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REGINEK, JOHN

KOSCHYK

FILE NO. B-1082

John Reginek was born October 15, 1873 in Chrasazina, Kreis Opplen, Oberslasian, Germany.

John Reginek is the son of Clemens and Barbara(Kutzman) Reginek, now deceased.

Clemens and Barbara(Kutzman) Reginek were born in Germany, the former November 21, 1841, and the latter December 4, 1839, and were also married there. Clemens Reginek followed the trade of a mason to earn the livelehood for the family.

In the year 1884, Clemens Reginek, followed the example of hundreds of Germans and migrated to America with his family. After landing at New York they at once came west to St. Anna. Here several other friends and relatives, who had migrated several year earlier, resided on farms. Here also, he purchased a forty acre tract of wild land, which ajoins the present Village of St. Anna on the north east corner. After errecting a set of buildings on the place and improving on the land, he added another forty acres. This farm was the home of the couple until called by death. Clemens Reginek died April 20, 1920, and his wife Barbara (Kutzman) Reginek died June 25, 1923. Both are buried in the Catholic Cemetary at St. Anna.

John Reginek who heads this sketch received his school in Germany where he attended the district school for six years. He was eleven years of age when his parents migrated to America. He assisted his father with the work on the farm until he was twenty one and then took over the place himself.

In the year 1899, he returned to the home of his birth and there on January 9, 1899, married Mary Koschyk.

Mary Koschyk was born August 9, 1874 in Chrosazina, Kreis Opplen,

Oberslasian, Germany, and first met John Reginek while attending school.

After the marriage, the couple returned to America on their honeymoon, and made their home on the farm at St. Anna, where they have continued to farm.

Aside of his immediate interest on the farm, John Reginek took a great interest in the welfare of the community and held various public offices.

In 1899 he was elected Justice of the Peace and holds the same office today. For twenty years he was assessor of the township. For one year he served as President of the village of St. Anna, but due to other work resigned. For a period of about twenty years he was clerk of the school in district 72, and for ten years was road overseer of the township.

When the first mail route was established at Avon, he was the first mail carrier, a position he held for one year and then resigned.

In 1900, he took up the United States census for the town of Avon and in 1920 again took up the census for the townships of Holding, Brockway and Krain.

For two terms he served as a juror on the Grand Jury and for six terms he was a juror on the Petit Jury.

At present John Reginek and his wife still reside on the home farm, both enjoying the best of health.

John and Mary(Koschyk) Reginek are the parents of five children.

Mary, born Nov. 29, 1899 married Leland Luke, and they reside in Rawlins, Wyoming, where he is employed as a railway engineer.

John, born Aug. 29, 1902 married Martha Vetucki and they reside at Waite Park, where he is employed.

Paulina, born June 16, 1905 married George Ranyak and they operate a farm near Lake View Michigan.

Anton, born May 23, 1907 married Marietta Shaw and they reside in

St. Cloud, where he is employed.

Leonard, born November 6, 1909 married Pearl Halama and they reside at Detroit, Michigan, where he is employed in the Ford Plant.

There are also fifteen grand children.

Interviewed: John Reginek

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MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK 4 PAGE 17530

George Ronyak and Paulina Reginek married at St. Anna Nov.18, 1924

by: Rev. A. J. Kitowski

Witnesses: Ben L. Ronyak-Anton Reginek

Clara Kornek-Helen Peleof

DEATH RECORD BOOK P PAGE 19 LINE 488

Barbara Reginik- Born in Germany, Dec.4- 1839

Died Aug. 15, 1923, age 83 yrs. 8 mo.11days.

DEATH RECORD BOOK M PAGE11 LINE 285

Clemens Reginek- Born in Germany, Nov. 24-1841, Son of Simon Reginek

Died April 25, 1920, age 78 yrs. 5<sup>th</sup> mo. 2 days.

From THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE  
FOR THE JOHN REGINEK BIOGRAPHY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
1. Mary	Nov. 29, 1899	Avon	John Reginek	26
2. John	Aug. 29, 1902	"	" "	29
3. Paulina	June 16, 1905	"	" "2	31
4. Anton	May 23, 1907	"	" "	33
5. Leonard	Nov. 6, 1909	"	" "	36

<u>Mother's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Mary	25	(1899) B9	44	3	
2. ##### "	28	(1902) B12	40	1	
3. ##### "	30	(1905) B15	31	1	
4. "	33	(c)	221	1	
5. "	35	(C)	555	4	