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BOSTROM, EARNEST

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Earneſt Boſtrom was born in Vermland, Sweden, November 19-1870 ſon of Anders and Katherine(Joug) Boſtrom. Erneſt attended ſchool in Sweden and in 1892 left for Quebec, Dominion of Canada. He ſtayed in Quebec until 1893 and then came to Sauk Rapids, Minnesota. Erneſt ſtated" The year I came to Sauk Rapids and the following three years were very hard times. I looked everywhere for work around St. Cloud, and Sauk Rapids and the beſt jobs you could get was in the woods. The firſt winter I worked from October until January and at the termination of that period received a check for fourteen dollars. It ſeemed as if no one had any money and I had made a miſtake coming Here/ After this depression was over Erneſt ſtarted working in a ſtone quarry and later became one of the owners of this quarry in partnership with his brother.

Erneſt remained in the quarry buſineſs until 1905 when by an accident he loſt the uſe of one eye. In looking for ſome form of work he attained a mail route which he kept for one year.

In 1906 Earneſt Boſtrom opened a grocery ſtore in Eaſt. St. Cloud in the Gritleſſ Hotel Bldg. on corner of Eaſt St. Germain and 2nd ſt. S. E. Earneſt operated this buſineſs ſuſſeſſfully until 1934 when he retired from active buſineſs life. During his years of being a merchant he purchased the building and later built a beautiful home on Riverside Drive S. E./

Earneſt Boſtrom married Frieda Anderson in Sauk Rapids in 1898. Frieda(Anderson) Boſtrom was born in Phillipſtadt, Vermland, Sweden, Sept. 7-1877 daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Anderson. She came to America with her parents in 1880 and they ſettled in Sauk Rapids, Minn. To Erneſt and Frieda(Anderson) Boſtrom were born four children, Harold Mildred, Donald and Gladys Dorothy. There is one grandchild, Curtiſſ Harold, ſon of Harold E.

Harold E. is a member of St. Cloud's efficient police force.

Inter: Ernest Bostrom

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