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Alfred Olson was born in Vermland, Sweden, September 12, 1874, son of Olaf and Cecilia Sonerson.

Alfred attended the public school in Sweden and after receiving a grade school education worked as a paving cutter. He followed this trade until April 23, 1903 when he decided to come to America. Alfred left Sweden and came enroute by steamer and train to Saint Cloud, Minnesota. Due to the custom of Swedish people when they left home they took the given name of their father and used it as their family name making only the changes of adding the letters s-o-n on the end of the father's given name.

In Saint Cloud Alfred worked as a paving cutter but soon relinquished this trade due to ill health. He then established a shoe-making business in East Saint Cloud, which he managed for fifteen years. His health was failing during this time and he was eventually forced to retire at his home where he resided until his death in June, 1936.

Alfred Olson married Urlika C. Larson in Saint Paul, Minnesota on the 12th of March, 1914.

Urlika (Larson) Olson was born in Juemplin, Sweden October 10, 1874, daughter of Lars and Elizabeth Anderson. She received her education in Sweden and then worked as a housemaid until 1902 when she came to America. Urlika found employment in Saint Paul, Minnesota where she remained until her marriage to Alfred Olson.

There were no children born to this union and Urlika (Larson) Olson is living at her home in East Saint Cloud.

Interviewed: Mrs. Urlika (Larson) Olson
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