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WESSEL FREDRICK.

Fredrick Wessel the son of Deitrick and Elizabeth(Weighaus) Wessel was born January 4, 1875 in Voerden Hanover Germany. In 1891 he came to this country alone settling first in New Munich, Stearns County, Minn. where he worked in a flour mill for one year. Then he started chopping and grubbing trees in a woods north of Melrose. In 1899 he started to do carpenter work, and that same year he bought fourty acres of heavy timber land. Then he cleared a place in the woods and built a small frame house and barn and began farming. For thirty years he operated his farm and ran a carpenter crew besides.

Fredrick Wessel was married May 8,1900 to Katherine Wuebkers, who was born October 17,1880 the daughter of Herman and Mary (Otte) Wuebkers. They were married in the St. Boniface Catholic Church at Melrose. Father Bernard Richter preformed the ceremony. The attendants were Bernard Wessel. Agnes Hinnenkamp, Henry Wuebkers and Agnes Neihouse. Fredrick and Catherine (Wuebkers) Wessel have six children: Edward was born March 4,1901, is married to Angeline Herzog and has three children. Ralph, Marie and Anna May. They live on a farm in Melrose. Hildegard E. was born Jly 15, 1902, is married to Joseph Rolfzen and has three children, Martha, Rose Marie, and Margaret. They live on a farm in Melrose. Clara was born Dec. 23, 1906, is married to Joseph Jennissen and has four children two of which died in infancy. The other children are Aloysious and Roman. They live on a farm in Padua. John Henry was born November 10, 1910 and died in 1916. He is buried in the St. Boniface Catholic Cemetary at Melrose.

Roman was born July 5, 1914, and is working in a foundary in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mildred was born Aug. 15, 1918 and is at home.

Fredreick and Catherine (Wuebkers) Wessel are still living on

their farm in Melrose township.

Interviewed: Fredrick Wessel

Date: June 25, 1937

by; Ann Kramer

publication: granted

WESSEL FREDRICK.

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:

Spelling of name Hildegard E. is corrected as stated in the biography

Affirmed:

Spelling of name Clara M. is correct as stated in the biography.

Affirmed:

Birth of Clara Marg. Dec. 23, 1906 is correct as stated in the biography.

Affirmed:

Spelling of name Fredrick Wessel is correct as stated in the biography

Reinterviewed: Fredrick Wessel

Date: Jan. 28, 1938

By: Ann Kramer

LEGAL RECORDS TAKEN FROM THE STEARNS COUNTY COURTHOUSE
FOR THE FREDRICK WESSEL BIOGRAPHY.

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK Q Page 8061

Fritz Wessel and Katy Wuebkers, married at Melrose
May 8, 1900

by: Rev. B. Richter

Agnes Wessell : Witnesses
Henry Wuebkers

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK 8 PAGE 19919

Joseph H. Jennissen and Clara Wessel, married at Melrose
November 12, 1929

By: Rev. Jos. Willenbrink

Gilbert B. Bauer : Witnesses

Ann Forster

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK 4, PAGE 17242

EDWARD WESSEL AND ANGELINE HERZOG
married at Merlose June 18, 1924

By: Rev. Jos. Willenbrink

Herman Wuebkers : Witnesses
Mamye Herzog

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK 2, PAGE 16288

Hildegard ~~and~~ Wessel and Joseph Rolfzen
married at Melrose May 23, 1922

By: Rev. Jos Willenbrink

Edward Wessel : Witnesses
Alvina Kramer

DEATH RECORD BOOK 1900 A 10 page 159

Herman Wubkers, died Jan. 3, 1900 age 61 years.