

# Mennonite Marriages for Schönsee, West Prussia, 1810-1852, taken from the Lutheran Church Register of Kulm, West Prussia

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In 1969 Adalbert Goertz published a list of Mennonite marriages found in the Evangelical Lutheran church records of Kulm, West Prussia. Unfortunately the publication is in a rather obscure journal and difficult to access<sup>1</sup>. As part of a multiyear project to get some of these articles into electronic form I have converted the information in Adalbert's article into a spreadsheet.

The Mennonites found in the Kulm Lutheran records were those who belonged to the Schönsee Old Flemish and Frisian Mennonite churches. These congregations merged in 1849. These records are of particular importance since the Mennonite records from the Schönsee congregations disappeared at the end of World War 2. More information on these congregations can be found at [http://gameo.org/index.php?title=Sch%C3%B6nsee\\_\(Kuyavian-Pomeranian\\_Voivodeship,\\_Poland\)](http://gameo.org/index.php?title=Sch%C3%B6nsee_(Kuyavian-Pomeranian_Voivodeship,_Poland)).

I have standardized the surnames for the first column in order to make searching easier. However, I have kept the original surname as transcribed by Goertz. Most of the information for those marriages for 1810-33 is in the GRANDMA database. Unfortunately some important information was not included. In all of these cases I have sent corrections to GRANDMA online.

My comments are in [square brackets] and those of Goertz in (parentheses).

Note that the marriage location is in bold type and not to be confused with the residence of the groom or bride. From 1849 on all but one marriage took place in Schönsee, presumably in the Mennonite church building.

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Abbreviations and terms used:

Cop. = the Mennonite minister or elder who performed the marriage.

1ten, 2ten, etc. = 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, etc.

Kl. = Klein

Gr. = Gross

Verst. = verstorbenen = departed, deceased, late, etc.

J = Jahren = years

Jg. = Junggesell = bachelor (not previously married)

Jf. = Jungfrau = maiden (not previously married)

Wwr. = Witwer = widower

Wwe. = Witwe = widow

d. = des = of the

ebd. = ebenda = in the same place

dort = there = in the same place

<sup>1</sup> Altpreußische Geschlechterkunde. Neue Folge - Bd. 6, 17.-19. Jahrg. (1969-1971) - 17. Jahrg.,  
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