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Herman Marquardt was born in Posen Province, Germany, July 16, 1859, the son of Christ and Henrietta (Hoeft) Marquardt. There were three sons in the family. August, Julius who is deceased and Herman.

Christ Marquardt died in Germany in 1861 and was buried there.

Henrietta (Hoeft) Marquardt married the second time in 1869 to William Kroll. Two sons were born of this union, they are: Adolph and Gustave.

William Kroll passed away in Germany and in 1879 Henrietta (Hoeft) Marguardt) Kroll came to America with her children. They landed in New York and came west to St. Cloud, Minnesota by train. From there they completed their journey to Paynesville township, Stearns County, Minnesota by team.

Herman Marquardt worked as a farm hand on neighboring farms for five years, before he purchased land in section six of Paynesville township. Herman married Ellen Keopp, daughter of Ludwig and Sophie Keopp, April 24, 1884, in the Salem Church. The service were performed by the Reverend H. Ohs.

Ellen Koepp was born in Monroe, Wisconsin, February 21, 1862. Ellen had three brothers and two sisters. They are: Richard, who lives in Paynesville, Minnesota; Gustave, lives in Fargo, North Dakota; William is deceased; Lena (Koepp) Wartenberg of Paynesville; and Emma (Koepp) Miller of South Haven, Minnesota.

In 1866, Ludwig Koepp left Monroe, Wisconsin and came to Stearns County. He settled on a farm in Section 21 of Zion township.

Herman and Ellen (Keopp) Marquardt were the parents of six

children, all were born on the farm in section six of Paynesville township. They are: Minnie; Emmett; Elma; Elsea; Harry; and Marvin. They were all educated in the Grove School in Kandiyohi County except the youngest son, Marvin, who graduated from the Paynesville High School.

Minnie was born February 5, 1885. She married Albert Wagner and they live in Zkon township. They have two children, Emmett and William.

Emmett was born April 29, 1888. He died November 23, 1890.

Elma was born November 24, 1891. She married Alvin Wagner of Paynesville township and they have three children who are: Janet, Inez and Virgil.

Elsea was born June 18, 1893 and she is married to Chester Kroll. They live in Roseville township, Kandiyohi County, and they have no children.

Harry was born April 11, 1896. He married Ella Schmiginsky and they have one daughter, Alice Mae. They live on a farm in Paynesville township.

Marvin was born September 17, 1906. He graduated from the Paynesville High School in 1924 and also from North Central College, located in Naperville, Illinois, four years later. Marvin married Marion Moosar of Oswigo, Illinois. He is a school teacher in Illinois.

Herman and Ellen (Koepp) Marquardt retired from farm work in the fall of 1924 and moved into the village of Paynesville to live. While they were living on the farm Herman served on the school board for about twenty years.

Ellen (Koepp) Marquardt passed away at her home in Paynesville April 26, 1936. She was laid to rest in the Grove Cemetery in Kandiyohi County. The Marquardt christian faith was that of the Evangelical Church. They belonged to the Grove Evangelical Church while they lived on the farm. After they moved into town, they joined the same church there.

When Herman Marquardt first came to this country he worked out during the harvest for twenty dollars a month. If a man hired out for a year, he was paid one hundred and sixty dollars for his labor.

Herman lives alone in his home in Paynesville since the death of his wife, Ellen, in 1936.

Interviewed: Herman Marquardt
Date: July 8, 1937
By: Clarence Whisholm
Publication granted

MARQUARDT, HERMAN

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: Birthday of Elsea June 18, 1893 is correct as stated in the biography.

AFFIRMED: Name Elma is correct as stated in biography.

AFFIRMED: Birthday of, Elma, November 24, 1891 is correct as stated in the biography.

Reinterviewed: Herman Marquardt
Date: June 1, 1938
By: Clarence Chisholm

TAKEN FROM THE COURT RECORDS OF THE STEARNS COUNTY COURTHOUSE
FOR THE HERMAN MARQUARDT BIOGRAPHY

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MARRIAGE RECORD, BOOK H, Page 444

Herman Margardt and Ellen Koepp
Married at Zion, April 24, 1884
By Rev. H. Ohs
Witnesses: Wm. Koepp and Helena Koepp

MARRIAGE RECORD, BOOK 4, Page 17520

Harry E. Marguardt and Ella Amanda Schmiginsky
Married at Eden Lake, Nov. 6, 1924
By Rev. G. Duebendorf
Witnesses: Fred A. Pribrow and Minnie E. Schmiginsky

MARRIAGE RECORD, BOOK U, Page 11047

Albert G. Wegner and Minnie Marguardt
Married at Paynesville, Oct. 14, 1909
By: Rev. C. W. Sydow
Witnesses: Alam Marguardt and John Manz

MARRIAGE RECORD, BOOK Z, Page 14567

Alvin A. Wegner and Alma E. Marguardt
Married at Paynesville, Jan. 1, 1919
By. Rev. P. A. Lang
Witnesses: Annie Wegner and Harry Marguardt

DEATH RECORD, BOOK A, Page 203, Line 4

Emmett Marguardt died Nove, 23, 1890
Age 2 years, 7 months, son of Herman and Ellen
Marguardt.