

Foertmeyer

BIRTH	NAME	DEATH	SHIP	IMMIGRATED
1802	Doris Georg Förtmeier	1864	- Hammonia	1861 *
1798	Dietrich Förtmeier	1861	Stayed in Germany	
1 st Child:				
1826	Dorothee L Förtmeier Married: 1855 Louisville KY	1881	- Olbers	1851 **
1823	Johann Adam Pfanmoeller	_____	- Ship Unknown	
1850	Georg H Förtmeier Married: 1855	1877	- Hammonia	1861 *
1850	Henrietta Feicke	1923	- Born in Ohio	
2 nd Child				
1828	Luise M Förtmeier	1854	Stayed in Germany	26 years
3 rd Child				
1830	Georg Eduard Förtmeier Died at age 20 Cincinnati	1851	- Johann George	1846
4 th Child				
1832	Wilhelm A Förtmeier Married	1893	- Schiller	1849
1841	Elizabeth Kirchoff 1857	1871	- Born in Ohio	
1855	Clara Konnersman 1875	1940	- Born in New York	
5 th Child				
1834	Wm. Charles Förtmeier Married: 1858	1907	- Ship Unknown	1850
1838	Emily Bultmann	1909	- Born in Ohio	
6 th Child				
1837	Emma Luise B. Förtmeier Married: 1860	1894	- Olbers	1851 **
1835	Stefan Wagner	1873	- America	1865
7 th Child				
1839	Friedericke B. Förtmeier Married: 1860	1904	- President Smidt	1856 ***
1837	Herman Frank Reum	1887		
8 th Child				
1841	Carl Heinrich Förtmeier Married: 1868	1912	- President Smidt	1856 ***
1844	Rosa Rentz no children	1918	- Born in Ohio	
9 th Child				
1843	Anne Caroline S. Förtmeier	1843	Stayed in Germany	Died at 5 Months
10 th Child				
1844	Louise F. Förtmeier	1847	Stayed in Germany	Died at 2 Years
11 th and Last Child				
1849	Louis Charles Förtmeier Married: 1871	1914	- Hammonia	1861 *
1845	Maria Sophia Mentz	1925	- Ohio	1869 ****

Mente

Heinrich Wilhelm Mente born in Negenborn - Wedemark on 10 May 1812 and died on 31 Jul 1898 in Luneburg, Germany. Heinrich Wilhelm Mente married twice, to sisters, Wilhelmena Dorthea Elisabeth Fricke (1842) and Marie Wilhelmine Sophie Henriette Fricke (c.1850). Heinrich Wilhelm Mente and Wilhelmena Dorthea Elisabeth Fricke had the following children:

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1842	LOUIS MENTE M.D.	1874	- Ship Unknmown	1858
1851	WILHELMINA S. BREITFELD	1927	- Born in Ohio	
1844	BETTI MENTE Never Married		- Stayed in Germany	
1845	MARIE SOPHIA MENTE	1925	- Ohio	1869 ****
1849	Louis C. Foertmeyer 01 Mar 1871	1914	- Hammonia	1861 *
1847	ADOLPH MENTE Never Married	1903	- Stayed in Germany	

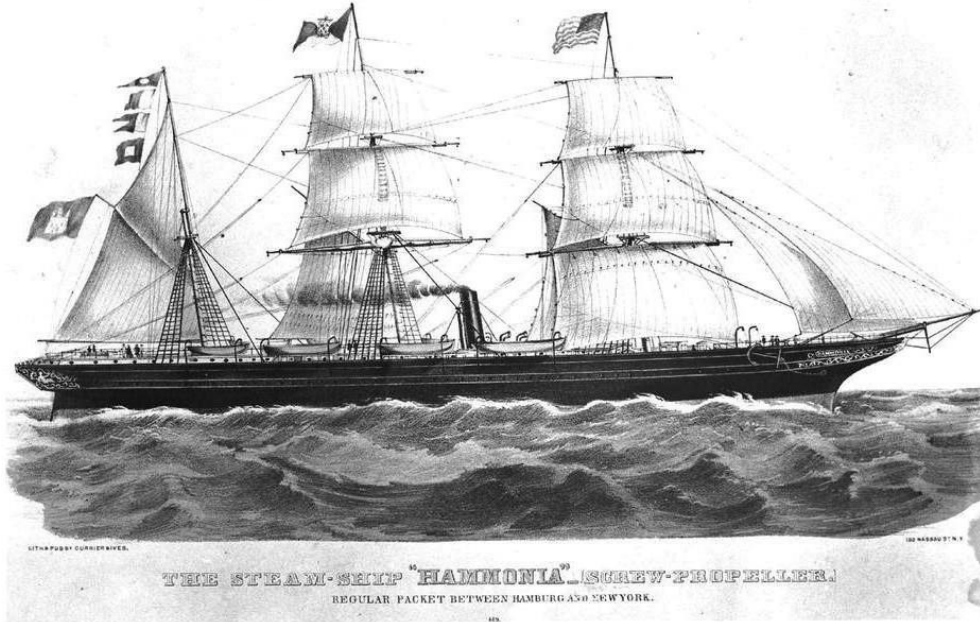
Heinrich Wilhelm Mente and Marie Wilhelmine Sophie Henriette Fricke had the following children:

1850	EMIL ARNOLD MENTE	1930	- Borussia	1864
1852	MARY CONARD 23 Apr 1852	1912	- Born in Ohio	
1853	WILLIAM H. MENTE Never Married	1927	- Ohio	1869 ****
1855	ALVIN MENTE Never Married	1932	- Thuringia	1871
1857	EUGENE WILHELM MENTE Never Married	1951	- Leipzig	1873
1859	BODO KARL MENTE Never Married	1903	- Pommerania	1875
1860	ELISE BERTHA MENTE REINHOLD NIEMANN	1928	- Stayed in Germany - Stayed in Germany	
1890	Son: Eugen Wm. Niemann++	1952	- George Washington	1912
1887	Daughter: Elisabeth			
1861	KARL JULIUS MENTE Never Married	1934	- Pommerania	1878
1867	WILHELM C MENTE Never Married	1894	- Frisia	1882
1868	EMILIE SOPHIE MENTE FRIEDEL THÜME 14 Apr 1857		- Stayed in Germany - Stayed in Germany	

* = Persons who traveled together

The Ships

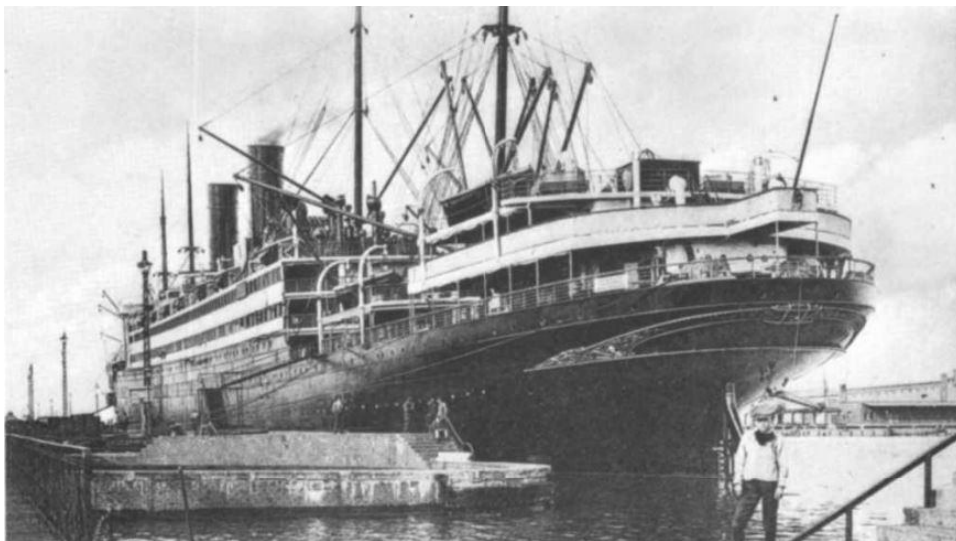
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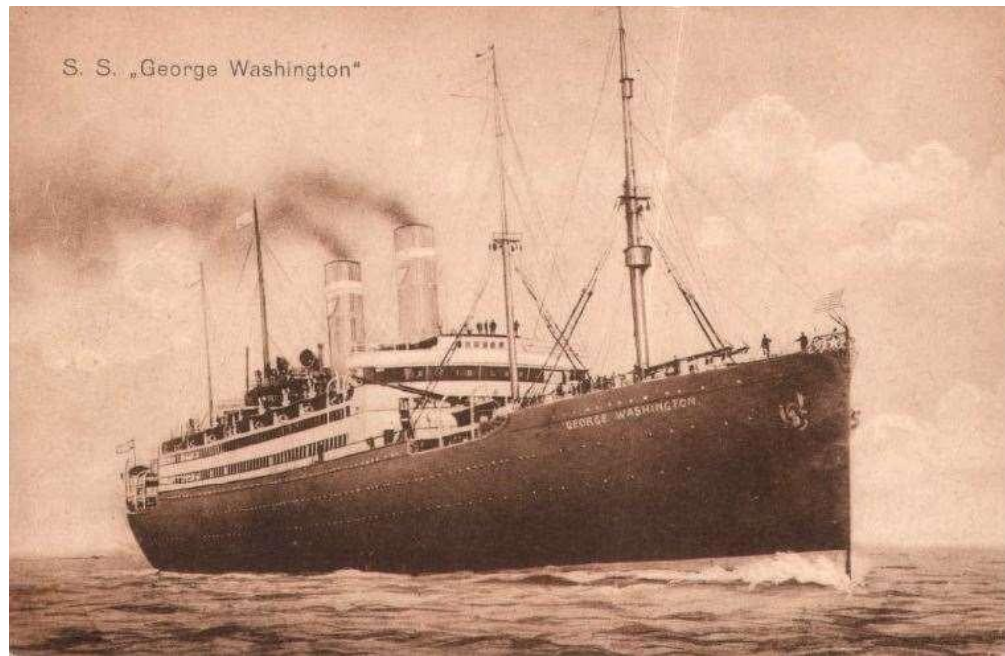


1861

Doris Georg, Louis Charles, Georg Eduard Förtmeier

George Washington





S. S. „George Washington“

1912
Eugen Wm. Otto Niemann

Ohio



1869
Marie Mente, William H Mente

Leipzig



1873
Eugen Wilhelm Mentz

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The Ships of the Förtmeyer Emigrants

We know most of the ships of the Förtmeyer emigrants. Almost all of them boarded a ship to America in Bremerhaven. At first these were sailing ships. The crossing could take up to 7 weeks. From 1857, steam ships were also used after the foundation of Hamburg America line 1855, which significantly shortened the crossing. The last Förtmeyer emigrants left Hamburg in 1861 on the Harmonnia steamship.

Georg Eduard Förtmeyer

Year of emigration: 1846 Age: 15 Years
Name of the vessel: Bark Johann Georg(e)
Type of vessel: Sailing vessel, 334 tons
Departure and arrival: Bremen to New York—Arrival 27 June 1846
Number of passengers: 134
Travel time: unknown
Number of passengers:

Special features: In total there are at least 17 people from the area around Bohnhorst on the ship who want to go to Cincinnati.

Description of the ship: none

Wilhelm Adolph Förtmeyer

Year of emigration: 1849 Age: 16 Years
Name of the vessel: Schiller
Type of vessel: Sailing vessel
Departure and arrival: Bremen to Baltimore—Arrival 1 May 1849
Travel time: unknown
Number of passengers: 200

Special features: In total there are at least 70 people from the area around Bohnhorst on the ship who want to go to Cincinnati. A total of 120 passengers pass the Zie Cincinnati. They are accompanied by an American citizen from Cincinnati named Christian Gräper, who may have been the agent. The name Gräper is still common today in the Bohnhorst area.

Description of the ship: none

Carl Wilhelm Förtmeyer

Year of emigration: 1850 Age: 15 or 16 Years
Name of the vessel: ship unknown
Type of vessel: Sailing vessel
Departure and arrival: unknown
Number of passengers: unknown
Special features: none
Description of the ship: none

Dorothee Luise Förtmeyer

Age: 25 years

Emma Luise Förtmeyer

Age: 14 years

Relation: Sisters

Year of emigration: 1851
Name of the vessel: Olbers
Type of vessel: Sailing vessel
Departure and arrival: Bremen to New Orleans—Arrival 8 Nov 1851
Travel time: unknown
Number of passengers: 297

Special features: Information on the places of residence of the emigrants is missing or only the country (Hanover) was entered. However, 112 persons indicate the destination Cincinnati. The itinerary then probably ran from New Orleans via the Mississippi and the Ohio to Cincinnati.

Description of the ship:



Ship OLBERS, built by F. W. Wencke, Bremerhaven, for the Bremen firm of D. H. Watjen & Co, and launched on 4 March 1851. 554 Lasten; 43,11 x 10,20 meters (length x beam); 2 decks. She was engaged primarily in the transport of emigrants to North America, and in 1861 was sold Swedish.

Friederike Berta Förtmeyer

Age: 17 years

Carl Heinrich Förtmeyer

Age: 15 years

Relation: Siblings

Year of emigration: 1856
 Name of the vessel: President Smidt
 Type of vessel: Sailing vessel, 626 tons
 Departure and arrival: Bremen to Baltimore—Arrival 25 Oct 1856
 Travel time: unknown
 Number of passengers: 266

Special features: On board is the schoolteacher Wilhelm Sander, his wife and his 3 children. Sander is a colleague of Diedrich Förtmeyer from the neighbouring village. In total there are at least 42 people from the area around Bohnhorst on the ship who want to go to Cincinnati. A total of 122 passengers pass the Zie Cincinnati. They are accompanied by 2 American citizen from Cincinnati named Johann Ernst Stegemann and Bernhard Wemeyer.

Description of the ship: none

Ilsa Dorothea “Doris“ Georges Förtmeyer

Age: 59 years **Mother of Louis & Adolph**

Louis Charles Förtmeyer

Age: 7 years**

Georg Heinrich Förtmeyer

Age: 7 years** **Grandson of Doris**

Accompanied by Adolph Förtmeyer

Age: 29 years

Year of emigration: 1861
 Name of the vessel: Hammonia
 Type of vessel: Steamboat, 2131 tons
 Departure and arrival: Hamburg American Line from Hamburg to New York—Departure from Hamburg 24 Aug 1861 and arrival in New York 11 Sep 1861.
 Number of passengers: unknown

Special features:

Adolph is already an American citizen and picks up his mother and his youngest brother in Germany. They are the only Förtmeyer emigrants who do not leave via Bremen, but via Hamburg. The crossing from Hamburg was more expensive but certainly more comfortable and much faster with the steamboat. Adolph or the children already living in America probably paid for the trip. Adolph and his mother Doris resided in the 1st cabin lower saloon. The two seven-year-old boys Louis Charles and Georg H. were accommodated below deck.

On 24 May 1861 Adolph applied for a passport at the consulate of the Kingdom of Hanover. According to a letter from the consulate dated 30 May, Adolph wanted to embark for Hamburg on the Saxonía in New York on 1 June.

** There is a discrepancy in the ages of the boys for which we do not have a true answer.
Louis, having been born in 1849, was 12 years old
Georg, having been born in 1950, was either 10 or 11 years old
Why they were listed as 7 years old each is unknown

Description of the ship:



The **Hammonia** was built in 1854 for Hamburg American Line
Sold to Allan Line in 1864 and renamed **Belgian**
Sold to Dominion Line in 1872 and renamed **Missouri**
The sister ship, Borussia sank in 1879.