GERMAN ANARCHIST GROUPS IN NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY (1880-1914)

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Note: The New York City area includes Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx and the northern New Jersey industrial region. Evidence of membership is almost never explicitly mentioned. Members can sometimes include speakers at group gatherings. The names of the groups have been left in their original German designation. A translation is provided (in the case of "Gruppe," meaning group, no translation is added). This list does not include recreational, musical or trade union groups.

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MANHATTAN

Agitations-Club Jefferson

Agitation Club Jefferson

Founded: first mentioned 20 April 1889; last mentioned July 1889.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA), perhaps later Autonome Gruppen

Amerikas.

Regular Meeting Place: Bock's Union Hall (385 Bowery)

Members: Janus Frank

Agitations-Club Vorwärts (Yorkville)

Agitation Club Forward

Founded: end January 1888-April 1892; re-organized in December 1897.

Notes: later name could be "Gruppe Vorwärts".

Regular Meeting Place: Saloon (187 E 76th St.); Franz G. Brender's Lokal (1458 First Ave);

Nicolaus Hildenbrand's saloon (415 81st St.); March 1890: Uptown Union Hall, later Pohlmann's

Assembly Rooms (1422 Second Ave); April 1890: Yorkville Vereinshalle (301 E 81st St.); April

1892: Faulhaber's Hall (1551 Second Ave); December 1897: 1524 Ave A.

Meeting Time: since January 1889: every Sunday night 7:30pm and later 8pm, every fortnight

Monday; 1897: every Friday evening.

Membership: 8 new members (March 1889)

Members: Astor; Boekenkamp, Brückmann; Bundschuk, G. Führer; Fritz Fuhse; Greiner; J.

Hassinger (secretary); Maas; Henry Weismann.

Agitations-Komite

Committee of Agitation

<u>Founded</u>: July 1889; last mentioned 24 September 1892. <u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA). <u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: Joseph Knierim's Lokal (443 Pearl St) <u>Meeting Time</u>: every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

Members: Phillip Kennel, Moritz Schultze, Carl Wölky (saloonkeeper), Weiß, William Merten,

Edeler, Bruno Reinsdorf, Girsdansky, Ferdinand Hax

Arbeiter-Agitations-Verband

Workers' Agitation Association

Founded: 1886?

Notes: This group was never mentioned in *Freiheit*. Regular Meeting Place: Lauda's Halle (529 E 5th St.)

Bäcker-Debattirklub [Diskussions-Club] von New York

Bakers' Debating Club of New York

Founded: Autumn 1888; last mentioned in October 1892.

Regular Meeting Place: Brecht's Hall (197 E 4th St); Matthäi's Hall; Am Rhein's Hall (266 E 10th

St)[352.2]

Meeting Time: every Sunday 9am. [299.4]; every Sunday 6pm [352.2]

Members: Wenzel Führer (Austrian cabinetmaker), G. Führer, G. Mollak, Phillip Kennel, G.

Wenisch

Bakunin Fortbildungs-Verein

Bakunin Educational Association

Founded: January 1889 (short-lived)

Members: Possibly German and Russian revolutionaries

Bund der Freien

Union of the Free

Founded: November 1904; last mentioned in October 1905.

Notes: named as a new German anarchist group; no more announcements after Most's death

(March 17, 1906)

Regular Meeting Place: Plötz's Hall (240 E 80th St.)

Meeting Time: every 2d, 3d and 4th Sunday of month 3pm

Members: H. Grosch; Abe Isaak; V. Rejack; John Schreiber; Stiene; Frederic Thaumazo

Communistische Gruppe I

Founded: mentioned in July 1889, last mentioned in March 1890.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA), later Autonome Gruppen Amerikas

Freie Lesezimmer (or Lese-Halle)

Free Reading Room

Founded: September 1898; last mentioned April 1899.

<u>Notes</u>: this may be a group with a majority of Americans. It could be the group "Solidaritäy". It may also be connected to the "Internationale Arbeiter Turnverein" at the same address.

Regular Address: Internationale Arbeiter Turnverein (1524 Ave A.)

Hours: daily from 7-11pm

<u>Activities</u>: propaganda gatherings every Sunday evening with lectures (one by Ernest H. Crosby in April 1899).

Gruppe Anti-Autoritär

Founded: March 1911

Notes: this group was centered around the editorial staff of *Anti-Autoritär*.

Regular Meeting Place: Hermann Gossweiler's beerhall (formerly Plötz's Hall; 240 E 80th St., in

Yorkville)

Gruppe Downtown

<u>Founded</u>: August 1889 (short-lived, perhaps until September) <u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA) Regular Meeting Place: Joseph Knierim's Lokal (443 Pearl St.)

Gruppe "Freiheit"

Founded: December 1907; last mentioned in February 1908.

Notes: This group consisted of members of the editorial circle of Freiheit, and was set up to

make propaganda for the paper.

Regular Meeting Place: Max Schulz' beerhall (240 E 80th St.)

<u>Meeting Time</u>: every Sunday 4pm <u>Members</u>: Max Baginski; George Bauer

Gruppe Harlem

<u>Founded</u>: 15 February 1890, last mentioned 22 March 1890. Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Becker's Hall (107th St.); March 3, 1890: Eberhardt's Hall (2068 First Ave)

Gruppe "Internationale"

Founded: March 1911.

Gruppe New York I

<u>Founded</u>: mid-December 1881, after a split of the New York Section of the SLP. The group absorbed many members of the Social-Revolutionary Club. It was inactive from December 1882 until March 1883, but regrouped with many more members in March. After the Pittsburgh

Congress of October 1883 it was restyled Deutsche Gruppe, New York (Gruppe I); last mentioned January 1895.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: 1883: Concordia Assembly Rooms (1883-); Berliner Rathskeller (34 Bond St.); 1886: Coburger Hall (10 Stanton St.), Beethoven Hall; Hanauer Hall; Krämer's saloon; Paul Wilzig's Arbeiter-Lyra; 1889: Blaack's Arbeiter-Lyra (new owner Jan 1889); Clarendon Hall; 1890: Matthäi's Hall (220 Ave A); Paul Wilzig's Arbeiter-Lyra; February 1894: International Labor Exchange (257 E 10th St.)

•Activities in 1883: 16 business meetings, 25 open lectures, 17 gatherings, 8 mass meetings with 10 of its own speakers, 4 festivities. Printed and distributed: 10,000 copies of the Communist Manifesto, 12,000 copies of Most's pamphlets, more than 30,000 copies of the Pittsburgh Manifesto, and the publishing of *Freiheit*, of which more than 100,000 copies were sent to Germany and Austria.

•June 1884: Action and Propaganda Fund (\$280)

Meeting Time: Saturday 8pm; 1886: every Sunday 8pm

Membership: nearly 100 in spring 1883; 12 admitted in January 1884.

Members: Henry Adler; Moritz Bachmann (not a member, but associate; leaves in 1886); Bader; Richard Baginski; John Baudisch (Austrian); Ms. Emilie Baudisch; Carl Baum?; Beck; B. Beckmann?; Georg Biedenkapp; Emma Braunschweig [Minna?]; Richard Braunschweig (breaks with Most); Broeg; Callun; Derbohlaw; Diesburg; Victor Drury; Eckstadt (or Ickstedt); Edeler; Franziska Ehn; Fischl; Mrs. Frank; Janus Frank; Wenzel Führer; Fritz Fuhse; Gadner; Gärtner; Gerst; Emma Goldman; Oscar Haase; Ferdinand Hax; A. Helbig; Rudolph Helbig; Hermann?; Herz?; Carl Heusler?; Hirsch; Heinrich Hotze; Jäger; Charles Judis; Johann Most; Helene Minkin; Neelson; Nolle; Joseph Kaiser; Mary Kaiser; Ernst Katosi (watchmaker); Phillip Kennel; August Kertshall; Peter Knauer; Gustav Koch (saloonkeeper); Leopold Kochmann; Koditek; Adolph Kramer?; L.T. Krämer (interim editor for Freiheit in June 1891 when Most was imprisoned); Josef Krebs; W. Kubisch (agent for Freiheit in Astoria); Anna Lipp; Lissa; Maaß; May (or Mey); Missuri; Otto Nicolai?; Nielsen (or Neelson?); John Charles Panzenbeck; Cäcilie (Fräulein)Panzenbeck; F. Pfänder; Prinz; Rössler; Wilhelm Scharff (alias Schliman)?; Fritz Schärr; Adolf Schenck; August Schlag; Schuck?; Moritz Schultze; M. Stern; Süßmeier; Tamm; Tannler; Hermann Wabnitz?; Louis Weber?; Weidner; H.R. Weiss; G. Wenisch; Franz Wiesinger; Carl Wilmund?; Carl Wölky (saloonkeeper); Johannes Wytzka.

Gruppe New York II

<u>Founded</u>: early April 1883; last mentioned in June 1883. <u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: West Side of Manhattan; 1883: Michel's Hall (342 West 42th St.)

<u>Meeting Time</u>: every Monday at 8pm <u>Membership</u>: 25 founding members

Members: F. Hartung (secretary), Moritz Stern

Gruppe Solidarität (Uptown)

Founded: February 1898

Notes: set up in order to practice communal living

Affiliated: English-language organ Free Society; they run an Internationale Reading Room.

Regular Meeting Place: Internationale Arbeiter Turnverein (1524 Ave A, between 80th & 81st St.)

Gruppe der Westseite

<u>Founded</u>: 17 August 1889 (plans were made in July); last mentioned 20 December 1890; could be a successor of Gruppe New York II.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: August 1889: Charles Ehrhardt's Lokal (405 W 35th St., between 9th &

10th Ave)

<u>Meeting Time</u>: since September 1889: every fortnight <u>Membership</u>: 22 founding members; 27 in September 1889

Members: Thomas Ottmann (secretary); S. Papst?

Internationale Agitations-Gruppe I, New York

International Agitation Group I

<u>Founded</u>: November 1907; last mentioned December 1907. <u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: Max Schulz' Hall (240 E 80th St.)

Membership: 10 cents due

Internationale Arbeiter-Lesezimmer

International Workers' Reading Room

Founded: September 1899; last mentioned in December 1905.

Notes: In December 1905 the members are asked to attend a meeting of the Int. Propaganda

Group in order to set up an International Reading Circle (see next).

Regular Address: 129 E 83rd St.; September 1900: 1459 Third Ave (between 82nd and 83rd St.);

November 1901: 400 E 76th St.

Hours: open daily

Activities: lectures, discussions, pool and billiard. Every Sunday at 8pm there is a Lecture in

German.

Holdings: anarchist periodicals (many languages), books, pamphlets

Internationale Arbeiter-Lese-Zirkel

International Workers' Reading Circle

Founded: December 1906; last mentioned November 1909.

Notes: successor of the Arbeiter-Lesezimmer.

Regular Address: 231 E 77th St.

Hours: daily from 6pm, Sunday all day and evening; November 1908: daily from 8pm, Sunday all

day and evening.

Holdings: anarchist periodicals (many languages), books, pamphlets

Members: G. Kupferschmidt; E. Luftig

Internationale Arbeiter Turnverein New York

International Worker Gymnastics Club New York

Founded: February 1894; last mentioned January 1898.

Regular Execrise Place: Fuchs' Hall (1500 First Ave); November 1894: Karl Örtel's Hall (Ave A);

June 1896: Ros' Hall (174 E 106th St.); November 1897: 1524 Ave A.

Meeting Time: every Sunday from 10-12am; August 1895: every Sunday at 10am & Thursday at

8pm; 1896: every Tuesday & Thursday 8-10pm, Sunday 10-12am.

Membership: 5 admitted in March 1894

Internationale Club Freiheit

International Club Freedom

Founded: 5 June 1896; last mentioned in September 1901.

Notes: 25 cents monthly due; German group with singing and dramatic sections meeting at

different times. It becomes the foremost anarchist circle in New York City at this time.

Regular Meeting Place: W.L. Rau's Hall; Henry Bening's Hall; 1898: B. Westenberger's Hall; 1899: Hermann Kohle's Hall (all on 414 E 5th St.)

Meeting Place Singing section: August 1900: Cieslinsky & Heymann's Hall (195 Ave A)

Meeting Time: every Friday 8pm; 1899: every Tuesday evening

Members: Carl Arndt; Wilhelm Babekuhl; Gustav Bauer (treasurer); P. Briese; John Diesburg (actor, bookseller); Ulrich Fuchs (actor); Oscar Haase (actor); Frau Huth; Jacobson; Joseph Jülich (actor); Mrs. Knäblein; Mrs. Könnecke; Mrs. Krämer; Krautwurst (+1899); Lohmann (singer); Meyer: Seyfried: Siegmund: Stiebler: Hugo & Josephine Thierfeldt (secretary): Wendnagel: Mrs.

Meyer; Seyfried; Siegmund; Stiebler; Hugo & Josephine Thierfeldt (secretary); Wendnagel; Mrs. Zupitza.

Internationale Gruppe "Freie Initiative"

International Group "Free Initiative"

Founded: July 1896; last mentioned in February 1897.

Notes: multi-ethnic group, set up in order to found a anarcho-communist colony.

Regular Meeting Place: 64 Washington Square; January 1897: 144 W 28th St.

Meeting Time: every Monday 8:30pm; January 1897: every Thursday and Saturday 8pm.

Members: Ch. Wiesemann

Internationaler Propaganda-Club New York

Founded: 1902-1906; a "New York Propaganda Club" convened in June 1914.

<u>Notes</u>: most likely this was a multi-ethnic group, and part of the International Propaganda Groups of America.

Regular Meeting Place: Old Homestead Garden (Third Ave near 92nd St.); 1905: 1979 2nd Ave.

Meeting Time: every Thursday 8pm

Internationaler Schützenbund New York

International Defense League New York

Founded: 1886?; may have disbanded by summer 1887; re-appears in January 1888.

<u>Notes</u>: this was a self-defense organization and rifle club. <u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Coburger Hall (10 Stanton St.)

<u>Instruction Time</u>: Fortnightly on Thursday <u>Exercise Time</u>: every 2nd Sunday of month.

Members: Richard Braunschweig; Johann Most?; Adolph Schenck

Internationale Zeitungs-Verein

International Publishing Association

Founded: November 1884 (publishing organization); last mentioned in July 1892.

Notes: led by a nine-member executive committee; shareholder model

<u>Affiliated:</u> International Working People's Association (IWPA) <u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: *Freiheit* editorial office at 167 William St.

Membership: 250 shares were signed.

Members: J. Hecht; Jahn; Phillip Kennel; William Merten; Johann Most; H. Ostermann; Schlag;

Schürer; Frederick Schwelm; Willmuth

Kommunistische-anarchistische Club der Vereinigte Schneider-Unionen

Communist-Anarchist Club of the United Tailors' Unions

Founded: February 1892

Regular Meeting Place: 56 Orchard St.?

Kommunistische Gruppe 1

Communist Group 1

Founded: 1888?; last mentioned 13 July 1889.

Regular Meeting Place: [New] Jefferson Hall (528 E 11th St.), since 12 January 1889.

Meeting Time: every Sunday at 8pm

Members: A. Arnold; Johanna Greie; Wilhelm Könnecke?; Frank?; Fläschel?

Naturwissenschaftlicher Verein

Natural Science Society

Founded: beginning of 1885; mentioned in May 1886.

Notes: this circle allegedly instructed comrades in chemistry and explosives.

Members: Wilhelm Hasselmann (founder)

New York Agitations-Gruppe I

New York Agitation Group I

Founded: March 1898; last mentioned in May 1898

<u>Notes</u>: branch of the International Club "Freiheit". Its purpose is to launch propaganda meetings in different city neighborhoods.

<u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA) <u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: B. Westenberger's Halle (414 E 5th St.)

Meeting Time: every 1st & 3rd Thursday of month

New Yorker Ortsgruppe des Internationalen Freiland-Bundes

New York Groups of the International Freeland League

Founded: January 1896

<u>Affiliated</u>: Internationale Freiland-Bund <u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: 127 Chambers St <u>Members</u>: G.F. Gengenbach (secretary)

Österreichisch-revolutionären Liga

Austrian Revolutionary League

Founded: 1883-1884; Johann Most mentioned it in November 1884.

Affiliated: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas?

Members: Franziska Ehn; Heinrich Hotze; August Koditek?; Leopold Kochmann, Malkoff, Leo

Wirzikowsky

Radikale Arbeiterbund

Radical Workers' League

Founded: 1885; last mentioned in Freiheit: September 1897.

<u>Notes</u>: They organized an annual Austrian Wine Festival (*Österreichische Weinlesefest*) and ball in September. They also organized an annual Austrian Peasants' Ball (*Bauernball*) in February. <u>Affiliated</u>: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas (Autonomists). This league comprised all the autonomist groups in the New York area. Mostly Austrian workers, opponents of Most and Schwab.

Regular Meeting Place: 1886: Herzog's Hall (414 E 5th St.); September 1891: Ritter's Lokal (155 Second St.); November 1891: Edmund Kretschmann's Zum groben Michel (209 E 5th St.)

Meeting Time: 1886: every Saturday 8pm; 1891: Sunday evening, later Saturday 8pm.

Members: Alexander Berkman; Emma Goldman, Edmund Kretschmann?; Nicolaus Mauer; Karl Masur; Claus Niedermann; Josef Peukert (1855-1910); Otto Rinke (1853-1899); Claus Timmermann (1866-1941); Ludwig Birkner, Ferdinand and Barbara Schaffhauser, Julius Brestian, August Koditek, Franz Motz, Johann Slesak, Adolf Sloup, Wenzel Stefek, Karl Urbanek

[New York] Sozial-Revolutionäre Klub

New York Social-Revolutionary Club

Founded: 15 November 1880; last mentioned in May 1886.

<u>Notes</u>: First anarchistic organization in US, mostly consisting of former SLP members, and founded by Justus Schwab, Peter Knauer, Moritz Bachmann and others, endorsed later by Wilhelm Hasselmann.

<u>Affiliated:</u> After the London congress (1881), the Club affiliated with the newly formed International Working People's Association (IWPA). 1886: appears to have dissociated itself from the IWPA

<u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: 1880: Headquartered at E 6th Street (Internationale Arbeiter Halle?); Brecht's Sängerhalle (197 E 4th St.); Sträuchler's Lokal (509 E 5th St.).

Membership: 27 founding members; 60 after few weeks; 27 members after 2 months; about 100 on 27 June 1883.

<u>Elected Officials</u>: secretary, financial secretary, revisoren (auditors)

Members: [Hermann?] Arnold; Moritz Bachmann; Beck; Distel; Ford; Fritz Fuße?; Hahn; Halt; Wilhelm Hasselmann (1844-1916); Hendel; Kaufmann; Emil Klässig; W. Koch (secretary); Arthur Liebermann (+ 22 November 1880); May (or Mey); A. Moritz; Joseph Kaiser; Peter Knauer; Müller; Ferdinand Schaffhauser; B. Schaier; J. Schaier; J. Schäfer; Fritz Schärr; Joseph Scheyer (+30 April 1887); Justus H. Schwab; Carl Seelig; Th. Waterstraat; Paul Woitschek; Johannes Wytzca

Young Men's Labor Lyceum

Founded: March 1888; last mentioned in September 1889

Regular Meeting Place: Stäugler's Halle (509 E 5th St.); August 1889: 329 E 6th St.

<u>Elected Officials</u>: secretary, treasurer, revisoren (auditors)

Members: H. Erb (painter); Y. Kuspert (secretary); Neelson; Reichert; Schwachheim; H. Weber

(saddler); Wettengel; A. Zweig

Verein Cosmos

Cosmos Society

Founded: March 1906, re-organized in 1908

Notes: No more announcements after Most's death

Regular Meeting Place: Plötz's Hall (240 E 80th St.); 1908: West Side Labor Lyceum (342 W 42nd

St.)

Meeting Time: every Sunday 3pm; 1908: every Sunday 4pm

Members: J. Fuchs; A.C. Fusshöller

BROOKLYN

Agitationsclub Vorwärts

Agitation Club Forward

Founded: First mentioned January 1894; last mentioned May 1895.

Affiliated: Mentioned in Freiheit.

Regular Meeting Place: 1128 Flushing Ave; May 1895: Alfred Huber's Hall (1120 Willoughby Ave)

Meeting Time: Every Saturday at 8pm

Autonome Gruppe Brooklyn

Founded: spring 1891?; resumed activities throughout 1892; mentioned in March 1895.

Affiliated: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas

Regular Meeting Place: Schiller Hall (262 Floyd St.); 1895: Huber's Hall (1120 Willoughby Ave)

Members: Wilhelm Maasch?

Gruppe Brooklyn

Founded: 1883?; reconstituted on September 1, 1889; last mentioned in July 1901.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Winter's Teutonia Hall (corner Harrison Ave/Bartlett St.); April 1887:

Edward King's Hall (145 Walton St.); January 1889: Schleich's Hall (125 Melrose St.); Stadtel's

(1293 Myrtle Ave); 1901: Bernhart's (166 Central Ave)

Meeting Time: every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the Month; every Sunday at 8pm (King's Hall);

every Tuesday at 8pm, King's Hall; 1900: every Saturday 8pm.

Members: Heinz Henriot; Josef Krebs; Wilhelm Merten; Radich; G. Stephan (secretary)

Gruppe Bushwick

Founded: 8 September 1889 (plans made in August 1889)-1895; resume activities February 1897.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Brooklyn Labor Lyceum (949 Willoughby Ave); February 1892: Schiellein's

Assembly Rooms; headquarters 1892: 30 Sumner Ave; December 1895: H. Vehling's Hall (239

Jefferson St.); February 1897: Henry Ohlenschläger's Hall (11421 Willoughby Ave).

Meeting Time: every Sunday at 8pm; December 1895: every Saturday at 8pm; February 1897:

every Sunday 8pm

Membership: 8 September 1889: 3 members admitted; 1890: 11 members admitted.

Members: Hessel; Hintsch; Joseph Kaiser; Phillip Kennel?; Joseph Liebl; Emil Luck; Max Metzkow;

Otto Müller; Ott; Matthias Rill; Rudolph?; Schrot; Zeh

Internationale Club "Freiheit" Brooklyn

International Club "Freedom" Brooklyn

Founded: January 1899; last mentioned in March 1904.

Notes: different names could include: "Lese und Debattir Club No. 1" (in April 1899) or "Debattir-Club" (in January 1902).

Regular Meeting Place: John Schöller's Hall (1245 Green Ave); New Irving Hall (180 Irving Ave);

1902: Henry Ohlenschläger's Hall (274 Knickerbocker Ave)

Meeting Time: every Saturday 8pm.

Irving Hall Leseclub

Irving Hall Reading Club<u>Founded</u>: February 1902

Regular Address: New Irving Hall (corner Stanhope St./Irving Ave)

Activities: lectures

Socialisten Club

Founded: January 1906

Regular Meeting Place: Deutsche Ritter Hall (83 Bartlett St.)

BRONX

Gruppe Morrisania

<u>Founded</u>: 16 March 1890; disbanded; re-organized in April 1896 <u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: August Albinger's Hotel (3465 Third Ave, between 167th & 168th St.)

NEW JERSEY

Autonome Gruppe Elizabeth

<u>Founded</u>: First mentioned in September 1891 Affiliated: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas

Elizabeth Scharfschützen Gesellschaft

Elizabeth Sharpshooters Society

<u>Founded</u>: mentioned from July-December 1892.

Affiliated: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas?

Gruppe Elizabeth I

Founded: first mentioned on 10 May 1884; resume activities in October 1896 and 1898.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: 1886: 644 Fulton St.; M. Mauthe's Hall (605 Elizabeth Ave); 1898: Marx's

Hall (5th St.)

Meeting Time: 1886: every Saturday 8pm

Members: John Auer; Fritz Baust; Carl Miltenberger

HUDSON COUNTY GROUPS

•By 1892 these groups were designated as the Internationals of Hudson County. The autonomists also created an umbrella organization for the groups in Hudson County (see next).

Autonome Gruppen Hudson County

<u>Founded</u>: First mentioned in April 1892. <u>Affiliated</u>: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas

Autonome Gruppe Jersey City Heights

Founded: First mentioned in November 1893; last mentioned in January 1894.

Affiliated: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas

Autonome Gruppe West Hoboken

Founded: First mentioned in September 1891; last mentioned April 1893.

Affiliated: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas

Arbeiter-Bildungsverein Hudson County

Workers' Educational Association Hudson County

Founded: Mentioned in April 1911.

Gruppe Hudson County

Founded: January 1900; last mentioned in July 1901.

Notes: included anarchists from Jersey City, Jersey City Heights, and Union Hill

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Nicoletti (1205 Summit Ave, Jersey City Heights); 1901: Kerner's Hall (961

Summit Ave, Jersey City Heights)
Meeting Time: Every Saturday 8pm.

Gruppe Jersey City

Founded: Autumn 1881? last mentioned October 1898.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place:

Members: J. Engesser; August Tewes?

Gruppe Jersey City Heights I

Founded: Autumn 1881; last mentioned in October 1898.

<u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA), and Vereinigte Anarchisten von Hudson County (United Anarchists of Hudson County), an umbrella organization founded in January 1883.

Regular Meeting Place: 241 Central Ave; 1896: Lokal at corner of Griffith St/Sherman Ave;

November 1896: Henkel's Hall (110 Grand St.)

Meeting Time: every Sunday at 2pm (1883); every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the Month at 8pm;

1896: every Wednesday 8pm

Members: Frey; Adolph Herber; Charles Kurz (secretary); Otto Nicolai?; L. Nuss; Moritz Stern

Gruppe Jersey City Heights II

Founded: 8 March 1884; last mentioned in April 1884

<u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA) <u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: Trummer's Hall (129 Beacon Ave)

Meeting Time: every Sunday (1884)

Members: L. Nuss

Gruppe Guttenberg

Founded: this group sent delegate to Pittsburgh congress (October 1883); last mentioned in

October 1884

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Members: George Jacob; A. Wagenbrenner (agent since May 1884)

Gruppe Hoboken

Founded: Autumn 1881; last mentioned January 1892.

Notes: this group grew out of a meeting of the "Internationale Clubs"

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Wagner's Hall (47 Adams St.)

Meeting Time: every Saturday night

Members: H. Ostermann

Gruppe Union Hill

Founded: Autumn 1881?; last mentioned in July 1891.

<u>Notes</u>: this group may have been an affiliate of the Vereinigte Anarchisten von Hudson County (United Anarchists of Hudson County), founded in January 1883, but disbanded in May 1883.

Since 1884, they worked closely with the Guttenberg group

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA).

Regular Meeting Place: 1884: Michael Bauer's saloon (Bull's Ferry); 1890: Krause's Arbeiterhalle

(corner Palisade Ave/Franklin St.)
Meeting Time: every Sunday at 3pm.

Membership: 150 attended an open meeting in February 1884.

<u>Members</u>: Ferdinand Lamatsch; K. Matschek; H. Mücke; Reininger (+ January 1893); A. Stross (secretary)

Gruppe West Hoboken

Founded: 24 September 1890 until June 1892; last mentioned in October 1896.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Schlötzer's Arbeiter-Halle (110, later 609 Paterson Ave)

Meeting Time: every Thursday 8pm; June 1892: every Saturday at 8pm; 1896: every Wednesday

8pm

Members: Morwitz, Merkel, Hugo Miller, Fritz E. Schärr (lives there since December 1883)

Lehr und Wehr-Verein Hoboken

Education and Defense Society Hoboken

Founded: April 1899 (short-lived?)

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Henkel's Hall (110 Grand St.)

Meeting Time: every Tuesday evening

NEWARK GROUPS

Allgemeine Arbeiterbund Newark

General Workers' League Newark

Founded: 1888?; first mentioned 12 January 1889; last mentioned in October 1891.

Notes: this federation may have changed its name in 1894 to Radikale Gruppen Newarks

(Radical Groups of Newark)

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA), later Autonome Gruppen

Amerikas

Regular Meeting Place: new hall (24 Boyd St., near Springfield Ave); 1890: Lezgus Hall (128

Howard St.)

Meeting Time: every Sunday at 7pm; every 1st and 3rd Sunday evening of month; 1890: every

Saturday evening

Members: Moritz Schultze?, Dorfteufel? "Rothe Teufel" (Red Devil)?

Arbeiter-Bildingsverein Newark

Workers' Educational Society Newark

Founded: first mentioned February 1893; last mentioned in March 1894.

Regular Meeting Place: 346 Camden St.; May 1893: I Zingg's Hall (7 Bedford St.)

Meeting Time: every 1st and 3rd Sunday of month at 10am

Gruppe Newark

<u>Founded</u>: mentioned in July 1883; a new group is mentioned in January 1884; last mentioned in December 1895.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Brenner's Lokal (93 Mercer St.); November 1895: John Hartwig's Hall (29

Lexington St.)

Meeting Time: November 1895: every Saturday at 7pm.

Membership: October 1884: 9 admitted; May 1887: 40 new members.

<u>Members</u>: Dadt; Engelbert Hammer; August Melzer; Charles Fred. Reuter; William Römer; Paul Sauer (secretary, 1884); G. Schmidt (secretary, 1887); Stoll (chair, 1884); Fred. Weiner; John

Wiemann; Edward Willms (saloonkeeper).

Gruppe Newark II (?)

Founded: February 1892 (short-lived)

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: F. Wollenburg's Hall (corner 15th Ave/Bedford St.)

Members: John Wiemann?

Lehr und Wehr-Verein Newark

Education and Defense Society Newark

Founded: 1886? last mentioned February 1887.

<u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA) Regular Meeting Place: Edward Willms' Hall (93 Mercer St.)

Meeting Time: every 2nd Sunday evening

Members: Ch. Köhler (secretary)

Unterstützungs-Verein "Gerechtigkeit" (Newark)

Support Society "Justice"

Founded: first week of March 1889

Regular Meeting Place: E. Raus' Arbeiterhalle (Prince St.)

Meeting Time: 8pm

PATERSON GROUPS

Agitations-Club Spies (Paterson)

Agitation Club Spies

Founded: first mentioned in February 1890; last mentioned December 1890.

Notes: named after August Spies, one of the Haymarket anarchists executed in November 1887.

<u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA) <u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: Speiser's Hall (corner Temple/N 7th St.)

Meeting Time: every Wednesday

Members: Carl Kirchhausen; George Wagner (secretary); L. Michel; Chr. or Freidrich Ebel

Autonome Gruppe Paterson

Founded: 13 August 1892; last mentioned in November 1892.

Affiliated: Autonome Gruppen Amerikas

Regular Meeting Place: Henser's Hall (1001 Main St.)

Gruppe Freiheit (South Paterson)

Founded: first mentioned May 1891

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: 817 Main St.

Gruppe Paterson I

<u>Founded</u>: Autumn 1881?; last mentioned June 1891; re-established in March 1892; re-formed in

January 1900; last mentioned in March 1900.

Notes: they formed a singing section in 1900.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Philipp Hanse's Hall (8 Fair St.; 66 Market St.); 1892: Central Hall (137

Market St.); May 1892: Hermann Kammerer's (Market St.); 1900: H. Scheuermann's Hall (corner

Gross/Market St.)

Meeting Time: both groups in 1884: first Sunday of month 9am; 1900: every Sunday 10am

Membership: 70-80 attended a meeting in May 1892

Members: H. Beck; Henry & John Bossardt (butcher, 1892); Robert Kauer (secretary 1900?);

Joseph Keck (since September 1884); Reddersen (in 1892); Sachse; Fr. Spinnler (secretary,

September 1892); Charles Waldinger?; F. Wünsch; Theodor R. Wünsch

Gruppe Paterson II

Founded: December 1883

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Philipp Hanse's Hall (8 Fair St.; 66 Market St.) Meeting Time: both groups in 1884: first Sunday of the month (9am)

Sozial-Revolutionäre Club Paterson

Founded: November 1883 (may have existed as early as 1881); short-lived

Regular Meeting Place: Philipp Hanse's Hall (8 Fair St.)

Meeting Time: every Saturday at 8pm.

Members: Philipp Hanse?

QUEENS

Gruppe Astoria I

Founded: August 1883; mentioned in July 1884; resumed activity in October 1892

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: October 1892: Zahner's Hall (210 Flushing Ave, Long Island City-Astoria)

<u>Meeting Time</u>: every Sunday at 9am <u>Members</u>: W. Kubisch?; Ernst Doppler

Gruppe Astoria II (Woodside)

<u>Founded</u>: first week of January 1884; mentioned in July 1884 <u>Affiliated</u>: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: Woodside, Queens

Membership: 12 founding members.

Gruppe College Point

Founded: December 1883

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Members: W. Albrecht (secretary)?

Gruppe Long Island City

Founded: October 1891

Notes: this group grew out of a meeting of the Bakers' Union 84 Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

Regular Meeting Place: 167 Flushing Ave

Meeting Time: every first and third Saturday of month at 8pm

Membership: 14 founding members.

Gruppe Maspeth

Founded: July 1890; last mentioned in July 1893.

Affiliated: International Working People's Association (IWPA)

<u>Regular Meeting Place</u>: Henry Rupprecht's Hall <u>Meeting Time</u>: every first Sunday of month

Membership: immediately 27 subscriptions to Freiheit; August 1890: 30 members

<u>Members</u>: Kum Fried; Gruller; August Heilmann (chair; saloonkeeper); Herrhammer; Billy Heintz; J.; Jakob Kornmann (or Hornmann?); Kösters; Kunkel; Charles Muddelsee (secretary); Theodor

Roßbach (secretary); R.; Henry Rupprecht (saloonkeeper); Schuhmann; Thorschmidt.

"Rose Freiheit" Club

Founded: October 1900.