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MEYER, BERNARD SENIOR

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Bernard Meyer Senior was born at Fernstern, Germany, September 21, 1864.

Bernard attended school until he completed the eighth grade. He then served one term of enlistment in the German Army.

In 1883 Bernard came to the United States. Upon his arrival he came to Saint Augusta, Stearns County, Minnesota. Here he found employment on the Joseph Kronenberg farm. His salary was \$125.00 per year. After three years in Joseph Kronenberg's employ Bernard purchased a farm of his own in Saint Augusta township.

Bernard operated this farm for three years and then moved to Luxemburg township, where he purchased another farm. This farm was successfully operated by Bernard until 1912, at which time he moved to Saint Cloud, where he has made his home since.

Bernard Meyer Senior married to Johanna Kronenberg, daughter of Joseph and Margaret(Zuth) Kronenberg of Saint Augusta, in 1891.

To Bernard and Johanna (Kronenberg) Meyer were born six children Lucy, Martha, Caroline, Fred, Frances and Bernard Junior. Lucy, born June 14, 1893, lives in Richmond, Minnesota. Martha, born May 27, 1896, is married to A. B. Hunstiger of St. Cloud; Caroline, born October 9, 1898, is married to Herman Koetter, of Roscoe, Minnesota. Fred, born February 9, 1901, lives in Fairbault, Minnesota. Frances, born July 21, 1908, is married to Thomas Willing, of Saint Cloud. Bernard Junior born April 11, 1911, is at home.

Bernard Senior was employed by John B. Otto in the construction of the Luxemburg and Saint Augusta Church's. The first priest to hold mass in the Luxemburg church was Father Vernig.

Mrs. Johanna (Kronenberg) Meyer died July 9, 1929, burial was made in Calvary cemetery in St. Cloud. Bernard Meyer Senior lives at the family residence at 720 Twelveth Avenue South.

Interviewed: Bernard Meyer Senior  
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