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My name is Patricia Tschopp-Pfeiff-Aloisi and I live in Maine.

My grandfather emigrated from Austria around 1910-11 and married my grandmother, Maude Steinmetz of Scranton, PA. There are still a few Tschopps in and around the Scranton area and a fairly large family plot in a Scranton, cemetery. My grandfather was John Tschopp, as was my father, John Robert Tschopp. There are also a few families with the family name in the Buffalo, NY area, some of whom have dropped the T.

Other German, Austrian and Swiss friends and acquaintances have often told us that our name sounded more Swiss; nevertheless my grandfather did come from Austria, where his father was some sort of civil servant in Vienna. It certainly makes sense that German-speaking people who for whatever reason wanted to emigrate, they would do so to a German-speaking country.

I was in contact with a man in Maryland, whose name is John Chubb and who also did a fair amount of research yielding a line back to a Jacob (Jakob?) Tschopp in Switzerland even further back than your published records indicate, 1502 (it may have been Berne--will have to look up the papers I have). The coat of arms is the same and a lot of the geneaeology matches up with what my family knows.

Also, I went to school in Philadelphia, PA for a couple of years and lo and behold met up with a man by the name of Richard Tschopp whose father was a watchmaker and jeweler in Germantown.

I'd appreciate hearing more from any of you, especially any who might also have an Austrian connection. There's more to tell, but I'd like to hear from some of you first.

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