

Find Conrad



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Valhalla



I have enjoyed working through the old photos of all sides of the family. It has been a voyage of adventure and part detective story. Here are two examples where solutions to puzzles jumped out on me unexpectedly after a period of uncertainty. I think I have the identifications correct. What do you think?

Among a dozen wartime photos of Conrad is this large group picture. Even when I enlarged it, I could not find Papa in it. Not all the war photos contained Papa so I didn't want to force identification. However, when Regina Richter translated the message on the back, I had to re-evaluate.

The message is from Conrad to his new beaux, Lina Bayerl. It says, "I am in this picture, can you find me?"

On the next page is an enlargement the photo and a few other of Papa at that age. What do you think?

By the way, I was able to identify the location. Valhalla is a memorial on the canal southwest of Nurnberg in Regensburg. It commemorates the expulsion of Napoleon from Germany. I saw it personally. When we sailed past it in the middle of the night last summer, the riverboat pilot shined a search light on it for me.



Find Barbara



I obtained a large number of items from Anne Hoppe in California that belonged to Aunt Barbara. Included was the school photo shown here. There was no identification, and Anne did not recall Barbara's comments. Unfortunately, the items included many from Joe Neheider's side of the family so I could not be sure if Barbara is there at all.

However, I also have two other photos of Barbara as a small girl including one from California that I had never seen. I show insets from these. Does this help? If this is Barbara, then the photo is around 1897.

How confident do you think I have a right to be for these two images? When you have studied the photos, look at the last page for my picks.



Do not look at next page until you have made up your mind about identification!

Peter's Picks

Don't peek until you
have looked at the
preceding pages!

