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Mary Hopke, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hopke, who came to America in 1852 from Germany. Mary was born October 5, 1861 in Owatonna, Minnesota.

Mary was one of a family of six children, two brothers who are still living. William Hopke, lives in Saint Cloud, and is retired, Herman lives on a farm at Clear Lake, Minnesota. Mary attended school until she was twelve years of age in the city of her birth.

In 1882 Mary was married to Peter Brandenburger, a native of Germany, he came to America in 1869.

In 1891 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brandenburger moved from Owatonna to Saint Cloud, Minnesota where Peter had been promised a position with the Great Northern Railway Company. Upon his arrival Peter was accepted for this position, and continued in the employ of the Great Northern Company for thirty-five years, until 1926 when he was retired. In 1928 Peter was stricken with illness and died at the age of sixty-eight years.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brandenburger were the parents of two sons. William, born October 10, 1891, he is married, and makes his home with his mother in the old Brandenburger residence on Second Avenue South. He has been employed by the Great Northern Railway Company for twenty-five years. Louis, born November 20, 1901, now lives at Pine River, Minnesota. He is married and the father of one child, Louis Jr.

Mrs. Peter Brandenburger at this writing is seventy-five years of age.

Interviewed: Mrs. Peter Brandenburger
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FOR THE MRS. PETER BRANDENBURGER BIOGRAPHY

DEATH RECORD BOOK W. PAGE 9 LINE 202

Peter Brandenbruger Born December 21, 1861

Died September 28, 1930

Age 68 years 9 months and 7 days