

1922 Mennonite Refugees in Batum, Georgia

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In an article in the May 3 1922 issue of the *Mennonitische Rundschau*, Orie O. Miller published a list of the Mennonite refugees held up in Batum, Georgia. Unfortunately some of these people died before any aid was able to reach them.

For more information on the Batum tragedy see:

- 1) *Mennonites in Ukraine Amid Civil War and Anarchy (1917-1920): A Documentary Collection*. Translated by John B. Toews. CMBS Fresno (2013).
- 2) “God’s Mercy and Man’s Kindness: memoirs of the group of Mennonites who left the Crimea in Russia during the early 1920s and came to America via Batum and Constantinople”. Compiled by Mary Dirks Janzen (1974).
- 3) *Constantinoplers: Escape from Bolshevism*. Edited by Irmgard Epp (2006). Part 6 – Batum Emigrants.
- 4) GAMEO article. [http://gameo.org/index.php?title=Constantinople_\(Turkey\)](http://gameo.org/index.php?title=Constantinople_(Turkey))

Below I have simply copied the names and ages found in the *MR* article. I have added numbers for the parents and adults not included in their parent’s families from the GRANDMA database. Even though many of the adults are found in GRANDMA there is a lot of information found here which has not been incorporated in the GRANDMA database. For more on the GRANDMA database see: <https://www.grandmaonline.org/gmolstore/pc/Overview-d1.htm>

My comments are in square brackets.

Note that families 43 to 46 do not appear to be Mennonite and are likely Germans who were living with the Mennonite refugees (perhaps married to Mennonites).

No.	Name	Age	GRANDMA
1	Aron Wiens	35	711148
	wife Liese	27	711147
2	Johann Wiens	36	754653
	wife Anna	31	1156794
	Children:		
	Lene	8	
	Johann	4	
	Justina	2	
	sister Maria Wiens	30	754651
3	Abraham Friesen	43	
	wife Agata	41	
	children:		
	Agata	18	
	Justina	17	
	Abraham	15	
	Peter	14	
	Sara	12	
	Anna	10	
4	Heinrich Eckert	37	
	wife Marie	36	
	children:		
	Lena	5	
	Katharina	4	
	Heinrich	2	
	Anna	1	
5	Peter Rogalsky	43	475296
	wife Liese	30	475297
	children:		
	Johann	10	
	Liese	7	
	Tine	4	
	Marie	2	
	Lena	1	

6	Abraham Reimer	20	496662
7	Peter Wiens	22	
8	Johann Langmann	37	171452
	wife Gertrude	31	171451
	children:		
	Johann	10	
	Dietrich	7	
	Liese	5	
	Gertrude	3	
	Jacob	1	
9	Heinrich Rosenfeld	53	531848
	wife Liese	52	510578
	children:		
	Johann	20	
	David	16	
	Gerhard	12	
	Marie	7	
10	Peter Sawatsky	30	
	wife Anna	30	
	son:		
	Peter	1½	
11	Jacob Dück	31	683430
12	Liese Rosenfeld	23	532865
[the GRANDMA database indicates that 11 and 12 were already married]			
13	David Bekker	44	396422
	wife Helena	42	369421
	children:		
	Jakob	14	
	Nikolai	9	
	Johann	3	

	Katharina	12	
	Anna	6	
14	Johann Wiens	46	755626
	wife Agata	47	755625
	children:		
	Liese	17	
	Heinrich	13	
	Anna	11	
15	Jacob Dück	31	
16	Franz Dück	32	
17	Abram Wiens	47	532799?
	wife Liese	55	533236?
	children:		
	Marie	21	
	Johann	13	
18	Heinrich Rosenfeld	27	353076
19	Anna Wiens	19	753813
[the GRANDMA database indicates that 18 and 19 were already married]			
20	Jakob Kroeker	32	663265
	wife Susanna	28	663264
	son:		
	Johann	5	
21	Johann Wiens	40	
	wife Christine	34	
	children:		
	Heinrich	9	
	Johann	7	
	Erna	4	
22	Abraham Fröse	35	149378
	wife Susanna	30	149106

	son:		
	Werner	2	
23	Wilhelm Rahn	37	
	wife Wendeliene	33	
	children:		
	Gerhard	9	
	Reinhold	8	
	Bertha	3	
	Hermann	3	
24	Heinrich Wedel	21	
	wife Lydia	21	
25	Jakob Koop	33	56582
	wife Marie	29	56583
	children:		
	Suse	10	
	Jakob	8	
	Marie	6	
26	Isbrand Koop	26	56587
	wife Tine	27	416688
	son:		
	Woldemar	1	
27	Kornelius Wall	28	108030
	wife Agnes	27	108031
	children:		
	Marie	3	
	Arthur	6 months	
28	Gerhard Warkentin	26	469249
	wife Marie	27	469158
	daughter:		
	Suse	7 months	
29	Jakob Becker	26	32032
	wife Justine	20	32035

30	Jakob Wall	34	107433
31	Heinrich Regehr	34	1029361?
32	Peter Janzen	23	
33	Jakob Braun	34	
35	Johann Penner	26	
	wife Marie	34	
	mother-in-law:		
	Helene Wiebe	64	
	sister-in-law:		
	Helene Wiebe	32	
	brother:		
	Abram Penner	22	
	cousin:		
	Hermann Enns	25	56298
	cousin:		
	Johann Enns	14	56302
36	Johann Siemens	29	71037
	wife Helena	25	71055
	children:		
	Helena	2	
	Johann	9 months	
37	Abram Siemens	27	508451
	wife Agathe	24	508433
	son:		
	Peter	7 months	
38	Peter Bargen	30	
	wife Ella	30	
	child:		
	Peter	3	
39	Jakob Bargen	24	

40	Abram Voth	31	222291?
	wife Helena	26	222292?
41	Peter Heinrich	29	63330
	wife Marie	28	63331
	daughter:		
	Liese	3 months	
42	David Heinrichs	19	474156
43	Gottlieb Birkle	58	
	wife Johanna	58	
	children:		
	Otto	25	
	Adolf	23	
	Hild	20	
	Amelina	18	
44	Alexander Stadel	25	
	wife Alwina	20	
45	Adolf Frasch	27	
46	Daniel Walz	29	
47	Heinrich Körber	78	669666
	wife Maria	58	694172
48	Heinrich Körber	48	669663
	son:		
	Heinrich	12	
	sisters:		
	Marie	32	669643
	Agatha	25	694170
	Helena	23	87550
	Laura	22	694173
	brother:		
	Peter	20	74400

49	Abram Flamming	32	262241
	wife Liese	24	262242
	children:		
	Anna	2½	
	Jakob	10 months	
50	Jakob Riediger	26	223022
51	Jakob Nikkel	31	775873?
52	Jakob Janzen	20	
53	Johann Reimer	25	
64	Gerhard Wall	30	
"Im Ganzen 163 Personen". In total 163 persons.			

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