ENDNOTES

Endnote 26: The Cornelius E. Reimer home was 1 mile east & 1½ miles south of Steinbach, according to Henry F. Reimer, my maternal grandmother's half-brother. They actually lived in 2 houses, not far apart.

According to a stepson, Abe Harder, Cornelius Reimer first moved to Hoffnungsau in Mexico and then to Blumenfeld. On 8 Dec. 1940 he wrote from Blumenfeld (Campo 16); he wrote from there again on 3 May 1942. Data on death and the funeral come from the obituary in the Christlicher Familienfreund. He stayed with cousin Sarah Friesen, daughter of Jakob J. Friesen and Margaretha F. Reimer [Klaas Reimer Book, p. 353], Hoffnungsau (Campo 30), July 16-Nov. 1, 1941; cousin Abraham E. Friesen and Katharina H. Reimer, daughter of Heinrich F. Reimer [Klaas Reimer Book, p. 348], Nov. 1, 1941-Feb. 1, 1942; Isaac Duecks, Friedensruh, Feb. 1, 1942-June 19, 1942; and Johann Classens, Friedensruh, June 19, 1942-August 17, 1942, according to a letter of Aug. 7 and 11 (17?), 1942, from Sarah Friesen.

My mother said her father had wanted to move in Mexico in 1924 already, when 5 Meade Kleine Gemeinde families (3 "family groups" [extended families?] per Harry Leonard Sawatzky, They Sought A Country: Mennonite Colonization in Mexico, p. 75, with one group returning to Kansas in 1926) went, but that her mother was opposed.

Rev. Jakob J. Friesen and Deacon Jacob F. Reimer, a great-grandson of Klaas Reimer, were among the heads of families which moved to Mexico in 1920s. Thirty people who left Meade on September 6, 1924, according to a letter of Sept. 6 and 10 from the Jacob J. Friesen household. The other three families were Henry D. Friesen, Abraham E. Friesen, and Rev. Martin T. Doerksen, who had originally settled in Inman, Kansas, and, along with two other families, joined the Jansen KG in Nov. 23, 1898 (Plett, v. 4, pp. 125, 135), based on the Meade church book recorded by Jacob F. Issac. A few people, including a Jacob Reimer who may have been the son of Deacon Reimer, soon returned to Meade. Those who remained in Mexico joined the Altkolonier church on July 31, 1927 (letter of Sept 20, 1927, from Aganetha J. Reimer to Rev. Cornelius L. Plett of Satanta, Kansas). Review

Endnote 48: Based on this date of death, Klaas Brandt's youngest son
must have been born posthumously.

Endnote 101: I looked at the Kleine Gemeinde records in Prairie Rose in the 1950s, when I had just started dabbling in genealogy. Unfortunately, these records were destroyed by fire shortly thereafter. I do not recall with certainty whether the records stated that Peter H. Unger had been raised as a stepson or a foster son of Jakob Wiens of Neukirch. Fortunately, Helena Jahnke's article in vol. 4 of Plett's. KG Historical Series says that her sister married Peter Unger, the stepson of Jakob Wiens.

In "Wiens Families in the Kleine Gemeinde," Plett (vol. 5, pp. 493-531) lists a Jakob Wiens, born on 7 Aug. 1820, the son of Jakob