



GERMAN OTT

The Ott family in the United States started with Charles Frederick Ott who was born 07 February 1832 in Westenberg (Wuttemberger), Germany. He emigrated to the United States in 1852 and was naturalized 03 March 1860 in Keokuk, Iowa. On 27 May 1855, he married Dorothy Englehart in Richland, Ohio. Dorthea (Dorothy) Engelhart was born March 1834 and baptized 10 March 1834 in Bavaria, Germany. Her father was Charles P. Englehardt. She died of Pneumonia 28 February 1905 at home at 812 P Street, Sacramento, California. She is buried in the Sacramento Historic Cemetery.

On the first Sunday in Advent, 01 December 1867, Charles Frederick Ott was one of the twenty-three men who, led by Rev. Mathias Goethe of Australia, founded St. John's Lutheran Church. It is the same group of Swiss and German settlers who helped John Sutter. He lived at 812 and 814 P Street (Southside P between 8th and 9th), Sacramento and is listed as a Carpenter. He was an employee of Southern Pacific Co. He was a member of the Schiller Lodge I.O.O.F. He died of valvular heart disease on 09 July 1902 in Sacramento, California. Before he died, he deeded the E 1/2 of lot 2, 8th, 9th, P and Q streets separate property. He is buried in Sacramento Historic City cemetery. B 117 I.O.O.F.

Charles and Dorothy Ott had four children. George Frederick Ott died at 10 years and 6 months on 18 August 1866 in Sacramento, California. He drowned and was found near Freeport. Our ancestor, Charles Samuel Ott was born 16 May 1858 in Keemun, Lee, Iowa. Elizabeth "Elsie" or "Lizzie" A Ott was born in 1861. She married Charles Fredrick Lehman. Their son Carl Lehman owned the florist, Woodall and Lehman, in the Capital City located between 15th and 16th on L Street. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the American Legion, and Union Lodge No. 58, Free and Accepted Masons, the Ben Ali temple of the Shrine and the Ft. Sutter Lions Club. He died 25 September 1968 and is buried in Odd Fellows Lawn Cemetery. 15 March 1888, her daughter Elizabeth D Lehman died at just 2 years old. Elsie Ott died in 1948 in Sacramento, California. John William Ott was born in 05 January 1869 in Sacramento,

California. He married Alice Schwartz at noon on 27 March 1898 in Sacramento at the German Lutheran Church. The couple traveled through the southern part of the state for their honeymoon. John Ott was a trusted employee of Holbrook, Merrill, & Stetson's wholesale house. He died 08 February 1960 and is buried in Odd Fellows Lawn Cemetery in Sacramento. He belonged to the Sacramento Lodge No. 40 F & A M.

IOWA OTT

Charles Samuel Ott was born 16 May 1858 in Keemun, Lee, Iowa. When he was three years of age, his family moved to Sacramento, California. He married Charlotte "Lottie" Fredericka Buss 15 September 1880 in Iowa. He was a blacksmith, and on 31 August 1885, Charles Ott took over full ownership of the blacksmithing business on J Street, between Twelfth and Thirteenth, in Sacramento by dissolving his partnership with J. Wiezel. In 1885, Charles owned a "wagon shop" and had a wagon stolen by Mr. Stadtler (held on \$2,000 bond). Stradtler's "friends believe[d] that he [was] partially insane, stating that he has heretofore borne an excellent character, and his theft of the vehicle was not conducted in a manner that a sane person would adopt." Charles demanded the cost of the wagon, \$25 and had threatened to send Stadtler to State Prison.

Charles lived at 1116 Second Street, Sacramento in 1893. On 07 September 1899, Charles and a committee arranged for Colonel William Jennings Bryan, the distinguished Nebraskan, "to make an address at Agricultural Park and speak at the Pavilion." Charles is a noted juror in the trial of Charles Leroy because when questioned, he responded "that he would require the defendant to prove his innocence." The attorney challenged Ott as a juror "for bias on the strength of this answer and a long questioning and cross questioning followed." The judge did not believe it was bias "but altogether to ignorance of the law." On 13 July 1899, he advertised a reward for a lost "ladies' silver watch, gold stem and gold fills, attached to a small chain." In August 1902, Charles was a County Delegate for the Democratic Convention. In 1909, he was elected mayor of Keokuk, Iowa. He died of Peritonitis 08 April 1920 and is buried in Sacramento City Cemetery.

Charlotte "Lottie" Buss who was born in 1862 in Keokuk, Lee, Iowa to G.H. Buss. She married Charles S Ott 28 August 1911 in Sacramento. She died of IA Peritonitis 08 July 1893. She is buried in Sacramento Historic City cemetery. Her large tombstone reads, "MAMA." Her parents were G Henry Buss and Margaret

Drott. Buss was a resident of Keokuk, Iowa before moving to Quincy, California. Henry Buss suffered from cancer for some time and had kidney trouble. He had been a tar roofer for many years. He had come to the US in the fifties and was married here to Miss Margaret Droot. He was a member of the Herman Lodge No. 116 of Keokuk. In his will, all properties were to be sold and proceeds divided among the four grandchildren. On 01 February 1911, the grandchildren filed suit to enforce the will.

Charles married a second time to Elizabeth Schriener. Elizabeth Schriener was born 21 August 1861 during the Civil War and died 06 January 1943. She was a member of St. John's fraternal order, Columbia chapter 117 and is buried at Interment Odd Fellows' Lawn cemetery. She was a native of Freeport, Sacramento County and resided at 2214 N Street. Her brothers were William and Charles S. Schriener. She was a member of the St. John's Fraternal Order Columbia Chapter 117.

Charles and Dorothy had three children. Carl Gerhart is our ancestor. He was born 28 March 1881 and died in 1965. John Ott was born in 07 July 1882 and died on 28 August 1911 (Sacramento Historic City cemetery). John W Ott lived at 1611 S Street in Vallejo. He left Sacramento to take a position with the naval branch of the International Correspondence Schools. He made two attempts at suicide. First he tried to asphyxiate himself by inhaling gas then he jumped off the end of the Virginia-street float at Vallejo. He landed in a launch where sailors helped him to shore. He immediately took out a pistol and drew two shots. Then he pressed the weapon to his head and pulled the trigger before the sailors could stop him. There was no theory as to why he should have sought to end his life. "They claim no love affair is responsible." He was never married. After an investigation, it was alleged that he was a frequent participant in poker games on board vessels of the navy (ship Independence most mentioned) and sometimes lost as much as \$500 in a single game. On 19 October 1911, his father, Charles S Ott of Sacramento filed a petition for appointment as administrator of the estate of his son, John W. Ott, consisting of real and personal property valued at about \$1,000. George Frederick Ott was born in 1883 in California. He was married to Mabel Mott. They had one child, Mabel Georgia Ott (French). He died of Tuberculosis 24 December 1919 and is buried at Sacramento City Historic cemetery.

Henry Schreiner Ott was the only child of Charles Ott and Elizabeth Schriener. He was master of the Concord Lodge No. 117. F & A.M and a member of Sacramento Scottish Rite Bodies and the Ben Ali Temple of the Shrine. He also

belonged to the Royal Arch Masons, Sacramento Council No. 1 of Royal and Select Masters, Sacramento Commandery No. 2, the High Twelve Club and Northern California Past Masters Association. He was a past patron of Columbus Chapter No 117 of the Order of the Eastern Star and belonged to the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Association of the OES of Superior California. He was a graduate of Sacramento High School and Heald Business College. He was a Southern Pacific Company machinist and in 1929, he became a machinist, mechanic and a clerk with the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. In 1941, he took the family on a visit to Calgary. He died of a heart ailment 09 October 1963 while visiting family in Monaghan, Ireland. His wife, Mary Eleanor Graham, was born in Monaghan. She was a deputy grand matron of Columbus Circle, OES, and Daughters of the Nile. He is entombed in the East Lawn Mausoleum.

CALIFORNIA OTT

Carl Gerhart Ott was born 28 March 1881 in Keokuk County, Iowa. He was medium build and weight with light blue eyes and light brown hair. During World War 1, he was a machinist. During World War 2, he lived on Route 1, O'Banion Corners, Sutter where he owned a ranch. Carl Ott met Lauetta Schuler when they both took part in an amateur play, "Hearts and Diamonds," given to raise money to build a pony shed for kids who rode their ponies to school on the old Gaither school grounds. Carl played the villain, and Lauetta and her sister played twin sisters. On 08 November 1906, he married Lauetta Schuler at the German Lutheran Church in Sacramento, and they spent their honeymoon in San Francisco and the coastal areas. He moved to Sacramento as a youth working as a blacksmith, and then moved to Sutter County to work in the Blacksmith shop of Erich Schmidt at O'Banion Corners where he built buggies and wagons. He built a Surrey without the fringe on top for a customer and for himself he built the first "rubber tired" buggy in the neighborhood." 14 April 1911, he bought a brand new automobile.

While trying to pursue a relationship with Lauetta, he told about a practical joke played on him, "My own horse was lame and I borrowed a horse from the stables of Abbot orchard. Well, I didn't know it but the horse I was given was one that would often stop along the road whenever it pleased his fancy. This evening I had taken my best girl to Marysville and we were making the return trip when the horse decided to stop and nothing we could do or say could induce him to so much as budge. Finally after an hour or so, the spirit must have

moved him. . .I was greeted with a laugh when the horse and I arrived at the Abbot orchard and I knew that the fellows had played a joke on me by giving me that particular horse which was known to be a temperamental creature" He purchased the blacksmith shop and worked it until he was injured while shoeing a horse. Since then he became an orchardist, raising cherries, cling and freestone peaches. In 1903, he "made complaint. . .that a dark bay mare belonging to him was stolen from the block, 16th and 17th, R and S Street" For vacation July 1910, the couple went to Pacific Grove. He became the local agent for the car made by Crow Elk Hart. C.G. Ott was endorsed by the Taxpayers' League of Levee District, No. 1 as Director. In 1929, Charles owned 80 acres on Carlson road at the Hutchinson road intersection and 50 acres of it is in peaches, the remainder used as a hog ranch. In 1930, he was a member of the Central-Gaither Aggie club. On 23 December 1950, he was elected "overseer" of the General Sutter Grange. At their graduation, Charles, as member of the school board, presented his children their diplomas. He lived at 843 Cooper Ave, Yuba City when he died 23 September 1965 and is buried in Sutter Cemetery (E-63-4). Social Security # 553-18-8957.

Lauetta (pronounced LOU-ETTA). Schuler was born 10 June 1881 near Yuba City and moved to Honcut when a small child. Her parents were Conrad Schuler (11 Nov 1849 in Frankfort-on-Main, Duchy of Nassau - 02 Sept 1916 in Sutter) and Emma Gottwals (Feb 1858 in Colusa - 22 Jan 1925 in Yuba City). The Schulers were a large, extended family who settled in the greater Sacramento area in the late 1850s. Conrad Schuler moved in 1868 to the Marcuse district of Sutter County before settling on a farm in Honcut. He purchased land in O'Banion corners. In partnership with U. Jones, he owned and operated one of the first stationary threshing machines. 16 July 1941, Lauetta's grandparents were living in Modesto, and the Otts drove down to visit often. She appears at nearly every social event with the Seuferts and the Schulers. She was a member of the Martha Circle of Grace Ladies' Aid. She married Carl Gerhardt Ott in November 1906 in California. She died 29 October 1966 in Placer County and was buried in Sutter Cemetery.

Charles and Lauetta had three children. Austin C. Ott was born 10 April 1910. He died 11 April 1910 and is buried in the Schuler Family plot in the city cemetery. Also born 10 April 1910 was twin Evelyn Charlotte Ott. She died on 28 August 1910 in San Francisco and is buried in Schuler Family plot in the city cemetery. Charles Samuel Ott, our ancestor, was born in 14 May 1917 and died 06 August 1977.

LOST OTT

Charles Samuel Ott was born 14 May 1917 in Marysville, California. He was sent to YMCA camp August 1931. In 1930, Charles belonged to the Central-Gaither Aggie club and was elected Secretary. On 25 December 1948, Mrs. Ott was appointed treasurer of Pomona Grange , and on 11 December 1951, Charles was named "master of the Pomona Grange in a meeting held in the Bogue Grange hall." He belonged to the Stitch and Chatter club. April, 1957, he was sued for \$125,00 for injuries caused when his reckless driving caused a collision. His favorite things were Pepsi-Cola and ketchup. He was given the nickname Pepsi-Cola Ott, and he put ketchup in and on everything. On 10 October 1963, he filed a lawsuit against Herbert Lowry, third husband of Belmira "Belle" Judy Medeiros Gusmao Sheperd Baddaky, for Laura's inheritance. Charles Ott was the owner of Chuck's Market near Yuba City. He died 06 August 1977 in Sutter County General Hospital and is buried in Sutter Cemetery. His Social Security number is 553-18-7886

Laura Almarison Hefner was born 21 February 1921 in Oroville, California. She was educated in the Oroville schools and attended the University of California, Davis. Pregnant at the time, she married Charles Samuel Ott on 11 March 1938 in Oroville, California at a private Friday evening ceremony in the Methodist parsonage. Laura wore an aqua suit with a corsage. A "miscellaneous shower" was held for her 02 April 1938 at the Frank Willard home. Sewing blocks for the bride's quilt was followed by a social hour, opening of gifts, and serving refreshments. She was elected president of the 19th district Teachers Association at the Central-Gaither. In 1928, she was a member of Job's Daughters. She died 08 January 1962 in Marysville, California. According to neighbors, Laura hit a garbage can pulling out of the driveway in their brand new car. It left a scratch. She was so scared of what Charles would say that she got worked up and died of an aneurism.

Charles remarried to Bonnie Faye Snow who was born 09 September 1937 in Coffeyville, Montgomery, Kansas to Carlos C Snow and Vada F Barnes. In July, 1991, at 23 years old, she suffered major injuries in a car accident on Horseshoe Bar Road and was taken to UC Davis. In 1940, she lived in Hickory, Nowata, Oklahoma. She married Charles Samuel Ott 03 June 1967 in Woodland, Yolo County, California. The marriage ended in divorce in May 1970. Then she remarried to Vada M Barnes. She died 25 February 1993 in California and is

buried in Santa Rosa Memorial Mortuary Park. Her Social Security number is from Oklahoma 443-32-4670.

Charles and Laura had four children. Lauretta Jean Ott Pankey was born in 1938 and married to Phil Gene Pankey November 1957 in Wheatland, California. She is a graduate of Central Gaither Elementary and Yuba City Union High School. Loretta was the vocal soloist for the class song at her graduation. Phil and Lauretta's wedding was the first of the new Grace church. At the wedding, "Marine Corp. Pvt. Gary Ott, brother of the bride, rolled out the white carpet for the wedding processional" at a double ring ceremony. They had two sons, Michael Pankey and Gregory Pankey. The marriage ended in divorce on 29 September 1977 in Carson City. Lauretta was remarried to Ted Thomas.

Charles Garrett Ott was born 16 January 1940 in Yuba County. In 1944, a huge party was thrown for his 4th birthday. "The refreshment table which was a children's red table with chairs to match was centered with a birthday cake with four candles. Each child was given a favor." As a four year old child, he attended the birthday party of Michael Kimerer where he won a prize for pinning the tail on the donkey. He graduated from Yuba City Union High School and attended Yuba Community College. In 1953 he gave the welcome address at his graduation from Central-Gaither elementary school. In 1957, he lived at 1085 La Casa. Charles and his best friend Lucky Strike Kirby of Walton Avenue (his mother was Native American and named Lucky's brother, Sparky Burns Kirby) joined the US Marine Corps and completed his recruit training at San Diego. He also completed four weeks training in advanced combat tactics in Oceanside and two weeks' special combat intelligence. He was stationed at Camp Pendleton then sent to Okinawa 02 March 1959 for 14 months. He married Phyllis Geraldine Geddis 18 August 1961. After a divorce, he married Janett P Damon, who was working as his secretary at the time, on 22 November 1984 at his home in Oroville, California. He currently lives in Oroville with his second wife and stepson Matt Damon. He had one child, a daughter, Karina Almarison and two grandchildren, Elizabeth "River" Kate Camacho and Diego William Camacho.

Charles and Laura also had twins. Robert David Ott was born 04 November 1940 at Rideout Hospital. and died three weeks later on 24 November 1940. Roberta Diane Ott was born 04 November 1940 in Rideout Hospital and died soon after. They had three grandchildren. Michael Ray Pankey was born 20 November 1958 to Loretta Ott and Philip Pankey in Yuba City, California. He graduated from Yuba High School. In October, 1983, he was a taxi driver in Auburn, California.

He saved a man, Daniel Laird Basset from committing suicide. Dr. Karina (Corinna) Almarison Ott was born 14 April 1963 in Yuba City. She lived in Olivehurst, California until her parents moved to Oroville. She married Gustavo Armando Camacho 18 August 1991 in Oroville, California. The marriage ended in divorce in December 2014. She had two children, Elizabeth "River" Kate Camacho (15 October 1993) and Diego William Camacho (20 November 1998). She lives with her daughter in Oklahoma City and teaches at Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Gregory Philip Pankey was born in October 1964 to Loretta Ott and Philip Pankey in Yuba City, California.

Charles and his second wife, Bonnie Faye Snow, had one daughter. Cynthia Faye Snow Ott was born 05 March 1968 in Woodland, Yolo County, California. In 1977, she was living in Esparto, California.