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Peter Luckeroth one of our native sons of Minnesota, was born in Stillwater, Minnesota on October 31, 1861, son of William and Catherine Luckeroth.

William and Catherine Luckeroth were natives of Germany, and came to America and settled in Richmond, Virginia, in 1840, and after six years they decided to come to Minnesota.

In 1846 William Luckeroth settled in Stillwater, Minnesota, where he worked in the saw mills. After fourteen years of work in the big saw mills, William Luckeroth came to Holdingford, Stearns County, Minnesota and made a homestead on the land described as North West one-fourth of Section twenty-eight, Township one hundred twenty-six -- one hundred twenty-seven North, Range thirty West. On this land William Luckeroth farmed until his death in 1894. William Luckeroth was buried in the catholic cemetery in Holdingford, Minnesota.

Catherine Luckeroth died in 1924 and was buried in the Albany cemetery, Albany, Minnesota.

Peter Luckeroth received his early childhood education in the country school of Holding township and after completing school he worked on his father's farm. While on the farm Peter Luckeroth's uncle spent the winter months with the Luckeroth family, and taught Peter the watch making trade.

In 1896 Peter Luckeroth moved to Albany, Minnesota and worked for John A. Henry as a watchmaker. Mr. Henry operated a drug and jewelry store in Albany, Minnesota. After thirteen years in the watch making business, Peter Luckeroth went to Avon, Minnesota and bought a farm. This farm he worked until 1935 when he moved to Saint Cloud, Minnesota, and retired.

Peter Luckeroth was married on October 9, 1883 to Mary Grunlow,

daughter of Rudolph and Margurette Grunlow, who were natives of Germany. They came to America in 1860 and settled in Indiana where Mary Grunlow was born on February 4, 1862.

In 1870 Rudolph Grunlow and family came to Avon, Minnesota and homesteaded a track of land.

Rudolph Grunlow died in September 1918, and Margurette Grunlow died in February 1920, both were buried at Avon, Minnesota.

The wedding of Peter Luckeroth and Mary Grunlow was performed in the catholic church of Avon, Minnesota, by Reverend Father Martin Smith.

To Peter and Mary (Grunlow) Luckeroth were born seven children, Rudolph Luckeroth, operates a farm in Pender, Nebraska; Ignatus Luckeroth, Guard at Saint Cloud State Reformatory; Wendelin Luckeroth, cigar maker of Portland, Oregon; Toney Luckeroth, of Saint Cloud, Minnesota; Robert Luckeroth, laborer on a farm in Iowa; Bertha, now Mrs. George Wocika, St. Paul, Minnesota; Veronica, now Mrs. Ambrose Hireung, of Avon, Minnesota.

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