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VAN HEEL, FRANK

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Frank Van Heel, son of one of our pioneer families, was born near Freeport, Stearns County, September 14, 1887. He was a son of Andrew and Gertrude (Woeste) Van Heel. The father come from Holland, and the mother was a native of Carver County, Minnesota.

Andrew Van Heel came to America with his parents when he was a small boy about three years, and they settled in Carver County on a farm, where he was raised to manhood. When Andrew was about eighteen years old he came to Stearns County and started farming, in Krain Township and continued to farm all his life.

Frank Van Heel attended the village school in Freeport, until he was about fourteen years old, and then worked for his father on the farm until time he started farming for himself.

After a few years as a farmer, Frank left and came to St. Cloud, where he followed the granite trade in which he is engaged at the present time.

Frank Van Heel was married to Clara Fischer, June 8th, 1909 at Freeport, Minnesota, by Rev. L. Kaepler. Clara Fischer was a daughter of Moritz and Maggie (Kvell) Fischer, neighbors of the Van Heel family near Freeport, Minnesota

To Frank and Clara (Fischer) Van Heel were born three children: Loretta, was born December 6, 1911, Alvina, was born June 5, 1914, and Irene, was born May 27, 1916, all living at home.

On March 8, 1918, Mrs Clara (Fischer) Van Heel died at the age of 28 years. Her body was laid to rest in the Freeport Catholic Cemetery.

On September 2, 1924 Frank Van Heel married Cecelia Kockler who was a daughter of Nicholas and Barbara Kockler pioneer residents of St.

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Joseph. The marriage took place at St. Mary's Catholic Church in St. Cloud, and was performed by Rev. Luke Fink. The attendants were John Van Heel, brother of Frank, and Pauline Kockler, sister, of the bride. To this union one daughter was born Bennett Van Heel, born September 10, 1925. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Heel are living at their home 330 Thirteenth Avenue North, St. Cloud.

Interviewed: Frank Van Heel  
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By: Nick P. Kruchten

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FOR THE FRANK VAN HEEL BIOGRAPHY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
1. Frank Van Heel	Sept. 14, 1887	Millwood	Andrew Van Heel	
2. Loretta " "	Dec. 6, 1911	St. Cloud	Frank Van Heel	
3. Baby Van Heel	June 5, 1914	" "	" " "	27
4. Irene " "	May 27, 1916	" "	" " "	27
5. Bernett Van Heel	Sept. 10, 1925	" "	" " "	37

<u>Mother's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Gertrude		B	86	16	
2. Clara Fischer		E	31	16	
3. Clara Fischer	26	H	24	598	
4. Clara Fischer	26	J	5	151	
5. Celia Kockler	31	S	12	411	

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Frank Van Heel and Cecelia K. Kockler

Married at St. Cloud, September 2, 1924

By: Rev. Luke Fink O. S. B.

Witnesses: John Van Heel and Pauline Kockler

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Frank Van Heel and Clara Fischer

Married at Freeport, June 8, 1909

By: Rev L. Kaefler O. S. B.

Witnesses: Mathilda Van Heel and Frank Poering

DEATH RECORD BOOK K.PAGE 14 LINE 432

Clara (Fischer) Van Heel Born December 24, 1889 at Wisconsin

Daughter of Moritz Fisher and Maggie Kvell

Died March 8, 1918

Age 28 years 2 months and 4 days