

California. Wm. Henry married Amelia Bahr and two children William C. Mierau and Edith (Mrs. Fred B. Hadle). Wm. H. and his wife Amelia were charter members of Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church in Wichita.

William C. Mierau married Louise Preuss and they had two children William Christopher Mierau, Jr., and Constance L. Mierau. Connie was married in 1976. W. C. Mierau's live at 605 E. 69th Street North, Wichita, Kansas. Phone (316) 744-2342. W. C. and Bill are the last two descendents of Heinrich Mierau to carry the Mierau surname.

#### IMMIGRANT WILLIAM (WILHELM) MIERAU FAMILY

The following are notes about John Curtis Wien's family history: [Res. Reg. #'s 92, 720, 726, 740, 743]

The William Mierau family, including Dietrich H. and William D., immigrated to the Molotschna Colony, Russia, about 1860. They likely lived in the village of Margenau for that is where Dietrich H. Mierau was baptized. On Oct. 6, 1876, the family emigrated from Russia to America. They settled in Halstead, Kansas. The Dietrich H. and William D. Mierau families moved to Newton, Harvey County, Kansas, in 1910.

Dr. Tim Wiens is related to this family through his father Curtis Wiens of Newton. Curtis's maternal grandmother was Anna (Mierau) Janzen wife of Heinrich Janzen. Apparently she was a full sister to William D. Mierau. Curtis reported that his mother's Aunt Susie, Mrs. William D. Mierau, had a crippled son Arthur who came to live with the John Wiens family after Susie died. Curtis's mother was Frieda (Janzen) Wiens wife of John Wiens. Curtis also said the family was raised in Halstead and are somehow related to the other Mierau's in Halstead.

Newton City Directory between 1907 and 1916 listed: Wm. Mierau, Wm. D. Mierau and Susie, Arthur C. Mierau, Carl B. Mierau, Dietrich H. Mierau, Jacob B. Mierau, and Edward C. Mierau. The Mierau's listed in the Newton City Directory are all children or grandchildren of William Mierau. William D. and Dietrich H. Mierau are his children. Arthur, Carl, Jacob, and Edward are all children of William D. Mierau and his wife Susie. Dietrich H. Mierau and his wife Anna had no children.