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KNEBEL, HERMAN R.

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Herman R. Knebel was born in Zion Township, Stearns County, Minnesota, on January 23, 1875, a son of Herman J. and Henrietta (Weber) Knebel.

Herman J. Knebel was born July 14, 1838, in Schoenwerder, Germany. He had two sisters and three brothers, who are: Emelia (Knebel) Schoenleben; Matilda (Knebel) Glenz; August; Gustave; and Gottlieb.

Henrietta (Weber) Knebel was born December 31, 1845, and she had one sister and three brothers, they are: Minnie (Weber) Helmer; August; Gottlieb; and William.

In 1859, Herman J. Knebel sailed to America. Here he married Henrietta Weber in 1867. They settled in Zion township where they made their home on a farm. Herman J. and Henrietta were the parents of four children, who are: Ellen and Sarah, deceased; Hannah (Knebel) Fox; and Herman R.

Herman J. died before his son, Herman R., was born; thus leaving the responsibilities of the farm and family to fall upon his wife, Henrietta. When Herman R. was fifteen years of age, his mother passed away. This left the farm work for the children. As they were too young to manage a farm, they rented out the land but remained on the farm to make their home. Later they moved to Paynesville, Minnesota.

Herman R. Knebel worked as a farm-hand for several years.

On October 15, 1907, Minnie Manz became the wife of Herman R. Knebel. The wedding ceremony was performed by the Reverend C. F. Kachel of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Minnie (Manz) Knebel is the daughter of Herman Ludwig and Louisa (Rien) Manz. She was born December 1, 1880 in Zion township. She had two sisters, who are: Lydia, deceased; and Bertha (Manz) Nagel.

Herman R. and Minnie (Manz) Knebel are the parents of three children, they are: Loren H; Kermit; and Laverna. All three were educated in the public school and High school at Paynesville. Laverna graduated from the St. Cloud Teacher's College.

Loren H. was born December 11, 1909, in Paynesville. He is employed as a butcher in one of the meat markets in St. Cloud.

Kermit was born May 30, 1911, in Paynesville. He is living at home with his mother.

Laverna was born July 14, 1913 at Paynesville. She is a school teacher.

Herman R. Knebel bought the Paynesville Dray Line in 1895 and operated it for thirty-two years, during which time he had the following partners: Art Carpenter; C. C. Peterson; Ted Kohloff; and Ben Blubm. In 1928, Herman R. sold his share of the business to William O'Brien of Paynesville, and retired from active work.

On February 26, 1935, Herman R. died of a heart attack, at his home in Paynesville. The funeral was held from the home and the First Evangelical Church of Paynesville. The services were conducted by the Reverend L. M. Adelman and Reverend George Fenske. The burial was made in the Zion Cemetery.

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Henrietta (Weber) Knebel died at her home and was laid to rest beside her husband, Herman J., in the Zion Cemetery.

The Knebel family faith is that of the First Evangelical Church.

Minnie (Manz) Knebel is at present living with her two younger children, Kermit and Laverna, in their residence in Paynesville, Minnesota

Interviewed: Mrs. Minnie (Manz) Knebel
Date: June 25, 1937
By: Clarence Chisholm

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FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE

FOR THE HERMAN R. KNEBEL BIOGRAPHY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
1. Baby Knebel	Dec. 11, 1909	Paynesville	Herman Knebel	34
2. Louise Knebel	July 14, 1913	Paynesville	Herman Knebel	38

<u>Mother's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Minnie Manz	29	D	52	3	
2. Minnie Manz	32	B	29	821	

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK T. PAGE 10336

Herman R. Knebel and Minnie A. Manz

Married at St. Paul, October 15, 1905

By: Rev. C. F. Kachel

Witnesses: Ellen Knebel and Ella Kachel

DEATH RECORD BOOK 2 PAGE 20 LINE 486

Herman Knebel Born January 22, 1875

Son of Herman Knebel and H. Weber

Died February 26, 1935

Age 60 years 1 month and 4 days

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Second interview to affirm or correct information in biography as compared to information as listed in the legal records in the Stearns County Court House.

AFFIRMED:

Date of marriage of Herman R. Knebel to Minnie A. Manz on October 15, 1907 is correct as stated in the biography.

AFFIRMED:

Name, Laverna Louise Knebel, is correct as stated in the biography.

CORRECTION:

Herman R. Knebel died at his home in Paynesville on February 26, 1935 from an heart attack. The funeral was held from the home and the First Evangelical Church in Paynesville. The services were conducted by Rev. E. A. Werner being assisted by Rev. L. M. Adelman and Rev. George Fenscke. The burial being made in the Zion cemetery.

Reinterviewed: Minnie (Manz) Knebel
Dated: December 1, 1937
By: Clarence Chisholm