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JOHNSON, CHARLES

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Charles Johnson one of the first granite quarry operators in Waite Park, was born November, 10, 1861, in Sweden.

Charles obtained such an education as the district afforded, and then began work in a iron mine. About 1882 Charles was married to Mrs. Anna (maiden name unknown) Johnson. About 1884 Charles and Anna came to the United States. Upon their arrival they came to St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Here he was employed in a granite quarry for several years. About 1890 Charles purchased a stone quarry in Waite Park. This quarry he successfully operated until 1930, when he retired.

Charles and Anna Johnson were the parents of four children. Jenny, Henning, Elmer, and Marie. Jenny and Henning are dead. Elmer is employed as a quarry foreman in Rapids City, South Dakota. Marie is married to Ralph Wire of Saint Cloud, Minnesota. Mrs. Anna Johnson died in 1886.

Charles Johnson died November 10, 1936. Both are buried in the Waite Park Cemetery.

Interviewed: Mrs. Marie (Johnson) Wire  
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