

GERMAN-AMERICAN GENEALOGICAL NOTES

Hans Arnold Plöhn, **Sammlung der Hochzeitgedichte und Leichenpredigten in der Commerzbibliothek Hamburg. Namen und Daten aus vier Jahrhunderten.** Veröffentlichungen der Zentralstelle für Niedersächsische Familienkunde e.V. Hamburg. Band 4 (Hamburg, 1960), 103 pp.

Contains names, dates, etc. of persons whose marriages were embellished by special poetry readings and of persons whose funerals were attended by the reading of prayers by the clergy. Plöhn compiled this information from the collections of wedding poems and eulogies at the Commerce Library in Hamburg. A copy of this volume is at the Western Reserve Historical Society (Ward Collection of Americana Germanica) in Cleveland.

Hans Arnold Plöhn, comp., **Festschrift zum 50 jährigen Bestehen der Genealogischen Gesellschaft, Sitz Hamburg, e.V. am 25. Mai 1968** (Stade, 1968), 95 pp.

Contains several genealogical articles, in commemoration of the Genealogical Society's founding. Pages 93-95 list all of the surnames in this volume. A copy of it is at the Western Reserve Historical Society (Ward Collection of Americana Germanica) in Cleveland.

Merksche Familien-Zeitschrift, Band XXV (1975). Published and edited by Peter Merck and Friedrich W. Euler (Address: Am Löwentor 24, 6100 Darmstadt, West Germany).

This family genealogical group (Merck) has again begun publishing its periodical which it ceased four years ago. Some of the families treated therein are: **Merck, Hoffmann, Moller, Gerber, von Castermur, Partz, Hille, Günste, Follenius, and Hessemer.**

Gerd Möhlmann, **Geschlechter der Hansestadt Rostock im 13.-18. Jahrhundert.** Band 25 of *Genealogie und Landesgeschichte*, Publikationen der Zentralstelle für Personen- und Familiengeschichte, ed. Heinz F. Friedrichs (Verlag Degener and Co.: Neustadt/Aisch, 1975), 194 pp. Price: 80 West German Marks.
Contains genealogical information on persons from Rostock and includes an index of surnames.

Elisabeth Korn, **Quellen zur Duisburger Geschichte im Hauptstaatsarchiv Düsseldorf, Bestände des 19./20. Jahrhunderts: Grossherzogtum Berg, Regierung Kleve, Regierung Düsseldorf**, Band 6 of *Quellen zur Duisburger Geschichte im Hauptstaatsarchiv Düsseldorf* (Verlag Degener and Co.: Neustadt/Aisch, 1975). Price: 48 West German Marks.

Treats genealogical materials in the Main State Archive at Düsseldorf which deal with persons from the Grand Duchy of Berg, and the areas surrounding Kleve and Düsseldorf. Especially valuable is the 73-page register of names.

Rolf Miller and W. Gauweiler, eds. and comps., **Handbuch der Städte, Gemeinden und Kreise von Niedersachsen** (Verlag Werbung und Graphik: Heidelberg, 1975).

This is an excellent handbook of cities and towns in Lower Saxony.

Gemeindelexikon für das Königreich Preussens, 15 vols.

Various areas of Prussia are treated in this encyclopedia. Hannover, which was incorporated into Prussia in 1866, is the subject of Volume 9. Especially helpful when researching areas which became part of Prussia.

W. Ubbelohde, **Statistische Repertorium über das Königreich Hannover** (Hannover, 1823).

Although this handbook is over a century and a half old, it is still invaluable for research on areas of the Kingdom of Hannover.

F. W. Harsheim and C. Schlüter, **Statistisches Handbuch für das Königreich Hannover** (Hannover, 1848). This old handbook remains an important tool for research on areas in the old Kingdom of Hannover.

Martin Reissmann, **Die hamburgische Kaufmannschaft des 17. Jahrhunderts in sozialgeschichtlicher Sicht**, Band 4 of Beiträge zur Geschichte Hamburgs (Hans Christians Verlag: Hamburg, 1975), 447 pp.

This is an expanded version of Reissmann's doctoral dissertation which treats Hamburg's merchants in the 17th century. It includes a name index and the names of firms which imported and exported goods, etc.

The Ostfriesische Landschaft Arbeitsgruppe Familienkunde und Heraldik in Aurich, West Germany has published a special issue of their periodical dealing with the funeral sermons in the archives of the Reformed Church in Emden and in the libraries of that town. The funeral sermons are loaded with names and other genealogical data. This genealogical society has also published **Geschichte des Emsigerlandes vom Frühen 13. Bis zum Späten 15. Jahrhundert. Teil II**, by Hajo von Lengen. Price is 45 West German Marks.

The Bayerische Landesverein für Familienkunde (Bavarian State Society for Family Research), 8 München, Winzererstrasse 68 (Stadtarchiv), West Germany publishes the genealogical periodical, **Blätter des Bayerischen Landesvereins für Familienkunde** and the ancestral pedigree series known as **Bayerische Geschlechtertafel**. The periodical is free to members. Annual membership dues are 29 West German Marks. Members have access to the society's card file and library. The society's major interest in genealogical research covers the areas of Oberbayern, Niederbayern, Schwaben and Oberpfalz.

Joachim Dollwet's article, "Die Einwohner des Bietzerherges im 16. und 17. Jahrhundert," (**Saarländische Familienkunde**, Band 3, Jahrgang XI, Heft 41 (1978), lists names and dates of persons living in Bietzen, Harlingen and Menningen.

The **Pfälzisch-Rheinische Familienkunde**, XXVII. Jahrgang, Band 9 Heft 1 (April 1978) has an article on the early settlers of Host Church Berks County, Pa. and their origins in Hochstadt in the Palatinate.