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STAPLES

Mary Weibel was born in Blandau, Germany in the year 1856. She came to America in 1874 with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Weibel. Their reason for coming to America was that Mr. Weibel did not want his son to serve in the German Army.

On their way over Mary Weibel's sister became sea sick, and after landing in New York her father said it would be up to her to stay in New York and watch over her sister, while the rest of the family went on, so that her father's money would last. Her sister died just one week after her family left for Stearns County, Minnesota. She was buried in the Immigrants cemetery in New York.

Mary then set out for St. Cloud to find the rest of the family. After arriving in St. Cloud she found no one to meet her, but after looking around she saw a mail man and by luck he was German and he informed her that her folks were staying at the Heumeman House, on sixth avenue, south. This mail carrier was an old settler, Charles Dueher, - he was then known as "Faithful Charlie."

When Mary arrived at the Heumeman House she was informed that her folks were seven miles from town on a homestead. Arriving there she found her father and Mr. Staples building a house of stone that was being carried from the prairie. This stone house is still in use. There were many Indians in this territory but they were very friendly, for they would carry stone from sun rise until sun set for their food. Mary says her mother would never turn away an Indian.

Mary's mother died in the winter of 1875 and in the spring when the Indians returned they went in the house to find Mrs. Weibel but were told she had died. They were shown her grave, and there these Indians held a ceremony that lasted three days, and after that there was not an Indian who visited the home again.

Mary Weibel was married to Edwin H. Staples on the 24th day of February

1879 in the Cathedral church, the witnesses were H. Ottinsmeyer and Anna Ottinsmeyer and the priest was the Rev. Father Severin Cross. Of this first marriage there were four children born: Charles, Eugene, Benjamin, and Franklin Staples.

Mr. Edwin H. Staples passed away in 1893 leaving his wife Mary(Weibel) Staples and four sons. In 1913, Mary was married to William Mund. Of this marriage there was born a daughter, Victoria Mund.

William Mund passed away April 15-1921

Mary(Weibel, Staples, Mund now lives on Eight Avenue South with her daughter Victoria.

Interviewed: Mary Weibel Staples Mund
" by: Gilbert Bunt
Date: May 28, 1938
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LEGAL RECORDS TAKEN FROM THE STEARNS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

FOR THE MARY WEIBEL, STAPLES MUND BIOGRAPHY.

Death RECORD BOOK 1897 A 7 PAGE 169 LINE 3

Edwin H. Staples, died March 10th-1897, age 71

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK~~Y~~ PAGE 14093

William Mund and Mary Staples, married at St. Cloud. June 12, 1917

By Rev. Aug. S. Preusser

Peter J Miller

Mary E. Miller ; Witnesses

Marriage RECORD BOOK F PAGE 230

Edwin H. Staples and Mary Weibel, married at St. Cloud
February 24, 1879

by: Rev. P. Severn Grohs.

H Ottins Meyer : Witnesses
Anna Ottins Meyer

<u>book</u>	<u>page</u>	<u>line</u>	<u>date of</u> <u>birth</u>	<u>place of</u> <u>birth</u>	<u>father's name</u>	<u>age</u>	<u>name</u>
a	377	66	Dec.16,1879	St. Cloud	Edwin H		Staples (baby)
a	419	41	July 12,1880	"	" "		" "
a	465	41	July 13,1881	"	" "		C. Henry
B	3	92	June 11,1884	"	" "		Ben. F.

Mothers name

Mary

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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.

Correction: The death of Edwin Staples on March 10, 1890 is correct as stated in the legal records.

Correction: The marriage of Wm. Mund to Mary Staples on June 17, 1917 is correct as stated in the legal records.

Correction: of legal records and biography:

Minnie Victoria Staples born 1879 died Dec. 16, 1879

Charles H. Staples born July 13, 1881

Eugene L " " 1883

Benjamin F " " June 1884

Martha E " " 1891

Second interview: Mrs. Wm. Mund

Interviewed by: T. Gruber

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