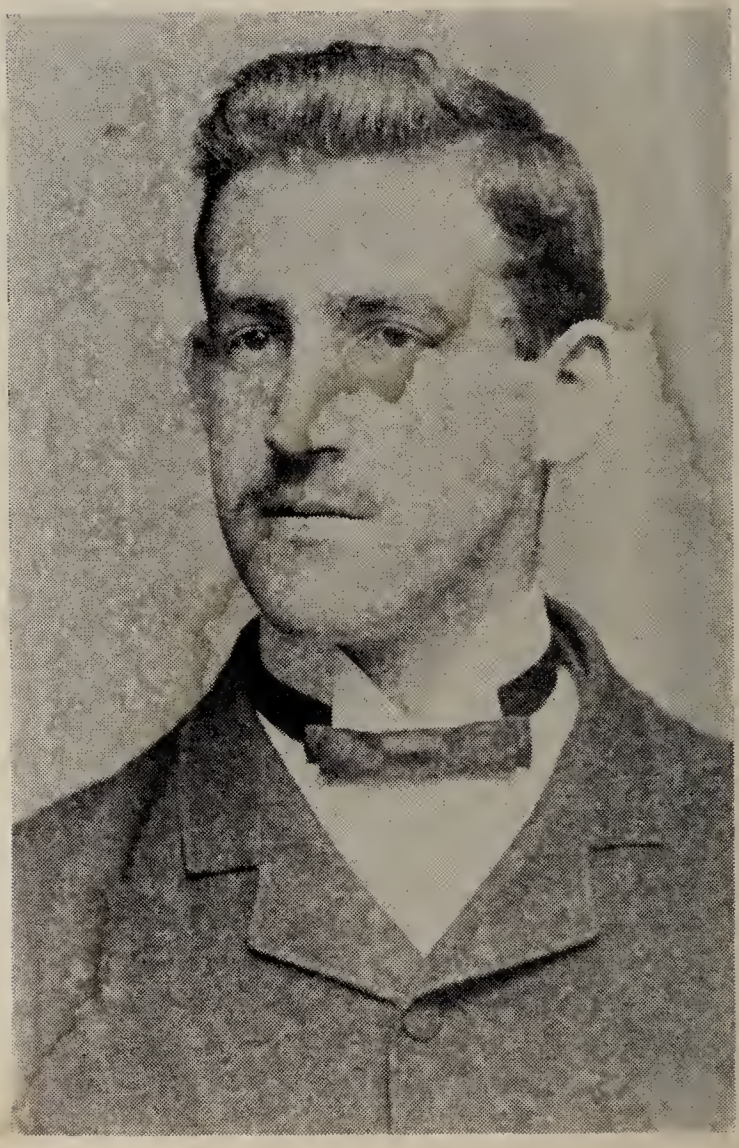
Historians: Lynn E. Yoder, Fairmont W. Va., Gulden G. Yoder, Boyertown, Ass. Historian.





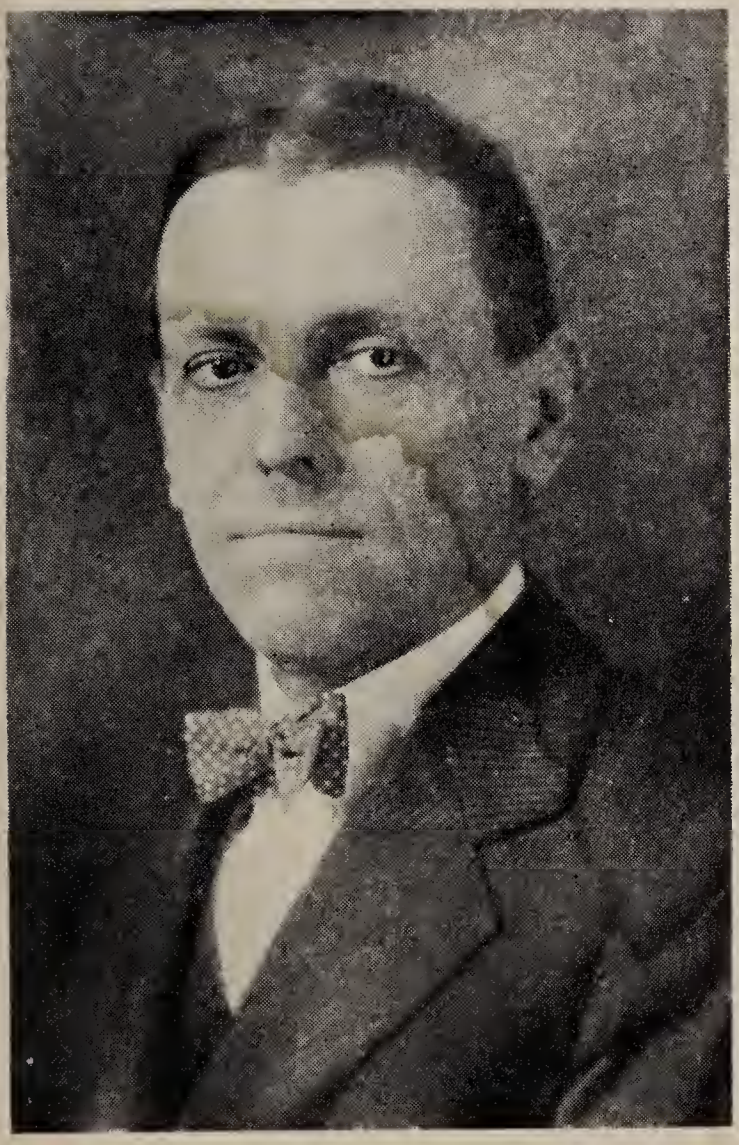
L. K. Yoder

1925 - 1928
1931 - 1932



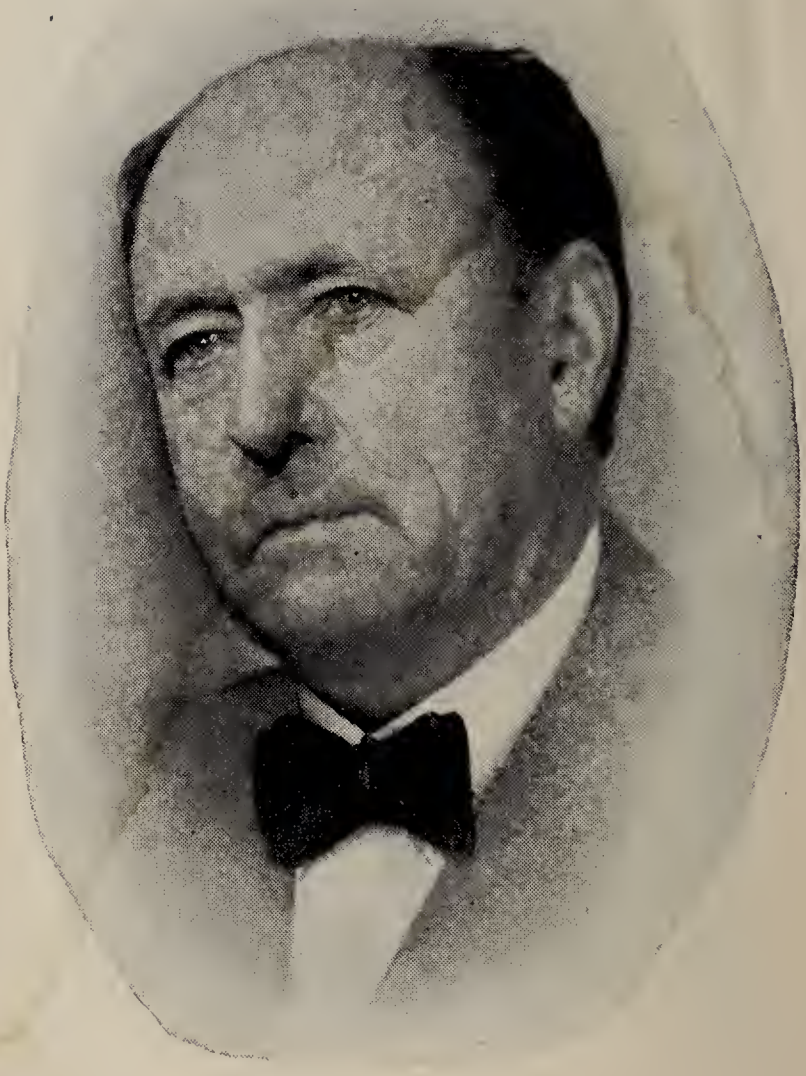
Henry C. Yoder
Manatawney, Pa.

1930 - 1931



Leonard G. Yoder

1932 - 1933



Joseph W. Yoder

1934 - 1954

ORIGINS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA YODERS by Don Yoder, Ph.D., Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. Dedicated to my favorite Yoder, my father Jacob H. Yoder of Devon, Pa.

The Yoders are Swiss. To Switzerland, that little republic in the very heart of Europe, which has contributed so much of liberty and faith to the world, we owe our origin as a family.

According to the **Swiss Encyclopedia** the Family of Joder is a "very ancient" family of the village of Steffisburg on the edge of the Oberland in Canton Berne, Switzerland. The twentieth-century authority on Swiss family names traces them also to the village of Muri, a rich farming area nearer to the Swiss capital city of Berne. A little volume on the history of the Emmenthal - where Swiss cheese comes from as well as many of our Pennsylvania Mennonite families! - lists the Joders among the early residents. So we are not only Swiss, we are basically a Bernese family.

The name "Joder" derives from the saint's name "Theodore." Saint Theodore was one of the missionary saints who in the early middle ages came up into the Swiss Alps bringing the message of Christ. The medieval Swiss loved their St. Theodore, and in their prayers to him abbreviated his name into "St. Joder." In Southern Switzerland there is a mountain peak named for this favorite missionary saint, called the St. Joderhorn. In his pictured representations in Swiss Churches, St. Joder is always portrayed standing on a little devil, to symbolize his triumph over evil. In the Swiss Reformed Church almanacs, August 16th is still listed as "St. Joder's Day."

Pennsylvania family history is full of instances where saint's personal names became family names. The Matterns of Pennsylvania owe their name to St. Maternus, the Clemenses to St. Clement. So with our Yoders-the personal name Theodor (Joder) became our family name. As a family name in Canton Berne, the name Joder begins to appear in records in the 14th Century. There are early references to our family in the Bernese Archives at Berne, also in the parish registers of Steffisburg and Muri. On my several visits to the Swiss homeland, I have filled notebook after notebook with early referencesto the Bernese Joders, from all these sources, and someday they will be published in

full. At Steffisburg the Joders begin to appear around the year 1529, at Muri slightly later.

When the Reformation broke out in Switzerland, Canton Berne became reformed, but a minority of mountain folk in the Oberland and elsewhere reverted to the simple gospel of the Anabaptist missionaries. These devoted ministers of Christ, who spread out from Zurich as a center, taught a faith which attempted to restore the ordinances and spirit of the New Testament Church. Because they stressed the baptism of adults-who in the first generation had already been baptized as infants into the Catholic faith-they were called by their enemies "Anabaptists" or "Rebaptizers." In German this became Wiedertaufer (Rebaptizers) or simply Taufer (Baptists).

These simple Christians of the Oberland stressed holiness of life based upon Christ's direct commands in the Sermon on the Mount. Because Christ told his deciples to love their enemies, they refused to fight and kill in time of war. Because he told them to "swear not at all", they refused to take oaths in court or to participate in the world's governments. But their greatest contribution to the western world was not their pacifism nor their nonconformity with the "world." It was their emphasis on religious freedom. For they were the first Christian group in modern times to insist that faith is something individual and personal, and the state cannot force the conscience of its subjects into any one pattern of faith. In fact, to the Anabaptists as to the majority of American Protestants, the Church is a voluntary association of men seeking God, and it has no connection with the civil government at all. To the Anabaptists and to their direct and indirect descendents the Baptists, the Quakers, the Protestant liberals and mystics in general, we owe our modern concepts of religious liberty, upon which our American theory of church-state relations is based.

When the Anabaptist faith had spread down the Rhine Valley and reached the Netherlands, it was shaped further by a Catholic priest named Menno Simons, whose name was eventually given to the majority of the continental Anabaptists and their descendants in America, whom we generally call "Mennonites."

While some of the Swiss Joders remained in the Reformed Church, and helped to bring this faith to Pennsylvania,

others rejected both Catholicism and the Swiss Reformed interpretation of religion and became Anabaptists. Among those first imprisoned for defying the Reformed state and spreading Anabaptist doctrines is the name of Heini Joder, who was imprisoned at Basel in the year 1531, six years after the Anabaptist movement had begun in Zurich. In the Bernese records we read of other Joders who became Anabaptists in the 17th Century. Sometimes the new faith came into the Joder families through marriage. There is a record in the Bernese Archives of one Jacob Joder, who about the middle of the 17th Century, had a mother-in-law who was under surveillance by the state authorities because she was a "hartnackige Tauferin"-a "stubborn, hard-shelled Anabaptist."

So tenacious were the Anabaptist Joders of their faith that when the persecutions of dissenters increased in the 17th Century, we find families of Joders moving down the Rhine to the hospitable, sunny land northwest of Heidelberg known as the Rhine Palatinate. Some found their way also into Alsace. In such areas they were given land to farm on the large estates of the local nobility and with that they were happy for awhile. Two of these estates were the Brandschweilerhof near Neustadt and the Vogelstorkerhof near Annweiler, both in the Palatinate. There some of the Joders stayed, while our forefathers came on to Pennsylvania. I have visited the Vogelstorkerhof in its pleasant green valley. The tremendous stone farmhouse with its gambrel roofs and its gracious double stairway was built by and for the Joders in the 18th Century.

When William Penn opened the gates to his province in the New World to the continental emigrants, some of the Joders of the Palatinate and Alsace, Reformed and Amish, decided to come to America, or to the "Island of Pennsylvania," as some of them naively called it in their letters. There they could own land instead of renting it. There they could have, so they were promised and they trusted Penn's promises, complete freedom of conscience. This was their "Promised Land," flowing, they hoped, with the milk and honey that offered a new life for themselves and their children and their children's children. So they set sail.

The first of the Joder families to arrive were the Reformed Joders, the brothers Hans and Jost Joder, who left the

Palatinate in that disasterous winter of 1708-1709, when cold and famine reigned in the Rhineland as never before, and thousands of poor people decided to leave for America. They got as far as England by the Spring of 1709. In a document still preserved in the British Museum, listing the first "poor emigrant Palatines" to arrive in London, appear the names of John Jodder, Philip Kuhlwein, and Jean Ledee, along with other people like the Lefevres, the Clemens, the Kolbs, and other Mennonite families who settled in Pennsylvania. The Jodder-Kuhlwein-Ledee party were Reformed. Jean Ledee was a French Huguenot from near Sedan in Lorraine, who had come to Eppstein in the Palatinate as a refugee from the persecutions of Louis XIV. He had two daughters, one of whom married Philip Kuhlwein, the other Hans (John) Yoder.

When Hans Yoder of the Oley Valley, as we call him from his place of settlement in Pennsylvania, arrived in London in 1709 he brought with him several children. His wife's name was Veronica Isedman (perhaps Eschelmann). By 1710 John Jodder appears on the list of members of the first Reformed congregation to be organized in Pennsylvania, the Whitemarsh or Neshaminy congregation, gathered by the pioneer Dutch preacher, Domine Van Vlecq. The records were kept in Holland Dutch. Hence the name of Hans Yoder's wife, "Fronica Iselman," may well have been the Dutch rendering of the old Bernese name"Eschelmann," originally "Aeschlimann," which is so well represented among the Mennonites of Pennsylvania. In the records of the year 1711 appears the marriage of John Jodder, "widower of Fronica Isedman," to Anna Rosina LeDee.

Hans Yoder first settled in northern Chester County, in the Schuylkill Valley across from the present site of Pottstown,but by 1714 had been granted land along the Manatawny Creek, in the fertile Oley Valley of Berks County, Pennsylvania. There the Yoders "lived neighbors" to the Indians, the French Huguenots, the Germans and Swiss and English Quakers-in a kind of model "melting pot" community symbolic of the America that was to come. Hans Yoder built a mill along the Manatawny Creek, and his eldest son, John Yoder, Jr., with his son-in-law, Col. John Lesher-founder of one of the ironmasters' dynasties in Eastern Pennsylvania, the Lesher-Trexler clan-operated the Oley Forge from 1744 to 1750. There Negro slaves as well

as German workmen labored and their iron was forged for the colonial wars as well as for peacetime uses.

In 1742 Hans Yoder died. His brother Jost Yoder, who is famed in the legends of the Oley Valley as a great hunter and Indian fighter, died around the same time and their wills are on record at the Court House in Philadelphia, for Berks County had not yet been set off from Philadelphia County.

This pioneer generation of our family in America were rather well-known to their contemporaries. References to them and their affairs keep cropping up in source after source. Dr. Peter G. Bertolet's manuscript history of the Oley Valley, preserved in the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and based on the stories of his grandmother, who was a Yoder herself, recounts many interesting facts and tales about them. There are some references in the colonial newspapers, in the recently published Shultz diaries of the Schwenkfelder diarist of Montgomery County, even in the Chronicon Ephratense or "Chronicle of the Ephrata Community."

Jost Yoder had a daughter Elizabeth who had "visions." At least the famous collection of ghost stories and dream tales published by Christopher Sower in 1755, the Merkwurdige Erscheinungen der Geister-a kind of 18th Century thriller-records the story of Elizabeth Joder of Oley, who in 1743 had a vision of her deceased father, Jost Joder, who obligingly came back from the grave to warm and encourage the living to "follow the Frenchman" (DeBenneville), who was Pennsylvania's earliest prophet of the gospel of universalism, the doctrine that all men are saved, at least eventually, by a loving God. When questioned, Uncle Jost admitted that he was in a "good place," and his brother Hans was there too.

So much for the vision. The editor of the volume, writing in 1755, takes a few paragraphs to point out that some of these deceased Joders liked their "schnapps" too well for their own good and that God had His punishments for such breaches of His law. While a certain amount of bias must be taken into account here-these writers were members of different religious parties than our ancestors and therefore had a different moral outlook-the Ephrata Chronicle, published in 1768, tells us that when Mathias Baumann preached his gospel of perfectionism in the Oley Valley-

that once a man is converted he can sin no more-Hans Yoder and Philip Kuhlwein, his brother-in-law, joined the movement, called in early Pennsylvania records the "New Born" Movement. While Baumann was tolerably good, according to the monkish chronicler, Joder and Kuhlwein were "insatiable in their love of the world."

Hans Yoder was remembered in Germany as well. As late as 1771, his grandson Jacob Yoder made the long return journey to the Palatinate to transfer some land to Hans Yoder's eldest son, John Yoder Jr. Many years ago while searching for Yoder origins, I discovered in the Berks County Court House at Reading the curious German deed, dated at Neustadt in the Palatinate in 1771 and sealed with the seal, not of Pennsylvania or of Berks County but of the Electoral Palatinate. The story is a curious one, as it is recited, in elaborate formal 18th Century German, in the deed itself. Hans Yoder received land from "those honored Proprietaries," the Penns, half of which passed to his eldest son (to the first marriage), John Yoder, Jr., half to his younger son (to the second marriage), Daniel Yoder. Daniel Yoder died in young manhood and the land passed, not to his half-brother, John Yoder, Jr., in Pennsylvania, but to his first cousin, Johannes Jotter of "Mussbach bei Neustadt an der Haardt" - John Yoder of the villege of Mussbach near Neusadt along the Haardt range of mountains, in the Palatinate! This Johannes Jotter is described in the deed as a son of Hans Yoder's brother, Nicolaus Jotter, who remained in the Palatinate. In 1771, after a laborious legal transaction, an Oley Valley farm was properly transferred from the Palatine farmer to his Pennsylvania cousin. This deed is undoubtedly the most important document on Yoder history from the colonial period, because it points us to that elusive Palatine chapter in our family's history, between its Swiss origins and its American destiny.

As families increased and new lands were opened in the North, the West, and the South, various families of Yoders left Berks County for other frontier areas. The first to leave were the North Carolina Yoders, headed by Conrad Yoder, who as early as 1751 is found in the Catawba Country. His descendents are quite numerous both in the South and Midwest. Among them were the Rev. Dr. R. A. Yoder who was President of Lenoir-Rhyne College, the Lutheran institution at Hickory, N. C., and Robert M. Yoder, the well known writer for the Saturday Evening Post.

Westward and Northward they went also, in covered wagons or on foot, into the new country opened after the American Revolution. The ancestors of the Rev. Paul D. Yoder, D.D., found their way into the Tulpehocken area of Western Berks County. My own ancestor, George Yoder (1752-1833), whose large stone mansion built in 1790 still stands in its locust grove near Pleasantville in the Oley Valley, invested heavily in lands in the Mahantongo Valley in what is now Schuylkill and Northumberland Counties. There several of his sons and daughters settled around 1800, building mills, iron foundries, cabinet-making shops with their practical talents that so many of our ancestors seem to have had, and adding to it very early a love for the school room and the birch rod. David Yoder, a brother of George, who founded the Union County Yoder clan, was one of the first piano manufacturers in the Susquehanna Valley and laid out the town of New Columbia, which, bypassed now by the main highways, still sits in peace by the river and remembers earlier and busier days.

Into the Redstone Country of Western Pennsylvania went Captain Jacob Yoder (1758-1832, who in 1782 is said to have floated the first flatboat of produce from Western Pennsylvania down the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers to New Orleans, thus helping to open the important western river trade. He settled in Kentucky, engaging in the sugar trade from New Orleans to the West Indies, was a friend of Jefferson's, and built a famous home in his adopted state of Kentucky which is one of the ante-bellum showplaces of the Blue Grass area. His daughter married into the family of the first U. S. Senator from Kentucky. Jacob Yoder's renown as a western pioneer found its way to the pages of one of Joseph Hergesheimer's novels of pioneer America, and the Pennsylvania historian I. D. Rupp, who left us our first series of county histories, in his volume on Berks and neighboring counties 1844) makes large mention of this son of the Oley Valley who made his fortune in the West.

Apart from the Yoders of the Oley Valley and their members of other churchly groups, there are in Pennsylvania and the Midwest the "Plain" Yoders.The majority of these have been Amish, and still are, but a minority of originally Amish Yoders have become Mennonites or Brethren (Dunkards). Any history of any of these three "Plain" groups in Pennsylvania will mention the Yoders

frequently. So widespread is "Yoder" as a Plain family name that the author of Papa is All used it as typical in that somewhat libelous but entertaining portrait of the Pennsylvania Dutch.

The Amish were the followers of Jacob Amman, a Swiss Anabaptist preacher who lead a strict reform movement which influenced the Anabaptist communities of Switzerland, Alsace, and the Palatinate, separating from the main body of the Anabaptists about 1693. The Amish have remained stricter than other Anabaptists on dress and other forms of nonconformity with the "world," and especially stringent were their rules on the question of "shunning" a member who has broken the Amish Commandments.

While the Reformed Yoders came to Pennsylvania in 1709-1710, settling in Berks County, the Amish Yoders arrived in the 1740's and later, headed by Christain Yoder, "Strong Jacob" Yoder, and other heads of families whose names are listed in the Pennsylvania Ship Lists published by Rupp, and in our time by Strassburger and Hinke. There is no documentary evidence to support the widespread story, published in the Christian Monitor and copied elsewhere, that a widow named "Barbara Yoder" arrived in Berks County before 1714 and that among her several children were the Oley Valley pioneers, Hans and Jost Yoder, already discussed.

Most of the Amish Yoders settled in Lancaster County, and moved on during or after the Revolution to the Brothers Valley settlement in Somerset County or the Big Valley or Kishacoquillas Valley in what is now Mifflin County. From the Big Valley Yoders has come our genial president, Joseph W. Yoder, whose novel, Rosanna of the Amish, was one of the first sympathetic American portrayals of the Amish in print, and his volume on Amische Lieder recorded for the first time the elusive "slow tunes" of the Amish religious service.

From these secondary Amish settlements in Pennsylvania, Yoder families have spread into Ohio and Indiana and other parts of the Midwest. Upper and Lower Yoder Townships in Cambria County, Pennsylvania - north of the Somerset settlement - are matched on the map by such towns as Yoder, Kansas - perhaps the highwater mark of our expansion across the continent! Among the Mid-

western "Plain" Yorers is Sanford Calvin Yoder, missionary and former president of Goshen College at Goshen, Indiana, the principal college sponsored by the (Old) Mennonite Church in America.

Yoders "Plain" and Yoders "worldly" - Swiss and Palatine and Alsatian and Pennsylvania Yoders - farmers, mechanics, teachers, ministers - this has been the story of our common heritage. It is more than a common name that unites us. Ours is a common faith and a chain of family love that leads down the centuries, from the mountain valleys of the Bernese Oberland, through the farm homes and pleasant firesides of the Pennsylvania Dutch Country in the 18th and 19th Centuries, to us today. This chain may lengthen, but it will never part.





THE YOST YODER HOMESTEAD

Built by Capt. John Armstrong, 1756, purchased 1797 by Joseph Yoder of Earl Township, Lancaster County, father of David, father of Yost, father of Christian Z. (Little Christ) father of Joseph W.



THE DAVID N. YODER HOMESTEAD

Oldest Yoder house in America, Manatawney, Pennsylvania.

Oldest Yoders



Henry C. Yoder, Jan. 12, 1871—Married Nora L. Scherer March 4, 1895



Mr. and Mrs. David N. Yoder and Family
Manatawny, Pa.



Rev. and Mrs. Paul D. Yoder
Codorus, Pa.
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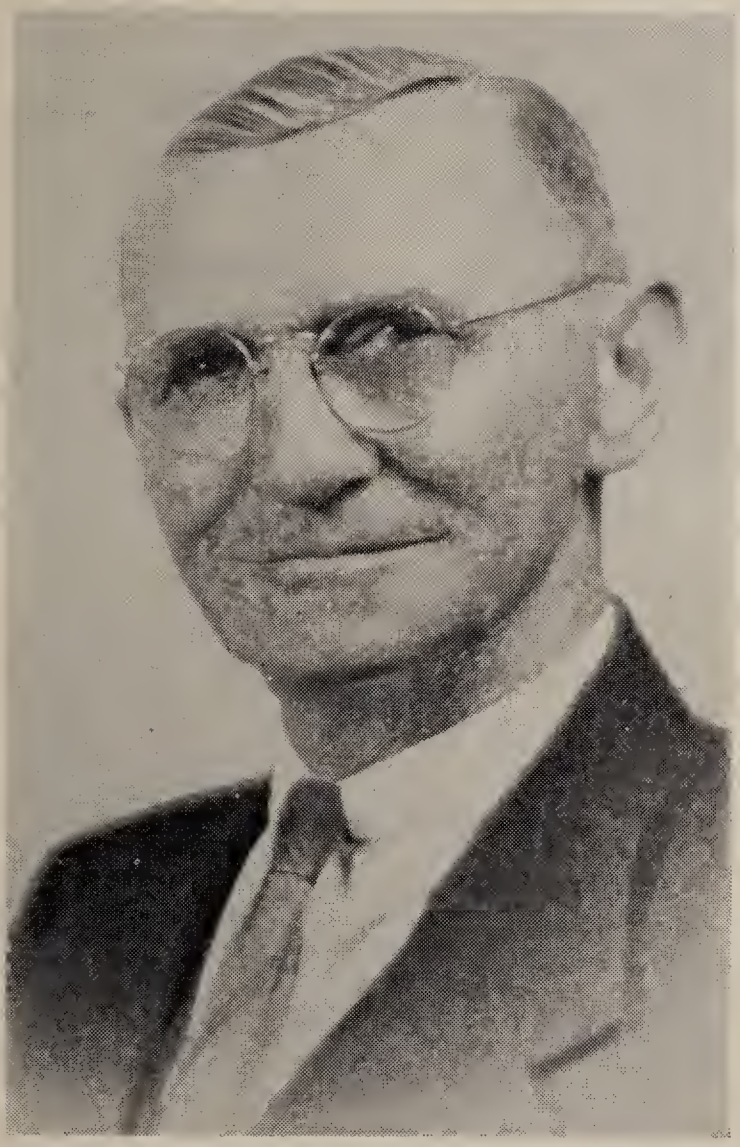

Guldin G. Yoder

Guldin G. Yoder, born August 17th 1870, son of Nathan R. Yoder, B. May, 1848, son of Nathan Y. Yoder B. Jan. 1, 1816, son of Abraham, B. Oct. 12, 1785, son of George Yoder, B. 1752, lived on a farm in Oley Township along the Manatawney Creek, son of Samuel Yoder who died in 1772 from the fall of a horse, son of John Yoder II, B. 1726, son of Hans (John) Yoder, settled in Oley. Made his will on Jan. 17, 1739 and died Jan. 14, 1741 had 2 sons John and Daniel.

Hans and Yost settled in Oley are supposed to be brothers. Hans was Married to Anna Rosina, his wife mentioned in his will. There is a record of his marriage at Long Island Landing.

Husband's Name: David N. Yoder
Address: Manatawny, Pa.
Occupation: Farm and Sawmill

Wife's Name: Anna Hoch Seyler

Children:
Marvin Yoder
Richard Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Henry S. Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Isaac Yoder

Yoder Great Great Grandfather: Isaac, founder of "Yotterville", now Pleasantville which is Manatawny Post Office.

Husband's Name: Paul Rufus Yoder

Address: 1800 Moore Street Huntingdon, Pa.
Occupation: Assistant Professor of Physics at Juniata
Active Minister in Church of Brethren

Wife's Name: Wave Irene Davis Yoder

Children:
Miriam Marie Yoder Brumbaugh
Cynthia Irene Brumbaugh
Deborah Anne Brumbaugh
Paul Rufus Yoder Jr.
David Lee Yoder
Martha Anne Yoder
Carol Sue Yoder

Yoder Father: Rufus A. Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Stephen Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Yost, John Christian Barbara

Husband's Name: Jonas J. Yoder Jr.

Address: McVeytown, Pa.

Occupation: Teacher

Wife's Name: Estella Pearl Yoder

Children:

Keith Edward Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Jonas Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: John Yoder

Husband's Name: John D. Yoder

Address: Hillcrest, Belleville, Pa.

Occupation: Merchant, Dairy Plant Superintendent,

Wife's Name: Carolyn E. Yoder

Children:

John Paul Yoder
Lois Yoder Meyer
Ruth Yoder
Jean Yoder Herr

Yoder Father: Christain P. Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Benjamin Yoder

Husband: Paul D. Yoder

Born Feb. 16, 1879, Womelsdorf, Pa.
Kutztown State Teachers College 1898
Franklin & Marshall College 1907
Theological Seminary, Lancaster 1910
Graduate Work, University of Chicago 1909
Ordained into Christian Ministry Nov. 6, 1910
Doctor of Divinity, Franklin & Marshall 1932

Occupation: Pastor

First Reformed Church, Gary, Indiana
Lisbon Reformed Church, Lisbon, Iowa
Union Bridge Reformed Church, Union Bridge, Md.
Jefferson Reformed Charge, Codorus, Pa.
Part time instructor, Theological Seminary

Wife's Name: Kittie Harbon Huff

Born Bay City, Michigan March 14,1881
Graduate Bay City High School & Training School in 1900.

Children:

Paul Henry—1912—Chemist, Paoli, Pa. F & M 1932
Sarah Kathryn (Mrs. Bruce Thomason) Gainsville, Fla. Catawba College 1935
Margaret Lorraine 1918 (Mrs. Darwin Gass) Schwenksville,Pa.
Sallie Elizabeth 1920 (Mrs. Marion Brockman) Silver Springs, Md. Catawba College, 1941
Edna Lena 1922 (Mrs. Charles M. Hardin) Boston Mass. Catawba College 1943
Stewart Aylmer Yoder—1926—Millersville Pa.
F & M College 1948
Fourteen Grand Children

Husband's Name: Solomon E. Yoder

Address: Lancaster, Pa.

Occupation: Osteopathic Physician

Wife's Name: Helen Bechtel Yoder

Children:

Solomon E. Yoder Jr.
Carl J. Yoder

Yoder Father: Christian P. Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Benjamen Yoder

Husband's Name: Jesse T. Yoder

Address: 2139 East Phila. St., York, Pa.

Occupation:

Wife's Name: Lena May Yoder

Children:

Jesse Thomas Yoder, Engineer
Donald Earle Yoder, Dentist
John Daniel Yoder Engineer

Yoder Father: Christian P. Yoder, Farmer

Yoder Grandfather: Benjamin Yoder, Farmer

Husband's Name: Paul H. Yoder
Address: Paoli, Penna.

Wife's Name: Emilie C. Yoder

Children:

Barbara Yoder
Katherine Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Henry Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Daniel Yoder

Husband's Name: J. Bennet Yoder
Address: Westover, Maryland

Wife's Name: Lena Alberta Yoder

Children:

David D. Yoder Snow Hill, Md.
George L. Yoder Royersford, Pa.
Roy A. Yoder Westover, Md.
Charles S. Yoder Spring City, Pa.
Rebecca Y. Weaver Stevens, Pa.
Esther Y. Martin Elizabethtown, Pa.
Eli E. Yoder Westover, Md.
Freda M. Yoder Westover, Md.
Crist B. Yoder Westover, Md.
Grace R. Yoder Westover, Md.

Yoder Grandfather: Daniel P. Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Christian Yoder

Hurband's Name: Mr. William P. Gerhart

Address: Wermersville, Pa.

Wife's Name: Mrs. Mamie Yoder Gerhart

Children:

Mr. George A. Gerhart	Johnson City, Tenn.
Mrh. Sarah S. Staudt	Wermersville, Pa.
Mrh. Miriam M. Guldin	Kutztown, Pa.

Yoder Father: Henry Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Daniel Yoder

Husband's Name: John C. Grimes

Address: 232 West Penn Ave., Wernersville, Pa.

Wife's Name: Catherine C. (Yoder) Grimes

Children:

Dorthy Grimes
Mdrdam Grimes
William Grimes

Yoder Father: William K. Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Emanuel Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: John Yoder

Husband's Name: Lewis Yoder
Address: Long Green, Md.
Occupation:

Wife's Name: Sarah Mast Yoder

Children:
Elizabeth A. Yoder
Solomon M. Yoder
Lydia Mary Yoder
Clinton Emory Yoder
Ada R. Yoder
Lewis Morris Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Solomon Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Henry Yoder

Name: Ada R. Yoder
Address: 5501 Govane Ave., Baltimore12, Md.

Father's Name: Lewis Yoder (Farmer)

Mother's Name: Sarah Mast Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Solomon Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Henry Yoder

Husband's Name: Amos Yoder

Address: 425 West Penn Ave., Robesonia, Pa.
Occupation:

Wife's Name: Rhoda M. Yoder

Father's Name: Henry Yoder

Mother's Name: Sarah Ann (Leiss) Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Daniel Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Jacob Yoder

Husband's Name: Edward S. Yoder

Address: Mohrsville, Pa.

Occupation:

Wife's Name: Mae Yoder

Children:

Fern (Yoder) Keller
Jackson Yoder
Ben Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Cornelius Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: Jacob R. Yoder

Husband's Name: Frank E. Yoder (deceased)

Address: East Orange, N. J.

Wife's Name: Lyde Shanklin Yoder

Address: San Diego, Calif.

Children:

Frank E. Yoder
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Yoder Father: Adiel B. Yoder Reading, Pa. (1851-1937)

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Mother's Name: Sarah Bender Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Conrad Yoder (1806-1863)

Husband's Name: Jacob P. Yoder, 1895

Wife's Name: Saloma Peachey

Father's Name: John E. Yoder 1864

Yoder Grandfather: Jacob C. Yoder 1830

Yoder Great Grandfather: Nicholas Yoder 1799 son of Jacob Yoder—son of Barbara

Husband's Name: Joseph W. Yoder

Address: Huntingdon, Pa.
Occupation:

Wife's Name: Emily Lane Yoder

Father: Christian Z. Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Yost Yoder

Yoder Great Grandfather: David Yoder, son of Joseph Yoder 1766

Husband's Name: Dr. H. L. Sharadin McClure

Wife's Name: Sarah Yoder Sharadin

Yoder Father: Ira L. Yoder

Yoder Grandfather: Henry C. Yoder

ALL HAIL THE POWERS OF JESUS' NAME

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

II

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
A remnant weak and small,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by Hs grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.

III

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD

We praise thee, O God!
For the Son of Thy love,
For Jesus who died,
And is now gone above.

Chorus

Hallelujah! Thine the glory!
Hallelujah! Amen
Hallelujah! Thine the glory!
Revive us again.

II

We praise Thee, O God!
For Thy Spirit of light,
Who has shown us our Saviour,
And scattered our night.

III

Revive us again,
Fill each heart with Thy love;
May each soul be rekindled
With fire from above.

DAS LOBE SANG

O,Gott Vader, wir loben dich,
Und deine Gute Preisen;
Dass du dich, O Herr, gradiglich,
An uns neu hast bewiesen,
Und hast uns, Herr, zusammen g'fuhrt,
Uns zu ermahnen durch dein Wort,
Gieb uns genad zu diesem.

II

Effne den Mund, Herr, deiner Knecht,
Gieb ihn'n Weisheit darneben,
Dass sie dein Wort mognen sprechen recht,
Was dientvum frommen Leben,
Und nutzlich ist zu deinem Preis,
Gieb uns Hunger nach solcher Speis,
Das ist unser Begeren.

JESU, JESU, BRUNN DES LEBENS.

Jesu, Jesu, Brunn des Lebans!
Stell, auch stell dich bei ubs ein!
Dass wir jetzund nicht vergebens
Wirken und beysammen seyn..
Du verheiszest ja den Deinen
Dasz du wollest Wunder thun,
Und in ihnen willt erscheinen,
Ash! erfull's, erfull's auch nun.

AMERICA

My country 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
  Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the Pilgrims' pride,
From ev'ry mountain side
  Let freedom ring.

II

Let music swell the breeze,
And ring thru all the trees
  Sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake:
Let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break,
  The sound prolong.

III

Our fathers' God, to thee,
Author of liberty,
  To thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
  Great God our king.

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J. W. Y.

YODER REUNION SONG

(Tune: Auld Lang Syne,F.)

We've gathered friends, from near and far,
For fellowship and praise;
May this reunion be a star
To brighten all our days.

Chorus

Then let us sing the Yoder name,
Let's lift its virtues high;
Defend it e'er from wrong and shame,
When sore temtation's nigh.

II

We till the fields with rugged hand,
And make the landscape smile;
We shun no task in this fair land,
Where effort is worth-while.

III

For Peace and Law we firmly stand,
For Temp'rance and for Right;
So rally all, strong Yoder band,
In God we've power and might.

IV

So let us lay all fears aside,
Let's fellowship with joy;
May friendships made here long abide
That time cannot destroy.

J. W. Y.

THE YODER FAMILY SONG

(Tune: Maryland My Maryland, G.)

Let us all unite and sing,
All the Yoder family,
To its members praise we bring,
All the Yoder family:
Let us all with loud acclaim,
Do honor to our family name
And keep it spotless, free from blame,
All the Yoder family.

II

'Mong the Pennsylvania hills,
Lives the Yoder family,
Skillfully the soil it tills,
Stalwart Yoder family:
Doctors, lawyers, teachers, too,
Statesmen, business, not a few
All devout their task to do,
All the Yoder family.

III

Let us pledge with purpose strong,
All the Yoder family,
Help each righteous cause along,
All the Yoder family:
Then when all of life is o'er,
We'll gather on the golden shore,
And praise the Lord forevermore,
All the Yoder family.

J. W. Y.

THE YODER JOY SONG

(Tune: Twilight is Stealing, Key F)

Hail to the Yoders, fearless and strong,
Valiant in service, firm against wrong;
Gladly we sing in righteous acclaim,
Praising the Yoder name.

Chorus

Joyously the Yoder name we sing,
Honor, praise and glory we would bring;
Firm in the right as God leads the way,
For light and strength we pray.

II

In school and fac'try, orchard and field,
Skillfully there our talents we wield;
Statesmen and Doctors bless our fair name,
Spreading our zeal and fame.

III

Rally ye Yoders where e'er ye dwell,
Lift up your voices, our virtues tell;
Loyal to country, to Church and God,
Blessingg this earthly sod.

J. W. Y.

GRACE

(Doxology Tune)

We thank Thee, Lord, for this our food,
And all Thy mercies, wise and good:
Thy Holy Spirit to us give,
That we in righteousness may live.

THE YODER CHEER SONG

(Tune, Jingle Bells, Key G)

Rally Yoders all,
Hear the yearly call;
We lay our work aside,
And gather far and wide:
We talk and sing and eat,
Each other kindly treat;
Our hearts are filled with peace and joy,
And that makes life complete.

Chorus

Yoder boys; Yoder girls,
Be right on your toes;
Don't be tame, but "play the game,"
So everybody knows,
You belong, smart and strong,
To a family of renown;
Men of might that do the right
And wear the Yoder crown.

II

Forward let us go,
In every virtue grow;
Undaunted, brave and true,
Our country's work to do:
We'll be right on the square,
No task too big to dare:
Our slogan is the Golden Rule,
And that solves every care.

J. W. Y.

YODER GATHERING SONG

(Tune: Believe Me, Key D)

We have gathered to honor the fair Yoder name,
In story and jubilant song;
For our Family's deserving of honor and fame,
For its work against evil and wrong:
In Church and in State, we have taken our stand,
To battle for Peace and for Right;
So that Freedom and Plenty may bless our fair land,
Because Yoders have labored with might.

II

Pennsylvania, our birthplace is blest with rich soil,
And its Valleys are ladened with grain;
For in field and in orchard we willing toil,
And our livelyhood honestly gain;
Honored statesmen and teachers bless our fair name,
Faithful Doctors and lawyers as well;
And others who heard the great Call humbly came,
Salvation's glad story to tell.

III

Let the great Yoder family rally and sing
Of its glory and praise fairly won;
Let us pledge by His help greater service to bring,
To glorify Father and Son:
When our labors are done and our life's work is o'er,
To the last great Reunion we'll roam;
We will gather and sing on that far golden shore,
And rejoice in our heavenly home.

OH, COME, COME AWAY

Oh, come, come away, from labor now reposing,
Let busy care awhile forbear,
  Oh, come, come away.
Come, came our social joys renew,
And there, where love and friendship grew,
Let true hearts welcome you,
  Oh, come, come away.

II

The bright day is gone, the moon and stars appearing,
With silver light illum the night,
  Oh, come, come away.
We'll join in grateful songs of praise,
To him who crowns our peaceful days,
With health, hope, happiness,
  Oh, come, come away.

BLEST BE THE TIE

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

II

When we a sunder part,
It gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart,
And hope to meet again.

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APPENDIX

May you never have your Pendix removed. But if the Yoders wish to live happily here's a suggestion:

Minimize your troubles,
Magnify your Blessings:
Choose your Food and Drink discreetly,
Live the Golden Rule completely.

If you will minimize your troubles, it is like using a long bar to lift a heavy weight, — "Nothing to it." Pity the person who has had an operation and then talks about it forever after. A wise man said,—

"A trouble's an ounce or a trouble's a ton,
A trouble is what you make it;
It isn't the fact you're licked that counts,
But only "How did you take it."

Magnify your Blessings. We all have many blessings, good parents, friends and food. If we talk about our blessings when expedient, the blessings will enlarge and crowd out the troubles.

Choose your Food and Drink discreetly. That pertains to our mode of living for Health.. Eating is a great pleasure, but he who eats for pleasure only and ignores the choice of food for Health, will surely have trouble. A Physical Culturist once gave us this advice: "If you want to be free from Rheumatism, Arthritis and Neuralgia, avoid these foods,—white bread, white sugar, white rice, vinegar and store (beverage) tea. They have a high acid reaction, and lead to much trouble.

Live the Golden Rule completely. That's the second Great commandment,—Love the Lord with all thy heart, mind and soul, and thy neighbor as thyself,—Mark XII:29-33. There was a certain strong Indian who, when someone hurt or inconvenienced him, and apologized, he would always say,"Think nothing of it." It's a fine thing to say, and puts the offender at ease at once. Politeness is a Christian virtue. Rudeness and carelessness in our attitude toward others, is a mark of a low Christian life.

Do you know who your great Grandfather's Greatgrandfather was? Who was the first Yoder Father in your Yoder line? When you once begin to look for him, you will find it very interesting. The first Amish Yoder * to come to America was Barbara, in 1714. Legend says that she had eight sons. Her husband died at sea. It is supposed but not proven that most of the Yoders are the descendents of this famous, pious Amish Barbara. Can you trace your family back to Barbara. Begin now to try it. Maybe we are all seventy-second cousins. What relation we are matters little: what does matter is that we tell the Truth, that we pay our debts, that we are always ready to help, and never willing to hinder, and that "Our word is as good as our bond." To be a Christian lady or a Christian gentleman is the highest attainment in this life. What a compliment it was to that beautiful Christian lady who saw a poor little boy stand at a store window and look at some toys, and saying, "I wish I had that little wagon" When the lady heard him say it again, she went inside, bought the toy, took it out and gave it to him. At first he could not believe that she was really giving it to him. Finally he accepted the hoy, and looking at the lady thru his tears of gratitude he said, "Tell me, lady, are you God's wife."

*C. Henry Smith, Mennonite Immigration in Penn. page 225.

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