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## FOREWORD

### 1. The making of this book

I first made the decision to collect the names in this volume about 25 years ago, at a time when neither the Internet nor public databases of emigrants existed. Many American and some Australian genealogists had been searching for the exact town or village of origin of their ancestors who were known only to have come from the Grandduchy of Baden. Those genealogists wrote to societies, archives and the parish offices in the town of Baden-Baden, but could not get help without knowing a more exact place-name. Conversely, the old gazettes and newspapers in Baden are full of public notifications and advertisements concerning emigrants. These advertisements are hard to find, due to the fact that these papers have no complete indexes, just a few for specific years.

So I started to look through such newspapers, which served as a collection and kind of gazette of public notices, for the Odenwald and Bauland regions, an area which, due to its harsh climate, thin population and somewhat isolated residents, is commonly called "Baden's Siberia". I then copied all the entries about emigrants and absent persons into lists, destined eventually to be put together into a database. This project kept me busy from 1989 to 1992 (and was actually completed at my birthday in the latter year). This collection of documented data eventually enabled me to discover the origins of quite a few emigrants.

Upon completion, it was clear to me that this material should be made accessible to a wider audience, and it is this which has led to the book now before you. The aforementioned database was initially only intended to provide clues to the original home community of the persons mentioned in them and to provide links to additional entries about these persons. Therefore, I had in most cases not noted whether it was a summons to a military person or his sentence or condemnation for absence, and the same for missing persons. Such details were partially added in afterwards upon further study. As a general rule, the lists in this book are to be best considered as hints and springboards to primary sources where further details may be unearthed. The actual advertisements may include additional details such as personal descriptions of wanted men. Even more information may be found in case files which, it may be hoped, have survived in the archives.

The following volumes are in preparation:

#### 1. The Breisgau region

with the districts of Breisach, Emmendingen, Ettenheim, Freiburg, Hornberg (until 1857)<sup>1</sup>, Kenzingen, Staufen, St. Blasien (until 1844), Triberg (until 1858) and Waldkirch.

#### 2. The Odenwald and Bauland regions

with the districts of Adelsheim, Boxberg, Buchen, Eberbach, Gerlachsheim, Krautheim, Mosbach, Tauberbischofshain, Walldürn and Wertheim

#### 3. The Ortenau region

with the districts of Achern (until 1864), Gengenbach, Haslach, Lahr, Oberkirch, Offenburg, Rheinbischofsheim and Wolfach.

#### 4. The area around Rastatt

with the districts of Achern (from 1865), Baden-Baden, Bühl, Ettlingen, Gernsbach and Rastatt.

For all of these regions, all information in newspapers up to 1871 has been extracted. The imperial German law of 1 June 1870 concerning the purchase and loss of citizenship only authorised the authorities to prohibit emigration for military reasons. Therefore, the announcement of clearing of debts prior to emigration had to be omitted because this was no longer considered to be a valid obstacle for leaving the country. The remaining types of announcements (summons to missing heirs, search for absent draftees, and others) are assumed to be largely found in the *Karlsruher Zeitung* newspaper after 1871.

## VORWORT

### 1. Die Vorgeschichte dieses Buches.

Der Entschluß, die hier enthaltenen Namen zu sammeln, liegt fast 30 Jahre zurück. Damals gab es noch kein Internet und keine öffentlich zugänglichen Datenbanken von Auswanderern. Viele amerikanische und einige australische Genealogen suchten die genaue Herkunft ihrer Vorfahren, von denen nur bekannt war, daß sie aus Baden kamen. Diese Genealogen schrieben nun an Vereine, Archive und die Pfarrämter in Baden-Baden, wo man ihnen ohne genaue Kenntnis des Ortes aber nicht helfen konnte. Andererseits sind die badischen Amtsblätter und Zeitungen voll von amtlichen Bekanntmachungen über Auswanderer. Diese Anzeigen sind allerdings schwer zu finden, weil es teils gar keine, teils nur jährliche Register gibt.

So fing ich an, die Zeitungen aus dem nördlichen Baden – Odenwald und Bauland – nach Anzeigen über Auswanderer durchzusehen. Diese Gegend wird wegen ihres rauen Klimas und der zumeist verschlossenen Bewohner auch Badisch Sibirien genannt. Die Funde wurden in handschriftlichen Listen notiert und diese Listen danach in eine Datenbank eingetippt. Die Arbeit dauerte von 1989 bis 1992 (und war genau an meinem Geburtstag beendet), und anhand der Daten konnte ich danach die Herkunft so manchen Auswanderers ermitteln.

Schließlich erschien es mir am besten, den gesamten Datenbestand einem größeren Publikum zugänglich zu machen, und so kam schließlich das vorliegende Buch zustande. Die damalige Datenbank sollte ja nur als Fingerzeig dienen, aus welchem Ort jemand stammte, und das Auffinden weiterer Einträge über einen Auswanderer ermöglichen. Deswegen wurde in der Regel nicht erfaßt, ob es sich um einen Aufruf an eine Militärperson handelte oder um deren Verurteilung wegen Abwesenheit, ebenso bei Verschollenen. Teils habe ich diese Angaben nachgetragen. Insgesamt sollen die hier veröffentlichten Listen aber nur als Hinweise verstanden werden, an welcher Stelle etwas zu finden ist. Die eigentlichen Anzeigen können durchaus noch weitere Angaben enthalten und die zugehörigen Akten – falls sie noch existieren – erst recht.

Folgende Bände über badische Auswanderer sind nun erhältlich:

1. Der Breisgau mit den Amtsbezirken Breisach, Emmendingen, Ettenheim, Freiburg, Hornberg (bis 1857), Kenzingen, Staufen, St. Blasien (bis 1844), Triberg (bis 1858) und Waldkirch.
2. Odenwald und Bauland mit den Amtsbezirken Adelsheim, Boxberg, Buchen, Eberbach, Gerlachsheim, Krautheim, Mosbach, Tauberbischofsheim, Walldürn und Wertheim
3. Die Ortenau mit den Amtsbezirken Achern (bis 1864), Gengenbach, Haslach, Lahr, Oberkirch, Offenburg, Rheinbischofsheim und Wolfach.
4. Die Gegend um Rastatt mit den Amtsbezirken Achern (ab 1865), Baden-Baden, Bühl, Ettlingen, Gernsbach und Rastatt..

Ausgewertet wurden jeweils die noch existierenden Zeitungen von deren Beginn bis zum Ende des Jahres 1871. Das Reichsgesetz vom 1. Juni 1870 über den Erwerb und den Verlust der Bundes- und Staatsangehörigkeit ließ nur noch militärische Hindernisse gegen eine Auswanderung zu, die Vornahme einer Schuldenliquidation und deren öffentliche Ankündigung mußten deswegen unterbleiben, da sie fortan als unzulässige Behinderung eines Wegzugs galten. Die noch verbleibenden Bekanntmachungen (Erbenaufrufe, Fahndung nach Wehrpflichtigen und anderes) dürften ab 1872 großenteils in der Karlsruher Zeitung zu finden sein.

Die Listen erscheinen ganz bewußt in englischer Sprache, weil diese von der Mehrzahl der Leser verstanden wird, jedenfalls eher als deutsch. Außerdem können deutsche Interessenten die Anzeigen ja im Original nachlesen.

## **ABSTRACTS OF THE ENTRIES /** *Regesten der Einträge*

A

Name or event, respectively Name bzw. Sachverhalt	Place of origin Herkunftsstadt	Office Amt	Type of ad Anzeigetyp	Source Quelle
<b>ABEL</b>				1
Rosina Barbara, unmarried, intends to emigrate with a son Jakob, under age.	Leibenstadt	ADEL	B	OD 07.10.1866
<b>ABELE</b>				2 - 4
Friedrich, intends to go to America.	Mittelschefflenz	MOSB	SCH	OD 17.07.1852
Heinrich, intends to go to Australia.	Mosbach	MOSB	SCH	OD 12.04.1860
Anton, arrived in New York on 06.10.1866.	Württemberg	NYOR	(DA)	WE 13.04.1867
<b>ABLER</b>				5
Valentin, unmarried cabinet-maker, conscript, is absent.	Wertheim	WERT	VOR	WE 11.12.1807
<b>ACHSTETTER</b>				6
Barbara, intends to go to North America with three children.	Königheim	TAUB	B	WE 16.07.1852
<b>ACHTSTÄTTER</b>				7
Maria Anna, unmarried, went to America in 1851.	Trienz	TRIN	ERB	OD 24.10.1857
<b>ACKERMANN</b>				8 - 22
Mich., draftee, has absconded.	Walldürn	WADÜ	A	WE 31.07.1812
Lorenz, draftee, has absconded.	Hainstadt	WADÜ	A	WE 31.07.1812
Mich., draftee, has failed to appear.	Walldürn	WADÜ	B	WE 15.01.1813
Lorenz, draftee, has failed to appear.	Hainstadt	WADÜ	B	WE 15.01.1813
Maria Theresia, is in New York.	Hainstadt	BUCH	SCH	OD 24.05.1855
Johann (23½), soldier, has absconded.	Hainstadt	BUCH	A	OD 16.12.1856
Johann, has failed to appear and is sentenced as a deserter.	Hainstadt	BUCH	STR	OD 10.02.1857
Franziska, unmarried, is in America.	Hainstadt	BUCH	SCH	OD 21.04.1857
Franz Magnus, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Hainstadt	BUCH	SCH	OD 29.09.1857
Katharina, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Walldürn	WADÜ	(AUS)	TA 16.09.1865
Vinzens (33), carter, is on the run.	Heckfeld	GERL	(F)	TA 29.10.1867
Franz August, is missing.	Hainstadt	BUCH	F	BU 17.11.1868
Vinzens; his wife Rosalia Burkard, intends to go to America with four children under age.	Heckfeld	TAUB	(AUS)	TA 22.02.1870
Maria Sophia (22), unmarried, intends to go to America.	Walldürn	WADÜ	(AUS)	TA 15.06.1871
Karolina, unmarried, intends to go to North America.	Walldürn	WADÜ	(AUS)	TA 05.09.1871
<b>ADELMANN</b>				23 - 62
Georg Jacob, has failed to appear and is sentenced as an absent draftee.	Wertheim	WERT	B	WE 13.10.1809
Peter; his wife, intends to go to America.	Külsheim	TAUB	B	WE 03.06.1831
Michael and his wife, intend to go to North America.	Sonderriet	WERT	B	WE 13.04.1832
Maria Cäzilia (20½), has absconded.	Buchen	BUCH	B	WE 14.09.1832
Johann Christoph (42), hat-maker, mentally confused, absconded on 22.01.1833.	Wertheim	WERT	B	WE 01.02.1833
Jakob; his widow, intends to go to North America with some children under age.	Külsheim	TAUB	SCH	WE 05.05.1837
Johann Joseph, policeman; his widow, has failed to appear.	Külsheim	TAUB	ERK	WE 09.07.1852
Franz Joseph; his widow, intends to go to North America with five children.	Königheim	TAUB	B	WE 16.07.1852
Thomas, unmarried, intends to go to North America.	Königheim	TAUB	B	WE 16.07.1852
Magdalena, intends to go to North America with two children.	Königheim	TAUB	B	WE 16.07.1852
Franz Anton, conscript of 1854, has failed to appear.	Königheim	TAUB	A	WE 27.12.1853
Franz Anton, conscript, is still absent.	Königheim	TAUB	K	WE 17.02.1854
Philipp, unmarried, intends to go to North America.	Wertheim	WERT	A	WE 25.04.1856
Andreas, is in Dubuque/Iowa.	Bettingen	WERT	B	WE 19.09.1856
Elisabeth, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Wertheim	WERT	B	WE 17.07.1857
Rosine, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Külsheim	TAUB	B	WE 17.07.1857
Johann Joseph and his wife, intend to go to America.	Külsheim	TAUB	B	WE 11.02.1859
Barbara, intends to go to America.	Külsheim	TAUB	A	WE 01.03.1859
Magdalena née Lipp, citizen of Königheim, is missing.	Gerchsheim	MOSB	ERB	OD 01.09.1859
Karl Joseph, intends to go to America with his wife and some children under age.	Külsheim	TAUB	A	WE 26.02.1861
Franz Joseph and Johann Joseph, brothers, have gone to America without permission.	Külsheim	TAUB	A	WE 09.07.1861
Simon (or his wife), is in America.	Königheim	GISS	MAH	WE 16.07.1861
Franz Joseph and Johann Joseph, have emigrated without permission and have failed to appear.	Külsheim	TAUB	B	WE 20.09.1861
Mathes, has been absent, presumably since before 1809.	Külsheim	KÜLS	MAH	WE 15.10.1861
Lorenz, went to America, supposedly before 1818.	(Külsheim?)	KÜLS	MAH	WE 15.10.1861
Johann, farmer, went to America, supposedly before 1826.	(Külsheim?)	KÜLS	MAH	WE 15.10.1861
Jakob, bag-maker, went to America, supposedly before 1826.	(Külsheim?)	KÜLS	MAH	WE 15.10.1861
Peter; his wife, went to America, supposedly before 1831.	(Külsheim?)	KÜLS	MAH	WE 15.10.1861
Michael, went to America without permission several years ago.	Gamburg	WERT	B	WE 16.09.1862
Johann Benedikt, conscript, has failed to appear.	Külsheim	TAUB	B	WE 20.12.1862
Michael, has failed to appear.	Gamburg	WERT	B	WE 25.12.1862
Johann Benedict, is still absent.	Külsheim	TAUB	B	WE 07.03.1863
Engelbert, unmarried cabinet-maker, intends to go to America.	Gamburg	WERT	B	WE 21.05.1864
Andreas, cooper, went to North America years ago and is now in Dunleith/Illinois.	Bettingen	WERT	ERB	WE 03.01.1865
Justin, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Reicholzheim	WERT	B	WE 22.09.1866
Martin and Josef, went to America about 25 years ago.	Külsheim	WERT	ERB	WE 29.12.1866
Martin, has been absent for several years.	Külsheim	WERT	B	WE 04.03.1867
Lorenz, brick-maker, intends to go to America with his family.	Külsheim	WERT	B	WE 14.03.1867
Martin, has failed to appear and is declared legally deceased.	Külsheim	WERT	VS	WE 14.07.1868
Wilhelm (18), unmarried, intends to go to America.	Külsheim	WERT	B	WE 27.09.1871
<b>ADLER</b>				63 - 64
David, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Külsheim	WERT	B	WE 28.04.1866
Helena, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Külsheim	WERT	B	WE 08.05.1870
<b>AHL</b>				65
Jacob, intends to go to Bavaria.	Mühlhausen	WIES	A	WE 10.08.1810
<b>ALBERT</b>				66 - 87

Name or event, respectively Name bzw. Sachverhalt	Place of origin Herkunftsort	Office Amt	Type of ad Anzeigetyp	Source Quelle
Johann Andreas, conscript, is ordered to return home.	Michelrieth	KREU	B	WE 28.10.1808
Matthes, conscript, is ordered to return home.	Michelrieth	KREU	B	WE 28.10.1808
Georg Pet., conscript of 1811, is summoned to present himself.	Kaltenbrunn	WADÜ	A	WE 28.12.1810
Jacob, b. 01.03.1769, cabinet-maker, left the country in 1788 and was in Vienna (Wien) in 1794.	Gamburg	WERT	B	WE 09.09.1825
Thomas, tailor, went on the tramp as a journeyman in 1801.	Boxberg	BOXB	B	WE 11.07.1828
Balthasar, cabinet-maker, left the country in 1793.	Gerlachsheim	GERL	B	WE 19.09.1828
Balthasar, has failed to appear.	Gerlachsheim	GERL	B (VS)	WE 20.11.1829
Barbara, called „Speifersberbel“ (40) and her illegitimate daughter Maria Anna Ernst (19), have been on the run since 08/09.02.1830.	Strümpfelbrunn	BUCH	B	WE 19.02.1830
Jacob, has failed to appear.	Gamburg	WERT	B	WE 01.04.1836
Georg; his widow, intends to go to America.	Urphar	WERT	A	WE 03.02.1852
Georg, intends to go to North America.	Gerchsheim	TAUB	A	WE 20.08.1852
Maria Anna, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Leibenstadt-Tolnay-shof	ADEL	SCH	OD 21.06.1853
Andreas; his widow, intends to go to America with her children.	Leibenstadt-Tolnay-shof	ADEL	SCH	OD 21.06.1853
Franz, intends to go to America.	Leibenstadt-Tolnay-shof	ADEL	SCH	OD 21.06.1853
Balbina, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Dittwar	TAUB	B	WE 03.04.1857
Andreas, cabinet-maker, intends to go to America.	Korb	ADEL	SCH	OD 23.07.1857
Christoph, intends to go to America.	Vockenrot	WERT	B	WE 22.09.1857
Martin, intends to go to America.	Waldenhausen	WERT	A	WE 07.08.1860
Franz (or his wife), is in America.	(Gissigheim?)	GISS	MAH	WE 16.07.1861
August Gustav, unmarried saddler, intends to go to America.	Heinsheim	MOSB	B	OD 12.10.1866
Johann Josef, intends to go to North America.	Werbach	TAUB	(AUS)	TA 16.04.1867
Stephan, unmarried cabinet-maker, intends to go to North America.	Dittwar	TAUB	(AUS)	TA 12.08.1869
See also 4980 (Heß).				
<b>ALBERTS</b>				<b>88</b>
Margaretha, widow, intends to go to North America with her family.	Altfeld	KREU	A/B	WE 27.03.1846
<b>ALBRECHT</b>				<b>89 – 118</b>
Barbara (26 – 27), is roaming about.	Sandhausen	OHEI	A	WE 01.02.1811
Joh., deserted his wife five years ago.	Heckfeld	LAUD	A	WE 29.03.1811
Johann Joachim, cabinet-maker, conscript, is absent.	Kupprichhausen	BOXB	(K)	WE 26.02.1830
Johann Joachim, has failed to appear and is sentenced as an absent draftee.	Kupprichhausen	BOXB	B	WE 06.08.1830
Franz Joseph (22), soldier, absconded on 19.08.1831.	Königheim	TAUB	B	WE 02.09.1831
Joseph Anton, conscript, has failed to appear.	Kupprichhausen	BOXB	B	WE 08.03.1833
Joseph Anton, has failed to appear and is sentenced as an absent draftee.	Kupprichhausen	BOXB	B	WE 17.05.1833
Franz Joseph, intends to go to North America with two children.	Königheim	TAUB	B	WE 16.07.1852
Franz Karl, unmarried, intends to go to North America.	Königheim	TAUB	A	WE 27.07.1852
Katharina, unmarried, intends to go to North America.	Königheim	TAUB	A	WE 27.07.1852
Johann, unmarried, has absconded, supposedly to America.	Mittelschefflenz	MOSB	UAUS	OD 25.02.1854
Johann, unmarried, has failed to appear and is expatriated.	Mittelschefflenz	MOSB	STR	OD 27.05.1854
Johann, absconded about 50 years ago.	Heckfeld	GERL	A/VM	WE 18.03.1856
Johann, has failed to appear.	Heckfeld	GERL	VS	WE 28.04.1857
Thomas, intends to go to Brazil.	Sindolsheim	ADEL	SCH	OD 26.06.1858
Caspar, is missing.	Angeltürn	ANGE	MAH	WE 04.07.1863
Johann, has absconded, leaving his wife behind.	Heckfeld	HEFE	MAH	WE 01.10.1863
Gg. Andreas, intends to go to North America.	Königheim-Hof Weikerstetten	TAUB	AUS	TA 28.12.1865
Juliane (23), unmarried, intends to go to America.	Eubigheim	BOXB	(AUS)	TA 10.07.1866
Franz Josef and Franz Karl, brothers, went to America in 1849 and 1852, respectively.	Königheim-Hof Weikerstetten	KÖHM	ERB	TA 23.10.1866
Andreas; his widow, intends to go to America with her children Wilhelm, Alexander, Georg and Maria.	Königheim	TAUB	(AUS)	TA 11.04.1867
Wilhelm, soldier, has absconded.	Königheim	TAUB	(A)	TA 12.06.1867
Andreas; his widow, intends to go to America with her children Alexander, Georg and Maria.	Königheim	TAUB	(AUS)	TA 10.07.1867
Wilhelm, is charged with desertion.	Königheim-Weikers- teten	TAUB	(VOR)	TA 22.08.1867
Wilhelm August, has failed to appear and is sentenced as a deserter.	Königheim-Weikers- teten	TAUB	U	TA 26.09.1867
Jakob (35), railroad worker, is absent.	Korb-Hagenbach	ADEL	F	TA 08.06.1869
Michael, shepherd's servant, has absconded.	Althausen/Württem- berg	BOXB	B	TA 05.08.1869
Philomene, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Königheim	TAUB	(AUS)	TA 17.09.1869
Andreas; his widow, intends to go to America.	Königheim	TAUB	(AUS)	TA 17.09.1869
Wilhelm, is absent.	Dittwar	TAUB	(F)	TA 24.03.1871
See also 1932 (Dietzenbach), 6953 (Lang).				
<b>ALETZHÄUSER</b>				<b>119 – 121</b>
Heinrich, has absconded, supposedly to America.	Dörlesberg	WERT	--	WE 14.01.1853
Martin and Heinrich, brothers, went to America without permission about ten years ago.	Dörlesberg	WERT	A	WE 16.09.1862
Gregor, unmarried, intends to go to America.	Dörlesberg	WERT	B	WE 01.09.1866
<b>ALEXANDER</b>				<b>122</b>
Regina, absconded, supposedly to North America.	Hochhausen	MOSB	(B)	OD 15.07.1845
<b>ALLAM</b>				<b>123 – 124</b>
Georg Karl, conscript of 1859, has failed to appear.	Mosbach	MOSB	A	OD 14.12.1858
Karl, has failed to appear and is sentenced as an absent draftee.	Mosbach	MOSB	ERK	OD 05.03.1859
<b>ALLETZHÄUSER</b>				<b>125</b>
Martin and Heinrich, brothers, have failed to appear.	Dörlesberg	WERT	B	WE 25.12.1862
<b>ALLGAIER</b>				<b>126</b>
Heinrich and his wife, intend to go to America.	Haßmersheim	MOSB	SCH	OD 18.02.1854
<b>ALSFELD</b>				<b>127</b>
Johann (28), newly-hired French soldier, has escaped while on the march.	Mannheim	WERT	B	WE 31.07.1812
<b>ALT</b>				<b>128 – 133</b>