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SCHLEICHER, FRITZ

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Fritz Schleicher was born July 4, 1858, in Saxon, Germany, the son of Conrad and Christina (Hopp) Schleicher.

Conrad and Christina (Hopp) Schleicher were born in Germany and were married there. Mr. Schleicher making a living for his family by working as a farm laborer.

In the early 80's he brought his family to America, the son Fritz, however remained in Germany. Conrad settled at Chaska, Minnesota, where he found employment in a brick yard. Here they remained for the remainder of their lives. Both lived to a ripe old age and are buried in the Chaska Cemetery.

Fritz, who heads this sketch, received a common school education in Germany and as a young man found his first employment in a factory where he remained for about two years.

At the age of sixteen, in 1874, he went to work in a coal mine at Bachum, Westfalia, Germany and continued to work there until he was twenty-eight.

On September 11, 1886, he married Christine Andres, daughter of John and Christine Andres, a carpenter.

Christine Andres was born February 27, 1864, also in Saxon, Germany. She attended the district school there and was at home until the time of her marriage.

After the marriage he continued to work at the coal mine. A short time later he received a letter from his parents, asking him to come to America.

Being undecided, he left the answer to his wife, who wrote and told them they would come, but did not have the necessary funds. Four weeks later they again received a letter from his parents, containing paid tickets for their trip to America.

Arriving in America they at once came west to Chaska, and he also found employment in the brick yard where his father was employed.

In 1892, Fritz Schleicher brought his family to Albany, where he went to work as a section hand for the Great Northern Railway. After seven years in the employment of the railroad he purchased a 40 acre tract of land two miles south of the Village of Albany, which he improved into a modern dairy farm.

On September 11, 1936, the now aged couple renewed their marriage vows at services held at the Evangelical Ebenezer Church at Albany in commemoration of their golden wedding anniversary, both enjoying the rare event in good health.

Three months later Christina (Andres) Schleicher died on December 7, 1936. Burial being made in the Evangelical Ebenezer Cemetery at Albany.

Fritz and Christina (Andres) Schleicher are the parents of eight children.

Frederick Henry died in infancy.

William, born June 21, 1889, died at Camp Lewis, Washington June 29, 1918.

Paulina, born February 2, 1888, married Ernest Groth of Holdingford, and resided there until the time of her death, September 22, 1925.

Herman, born October 13, 1895, married Clara Baggenstoss and they reside at Waite Park, Minnesota.

Frida, born December 14, 1891, is Mrs. Lewy Birr. They reside on a farm south of Albany.

Clara, born November 3, 1899, married Ernest Christen and they reside at Waite Park, Minnesota where he is employed as fireman in the Great Northern Car Shops.

Otto, born November 28, 1897, married Martha Christen and they reside on the home farm.

Emma, born November 9, 1902, is Mrs. Paul Christen of Waite Park.

Interviewed: Fritz Schleicher
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FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE
FOR THE FRITZ SCHLEICHER BIOGRAPHY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
1. Clara Schleicher	Nov. 3, 1899	Albany	Fred Schleicher	42
2. Emma W. "	Nov. 9, 1902	Albany	" "	40

<u>Mother's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Christina Andreas	37	(1899)B9	1	5	
2. " "	36	(1902)B12	15	6	

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK V. PAGE 12192

Ernet Groth and Pauline Schleicher
 Married at Albany, December 10, 1912
 By: Rev. H. Waldman
 Witnesses: Herm Schleicher and Lena Bica

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK V. PAGE 12088

Louis Birr and Frieda Schleicher
 Married at Farming, October 1, 1912
 By: Rev. Henry Nauss
 Witnesses: Clara Birr and Willie Schleicher

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK 4 PAGE 17474

Paul H. Christen and Emma W. Schleicher
 Married at Albany, October 7, 1924
 By: Rev. J. Geo. Herrlinger
 Witnesses: Ewald Sadlowsky and Hanna Bohn

DEATH RECORD BOOK 3 PAGE 13 LINE 352

Christina Schleicher, Born in Germany, February 27, 1864

Daughter of John Andres, Mother unknown

Died December 7, 1936

Age 72 years 9 months and 10 days

DEATH RECORD BOOK R. PAGE 14 LINE 395

Pauline Groth Born February 2, 1888

Daughter of Fred Schleicher and Christina Andres

Died September 22, 1925

Age 37 years 7 months and 20 days