

I, the undersigned, August Priesmeyer, of the city of St. Louis, Mo., do declare the following to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills and codicils thereto by me made.

First:-- I direct my executors or whoever may be administering my estate to pay to the Bellefontaine Cemetery Association a sum sufficient to compensate said Association to keep my lot in said cemetery in first class order for ten years after my decease. And I also direct my executors or whoever may be administering my estate to pay whatever debts I may have as speedily as possible after my decease, and without the necessity of their being first proved. And as I desire my funeral to be a plain one, I also request my executors or whoever may be administering my estate to pay the expense thereof without delay and without calling on the undertakers to first submit their bill to the Probate Court.

Second:-- If my wife now living survives me I direct that my executors or whoever may be administering my estate shall pay to her at once after my decease fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000). I also direct that my said wife Emma, if she survives me, shall have the free use of my residence and the ground upon which the same is located, or which appertains to said residence property Number 1537 South Grand Ave., in the city of St. Louis, until said residence residence property is sold by my executors or the persons administering my estate, under the powers hereinafter given; and all taxes, repairs, licenses and all other expenses necessary and proper to keep said residence property in good order and free of liens while my wife is so occupying the same, shall be paid out of my estate. And my executors or whoever may administer my estate, are also hereby directed to furnish my wife at the expense of my estate a sufficient supply of coal while she is occupying said residence. I also hereby give to my wife if she survives me such of the ~~household~~ furniture and household effects as may be in said residence at my decease belonging to me as she may select including the three large vases and the music box but not including any of the articles which I have herein after disposed of or may have by label given to other parties but these other articles shall all be left in my house until it is sold. This bequest of personal effects to my wife is also absolute. I also hereby direct my executors, or whoever may be administering my estate, to sell my residence property aforesaid as soon as practicable after my decease, and also to collect the life insurance payable at my death; that the proceeds of the sale of the residence and of the collection of the life insurance shall then be by my executors or administrators put together and invested in good interest bearing and safe bonds and if necessary an additional sum shall be added by my executors or administrators to said fund out of my other estate and also invested in like bonds so that altogether said investment in bonds shall be sufficient to yield an annual income of twelve hundred dollars net and this shall be paid to my wife in semi-annual instalments of six hundred dollars during her life. Said bonds shall be deposited with the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Co., and the semi-annual payments of the income thereof paid by said Co. to my wife; and at my wife's death the said bonds or the proceeds of a sale thereof, shall be by said Trust Company divided share and share alike and given absolutely to the widow of my nephew Henry F. Priesmeyer and to my nephew August Priesmeyer and niece Ida Ruwart, or their heirs, and the German General Protestant Orphans Home on the Natural Bridge Road near Newstead Ave. in the city of St. Louis. If my wife does not survive me then I give to her son Oscar Witte five thousand dollars. The bequest to my nephew August Priesmeyer made by this paragraph of my will is to be for his life only, and at his death the share intended for him is to go equally to his descendants if he leaves any, ~~and~~ but if he dies without leaving any descendants him surviving, then said share shall go to and become the property of my said niece Ida Ruwart.

Third:-- As soon as practicable after my decease, and after the sale of my home, I wish my executors or whoever may be administering my estate to deliver to the following parties as gifts from me the articles named: to Mrs. Julia Priesmeyer, widow of Henry F. Priesmeyer, the family wreath made of hair and Cloissons card plate; to Charles Tweedie, the mosaic picture, to Caroline Tweedie, sister of

said Charles Tweedie, the madonna; to said Caroline Tweedie I also give the pearl ornament which I brought from Bethlehem; to my niece Alvin Kuhnstedt the two large cloissson vases, the same after her death to become the property of her son Irwin; to my niece Ida Ruwart the two small cloissson vases and the pictures of Milton and Mozart; to my nephew August F. Priesmeyer my cane, gold watch and pictures "Froelicke" and "Glueckliche"; to my cousin William H. Priesmeyer my large picture of Aurora; to Edward J. Meyer of St. Charles, Mo., my gold headed cane; to Oscar Witte of St. Louis, Mo., my American Cyclopaedia and my book case and all my books; and after my wife has selected such of my household effects as she may desire, whatever of household effects may be then yet remaining of my estate at my residence I give my nephew August Priesmeyer and niece Ida Ruwart the right to select and keep what they want and the remainder may then be given by my wife to the blind girls home of St. Louis, or to some other charity, but all to remain in my home until it is sold.

Fourth;-- I direct that my executors or whoever may be administering my estate, shall out of my estate make up another fund of eight thousand dollars in good and safe interest paying bonds and also deposit the same with the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Company at St. Louis, and said company shall pay the interest realized upon said bonds from time to time during her life to my sister-in-law Mrs. Lizzie Meyer of St. Charles Missouri, and after her death the said interest accruing on said bonds shall be by said Company paid to her daughter Annie Dallmeyer so long as the latter is unmarried, but when said Annie Dallmeyer marries, or is married after the decease of her mother the principal of said bonds shall be by said Trust Company divided equally and delivered unconditionally to said Annie Dallmeyer and her three sisters or their descendants respectively, and if said Annie dies without having married, then after the decease of her mother the said bonds shall be divided equally and delivered over unconditionally by said Trust Company to the said three sisters of said Annie Dallmeyer or their heirs, respectively.

Fifth;-- I direct my executors, or whoever may be administering my estate, to take my money fund of five thousand dollars and to put the same out at interest and pay the income thereof during her life to my sister-in-law Mrs. Lizzie Meyer, of Jefferson City, Mo., and at her death the principal of said fund shall be divided equally between and delivered over unconditionally to the two sons of said Louise Priesmeyer, named Charley and August, and her daughter Ida Ruwart, all of said Jefferson City, or to their heirs respectively. Said fund is also to be deposited with the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Company.

Sixth;-- My executors or whoever may administer my estate, shall also set aside out of my estate a sum of money sufficient to pay quarterly the board of the Toehler child at the Orphans Home hereinbefore mentioned until said orphan is of age, and said executors or administrators shall pay such board from time to time, and if at the majority of said child and part of the sum so set aside remains on hand, the same shall be treated as a part of the residue of my estate.

Seventh;-- My executors or whoever may administer my estate shall also invest seven thousand dollars of my estate in good securities and also deliver same to the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Company of St. Louis, and said company shall during her life pay the income of said securities from time to time to my niece Alvin Kuhnstedt, now living at Sheboygan, Wisconsin, and after her death there shall be paid by said Trust Company the sum of two thousand dollars of the principal of said fund to Irwin the son of said Alvin Kuhnstedt, if and when he is married, and the other five thousand dollars of said fund shall at the death of said Alvin Kuhnstedt be by said Company divided share and share alike between the children of Henry F. and Julia Priesmeyer of Jefferson City, Missouri, or the heirs or legatees of said children, respectively.

Eighth;-- My executors, or whoever may be administering my estate shall also as speedily as practicable after my decease pay to the persons next herein after named or to their heirs or legatees, respectively, the legacies next mentioned, that is to say, to my grand niece Theo Priesmeyer five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and to my grand niece Annie Priesmeyer, now living at No. 4 Oppenwehe, Germany, three thousand

dollars(\$3,000); to my grand niece Henrietta Vogeler of No.12 in Oppenwehe Germany, one thousand dollars(\$1,000); to my nephew August Priesmeyer, who is now in government employ at Hameln, Germany, three thousand dollars(\$3,000). And if at my decease there is not on hand belonging to my estate sufficient money to pay these legacies, then my executors shall satisfy same by transferring to these respective legatees shares belonging to me of the A. Priesmeyer Shoe Company at the value of said shares on the books of said Shoe Company at the time of my decease.

Ninth:-- I hold two notes made by Edward J. Meyer of St. Charles, Mo. The one of these for twenty five hundred dollars I give to him to be cancelled; but the other one which is for two thousand dollars, my executors or whoever may administer my estate, shall collect and dispose of the proceeds as part of my estate. And if any other legatees of my estate named in this will are in my debt at my decease, they shall severally make good to my estate the amounts they owe me before they may claim their respective legacies hereunder.

Tenth:-- As executors of this will and of my estate I name my cousin William H. Priesmeyer and my friend John Tweedie and request that no bond of security be required of them as such executors; and they are to carry out the provisions of this will herein above written as well as those hereinafter set out as speedily as practicable after my decease. And I desire that my said executors, William H. Priesmeyer and John Tweedie, or whoever may administer my estate, should consult my attorney, George W. Lubke, in all matters as to the proper legal settlement of my estate and the proper interpretation of this will, and his ~~XXX~~ opinion thereon shall be binding on all parties.

Eleventh:-- To the following named parties I bequeath shares of stock belonging to me at my decease of the A. Priesmeyer Shoe Co., as follows: to my nephew August Priesmeyer of Jefferson City, Mo., twenty five shares; to my sister-in-law Mrs. Mary Meyer of St. Charles twenty five; to her daughter Lydia also twenty five; to my niece Ida Ruwart twenty five; to my grand nephew Henry Resalmeyer of St. Louis twenty; and to ~~my grand nephew~~ ~~one on Garrison Ave. and Dayton St., St. Louis,~~ twenty. These gifts are intended by me for said respective parties and their heirs or successors; and if said shares are not on hand as part of my estate at my decease then each one of said parties shall receive in lieu thereof out of my estate in money the face value of said shares; and this gift of money shall in that event be also to their respective heirs or successors should any of said parties be no longer living at my decease. The other shares of said Company belonging to me at my decease I desire my executors or whoever may administer my estate to sell as soon as possible after my decease and to use the proceeds thereof for the benefit of my estate under the provisions of this will; And they shall give the right to John Tweedie to buy all or as many of said shares at what they may be then fairly worth and to give him credit if he desires it by taking his notes payable in instalments of five thousand dollars or less and bearing interest at six per centum per annum payable half yearly. The time for the payment of said notes shall be agreed upon between my executors or whoever may be administering my estate and Mr. Tweedie. But I want my executors or whoever ~~may~~ administers my estate, to defer to Mr. Tweedie's wishes in making the sale to him and fixing the time of payment. His energy, faithfulness, good judgment and pleasant association with me in the management of the business of said Shoe Company heretofore, satisfies me that he will not ~~be unwilling~~ ~~unreasonable~~ in making such purchase from my estate and providing for the payment without loss to my estate.

Twelfth:-- Of my holdings of shares of said A. Priesmeyer Shoe Co., I also give to ~~my grand-nephew~~ Henry F. Priesmeyer my grand-nephew, of St. Louis ten shares; to Carl F. W. Priesmeyer of Oppendorf Germany, twenty shares; to Bertha Kulp nee Steger of St. Louis ten shares; to Frank Steinbruegge, of Christman, Ill., twenty shares; to my wife's son Oscar B. Priesmeyer twenty shares, and to his wife Phine ten shares, and to his daughter Alita ten shares, and to his son Birch ten shares. These gifts are intended by me for said respective parties and their heirs, and if said shares are not on hand as part of my estate at my decease then each one of said parties shall receive in lieu thereof out of my estate the value of said shares on the books of the company.

Thirteenth:-- All other estate, real, personal or mixed to me  
or in any manner belonging at my decease, or to which I may be in any  
way entitled, I give, share and share alike to my cousin William H.  
Priesmeyer of St. Louis and John Tweedie of Jefferson City, and to the  
two sons of said John Tweedie, named John and Charles, and to the sur-  
vivors of said four parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do now hereto set my hand and ~~fix~~ affix  
my seal, at the city of St. Louis, Missouri, this sixth day of December  
1904, in the presence of the witnesses who have written their names  
below to the attestation clause.

August Priesmeyer (Seal)