

Jan 29, 1899

South Shore Republican (reported by the Grant County Review)

Mrs. Carl Beskow, of the township of Mazeppa, who had gone to Minneapolis for medical treatment died in the city the latter part of the week and her remains were brought home for burial. Further than this we have been unable to learn particulars. The funeral took place on Tuesday.

July 13, 1906 South Shore Republican

A most distressing accident occurred at Summit Saturday afternoon. Vernie Meyers, the eighteen year old son of Mrs. John Meyers, was drowned in the lake a short distance from town while in bathing with a number of companions. The boy could not swim but was floating around in the water with some kind of life preserver on and had floated out beyond his depth, when something went wrong with the preserver, leaving him to battle with the waves. Several of his companions went to his assistance, but were unable to get him out of the water before life was extinct. Heroic efforts by the boys and Drs Sorensen and Frink, who had been hastily summoned, failed to receive him, as he was carried home to his mother as a corpse. Deep sympathy is felt for the mother. Only six weeks ago the husband and father, John Meyers, was buried. The boy was the oldest of a family of three and had taken charge of his father's business, proving himself to be a great help to his widowed mother in every respect. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon, being largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends of the family. The deceased was a nephew of Mrs. H.J. Herring of this place

Aug 21 1906

Strouseton reported by Grant County Review

- Albert Dochow has been doing some carpenter work for L Adolphsen. He will now do some repairing on the Fransen schoolhouse.
- Lawrence Adolphsen has put in an elevator in his granary for uploading grain. Lawrence is an up-to-date farmer and has one of the best equipped farms on the reservation.

South Shore Republican Nov 30, 1906

- John Stainocher will run a blacksmith shop at Summit, belonging to his father-in law, Carl Beskow. He has rented his farm wand will soon move to Summit to assume charge of his new duties.
- Ferdinand Boeder is moving to Summit. He has engaged to work for a blacksmith shop in that burg for John Stainocher.



November 1906 a sleigh load of young folks consisting of Mrs. Clara and Lillie Sweeney and Minnie Beskow and Masters Carl and Ervin Beskow, Archie Stroup, Ed Dunn and Lloyd Sweeney, spent Sunday evening at the Stienocker (sic) home. All report a merry time.

1907 South Shore Republican 1907

- Mr. Wohlleber had the misfortune to have four colts cut up very badly in the wire fence, one so badly it died.
- Henry Clasen who has been teaching in the German parochial school in Germantown, left for his home in New Ulm, Mn this morning. He will teach a school there this winter.

April 5th, 1907 South Shore Republican

Will Korth of Forestville and Mrs. Lillie Acterburg of Watertown were married at the Rauville Lutheran Church Tuesday, April 2nd.

Will Korth, a well known young farmer in this vicinity, surprised his friends by taking unto himself a wife. The ceremony took place Tuesday morning in the German Lutheran church Rev. Polzin officiating. The bride, a young lady of good repute is a resident from south of Watertown. A large circle of friends and relatives helped to celebrate the happy event at the grooms home two miles southwest of this place. We understand they will go right to housekeeping. Their many friends join in wishing them a long and pleasant voyage on the sea of matrimony.

April 12, 1907 South Shore Republican

Frank Bahr started for Hanley Canada, Wednesday, with a carload of horses and cattle and personal belongings of his brother William, who will follow next Monday morning with his family. William has decided that the only place in the wide, wide world for him is Canada, so he is going there to locate. He will be a neighbor to the Gruneruds, having taken up a homestead near those former South Shore people. Frank will return after looking the country over.

July 12th, 1907: John Wohlleber returned home Monday morning from Grover where he had been working for a few months.

South Shore Republican Nov 1, 1907

- Miss Emma Adolphsen, of Mazeppa went to a dressmaking establishment for six months with a view to learning the trade.
- John Stainocher is building an addition to his blacksmith shop, size 16x32. Fred Kozak is assisting John with the carpenter work.



November 15, 1907 South Shore Republican

The 10-year-old daughter of Will Korth, who resides near Strouseton, met with an unfortunate accident one day last week. The little lady was amusing herself in following a gang plow which was being driven by an older girl and in some manner her foot caught in the furrow wheel of the plow, resulting in her being thrown violently to the ground and her sustaining a very bad fracture of the knee.

Mr. Korth, who was in town at the time of the accident, was immediately notified by phone and he at once sent to Dr. Hammond to the aid of the little sufferer. Later reports are to the effect that she is getting along as well as could be expected.

South Shore Republican Jan 24, 1908

Carl Beskow and son, Albert, left on Sunday evening via Troy for a visit to the Twin Cities. They may possibly visit Chicago and Kansas City before returning home.

- Nick and Tom Adolphsen and Chas Kraus unloaded a threshing outfit last Saturday. They will now be able to do their own threshing whenever they get ready besides helping out some of their neighbors.
- Ellsworth Rowe, the chief lineman of the Dakota Central at Watertown, has been out installing new phones on the farm line west of town. Those receiving phones are Reuben Lentz, Charley Meseberg, Rudolf Zielsky, John Selchert, August Kaaz, Wm. Korth, Henry Kettlehut, George Stoddard, Thomas Adolphsen, and Sid Smith.

South Shore Republican Feb 7, 1908

Mail Carrier Monroe Haraden wishes to thank L.A. Steenburg, G.A. Shippy, John Wohlleber and B.D. Southwick, on route 3, for breaking the road for several miles after the storm yesterday morning. With an hour or two's work with a big team a farmer can greatly help the carrier, who, equipped with a small team and sled, find it extremely difficult to break the road after a storm.

Mrs. Chris Adolphsen passes

Mrs. Catherine Adolphsen, who has been ill for some time, passed away Monday, Feb 7th at her home in Mazeppa township. The funeral was held today, Thursday, in Mazeppa school No 2.

Catherine Dorothy Adolphsen was born Sept 20, 1871 in Schleswig, Germany. She was married on May 11th, 1891 to Christian Adolphsen. Three children were born to them, Dorothy, Otto and Vernon. The deceased also leaves a number of sisters and brothers, Aug. Arff of Farmington, being the only one residing in this section. Her husband died April 9, 1919. The deceased and her husband were early residents of Mazeppa. Mrs. Adolphsen was a model wife and a loving mother.



She was loved by her neighbors and friends and her passing is a severe blow. The many Summit friends of the family extend their sincere sympathy.----Summit Independent.

Feb 14, 1908

Mrs. Lorenz Adolphsen is slowly improving from her stroke of paralysis.

Mar 27 1908 A large number of the inhabitants of Germantown were in Watertown Wednesday attending a trial between several parties over a fight which occurred at a dance at the Matthes home a few weeks ago. Ferdinand Blek, Edwin Blek, and Frank Korth were charged by Arthur Redlin with assault and battery. The case was called before Mark W. Sheafe, Jr, and about forty witnesses were summoned to testify. The case was decided in favor of the defendants.

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June, 1908

Cupid Gets Busy and Rounds up Three Happy Couples Before the Altar. Three weddings, in which young people of this community were the interested parties, have taken place during the past week, individual mention of each wedding being briefly made below

Lentz-Beutler

Herman W. Lentz, our popular drayman, was united in marriage to Miss Anna Beutler at the home of the bride near Revillo on Sunday, June 21, 1908, relatives only being present at the interesting ceremony. Herman is one of our most steady and industrious young man and his many friend here are heartily congratulating him on the happy outcome of his courtship. His bride, while a stranger to most of our townspeople, is heartily welcomed by all. She is an accomplished young lady of pleasing manners and is a member of a prominent family residing near Revillo. They came to South Shore Monday evening and have begun housekeeping in the house on Broad street recently vacated by the Rhodes family. May happiness and prosperity be their lot.



Wohlleber-Krause

John Wohlleber and Miss Hattie Krause, two young people of prominent families residing northwest of South Shore, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Krause, on Tuesday, June 23. Rev. P Hinderer officiating. Following the ceremony the guests sat down to a big wedding feast and a general good time was enjoyed by all well into the early hours of the following day.

The young people are well and favorably known to a large circle of acquaintances who will wish them every joy in the auspicious event in their lives. The happy couple will go to housekeeping at once on the Kozak farm which the groom is farming this year.

Clasen-Beskow

Rev. P. Hinderer united Henry Clasen and Minnie Beskow in marriage on Tuesday, June, 23. On Wednesday the wedding was fittingly celebrated by the many friends and relatives of the happy couple at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Carl Beskow.

The groom is a talented and upright young man who is engaged in German parochial school work and is now permanently engaged in this work at Burr Oak Wisconsin, whither he and his bride will depart today to take up their abode. The bride is a daughter of Carl Beskow, one of Germantown's most prominent farmers, and is a young lady possessed of the many womanly qualities which go to make up the ideal helpmate and companion of the husband.

The Republican joins with the numerous acquaintances of the above young couples in wishing them all the joys and comforts in life that fall to the lot of mankind. May they find life's highway strewn with roses and prosperity.

Sept 3, 1908 Grant County Review

Nick Adolphsen and Chas Krause unloaded a threshing outfit last Sat. The will not be able to do their own threshing whenever they get ready besides helping out some of their neighbors.

Oct 16, 1908 South Shore Republican John W. Wohlleber has rented John Stanocher's farm for the coming year, he having moved these this week from the Wendell Kozak farm. Fred Kozak will run his father's farm the coming year. We should judge from Fred's mysterious actions of late that a wedding is likely to take place at no distant date.



Oct 16, 1908 South Shore has sent quite a delegation down to Tripp county to register for a chance at the land drawings. Among those who went we Anton Klix, Reuben and Erna Zielsky, Frank McNamara, Herbert Zirble, Will Klix, G. A Shippy, John Mort, John Scriver, A.S. Christianson, Jake Olson, Selma Erickson, Clarence Morrison, Curt Southwick and Ole Martin. (they forgot to include Will Wohlleber, Herman Lentz and Sid Smith)

Nov 27, 1908 Mrs. Nick Adolphsen, wife of the Mazeppa merchant, met with an accident last Saturday evening by being thrown from a buggy after losing control of the horses, which had become frightened at something or other on the road.

Mrs. Adolphsen was thrown violently to the ground, breaking both arms just above the wrists and bruising her face severely. Dr Frink was called to attend the injured lady, reducing the fractures and making her as comfortable as possible under the circumstance. At the present writing she is getting along splendidly and will have complete recovery from the accident. A daughter riding with her had one of her fingers injured.

1908 Ad: I can sell you good farms in Sunny Alberta for less money than any other man. I handle the best there is in Grant County farm lands. If you want to sell, list with me. It you want to buy it will pay you to see me. Filbert the Land Man.

1909

1909 date unknown

- Albert Krause has returned from Iowa
- Fred Wohlleber bought a team of? from Mr. Beskow
- Frank Alexander bought a new buggy this week
- Bertha Beskow attended school in Mindora, Wisconsin
- Mr. Ohm and M.L. Mickelsen left Sunday night for a few days trip to the Canadian Northwest

1909 Grant County Review. The lands of Standing Rock Reservation will be graded from 50 cents to 6.00/acre. It sees as the Uncle Sam's free homesteads have fallen by the wayside.

Grant County Review: Opening of the Standing Rock and Cheyenne River Indian Reservation. Registration at Mobridge, Lemmon or Aberdeen, S.D. Oct 4 to 23.

The opening of the Standing Rock and Cheyenne River Indian Reservations in South Dakota and North Dakota in October will give about ten thousand people 160 acres of fertile farming lands for a small sum per acre. The government has appraised these lands at 50 cents to \$6.00 per acre.



If you intend to engage in farming or are now farming and wish to change your location, why not register for one of these farms? You may be successful in the drawing for these lands.

Aberdeen, South Dakota on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St Paul Railway, and Mobridge and Lemmon, South Dakota, on the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway are points of registration. You can register any day from October 4-23. The drawing will take place at Aberdeen on October 26. The land in the countries to the east of these reservations now sells at \$25 to \$30 per acre. This land opening will also give you a splendid opportunity to see the wonderful county opened through the construction of the new line to the Pacific Coast, at small additional cost over your railroad fare to points of registration.

Folders regarding this land opening and the country along the new line in South Dakota, North Dakota and Montana, free. F.A. Miller, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Milwaukee & St Paul Ry., Chicago. O.F. Waller, D.P. A., Aberdeen, S.D.

Jan 22, 1909 August Korth, the sixteen year-old son of Will Korth, residing 12 miles northwest of South Shore, met with a painful accident Monday afternoon that will to all probability cost him his left arm. The lad was climbing up the windmill and had taken hold of a revolving rod to steady himself. Wearing heavy mittens and they being wet, his hold on the revolving rod started his arm around and before his father who was standing close by had head his cries, could stop the mill, the arm had been wound around the rod no less than six time. The arm was broken in several places an horribly lacerated and torn. Dr Hammond was hastily summoned to attend the injured boy and on his arrival he at once took him to Watertown in order that everything could be done to save the arm. The doctors at the hospital fear that they will have to amputate the arm but are waiting with the hope that it can be saved.. At best, he will have a crippled arm for life.

January 30, 1909 Mrs. Kaaz, who with her husband resided 12 miles northwest of South Shore, died Saturday evening January 30 following an illness of short duration. The deceased lady was over 71 years of age. She and her husband were among the first settlers of the Mazeppa locality and are widely known throughout the country to the north and west of us. Mrs. Kaaz is survived by her husband and a family of five grown up children all residents of the neighborhood. The children are; Albert and August Kaaz, Mrs. August Quitch, Mrs. Charles Krause and Mrs. Fred Richter. The funeral took place, Monday at St. John's Lutheran Church in Mazeppa Rev. P Hinderer officiating.



April 2, 1909

John Staonocher, accompanied by Joe Benn and John Holland, took a spin out to Carl Beskow's Germantown home in his automobile last Sunday.

April 2, 1909 Wm Wohlleber and Sid Smith, two of the successful entrymen in the Tripp county drawing last fall, have gone to that place to make their selections of land. They will have six months to get onto their land after filing.

April 23, 1909 Wm. Wohlleber and Sid Smith returned from the Rosebud last week, after having filed on a quarter of land each. They are well pleased with the country and both got good claims. Emil Kannas went down this week to look over the county.

June 11, 1909 Grant County Review

Excursions to Western Alberta every Tuesday at the remarkable low rate of \$15.00 for the round trip For further particulars see local agent, OPJ Engstrom.

June 21, 1909 South Shore Republican

Emil Pottratz returned home Friday from an extended trip though Northwest Canada. He filed upon a homestead, succeeding in getting a good one but says they are getting scarce unless one gets away out on the frontier. While away he called upon all the Gruneruds, formerly of this place, and found them well and prospering. Will Orr, who went up with Emil, is still there and expects to remain indefinitely if he can find satisfactory employment.

July 9, 1909 John W Wohlleber returned from a visit to Tripp county this week. He went down with his brother William to help him build a house and make other improvements on the claim he drew last fall. John is favorably impressed with the new county and says that crops are looking fine. William will return before threshing.

July 23, 1909 South Shore Republican Beskow-Zimmerman

Mr. Carl Beskow, a prominent resident of Germantown, was united in marriage Tuesday afternoon, July 20, to Mrs. Heidi Zimmerman, formerly of St Paul, Minn., the ceremony being performed at the groom's home in Germantown in the presence of a goodly number of relatives and neighbors, Rev P. Hinderer, pastor of the German Lutheran church, officiating. Following the ceremony, all sat down to a sumptuous wedding supper, after which all turned in and spent an enjoyable evening in dancing and other amusement.



One feature of the evening was the taking of a collection in support of the poor student's fund of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Beskow, the groom, heading the list with a five-dollar bill.

The groom is a pioneer resident of the community and by close application to business has acquired considerable wealth, represented largely by valuable Codington and Grant county lands.

The bride, who has been Mr. Beskow's housekeeper for some time past, was formerly a resident of St Paul, is highly spoken of as a lady of refinement and superior attainment, who will make an ideal wife and companion to her husband.

A large number of relatives and neighbors were present at the wedding and festivities, including most of Mr. Beskow's children and the relatives of his former wife who died some ten years ago.

The Republican joins with Mr. and Mrs. Beskow's many friends in congratulations and best wishes for a happy wedded life.

Aug 26th, 1909 Grant County Review

Standing Rock and Cheyenne Indian Reservation to be Opened in October

On Monday, President Taft announced the dates of the opening of the Standing Rock and Cheyenne Indian reservations containing 2,000,000 acres of land or 14,000 farms. The towns named for registration points for these points are Aberdeen, Lemmon, LeBeau, Mobridge and Pierre in South Dakota and Bismark in North Dakota and the dates of the registration are from Monday, Oct 4, to Saturday October 23, inclusive. The drawings will be held in Aberdeen commencing on Tuesday, Oct 26, and continuing as long as necessary to distribute the farms.

The lands to be opened are in the north central part of South Dakota and the south central part of North Dakota, west of the Missouri River. The tract is ninety miles long and varies in width from east to west from thirty to eighty four miles and is from 80 to 170 miles west of Aberdeen. Outside of the 2,000,000 acres which will be open for drawing, 12,314 acres have been granted to the state for school purposes. This is the last great land distribution and is thought that upwards of half a million people will register for the 14,000 farms which are to be raffled off in the big lottery. Judge Witten will have charge of the drawing in Aberdeen.

1910 Robert Korth accompanied by his wife, went to Rochester for consultation with the Drs. Mayo. He has been troubled with a disease suspiciously like appendicitis.

Jan 28, 1910 Will Wohlleber departed for Tripp County Monday evening to take up residence on his homestead. He will return for threshing season.



Jan 28, 1910 The home of Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Wohlleber of Mazeppa twp was brightened by the birth of a baby girl Jan 12. Mrs. Wohlleber is a daughter of Herman Krause, a pioneer of Grant county. (this newspaper article has two errors, it should be JW Wohlleber, and this is Albert's dob, so it should be a SON.)

March 1910? JB Wohlleber celebrated his BD last Sunday by inviting a few of his neighbors to spend the day. All had an enjoyable time and gave Mr. Wohlleber a good threshing to remember the day.

Oct 21, 1910 John W Wohlleber, who has been farming the John Stainocher (Leola) farm seven miles northwest of town, is holding an auction today to dispose of his personal belongings. The sale starts at one o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Wohlleber and his brother William, who has just proved up on a homestead in Tripp county, have just rented a 640-acre farm belonging to a brother near Kampeska, and will farm it together next year. They bought out the farming outfit on the farm, so John decided to sell his own chattels before moving.

October 28, 1910 E.G Barr was up from Grover last Friday and Saturday visiting the Wohlleber family. Mr. Barr is a son of Mrs. John B Wohlleber and owner of the farm near Grover upon which the Wohlleber boys are moving.

November 25, 1910 J.B. Wohlleber and Herman Krause transacted business in Watertown Tuesday.

Summit Signal, 1910 Friday, November 25th was the twenty fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Nic Adolphsen of Mazeppa and about one hundred of their relatives, friends and neighbors assembled at their residence to spend the day with them. At 2:30 in the afternoon Paul Hinderer of the German Lutheran church of Mazeppa conducted the ceremony and in a well chosen address, wished them their full share of prosperity and happiness in the years to come as well as in the past. A bountiful dinner and supper were served after which the guests departed with best wishes for their future welfare. Their eleven children were all at home to partake of the day's festivity. Mr. and Mrs. Adolphsen are old settlers of Grant County having resided there for the past 30 years or more and for a number of years he was the Mazeppa Postmaster and still conducts a general store at that place.

November 29, 1910 Herman Krause has purchased J.B. Wohlleber's interest in the threshing outfit. (RFD No 3)



Dec 13 1910 Frank Alexander and miss Emma Wohlleber, two well-known young people of Mazeppa, were married at Watertown Wednesday. They have gone to Aberdeen to spend their honeymoon. We have not heard where they will start housekeeping but presume it will be in Mazeppa as both parties have relatives there.

Dec 1910 Mrs. Herman Krause was doing a lot of Christmas shopping Tuesday. She says she has not been in town for two months.

1911

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- John and Elsie Krause were going to school at Mazeppa 2.
- Carl Beskow spent several days last week and this looking over some land prospects near Thief River Falls, Mn.

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January 1911 Carl Krause returned from Iowa where he was husking corn.

Jan 27, 1911 Mrs. Henry Adolphsen, one of the early pioneers of Mazeppa township passed away at the home of her son, Christ, on Thursday, Jan 19, 1911, at the age of eighty-two years, seven months and seven days. She had been failing for over a year under the weight of her many years, and her death was not unexpected by her family and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Adolphsen came from Germany 29 years ago and settled on a farm in Mazeppa where they have resided ever since.

Of late years the homestead has been in change of their son, Chris, and they have made their home with him. The funeral was held Monday afternoon, from the Mazeppa Lutheran Church- of which the deceased was a member and interment was made in the cemetery near the church.

Rev. Paul Hinderer officiated and a large crowd of neighbors and friends gathered to pay their respects the to departed one. The deceased leaves her aged husband and six children to mourn her departure. The children are Nick, Chris, Lawrence and Thomas of Mazeppa township, Mrs. Dora Meyers of Summit and August, who lives in Seattle. The seventh child, Henry died fourteen years ago.

Feb 1911 Watertown Herald

Miss Emma Adolphsen may have frozen 2 fingers.

Feb 2 1911 Otto Krause Dies

Otto Krause, the twenty-one year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Krause living almost ten miles northwest of South Shore, died of diabetic coma Wednesday morning. The young man had been ailing from the effects of the disease for the past two years but up until a few weeks ago it was not that it had any serious hold upon him.



He had been about and able to do work until recently. Medical aid was sought but nothing could be done for him as the disease is practically incurable. One Sunday last he fell into unconsciousness and remained in this state until his death Wednesday morning. The funeral will be held from the Krause home tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock and interment will be made in the Lutheran churchyard in Mazeppa. The Republican extends to the sorrowing family its heartfelt sympathy for thus losing one of its members in the prime of life.

Feb, 1911 John W Wohlleber and family came up from their home near Grover yesterday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Wohlleber's brother, Otto Krause. John says he has changed his arrangements for this summer and will not farm the place he is now on, but will move in April to a homestead on the Cheyenne Reservation, near the new town of Isabel, the relinquishment to which he recently purchased from a brother-in law.

Feb 24 1911 Frank Korth has gone to Watertown to stay a while.

Mar 7, 1911 Wm. Wohlleber has rented the Meyers farm north of his father's place and will farm there this summer. John W Wohlleber has moved up from Hazel and is living with his brother William until he gets ready to go on his homestead on the Cheyenne Reservation.

April 28th, 1911 A son was born to Mr., and Mrs. John Wohlleber. (Everett)

May 19th, 1911 John W Wohlleber and family left Wednesday for Isabel, this state, to take up their residence upon their homestead. Wm Wohlleber took out John's car on Tuesday and will help him to get started upon his homestead.

May 26th, 1911 Miss Mabel Rodner is out from Watertown sewing at the home of Max Raml SW of town.

June, 1911 Fred Wohlleber and Miss Mabel Alexander, both of Watertown, were married at Milbank Tuesday June 2, 1911.

July 7 1911 South Shore Republican

A party was held at the N.H. Adolphsen home in Mazeppa township last night in celebration of the marriage of Emma Adolphsen, who was married last week at Minneapolis to Carl Beskow Jr. Following the marriage ceremony at Minneapolis the happy couple have enjoyed a short honeymoon and the party last evening was in the nature of a welcome home. A large number of relatives and friends attended to congratulate the couple and enjoy the activities. Both the young people have grown up in this locality and are well and



favorably known to a wide circle of friends who will wish them every happiness in their wedded life.

June 14, 1911 Misses Minnie Krause and Mabel Rodner went to Watertown Monday evening to work.

June 18th 1911 South Shore Republican

Emil and Richard Potratz came down from Zealandia, Sask., last week to spend the holidays with their parents here. They sprung a surprise on the old folks, who had no idea their boys were coming home. They went away visiting on Friday and when they came home they found the fire burning, the chores done and the boys hiding in the house. Emil and Richard are looking well and say they like their new homes real well. Emil went up there about two years ago and Richard moved there from North Dakota this summer, having proved up on his Dakota homestead and rented it out. He now has a homestead in Canada. The boys bring us wonderful tales of the crop yield in their locality this year. Emil's wheat yielded 33 bushels per acre, oats 75 bushels, (which he says was the poorest oats in the neighborhood) and his flax 26 bushels. A neighbor of theirs had a 40-acre field of oats that yielded 112 bushels per acre and another field of wheat yielded 51 bushels per acre. While we do not for an instant doubt the truth of the boy's statements about their crops, we have been wondering if Canadian bushels and acres are the same size as ours.

Aug 10, 1911 Grant County News

"The Summit vicinity have about 1,000 representatives in Canada".

August 11, 1911

Miss Hazel Rodner went to Watertown to work a few weeks.

Sept 7, 1911 Ad in the Grant County News

Opening of the Rosebud and Pine Ridge Indian Reservation- South Dakota 466,562 acres of rich land in Mellette and Bennett Counties, South Dakota, will be opened for settlement by the U.S. Government. A chance for 160 acre farm at small cost in a region adapted to high grade agriculture and grazing. Produces large crops- corn, wheat, rye, barley, oats, speltz and alfalfa. Register any day from October 2 to 21, 1911 at Chamberlain or Rapid City, So Dak., on the line of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St Paul Railway. The shortest line to the reservation. One Oct 3 and 17th round trip homeseekers tickets will be on sale to Chamberlain and Rapid City at reduced fares. Descriptive literature, maps and complete information will be sent FREE on request to K.A. MILLER, General Passenger Agent, Chicago.

Oct 24, 1911 Watertown Herald



Albert Blek and Frank Korth went to Chamberlain this week to register for a chance in the land drawing.

1912

1912 Willie Redlin went to Battle Creek to take a three months course in steam engineering in the Nichols-Shepard shops.

January 19, 1912 Miss Minnie Krause came home Monday a.m. from Watertown where she has been staying for the last two months.

Feb 2, 1912 Frank Bahr, a prominent young farmer of Germantown, and Miss Emma Krause, daughter of Mr. and Hrs. Herman Krause, of Mazeppa, were married at Watertown last week. They will go to housekeeping on the old Tuttle farm on the reservation about twelve miles west of town. The Republican extends congratulations to the happy couple.

Feb 23 1912 Mr. Albert Krause, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Krause, of Mazeppa, and Miss Amanda Quitsch, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Quitsch, of Germantown, were married at Milbank last Friday.

April 5, 1912 There will be a dance at Strouseton hall on Monday evening April 8th to which everybody is cordially invited. Music will be furnished by the Lentz Brothers. Price of tickets 50 cents. Managers: Will Krause and Will Redlin.

Nov 17, 1912 Lawrence Adolphsen whose auction appears in this issue, was in the city Wednesday. He expects to remove to Columbus Kansas, about the 20th of this month to make his future home. Mr. Adolphsen was one of the early settlers of Farmington township and has taken a leading part in school and pubic works in this vicinity. His reasons for moving is to find a milder climate. He has become well to do in Grant County and he feels he is entitled to go where perhaps prosperity may not come in such large chunks, but with less effort.

1913

1913 Henry Walters has bought the former Frank Schmeling residence, barn and icehouse from F. A Berry. The house is at present occupied by the Herman Wolter family and is not likely that they will move until spring. In the meantime Henry will use the icehouse on the place and he will probably occupy the house next summer.

Feb 1913 August Bahr has sold his fine 280-acre farm in Germantown to Mr. John Miller, the gentleman who owns the former Koehler farm south of town. MR Miller will take possession of his new farm March 15. Frank Bahr who has been occupying the farm is preparing to remove to Canada.



Feb 1913 CANADA: Tales of Success

Letter from the Redlin Boys

Following is a letter, which Willie Redlin recently wrote to his folks here from Haywarden Saskatchewan. Willie moved up there this spring to try to carve out a fortune from some of King George's soil.

Haywarden, Sask. March 18, 1913

Dear Folks:

I will drop you a few lines to let you know that we got her safe and sound, although it seems we were followed by very good luck that we were able to do so. We arrived here Monday afternoon, having been twelve days on the road.

Our train had three wrecks on the way. In the first one the engine went all to pieces. In the second one the engine ran into a team of horses, killing the team hurting the man and breaking the wagon to splinters. My car was next to the engine in this wreck and it left the rail six inches on one side but if came back onto the track all right. The third wreck was caused by a wheel coming off the engine when we were traveling about thirty-five miles an hour. I was pretty cold on the way, sometimes, but we kept comfortable. The weather was very fine here Sunday. I saw seventeen straw stacks on one-quarter section farm. I have seen more grain here than I did back there in the last few years. We are going to move out Thursday.

From you sons, Willie and Eddie Redlin.

March 1913 Frank Bahr and Willie Redlin shipped two carloads of personal belongings to Alberta yesterday. Willie already has a farm up there and Frank will rent or buy land. Henry Kettlehut accompanied Frank's car and will look the country over before returning. They say it will take them twelve days to make the trip. Frank will follow them in a few days with his family. We wish the boys success in their new Canadian homes.

August Redlin was in from his Strouseton farm yesterday seeing his son Willie off for Canada. August has been sick for several months and this is the first time he has been in town all winter. He is feeling better since the weather warmed up a little.

March 27th, 1913 Franz Korth, farmer near here, is charged with employing an unusual but certainly effective method to convince his hired man of the sin of laboring on Sunday. The hired man, Henry Collins, offended by cleaning out his barn on the Sabbath. Collins complains that Korth pointed a loaded shotgun at his chest and threatened to shoot him if he ever worked on Sunday again while in his employ.



Now Korth is under bonds to appear for jury trial on the charge of assault at the April term of municipal court.

June 27 1913 South Shore Republican

The death of Miss Olga Korth, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franz Korth of this city, occurred some time last night at the Chas Rook farm, near Lake Kampeska, where she had been working. When Miss Korth failed to respond, upon being called this morning, her room was entered and she was found dead.

The cause of her death is not known, but it is that she took a poison of some kind by mistake and in order to ascertain whether or not such was the case, her stomach was sent to Vermillion for examination.

Public Opinion Thursday June 19th 1913.

Mystery Surrounds Finding of Olga Korth Dead In Her Bed; Poisoning Is Suspected

Acting Coroner and Assistants Perform Autopsy and Will Have Chemical Analysis Made To Determine Whether or Not Drug Caused Death.

No Marks of Violence Found on Body – Girl Apparently Was in Good Health Last Evening But Fails to Answer Call in Morning.

Was Olga Korth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Korth, 702 2nd Ave. NW. whose body was found dead in her bed this morning the victim of poison? Was the young woman about 20 years of age brought to death by an act of her own or by the crime of another? Or did she die suddenly from natural causes?

Autopsy is Performed

These are questions which acting coroner H.C. Parsons was not ready to answer this afternoon. An autopsy was performed upon her body at the Shaw undertaking parlors today and the vital organs of the dead girl will be chemically analyzed for evidences of poison. The official procedure indicates that the authorities are not satisfied that death was due to natural causes. Awaiting the development of facts sufficient to point definitely to the cause of death, the officers have not yet held an inquest. Much will depend without doubt upon what is disclosed by the chemical examination.

In Good Health Last Night.

Miss Korth, daughter of Frank Korth, has been employed in the eating house of Charles Root, at the Outlet for some time and was apparently in good health last evening. She accompanied her father into the city in an automobile last night and returned at 10 o'clock, retiring to bed a half an hour later. This morning she was called about 7 o'clock.



Her brother receiving no answer, went up to see what was the matter. He found the girl stretched across the bed with her head hanging over the side. Examination revealed the fact that she was dead. L.J. Shaw, Frank Elkins, and Dr. H.C. Parsons, acting coroner were summoned and arrived in a short time. The body was taken to the undertaking parlors, where an examination failed to reveal any marks of a violent death. Her face was slightly skinned and the knuckles of her left hand bruised but these marks for causes she fell across the bed it is thought.

June 20, 1913 No Development in Korth Case

Authorities are Awaiting Results of Chemical Tests on Stomach at Vermillion There has been no developments in the case of Olga Korth who was found dead at the Outlet eating house yesterday morning the examination yesterday failed to reveal anything and no action will be taken in the matter for a few days. The stomach were shipped for million yesterday where test for poisonous substances will be made local authorities are awaiting the results of the chemical tests.

Oct 1913 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Zirbel, on Saturday, Oct 11, a son. Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Wohlleber Jr, on Saturday Oct 11, a daughter. All concerned in both cases are reported as doing nicely. (Evelyn)

Oct 1913 David Alexander returned from his Iowa trip last week. He has rented a farm near Adair and will move down there with his family about the first of November, taking his chattels and household goods in a car. His son-in-law Fred Wohlleber and family will go along with them and help run the farm. The farm contains 320 acres and in Iowa is more than one man can handle

? The David Alexander and Fred Wohlleber families left the fore part of the week for Adair, Iowa, where they have rented a farm. They shipped a carload of goods from Summit.

Date? Johnnie Wohlleber has rented the farm which has been occupied by the David Alexander family for several years, and moved last week.

Oct 28 1913 E.G Barr was up from Grover last Friday and Saturday visiting the Wohlleber families. Mr. Barr is a son of Mrs. John B. Wohlleber and owner of the farm near Grover upon which the Wohlleber boys are moving.

January 6, 1915 Summit Independent. Robert Korth was a welcome caller at the Independent office last week. He has moved on his farm, the old Gene Stoddard place, and is well satisfied with the trade.



Watertown March 27 -special

Franz Korth, farmer near here, is charged with employing an unusual but certainly effective method to convince his hired man of the sin of laboring on Sunday. The hired man, Henry Collins, offended by cleaning out his barn on the Sabbath. Collins complains that Korth pointed a loaded shotgun at his chest and threatened to shoot him if he ever worked on Sunday again while in his employ. Now Korth is under bonds to appear for jury trial on a charge of assault at the April term of municipal court.

April 13 1915 Summit Independent

- Otto Korth was touring our country in his Flying Machine, Friday.
- Hattie Korth went to her Grandfathers home Tuesday where she will remain during the summer to attend German school.
- William Korth of Lura has returned from a trip to Texas. He likes the country and bot some land.

April 13 1915 Summit Independent

Emil and Richard Potratz came down from Zealandia, Sask., last week to spend the holidays with their parents here. They sprung a surprise on the old folks, who had no idea their boys were coming home. They went away visiting on Friday and when they came home they found the fire burning, the chores done and the boys hiding in the house. Emil and Richard are looking well and say they like their new homes real well. Emil went up there about two years ago and Richard moved there from North Dakota this summer, having proved up on his Dakota homestead and rented it out. He now has a homestead in Canada. The boys bring us wonderful tales of the crop yield in their locality this year. Emil's wheat yielded 33 bushels per acre, oats 75 bushels, (which he says was the poorest oats in the neighborhood) and his flax 26 bushels. A neighbor of theirs had a 40-acre field of oats that yielded 112 bushels per acre and another field of wheat yielded 51 bushels per acre. While we do not for an instant doubt the truth of the boy's statements about their crops, we have been wondering if Canadian bushels and acres are the same size as ours.

May 14th 1915 The Wilmot Republican

Charged with setting fire to a barn on his farm near Watertown for the purpose of collecting the insurance money Franz Korth is to stand trial.

June 24, 1915 Summit Independent

Albert Beskow and children and Miss Mabel Rodner attended a birthday party at Grandpa Korth's out near Strouseton on Monday this week. Mr. Korth is 83 years old. Other guests present were Robert Korth and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Krause. – South Shore.



Aug 19,1915 Summit Independent

Grandpa Korth who lives out near Strouseton, sustained a painful accident one day last week. He was out raking hay and one of the wheels came off and threw him over and broke his nose. He was taken to Luther Hospital for treatment and is getting along nicely. He expects to be home the later part of the week.

Dec 1915 Summit Independent

Big Double Wedding

At the Carl Beskow home nine miles west of South Shore on Wednesday Dec 8 occurred an interesting double wedding, at which Mr. Beskow witnessed the marriage of his two youngest children.

Miss Bertha Beskow was united to Mr. Otto Korth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm Korth, pioneers of Mazeppa Tp. Mr. Erwin Beskow was married to Miss Emma Richter, daughter of Mrs. Fred Richter of Blooming Valley Tp. Both the brides wore gowns of white crepe de meteor, ad wore long veils gathered with lilies of the valley and orange blossoms. Each carried a bridal bouquet. Otto Korth and Otto Richter acted as best men for Erwin Beskow and his bride, the Misses Bertha Beskow and Hulda Kuechler were bridesmaids. Oscar Adolphsen and Erwin Beskow were best men and the Misses Emma Richter and Mathilda Adolphsen were bridesmaids for Mr. Korth and his bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Sauer of Watertown. After a wedding trip the young people will settle on farms in this vicinity.

Dec 1915 Summit Independent

- Thomas Adolphsen, one of the prosperous farmers of Mazeppa was in Summit Wed doing his Christmas shopping. By good judgment and hard work he has made himself independent and can retire any time but wisely stays on the farm.
- Carl Krouse of Mazeppa was a Summit visitor Wed. He favored the Independent with a pleasant call. Mr. Krouse has one of the best farms in Mazeppa, it is a good example of what can be done with good farming.
- Arthur Adolphsen was a caller at the Independent Friday. He is a son of NH Adolphsen and is a chip off the old block, which means that he is a good farmer and is going to be independent in a few years. He raised a good crop this year and has a nice bunch of stock.
- Herman Krause is at Ed Brennan's this winter, but it is reported he spends most of his time entertaining the ladies.



July 20, 1916 Mrs. Fred Alexander of Sioux City, Iowa is the guest of Mrs. Henry Sharf. She was formerly a resident of Summit and will pleasantly remembered by old residents. Mr. Alexander intended to accompany her, but he contracted a case of ivy poisoning and was compelled to return home.

1918 Jan 9, 1918 Wtn Herald

Miss Mary Krause went to Aberdeen Thursday and returned Friday am.

Jan 9 1918 Watertown PO

Ed Kiley joined the navy Jan 23, 1918. James Kiley took him to Mpls where he enlisted.

August 1918 Watertown Public Opinion

Parker Carlton Corp Co H 18th Infantry, died in August 1918, after the St Mihiel drive, age 20. Mrs. Bertha Carlton, mother, 705 2nd Street NE, Watertown, formerly of ND.

Nov 28, 1918 Watertown PO

Ed Kiley, who has been stationed on the Florida Coast in the naval aerial service, has arrived home to spend a 2 week furlough visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. ME Kiley.

Dec 5 1918 Watertown PO Ed Kiley went back to Pensacola, Florida

1919 April 17, 1919

Mazeppa Pioneer Called By Death

After Lingering Illness Sufferer Finally Succumbed; Funeral was Attended by Many.

Christian Adolphsen, one of the early settlers of Mazeppa township passed away at his farm home on Thursday, April 10 after an illness of long duration. For several years he has been taking treatment but complications arose and he gradually failed. The funeral was held in the Mazeppa schoolhouse Saturday afternoon. Rev. Lindseth of Summit officiating. A large number of his old friends and neighbors attended the funeral to show their respect for the dead man and their sympathy for the bereaved family. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful.

Christian Adolphsen was born in Schleswig Holstein February 12, 1858. His parents immigrated to America and 35 years ago he followed them and settled with them in Mazeppa township, Grant County. On May 11, 1891 he was married to Katharina Arff who survives him. To him were born three children all of whom are living at home. They are: Otto, Dorothy and Vernon. The deceased leaves three brothers: Nicholas, Thomas and Lawrence. Mr. Adolphsen was a good citizen and a model husband and father. He was highly respected by all his friends and neighbors.



His circle of friends in the west end of Grant County and in Summit feel genuine regret at his passing and deeply sympathize with his family.



Tues, Jan 27th, 1920 Watertown Public Opinion

John Wohlleber, Pioneer Settler, First Came to Watertown as Tailor in 1885. Farmed at South Shore

John Wohlleber was born on February 26th, 1852 in the vicinity of Bamburg, Bavaria. There he grew to manhood, immigrating to this county when 30 years of age. His first years in America were spent in the eastern states. Later he came west and went to Mitchell, SD in 1884. There he married Eva Barr. The following year the family moved to Watertown where Mr. Wohlleber was engaged in the tailoring business. After 7 years residence here, they moved to a farm near the city. Later they removed to their farm near South Shore in Mazeppa Township, where they lived until they returned to take residence in Watertown in October of the last year.

There was a family of 6 children, five sons, one of whom died in infancy. They are John of Mazeppa Township, William W. of Tripp County, Fred of Iowa, and George who made his home with his parents and one daughter, Mrs. Frank Alexander of Iowa.

Mr. Wohlleber was a member of the German Lutheran Church in Mazeppa Township. For the last few years he had suffered with a tumor for which he sought relief at the hospital in Rochester. The operation seemed to be successful but the patient evidently did not have sufficient strength to rally. He died last Thursday am at 8:30, lacking about a month of being 68 years old. Mourning his death are his widow, Mrs. Eva Wohlleber, the children and the following stepchildren: Mrs. Alva Kiley, Gust Barr, Mrs. Bertha Carlton and Mrs. Mary Lockie. The funeral was held Sunday at the German Lutheran Church.

Jan 1920 Watertown Public Opinion Pioneer Farmer Dies, Rochester John B. Wohlleber, settler in South Shore vicinity in 1881 dies at 68.

Pioneer John B Wohlleber, a pioneer farmer of Codington County died at Rochester, Minnesota, where he was taken for medical treatment one week ago. The body arrived here this morning for funeral services at the Wohlleber home in Watertown. Mr. Wohlleber was 68 years old. He has made his home on a farm near South Shore since 1881 when he moved here with some of the earliest settlers. He was born in Germany, and leaves a brother and a sister there from whom he had not heard since the outbreak of the World War. Their fate remains uncertain. He has lived in Watertown since October. Mr. Wohlleber is survived by his wife and four children, John of South Shore, William of Tripp County, Mrs. Frank Alexander and Fred residing in Iowa, and George, who lived with his parents here. Four step-children left, Ernest Gus Barr, Mrs. JE Kiley, Mrs. George Carlton and Mrs. ND Locke. Word from relatives out of the city is being awaited before announcement of the funeral service is made but it is probably the service will take place Sunday pm



Thursday, February 12, 1920 Mazeppa Pioneer Dies at Hospital

Carl Beskow Succumbs After an Operation: Was Early Settler and Successful Farmer

Carl Beskow of Mazeppa Township passed away at the Watertown hospital Sunday. He had been troubled with his throat for some time and thot it was caused by a grain beard which he inhaled last fall. The physicians decided to remove his tonsils and did so. Infection set in and caused his death. Mr. Beskow was 32 years old and leaves a wife, who is the daughter of N. Adolphsen. and a two-year-old son. The funeral will occur Thursday, February 12th from the home. The deceased was well known having resided in Mazeppa since childhood. He was a kind father and an honest, industrious citizen. His many friends sincerely regret his demise.

May 6, 1920 August Bahr age 78, well-known resident of the South Shore community, died suddenly at his home Sunday evening, death being caused by heart trouble. Mr. Bahr had been a resident of South Shore since 1881, coming here from Wisconsin. A wife and eight children survive: Mrs. John Marston, Watertown, Mrs. William Bundie, South Shore, Mrs. Robert Korth, Summit, Mrs. Henry Ketlehut, Strouseton, William, Frank and Julius, and Mrs. Minnie Redlin, all of Broderick Sask, Canada.

The Evening Huronite Monday, August 23, 1920

Watertown Bride of Two Months Dead

Watertown August 23 -News was received in the city today of the death of Mrs. John Bartling formerly Mrs. Nellie Krause of this city. Funeral services will be held at the Mazeppa Lutheran Church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Bartling, who was married about two months ago, died at her home in Sioux City Thursday. The deceased is survived by her husband, father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Herman Krause who made their home with her son, Albert, in Mazeppa Township, and three other brothers, William, of Rauville Township; Herman, of Laura (sic) Township, and John, of Cereal, Alberta, Canada; and two sisters, Mrs. John Wohlleber of Mazeppa and Miss Elsie Krause of Mitchell.

Nov 25, 1920 South Shore Gazette Miss Hilda Krause, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Krause and Joe Zirbel were married at the Norwegian Lutheran parsonage in Watertown, last Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Edwards officiating. The young couple arrived here on Thursday afternoon, and a wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents in the evening to a number of close friends and relatives. Both are well known to South Shore people, and need no introduction having lived in this community all their lives. They will make their home on one of Mr. Zirbel's farms northeast of town.



The Gazette joins with their many friends in extending congratulations. Despite the bad weather, about twenty of the charivari gang were present on Thursday evening to serenade the couple with sufficient funds for treats until the groom presented them at the local soft drink parlor

Feb 1921 Summit Independent. Mrs. Chris Adolphsen passes

Mrs. Catherine Adolphsen, who has been ill for some time, passed away Monday, Feb 7th at her home in Mazeppa township. The funeral was held today, Thursday, in Mazeppa school No 2.

Catherine Dorothy Adolphsen was born Sept 20, 1871 in Schleswig, Germany. She was married on May 11th, 1891 to Christian Adolphsen. Three children were born to them, Dorothy, Otto and Vernon. The deceased also leaves a number of sisters and brothers, Aug. Arff of Farmington, being the only one residing in this section. Her husband died April 9, 1919. The deceased and her husband were early residents of Mazeppa. Mrs. Adolphsen was a model wife and a loving mother. She was loved by her neighbors and friends and her passing is a severe blow. The many Summit friends of the family extend their sincere sympathy.----

May 1921 Death Caused by Heart Failure

Account of Lowell Carlton's Drawing As Recounted by Mrs. Talmadge Mrs. F.B. Talmadge, who came here from Towner, N.D. to accompany the remains of Lowell Carlton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Carlton's of his city, drowned near Towner last Sunday afternoon in Mouse River, in relating the details of that sad tragedy said that when the young man asked where his bathing suit was, she remonstrated with him about going into the water having in mind his recent attack of small pox, which had been very severe. But he said that the boys are all going in and in a half hour from the time he had left the house he was brought back a corpse. It is thought he was taken with an attack of heart failure, which may have been caused by cramps. No water was found in his lungs, although he came up the second time, and every effort was made to resuscitate him.



May 1921 Masons Conduct Carlton Funeral

Blue Lodge Ritual used in Burial Victim of Drowning -Many at Church Funeral services for Lowell Carlton, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. GM Carlton of this city, who was drowned last Sunday near Towner, ND while swimming in a river with a party of other young men, were held in Watertown this morning at the Methodist Episcopal church. It was a blue lodge Masonic ritual service conducted by Carroll H Lockhart, worshipful master of Kampeska Lodge, No. 13 both at the church and at the cemetery, with Dr Gay C. White, pastor of the Methodist church officiating clergyman. Many friends and relatives as well as Masonic Knights of Pythias and A.O.U.W. orders of which the deceased was affiliated, were present.

Interment at Mount Hope cemetery followed the service at the church. Music at the service was furnished by a quartette composed of Mrs. R. Q. Wood, Mrs. A.T. Hopkins, L. V. Ausman and H.S. Boyd. The selections at the fore part of the service were "Rock of Ages" and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" together with two numbers for the Masonic ritual service, "Abide with Me" and "Refuge".

Herbert Lowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Carlton was born at Lormore, N.D. October 21, 1897. His education was received in the public schools of York, ND. He entered the business world at the age of fifteen, taking at that time the position of local agent on the Great Northern. He later became cashier for the Great Northern in the local office at Towner, N.D. where he was residing at that time of his death. Herbert departed this life Sunday afternoon, May 22nd, 1921.

June 8th, 1921 Carlton Body on Way From Port: Remains Ex-Service Man Expected Here Last Week

The body of Corporal Ernest P Carlton, son of Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Carlton of this city, whose death _____ while he was serving with the American Expedition Force in France in the World War, will reach Watertown the latter part of this week, according to the announcement made today by the Codington County Post No. 17 of the American Legion. The post received a telegram today from the Graves Registration Service that the body was shipped from Hoboken, N.J. this morning and will come to Watertown by way of the twin cities.

Funeral arrangements for Ernest Carlton have been turned over completely to the American Legion by the boy's parents and the local post is preparing to bury him here with full military honors. It will be the city's second military funeral within a week. The post expects that arrival of the body about Saturday and has set next Tuesday June $14^{\rm th}$ as the tentative date for the funeral.



June 13, 1921 Legion Sets Date Carleton Burial. Body of Overseas Comrade to Arrive In Morning Local Post Advised

Codington County Post No 17 of the American Legion began definite preparations for the military funeral of another overseas comrade whose body is brought home at the request of the parents when word reached the Legion here this noon that the body of Ernest, son of Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Carlton, will arrive tomorrow morning, on the Minneapolis & St Louis passenger by way of Minneapolis from Hoboken, N.J. where it was landed from France. A delegation of the Legion men will meet the body at the ST Louis station at o'clock.

Ernest Carlton will be buried here with military honors next Tuesday morning, June 14, the date also being flag day. The service will be held at the Methodist Episcopal church at 10 o'clock. The body will have a military escort of the Legion men to the church and a military funeral procession again from the church to Mount Hope cemetery, where burial will take place beside the grave of the boy's brother who was recently drowned.

America Legion men are requested to assemble at the Elks club at 9 o'clock next Tuesday morning to take part in the military funeral. All are urged to wear uniforms if possible but to otherwise come in "civies". Peck's band will gather at the Elk club at the same hour and will lead the funeral procession.

June 13th, 1921

Legion Ready to Honor Carleton. Post Completes Plan For Military Funeral In Morning

Arrangements for the funeral of Ernest Carleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Carlton of this city, who will be buried with military honors tomorrow morning were completed today by the American Legion which has assumed charge of the service at the request of the parents. The body was take to the Carlton home this morning where it will remain until the arrival of the American Legion and the G.A.R. military escort in the morning to take it to the Methodist Episcopal church for the 10 o'clock service.

The American Legion, with Peck's band, which head the procession, will assemble at eh Elks club at 9 o'clock. Service men are asked to wear uniforms if possible

A special appeal was made today by the Post Commander of the Legion here, R.W. Gray, that business men employing ex-service men arrange to permit them to join the Legion escort at 9 o'clock and attend the service.

As tomorrow is Flag Day, the day for display of flags on all flag staffs and buildings the Legion requests that the flags be displayed at half-staff until noon in honor of Ernest Carlton and that they be raised to full staff for the afternoon. The funeral procession will march to the corner of Kemp avenue and Third street E on the way to Mount Hope cemetery where transfer will be made to motor cars.



Persons owning autos who wish to aid are requested to have their cars at this point at about 10 o'clock to help take Legion men and the G.A.R. to the cemetery.

Tues Oct 18, 1921 Watertown PO

Blood Poisoning Hastens Death.

Mrs. Herman Krause, Victim of Infection and Diabetes, Funeral Thursday.

Mrs. Herman Krause, one of the pioneer settlers of eastern South Dakota, and a resident of this county for the last six years, died in a hospital here last night, from blood poisoning and diabetes. Blood poisoning developed from an injury to her foot from stepping on a rusty nail that penetrated through her shoe. Her home was near Rauville. Born in Germany 56 years ago, Mrs. Krause came to America when she was a girl of 14. With her husband she came to SD 32 years ago, locating on a farm south of Summit where they lived until moving to the county 6 years ago. She leaves her husband, a sister Mrs. Hannah Gartrell of Minneapolis, 3 brothers, Frank Korth of New Ulm, William, living in Texas, and Robert of Mazeppa, 2 daughters, Elsie and Mrs. John Wohlleber, and 4 sons, Will, Albert, Herman and John K, living in Canada survive. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon, but the place has not yet been definitely fixed. And it will take place in Mazeppa Cemetery.

Oct 27, 1921 Watertown Herald

Miss Lockie and Wilbur McBath United in Marriage

The wedding of Miss Eunice Evelyn Lockie, and Wilbur Mark McBath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos McBath, occurred at the trinity Episcopal church Wednesday at 5 o'clock, P.M. Rev. S. S Mitchell officiating.

The bride, gowned in a beautiful navy blue traveling suit with a hat to match, was attended by Miss Myrtle Chase, while the room was attended by Charles Lee.

The chancel and altar were exquisitely decorated with white and yellow chrysanthemums and the brides corsage bouquet was lilies of the valley and white roses.

Mrs. Chas F. Halbkat played the wedding march and Mrs. L.T. Morris sang a beautiful soprano solo.

An elaborate wedding dinner was served at the Grand hotel, relatives and intimate friends being present, and the young couple left on the evening's Northwestern for Minneapolis where they will spend their honeymoon. They will return to this city to make their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Thos McBath and daughter, Miss Grace and Wm Fox of Mpls were present at the ceremony.



June 13, 1921 Observe Flag Day Here Tomorrow. Legion Asks Colors at Half Staff While Comrade is Buried

Tomorrow, Tuesday, will mark the one hundred-forty fourth anniversary of the official creation of the American flag and the date will be observed in Watertown, as elsewhere throughout the country, as Flag Day and chiefly by the display of the flag. All places possessing a flag staff are supposed to fly the American flag tomorrow and many will display the national colors in front of homes.

Inasmuch as the city will tomorrow bury another of its overseas solder dead, the American Legion is especially requesting that the flag be displayed at half staff in the forenoon to honor Ernest Carlton. The flags should be raised to full staff at noon in keeping with military usage.

A special appeal for the greater observation of flag day is made here also by John Carey, commander of Freeman Thayer post of the G.A.R. He expressed the wish of the G.A.R. post that the public more generally pay tribute to the flag by its display on Flag Day.

Feb 2 1922 Summit Independent

noted "The Ernest Russell Holmes" Post of American Legion in Summit

May 31st 1923 Thomas Adolphsen and son Edward a Mazeppa Township were among the West and people down attending the meeting of school officer Saturday, and took time to pay this office a pleasant call. They reported that Mrs. Adolphsen, who underwent a very serious operation in her home nearly a month ago, her condition being such that she could not be moved to a hospital, is getting along nicely and is well on the road to complete recovery.

1924 Saturday Fred Beskow stepped off his separator on a footboard slipped on the blower belt which caught him and through him with such force that he was badly cut in the face and his eye blackened. He feels that he was fortunate in not getting hurt any worse.

Oct 9, 1924 Wtn Herald

William Krause finished his threshing last week. His 114 acres of wheat netted him a little better than 23 bushels an acre. He got more than 60 bushels per acre of oats on a 40 acres field.



January 22, 1925

Adolphsen -Kozak were married in Watertown Wednesday, January 14. They were attended by Willie Adolphsen and Miss Kathryn Kozak. Mr. and Mrs. Adolphsen of Watertown, entertained friends and relatives of the couple at a wedding dance last Saturday night at the family home in Mazeppa township. Both young folks are well and favorably known in the entire community and we join their many friends in wishing these worthy young people a happy and prosperous wedded life of long duration. They will reside at the old home were Oscar is associated with his brothers in farming several hundred acres. - Mazeppa items in South Shore Gazette

Feb 19, 1925 Watertown Public Opinion

EG Barr had an operation.

Mar 26 1925

John Wohlleber was hauling seed oats Tuesday. Mrs. John Wohlleber has been quite ill with quinsy the past few days (quinsy is tonsillitis)

July 1925 S.S. Gazette. A quiet wedding took place at the Rayville Lutheran parsonage last Wednesday, July 7, when Rev Let, pastor, pronounced the words which united in marriage Miss Eva Kozak and Mr. Oscar Adolphsen. The couple was attended by Miss Catherine Kozak, sister of the Bride, and William Adolphsen, brother of the groom. The bride was attired in a dress of powder blue silk _____crepe with an overnet and hat to match. The bridesmaid wore a dress of grey silk satin charmeuse with overlay trimming. The groom wore a hairline blue serge suit. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kozak of Leola township and was born and reared in this neighborhood. The groom is a son of Nick Adolphsen of Watertown and is a young and prosperous farmer having farmed his fathers place for the past few years where the couple will set up housekeeping. (Not sure why I have 2 with different dates)

1926 Watertown Public Opinion

Owen and Lillian Barr attended High School in Watertown.



1926 Summary Mazeppa Elections 1926 Treas: Fred Beskow Clerk Fred Zielske Justice of the Peace George Stoddard Construction George Wohlleber

1926 The Alexander Family visited from George, Iowa.

1927 February 1907 Watertown PO Carl Korth Dies in Minneapolis

Body Brought Here for Funeral Wednesday at Mazeppa Church.

Carl Korth, farmer who made his home on a farm 21 miles north of Watertown from 1886 until six years ago died in Minneapolis, where he has been making his home with his daughter Mrs. Hannah Gartrell, at 4512 34th Ave. S. The body, accompanied by Mrs. Gartrell, was brought here last evening for the funeral service and burial. Mr. Korth is survived by his daughter and three sons, Frank Korth of New Ulm, Minnesota, William Korth, residing in Texas and Robert Korth, who lives on a farm north of the city. Two grandsons, Lewis and William Korth, reside in Watertown. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the Mazeppa Lutheran Church, following services at the Robert Korth home at 1 o'clock.

1927 Franz Korth

Franz Korth was born on June 29, 1855 in northern Germany where he also received his secular and religious training, the Korths being members of the Lutheran Church of their locality. While he was still a youth, the Korth family moved to America, where they sought a new home in a farm in Mazeppa township. On December 14, he was married to Carolyn Blek, which union was blessed with a children, William, Frank, Amanda, Minnie, Lewis and three children who preceded their father in death, Herman, IMO and Olga. Mrs. Caroline Korth died in June 1894. Mr. Korth then, in August 1895, took his second wife, Matilda let key, who became the mother of six children, Adeline, Ada, Albert, Richard, Ernest and Matilda, the latter two dying in infancy. Mrs. Matilda Korth passed away on May 15, 1918. After her death Mr. Korth made his home in New Ulm, Minnesota, where he contracted a third marriage, which however, ended in the separation.

In the beginning of this year Mr. Korth returned to Watertown and has since then lived with his son Louis Korth. I'm his return from a trip to New Ulm a few weeks ago, he became ill and was confined to his bed until the end came early Tuesday morning, November 1, 1927. He had been reached an age of 72 years, four months and two days.

Mr. Korth is mourned by nine children, his four daughters, Mrs. Amanda Batke, of , Alberta, Canada, Mrs. Minnie Johnston, Summit South Dakota, Adeline Korth, Fort Dodge, Iowa, Mrs. Ida Stephenson, Sioux City, Iowa, and



five sons, William Korth of Watertown, Frank Korth, Desarte, North Dakota, Louis Korth of Watertown, Albert Korth, Sioux City, Iowa, Richard Korth, also of Sioux City. Mr. Korth is also survived by one sister and two brothers.

1927 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Krause and family spent New Year's Eve at the John Wohlleber home near South Shore.

1930 March 1930 Summit Independent

Robert J Korth, well-known farmer living south of Summit, died at his farm home at five o'clock Thursday morning March 27th, after a long illness. Mr. Korth has resided near Summit for many years.

Robert J Korth was 59 years of age, and was born at Poomer, Germany, on Dec 3, 1870. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Anna Korth, who lives on the home farm, two sons, Adolph and Emil, both of Summit, and three daughters, Mrs. Elsie Blasel of Stetsonville, Wisconsin, Mrs. Hattie Blasel, also of Stetsonville, and Kilda Korth of Summit. One brother, William Korth and a sister, Mrs. Hanna Gartrell, also survive the former living at Raymondville, Texas, and the latter at Minneapolis. His parents precede him in death. Funeral services were held from the Korth home at one o'clock and from Mazeppa church at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

July 29, 1931 Summit Independent

From reliable sources, the Independent has the news that Wm Korth who formerly lived south of Summit, and went to the Rio Grande county, of Texas some time ago, was killed there by a Mexican recently. The details are lacking, but his son Otto has gone to Texas to investigate.

December 1931 Watertown Public Opinion August Korth is Killed in Texas Former Resident on Farm North of City, Meets Death on Rail Crossing at New Braunfels, Texas.

August Korth, brother of Otto Korth, residing north of Watertown, was killed at new Braunfels, Tex., Tuesday, according to a telegram received here last week by Otto Korth. The message gave no details of the accident, but it is assumed Mr. Korth's truck, which he drove in the capacity of salesman for a motor accessories firm in San Antonio Texas was struck by the train at a crossing. The telegram from Mrs. Korth gave no plans for the funeral, but the dead man's brother said he would be buried at San Antonio.

Mr. Korth, who formerly lived north of Watertown, left here about fifteen years ago and has made his home in San Antonio, Tex since that time. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Barbara Korth, his sisters, Mrs. Claude (Minnie) Purgeson, Elma and Emma Korth, all of Raymondville Texas and his brother Otto, here. Mr. Korth's father, W.M. Korth was killed in Texas about a year ago.



Watertown Public Opinion Mrs. Wohlleber Taken By Death

South Shore Resident Passed Away at Local Hospital Saturday Night Mrs. Hattie Wohlleber of South Shore, age 42, died in a local hospital Saturday night after an illness of six months. Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 pm at the Mazeppa Lutheran Church , with the Rev M.D. Keturakat officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Wohlleber was the daughter of Herman and Augusta Krause. She was born in Grant County 42 years ago, and was married in Germantown township, June 23, 1908.

She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her husband, John W. Wohlleber, her father Herman Krause, three daughters, Evelyn, Inez and Marian Wohlleber, all living at home, five sons, Alfred Wohlleber, Milbank, Everett Wohlleber, South Shore, John, Owen, and Elmer Wohlleber living at home, one sister, Elsie Krause, three brothers, William Krause, Rauville, Albert Krause, Summit, and John Krause, Cereal Alberta, and one grand child.

Her mother, one son, two sisters and a brother preceded her in death.

Funeral Services Held on Wednesday for Mrs. Herman Wohlleber Rites at Mazeppa Township Lutheran Church with Rev. Keturakat Officiating

Funeral services for Hattie K. Wohlleber of South Shore, who died last Saturday, were held at 2 pm Wednesday at the Mazeppa township Lutheran church with Rev. M. D Keturakat officiating.

Pallbearers were Edward Adolphsen, Robert Redland, Otto Heuer, Otto Kriesel, Rudolph Kannas and William Redland.

Besides her husband John Wohlleber, the deceased is survived by three daughters Evelyn, Inez and Marian Wohlleber at the family home, five sons, Alfred Wohlleber of Milbank; Everett Wohlleber of South Shore, John, Owen and Elmer Wohlleber at home, four brothers; Herman Krause, Kansas City. Mo, William Krause, Rauville, Albert Krause Summit and John Krause Cereal, Alberta, and one sister Elsie Krause.

Partial Obituary, I believe it is from the Funeral Home. "married June 23rd, 1908 at the Germantown Parsonage north of Watertown. Rev M. Hinderer, Pastor of the church. The family has lived in the north of Watertown all the time except for one year when they went to Isabel S.D., to file on a homestead. She has been ill for the past several months having been confined to the hospital for the past 6 months. She is preceded in death by her mother, one son, Clarence, who died at infancy at the age of 1 1/2 years, 2 sisters, Emma and Minnie and 1 brother Otto.



She is survived by her husband John W. Wohlleber, her father, Herman Krause, three daughters, Evelyn, Inez and Marian, living at home, and five sons, Alfred of Milbank, S.D., Everett of South Shore and John, Owen and Elmer living at home. One grandchild Joyce also survives. She is survived by one sister Elsie and 3 brothers, William Krause, Rauville, Albert of Summit and John, Cereal, Alberta, Canada.

1934 Mrs. Albert Krause was visiting relatives in Spring Green, Wisconsin.

1936 Oct 15, 1936 Mother of Local Men Buried in Watertown

Funeral service for Mathilde Albertine Adolphsen, 70, resident of Watertown since 1919, who died in the Adolphsen residence, 710 Third St NE last week, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The service was at St Martin's Lutheran Church, preceded by a prayer service in the Adolphsen residence. Rev W.T.Meier officiated. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery. Mrs. Adolphsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Krause, was born in Krummenfliess, Germany, February 20, 1866. She was married to Nick H. Adolphsen, Nov. 25, 1886, in Grant county.

Mr. Adolphsen homesteaded in Mazeppa township and was post master at Summit for several years. In the fall o f1919 they moved to Watertown. Mr. Adolphsen died March 4, 1929.

She is survived by five daughters and six sons; Mrs. AJ Broughton, Sioux Falls, Mrs. W. Hanneman, Watertown, Mrs. G Shriver, Chicago, Mrs. AC Wolter, and Miss Esther Adolphsen, Watertown, Arthur, Oscar, William, August and Otto Adolphsen, all of Summit,

and Adolph, Watertown. She is also survived by one brother, Herman Krause, of Rauville, 24 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Watertown. PO.

1936 Ernie Korth moved to Big Stone City, Minnesota.

Oct 1, 1936 The Adolph Korth sale on Thursday was well attended. A farewell party was held at the Korth home one night last week. A remembrance in the form of a purse of money was given them by their friends and relatives. They are moving to Wisconsin this week.

75 Years Ago "October 8, 1936 Grant County Review

14 more Grant County boys left for CCC camps. They were Ogle S. Bell, Marvin; Lyle Bloomenrader, Allen Alan Holtquist, Edwin F. Schroeder, John B. Tannehill, Grant Thomas, Bernard Van Stralen, Milbank; Stanley C.P. Buttke, Donald L. Lantis, Big Stone; Arnold G. Hallberg. Stockholm; Harvey Olson, Revillo; John Wohlleber and Larry M. Zirbel, South Shore.



Oct 26th, 1938. Watertown Public Opinion Mrs. Eva Wohlleber Dies at Home Here

Mrs. Eva Wohlleber, 84, Ritz Apartments, a resident of Codington County since 1884, died early Monday evening after an illness of two years. Mrs. Wohlleber was born Oct 7th, 1854 in Strasburg, Germany and came to America in 1884, following her marriage to Ernest Barr in Germany in 1872. Mr. Barr died later and Mrs. Barr married John Wohlleber in 1884.

Mrs. Wohlleber was a member of St Martin's Lutheran Church. She is survived by four daughters,

Mrs. JE Kiley of Hollywood, Ca., Mrs. Bertha Carlton of Watertown, Mrs. ND Lockie of Sioux Falls, SD, Mrs. Frank Alexander of Exira, Iowa and five sons, Gus Barr of Grover, John Wohlleber and George Wohlleber of South Shore, Fred Wohlleber of Exira, Iowa and William Wohlleber of Winter. She was preceded in death by her husband and four children.

Oct 28, 1938 Wohlleber Services Conducted Thursday

Funeral services for Mrs. Eva Wohlleber, 84, a resident of Codington county since 1884, who died Monday evening, were held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 in St Martins' Church, preceded by a prayer service in the Shaw-Messer chapel. W. T Meier officiated and burial was made at Mt Hope Cemetery.

Members of the church choir consisting of Lorraine Clasen, Cora Taecker, Mrs. Roland Landdeck, Hattie Michaels, Mrs. Laverne Draves and Mrs. Charles Mahanke sang the hymn Nearer My God to Thee, For Me to Live is Jesus and Asleep in Jesus. Mrs. EA Schwandt played the accompaniment. Pall Bearers were George Kuhlman, Ernest Mischke, Edgar Rausch, William McBath, Owen Barr and Wayne White. Relatives and friends from out of town who attended the service included Mrs. N.D. Lockie of Sioux Falls, Mrs. Frank Alexander, Mr. and Mrs.Wayne White and Miss Doris Wohlleber, all of Exira, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Beyer and William Beyer of Roscoe and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wohlleber of Milbank.

Obituary from Shaw Messer (found by Sheril Costillo)

Mrs. Eva Wohlleber, the daughter of Ferdinand and Augusta Hymen, was born Oct 7, 1854, in Strassburg, Germany . In 1879 she married to Carl Barr, in Germany and four children were born to this union. Mr. Barr died in 1882 and in 1884 she was married to John Wohlleber. Five children were born to this marriage.

Mrs. Wohlleber came to America in 1884, and since that time she had her home in Codington County. She was a member of St Martin Lutheran Church Ms Wohlleber passes away last Monday evening after an illness of about two year. At the time of her death she had reached the age of 84 years and 17 days.



She is survived by four daughters and five sons, Mrs. JC Kiley of Hollywool, California, Mrs. Bertha Carlton, of Watertown, Mrs. N.D. Lockie of Sioux Falls, Mrs. Frank Alexander of Exira, Iowa, Mr. Ernest Gust Barr of Grover, George Wohlleber and John Wohlleber of South Shore, Fred Wohlleber of Exira. Iowa and William Wohlleber of Witten, SD. 24 grandchildren and 18 greatgrandchildren also survive.

Mrs. Wohlleber was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and four children.

Oct, 18 1939 Watertown PO Herman Krause, 75, Dies at Hospital

Herman Krause, 75, a resident of Codington County since 1916, died last evening at a city hospital. Funeral services will be held at the Mazeppa Lutheran Church with burial to be made in the church cemetery. Day and time of service will be announced later. The body will lie in state at the Gergen Funeral Home until the time of service.

Mr. Krause was born in Germany, June 17, 1864 and came to the US 54 years ago, making his home in Mazeppa Township, Grant county, until 1916, when he moved to the home of one of his sons, William Krause, 10 miles SE of Watertown. In March, 1939, he came to Watertown, and had lived here since. (actually, according to Marian Wohlleber, Will was living in Herman's home)
In 1888 Mr. Krause married Augusta Korth. He was a member of the Mazeppa Lutheran Church. Survivors include three sons, Herman of Watertown, Albert of Summit, and John Krause of Meeting Creek, Alberta Canada, daughter Elsie Krause of St Peter Minnesota, one sister, Mrs. Tom Adolphsen of Summit. He was preceded in death by his wife, three daughters, two sons, two sisters and two brothers.



Sept 24th, 1940 Watertown Public Opinion Death Car Crushed When Hit by Truck 4 Miles From City

"Driver of truck says he saw no lights on car, which was pushing another machine into Watertown" Impact telescopes auto between truck and car in front, 8 occupants of one car killed or injured.

Six person were dead here today and two others critically injured as the results of an accident involving 2 automobiles and a large semi-trailer truck whose collision four miles east of Watertown on Hiway 212 early this morning crushed one machine into an near unrecognizable mass and was officially declared the worst traffic disaster in the history of North East South Dakota. Six of the eight persons riding in one machine were either killed outright or died shortly after the tragedy. The other two were critically injured.

The Dead

Mike Kirsch of Waverly, democratic candidate for Codington County Sheriff, driver of the automobile in which the six were killed.

Joe Applehoff of Watertown, proprietor of the Palm Garden tavern here, who died shortly after 8 o'clock this morning at a city hospital.

Mrs. Joe Applehoff, riding with her husband in the death car.

Henry Korbel, Kranzburg, a barber

Arnell Russke, butcher at Amish Food Market

The Injured

Henry Howell of Watertown, an employee of Rashke Bros, barbers, Howell suffered extreme skull injuries and is not expected to live, his doctor said. Inez Wohlleber of Watertown, daughter of John Wohlleber, living near Summit. Critically injured, Miss Wohlleber had not regained consciousness this morning.

The accident happened shortly after 2 o'clock this morning as Kirsch in his car was pushing another automobile driven by Ray Laslak, Watertown, whose care was out of gasoline. Leslak first stopped Kirsch and requested that he drive into Watertown. Kirsch, however, according to Leslak, said he would push the other car into the city.

Kirsch, said, officers, had pushed Leslak's machine some distance before the large Tri-State Transportation Company Truck, driven by G.W. Brant and _____approached from behind, Brant said he was driving about 35 MPH and that Kirsch's car had no tail-light. He also told officers that here was no reflection on the Laskak machine from headlights on the Kirsch automobile behind.



Struck Squarely

The truck struck the Kirsch car squarely, sending it into the one ahead and telescoping it. The truck wheels and radiator pushed the rear of the light sedan and occupants to the front seat. The impact with the Leslak automobile ahead shoved the engine of the Kirsch car free of the engine bed and back through the floorboards.

The eight occupants of the Kirsch machine were crushed together in the small space between the front seat and the dashboard. The front wheels of the truck were carried completely over the chassis of the car and stopped at a point where the back of the front seat was located.

The three machines skidded for about 250 feet along the highway, then into the ditch, stopping about 30 feet from the road. All three remained upright.

Work Frantically

Motorists who happened along after the tragedy were helpless to extricated the occupants of the crushed car. Sheriff Emil Scharn, state Hiway Patrolman, MF Broe, members of the police department and motorists worked frantically for more than an hour to free the eight people, some of whom were moaning, according to the sheriff.

It was impossible to identify the occupants or to tell which ones had been killed instantly until they were pulled from the wreckage. Several of those who helped in freeing the car's occupants said that Howell was in pain, it was necessary of one person to hold him up while one leg, caught in the twisted chassis, was pried free It was necessary first to pull the truck cab from the rear of the Kirsch car before using a chisel to break open the shattered metal frame of the automobile. One by one the occupants were pulled free from the wreckage.

The radiator and front axle of the semi-trailer truck were bent and twisted, the hood was pushed backward and the windshield cracked in several places.

Two in Leslak Car

Except for the concave hollow gouged out of the rear, no other damage apparently was done to the Leslack machine. Riding in the Leslak car when the accident occurred were Leslak, Laverne Gartzke, 516 7th St SE and Effie Johnson, RFD 5, Watertown. Miss Wohlleber had been riding in the Leslack car after attending a dance east of Watertown with Leslak, Gartzke and Miss Johnson. Coroner L.E. Mathieson said, however, that she later left Leslak's car and gotten into the Kirsch machine where she was riding when the truck smashed into the light sedan.

Because of the condition of the Kirsch automobile and the fact that occupants were either dead or too critically hurt to give any version of the accident, it was impossible to tell who had been riding in the front seat with Kirsch, the driver, and who was in the back seat.



A similar crash a short time before the actually accident was narrowly averted by a Western Transportation truck driver, John Van Gils of Watertown, who told investigators he drew up behind the Kirsch Machine as it was pushing the other care and was almost upon it before he could see it. He managed to pull out and clear the car in time, however, and upon reaching Watertown, notified police of the fact. The crash occurred apparently shortly after the fact.

The appreciation of Sheriff Harm and Coroner Mathieson was voiced today for the help given by several motorists and others who assisted in extricating the occupants of the wrecked machine. Extrication would have taken considerably longer had it not been for the help given officers, the sheriff said The accident scene this morning was the goal of hundreds of Watertown residents and others whose automobiles streamed along the highway in both directions. Automobiles were parked for blocks on both dies of the spot and the wrecked machines were completely surrounded by people. An inquest will be held Wed morning coroner LE Mathieson announced.

1940 Pierre, Sept 24th, UP One of the Worst Wrecks

Death of six persons near Watertown today was one of the worst traffic tragedies in SD history and set back a promising safety record for the year. First check of state records showed this was at least the worst accident in the last five years.

Wed Sept 25, 1940 Jury Absolves Truck Driver of Blame in Fatal Accident Inez Wohlleber and Henry Howell Still Alive This Morning Though in Critical Condition; Three Witnesses Testify Kirsch Car Had no Tail Light At Time Of Collision

Declaring that the deaths of six persons fatally injured in the collision involving two automobiles and a semi trailer truck east of Watertown early Tues morning "was not caused by any felonious act" a coroner's jury last night absolved GW Brant, driver of a truck belonging to the Tri-state Transfer Company of Minneapolis, from responsibility of the tragedy.

Meanwhile the two surviving victims of the accident, Miss Inez Wohlleber and Henry Howell, are still alive this morning but still in extremely critical condition. Miss Wohlleber was reported to be weaker while Howell's condition remained about the same.

The jury's verdict came after a two-hour inquest, which included testimony by Brant, Ray Lestak of Watertown and Effie Johnson, also of Watertown, all of whom were involved in the accident. Other witnesses either passed the Mike Kirsch automobile as it as it was pushing the Lestak car before struck by the truck, or who assisted after the accident occurred, also testified.



No Tail Light

Testimony of at least three witnesses established the fact that Kirsch, one of the six fatally injured when his automobile was crushed between the truck and the Lestak car ahead, had no tail light on his automobile. Brand said he saw no tail-lights whatever, and John Van Gils, of Watertown, truck driver who passed the Kirsch and Lestak machines shortly before the accident occurred, testified he could see no lights except the headlights of Kirsch's car.

Lynn Skinner of Watertown, one of the members of an orchestra that played for the dance at Kranzburg attended by Leslak and three other young people, told the jury that the Kirsch car had no taillight when passed by the orchestra automobile returning to Watertown after the dance.

Van Gils said he was forced to swing wide to the left side of the highway to avoid hitting the automobile ahead of him as he passed.

Suddenly Looms Up

Brant testified that he saw the car ahead of him suddenly loom up and that he tried to sop and also attempted to get around it but too late although he applied both mechanical and air brakes on the truck and trailer immediately. After striking the Kirsch car, the truck and the two automobiles went into the right hand ditch and into the field. Brant's head struck the windshield and his chest hit the steering wheel, which dazed him momentarily, he said. After the machines had stopped, he got out and tried to get the eight people out of the Kirsch machine.

"It was impossible. I got one man out, all but his leg and that was caught. He had a gash in his shoulder and I bound that up as well as I could "he asserted. Details of the evening spent in Kranzburg and of Kirsch's pushing his car after it ran out of gas were related by Leskak, driver of the car ahead. Leslek told the inquest that Miss Johnson, Lavern Gartzke and Miss Wohlleber had some beer in Kranzburg and he had also purchased a half-pint of whiskey after they had gone there for the dance.

Seen at the Dance

Both Leslak and Miss Johnson testified they saw Kirsch and other members of the party at the dance at Kranzburg. After leaving Kranzburg, Leslak said, he ran out of gas and Kirsch stopped in front of him on the highway and offered to push Leslak's car into Watertown. At the time, occupants of the Kirsch car, particularly Walsh, attempted to get Miss Johnson and Miss Wohlleber to change automobiles.

After the Leslak car had been pushed for some distance, Kirsch stopped and Joe Appelhof, one of the occupants, told Leslak's party that the Leslak care was "too heavy" to be pushed and that the girls should get into the Kirsch car. Miss Johnson refused, but Miss Wohlleber got into the front seat.



Four in the Front Seat

Miss Johnson testified Miss Wohlleber was on Walsh's lap in the front seat of the Kirsch car. This made four in the front seat, she said. Leslak said his car had been pushing between a half and three-fourths of a mile before the accident happened. His car was standing still he said, and Kirsch's was immediately behind. When the truck struck the Kirsch care, Leslak testified, the steering wheel was pulled right out of my had. We sent into the ditch. Miss Johnson testified she was sure Walsh and Appelhof were drunk when the cars were stopped on the highway and Miss Wohlleber changed cars.

Under the Influence of Liquor

At another point in her testimony, she said she "knew the other people there were under the influence of liquor"

Others who testified regarding the accident were Dr Myron Larson, Dr H.T. Kenny, Harold Trittle, St Paul Mn., truck driver H.F. Broe, state patrolman, Otto Sharn, policeman, Tony Herles, Willis Stone and Elwin Engler. Trittle testified that four of the accident victims had been originally bound for Minneapolis. Trittle's truck was used to pull the truck driven by Brant partially clear of the wreckage to make possible that extraction of occupants in Kirsch's car.

The inquest was conducted by Coroner L.F.Mathieson and States Attorney Allan L Austin. Serving on the jury were Bert Tollefson and George Houx of Watertown and DB Tarbak of Kranzburg.

Accident Boosts Tunerville Road Death Toll to 23. The small traffic signs marking each traffic death on highways in the Watertown area underwent a grim increase yesterday as a result of yesterday's tragedy.

Six more of the signs-a red cross within a black triangle, will be erected at the site of the accident and took six lives and left two critically hurt. The additions will bring the total number of death markers between Watertown and Tunerville on Highway 212 to 22.

Seventeen fatalities had previously been recorded along that portion of highway. The signs were first erected last year following an addition in which five people we killed 17 miles east of Watertown. There are 28 markers within a radius of 18 miles of the city. George Faragher insurance agent, explained.

Eighth Victim of Care Accident Dies Here

The 8th victim of South Dakota's most tragic automobile accident died at a Watertown hospital last night from injuries received in a truck and car crash near hear early Tuesday.

The last of the eight persons riding in the death machine to die was Henry Howell, 49, of Watertown.

Services for Michael E. Kirsch, 52, democratic candidate for the Codington county sheriff this fall, were held at 10 o'clcock this morning at St Joseph's Catholic Church in Waverly.

Sept 26th



A double ceremony for Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Applehof of Watertown will be held in the Immaculate Conception Church here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. Applehof was operator of a tavern here.

Funeral services for Arnold F Russle, 34, a resident of Watertown since February, will be at the Methodist Church in Clark Saturday afternoon at 2 pm. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Russle of Clark.

Rites for Henry Kirbel, 43, Kranzburg barber, will be at the Holy Rosary church in Kranzburg Saturday morning at 9:30.

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Funeral arrangements for victims announced.

Joseph Appelhof, Kranzburg, born Feb 3, 1909, married to Lillian Appelhof. Operated the Palm Garden establishment. Lillian Fox Appelhof born 27 July 1916

Michael Kirsch, 52, born 1888, Farmer, democratic candidate for Codington County sheriff. married to Elsie Tesch, 1918, left his widow, 4 daughters and one son.

Henry Korbel, 43, barber, Kranzburg, single

Arnold Russle, 34, worked in Watertown, married to Dorothy Dings, one daughter

John Walsh, 51.

Watertown Public Opinion Wohlleber Rites Will Be Sunday Afternoon at 3.

Funeral services for Miss Inez Bernice Wohlleber , 21, daughter of John W. Wohlleber of South Shore will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Mazeppa Lutheran Church.

Miss Wohlleber was the seventh of eight victims to die following an automobile and truck accident east of Watertown Tuesday morning. She had been a resident of Watertown for two years.

The Rev OW Heier, pastor for the Mazeppa township church will officiate at the services and burial will be made in the church cemetery. The body will lie in state in the Shaw Messer chapel until the day of the service. Miss Wohlleber was born July 6, 1919, in Mazeppa Townhship. She was baptized as an infant in the Mazeppa church and was confirmed by the Rev WT Meier at Watertown in 1919.

Survivors include her father, two sisters, Mrs. Richard Holmes and Miss Marion Wohlleber of South Shore and five brothers, Alfred of Milbank, Everett of South Shore, John of Madison, Minn., Ervin of Hill City and Elmer of South Shore.

She was preceded in death by her mother who died in 1934 and one brother, Clarence, who died in 1918.



June 25th, 1942 Watertown Public Opinion

Alfred C Wohlleber, 32, Milbank, died in a local hospital Friday night of injuries sustained in a truck accident at the Rapid City air base early the same morning. Wohlleber, who suffered head and chest injuries in the accident, came to Rapid City almost three months ago to work for a construction company at the air base.

He is survived by his wife, two small daughters, Joyce and Carol and his father of Milbank. The body will be sent to Milbank tonight for burial. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

December 4, 1951 The Harlan News Advisor- Harlan Iowa

Man Injured, Two Vehicles Damaged in Crash Saturday

A car – truck crash about 11:30 PM Saturday at 6th and Farnam resulted in extensive damage to both vehicles and injuries to a passenger in the car. Art Fascher, Harlan postal clerk, was traveling south on sixth street and a car driven by Ruben Fiebelkorn of South Dakota was traveling east on Farnam. The two vehicles collided at the intersection resulting in an estimated damage of \$418 to the panel truck driven by Fascher. Estimated damage on the other car was not available at this writing.

Ervin Wohlleber, passenger in the Fiebelkorn car, received lacerations on the right eye and temple and a chipped tooth.

The right side of the truck was damaged and the left front door window and left windshield was broken in the second vehicle. Investigation and report of the accident was made by Shelby county sheriff, Orrell Gearhart.

January 1953 Watertown Public opinion

John M Wohlleber, 67, South Shore, died early Friday in a Watertown hospital after a short illness. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at 2:30 PM in St. John's Lutheran Church in Mazeppa township, preceded by services in the Shaw Messer Chapel in Watertown at 1:30 PM the Rev. William C Nickels, pastor, officiated and burial was made in the church cemetery.

Mr. Wohlleber was born June 25, 1885 in Watertown. He married Hattie Krause June 23, 1908 surviving are two daughters Mrs. Richard Holmes, Wilmot and Miss Marion Wohlleber, Minneapolis; four sons, Everett, John and Irvin (sic) Wohlleber of South Shore, and Elmer, of Stockholm; three sisters Mrs. Frank Alexander, of Exira, Iowa; Mrs. George Carlton, of Watertown, and Mrs. Elva Kiley, of Hollywood, California, and four brothers, William of Winter; Fred, of Anita, Iowa; George, of twin Brooks, and Gust Barr, of Watertown. He was preceded in death by his wife, two sons, one daughter, one brother and one sister.



G.M. Carlton Dies at 63. Services to be Tuesday

George M Carlton, 63, 3 1/2 So. Broadway, died Friday afternoon at a Watertown hospital. Services will be held Tuesday at 10 AM and the Mathieson, Gergen, Rhodes and Wight Funeral Chapel with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. C. W. Trautner of the Immaculate Conception Church officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Visitation hours will be from 2 to 5 PM from 7 to 9 PM Monday and Tuesday until the service. Pallbearers will be Ronald W. Turner, W.C. (Bill) Williams, Jess Morris and Kenneth Lantgen, all of Watertown; Ernest Mischke, Hazel and John Althaus, Madison.

Mr. Carlton was born May 21, 1903, the son of George and Bertha Carlton in York, N. D. He married Margaret Althaus at Watertown August 21, 1945. He had lived in Watertown for the past 47 years. He also served in the Army during World War II. He was a member of the American Legion and the disabled American veterans.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters Barbara Louise is attending the School of Nursing in Pierre and Mrs. Jess Morris, Watertown his mother ;one sister, Mrs. Inez Johnson, Watertown; one niece Mrs. Robert E Larson, Watertown and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father and two brothers.