INFORMATION PERTAINING
TO GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE
VILLAGE OF ROHRBACH
1892 census

1. The village of Rohrbach is located on the top of the Zaregol ravine, populated by the Government in 1809 with foreign colonists.

2. Location -- 95 versts away from Odessa,
   40 versts to the police station,
   to a JP or a chief of the Zemstvo -- 40 versts,
   to the volost administration -- in the village,
   to the nearest post-telegraph office -- 40,
   to the nearest state post office -- 6,
   to the Zemstvo post office -- 23 versts,
   to the hospital -- 14 versts,
   to the district physician -- 14 versts,
   to the church -- in the village,
   to the nearest market -- 20 versts (in Berezovka), 23 versts (in Mostovoye), 14 versts (in Riasnopolye).

3. How the correspondence goes forth and back -- through the post station of Worms.

4. Of whom the community consists -- the community consists of villagers-owners (former German colonists); the land is in a plot hereditary use being managed publically by all owners, landless villagers use pastures with the permission of owners only; besides, the community of Rohrbach has purchases 4,167 desiatines of land and the company of Rohrbaechers - 500 desiatines at the village of Rohrbach for collective use, none of them lives on this land.

5. Are there any private land plots belonged to those residing outside -- none.

6. Any desiatinschiks/intellectuals residing in the village (organized within a special separate group?) -- 39 families of intellectuals arrived from various places;
no separate chairman/policeman established, no natural duties served nor public
taxes paid.

7. **Ponds and wells**, water taste, depth of wells, soil layers and their thickness:
   -- in the village -- no ponds, 37 wells
   -- in adjacent steppes -- 6 ponds and 5 wells
   -- water taste -- fresh in 10 wells and salty in 27 ones, ponds are filled with
     snow- and rainwater exclusively
   -- wells’ depth -- 4 sazhens
   -- soil layers -- 1 arshin of black-soil, 2 sazhens of yellow clay, 2 arshin of stony
     ground and 1 sazhen of sand

8. **Kind of soil of adjoined steppes** -- 8 vershoks of the upper layer are of saltpetre
   black soil with the clay underneath.

9. **Description of adjoined steppes** -- not hilly but with many ravines; no watered
   lowlands; about 150 desiatines of rocky land.

10. **Description of green** -- 25 desiatines of forests planted by the villagers (acacia
    trees as well as various fruit trees like cherry-, apricot-, apple-, pear-trees), no
    natural green.

11. **Bazaars, fairs** in the village -- not gathered.

12. **State establishments** in the village -- none.

13. **The Zemstvo institutions** -- assistant physician, manager on vermin
    extermination, a head of 20th military horse establishment.

14. **Social/public establishments** in the village -- the volost administration, volost
    chairman, volost clerk, village administration, village chairman, village clerk, one
    village policeman and 8 assistants of him, a lock-up for convicts forwarded,
    apartments for arriving officials to stay, public store.

15. **Churches, prayer houses** in the village -- no churches, one Reformed prayer
    house, one Lutheran prayer house and one Baptist prayer house.

16. **Schools** -- three parochial schools i.e. one Reformed school (teacher --
    Wilhelm Rivinious, maintenance of the teacher and school -- 1,000 Rubles a year),
    one Lutheran school (teacher -- Friedrich Gross, maintenance of the teacher and
school -- 600 Rubles a year to be collected by the community); classes in the 
schools last from September 1 to April 1; number of students -- 204 boys and 199 
girls; both schools are placed in separate public buildings.

17. **Land attached at the village** (in desiatines):

-- allotted for the village community -- total 8,528, arable 5,018, meadows 780, 
pastures (grazed fields) 2,294, homesteads with adjacent pastures 117, 
vegetable gardens 14, orchards 30, forests and shrubberies 25, under roads 
95, under a river/lake/pond 27, under stones/gullies/salt-marshes 128

-- purchased by the village community -- total 4,167, arable 2,589, meadows 
540, pastures 988, under roads 15, under a river/lake/pond 6, under 
stones/gullies/salt-marshes 29

-- purchased and used by a company of villagers -- total 500, arable 423, 
meadows 60, under roads 5, under stones/gullies/salt-marshes 12

-- church land -- total 120, arable 90, meadows 30

-- in all -- 13,315

18. **Industrial and trade establishments:**

-- peasant Gregory Baranovsky -- 1 steam mill
-- villager Friedrich Feiok -- 1 windmill
-- villager Friedrich Riedinger -- 1 windmill
-- villager Konrad Wust -- 1 windmill
-- villager Heinrich Trautmann -- 1 wheelwright workshop
-- villager Heinrich Jaraus -- 1 wheelwright workshop
-- peasant Theodor Muntianov -- painter's business
-- villager Gersh Fingerut -- 1 tailoring workshop
-- midclass citizen Friedrich Ackermann -- wheelwright workshop
-- villager Heinrich Riedinger -- 1 smithy
-- villager Philipp Lewi -- 1 smithy
-- villager ludwig Odenbach -- 1 smithy
-- villager Johann Schneider -- 1 wheelwright workshop
-- villager Christoph Langjahr -- 1 shoe-making workshop
-- villager Peter Heckel -- 1 joiner's workshop
-- Austrian subject Gustav Bockenheim -- 1 joiner's workshop
-- villager Philipp Huber -- 1 cooper's workshop
-- villager Konrad Wust -- 1 shoe-making workshop
-- midclass citizen Peter Maturovsky -- 1 shoe-making workshop
-- midclass citizen Berko Goldenberg -- 1 tailoring workshop
-- midclass citizen Wolf Shlepak -- 1 tailor's workshop
-- villager Jacob Klundt -- 1 grocery/draper shop
-- midclass citizen Leib Shtchegol -- 1 grocery/draper shop
-- midclass citizen Duvid Shtchegol -- 1 grocery/draper shop
-- midclass citizen Brania Zelmensky -- 1 grocery
-- villager Konrad Klundt -- 1 inn
-- villager Johannes Bohlander -- 1 wine shop
-- villager Heinrich Klundt -- 1 wine cellar
-- villager Karl Zorn -- 1 wine cellar
-- villager Philipp Schmidt -- 1 wine cellar

19. **Roads** -- country roads to Worms, Landau and Riasnopol, all in good shape and available all through the year.

20. **Nearest railways** -- no railway close to Rohrbach, the nearest railway station of Nikolayev is 75 versts away; access road to there is not convenient; no goods are brought from Rohrbach to there but by unpaved way to Varvarovka and the towns of Odessa and Voznesensk.

21. **Historical/archaeological monuments** -- there are six burial mounds in Rohrbach steppes, no more historical nor archaeological monuments available, nothing is known to old inhabitants about that.

Village chairman /Klein/

Village clerk /Billigmeier/

The village of Rohrbach, Odessa uyezd

August 25, 1892
Abbreviations used in the table:

**Religion:** C - Catholic, J - Judaic, L - Lutheran, O - Orthodox, OB - Old Believer, R - Reformed church

**Social Status:** AD - Assistant Doctor, CM - Craftsman, CS - Civil Servant, DMT - Teacher of Deaf-Mutes, GL - Glazier, HP - House-Painter, L - having Land alloted, LB - LauBourer, M - Machinist, ML - Miller, N - Nurse, NL - having No Land alloted, P - Pastor, PD - ProDucer, PR - P Riest, TK - Teacher/Kuster, TM - TradesMan, UW - Unskilled Workman, VC - Village Clerk

**Nationality** is German unless otherwise specified in column "y". The household head's estate is a villager-owner (former colonist) unless otherwise specified in column "y".