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Peter Sand was born March 2, 1863, near St. Joseph, Minnesota, son of Paul and Katherine (Tetheha) Sand, natives of Luxemburg, Germany. Peter was the second oldest child in the family of eight children. The children were Nick Paul; Peter; Frank; Nicholas; John; Mathew; Angela; and Theresa.

Peter attended school at district 48 located near their farm, which was close to Collegeville Station. Among his teachers were Joe Walsh, Mike Walsh, and Peter Stather. For a few years Sisters of Saint Benedict taught school here.

Indians were plentiful but Peter never knew of any time that the Indians stole from them, however they did beg for food and clothing at times. His parents were early pioneers here, coming quite a few years before the Civil War. They made the journey from the East by ox cart and boat.

After finishing school Peter worked on his father's farm until he was married July 22, 1886 at Saint Joseph to Rose Weis. She was born March 3, 1867 in Austria, daughter of Antone and Marie (Schwantnes) Weis native farmers of Austria. There were ten children in the Weis family, they were Marie; Katherine; Antone; Anna; Bertha; Thresa; Margaret; Rose; Frank; and Josephine.

Rose and Margaret are the only living members of the family. In the Paul Sand family, Peter, John, and Angela are living. The rest died years ago.

After Peter was married he worked for the Great Northern Railway at Saint Cloud for a few years and then went to Pittsburg, Pa. where he worked as hostler in a round house. He returned to Albany, Minnesota where he farmed for about five years, later he moved to Saint Joseph where he farmed for about ten years. About 1920 he returned back to St.

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Cloud and went to work in the car shops at Waite Park where he worked until 1933.

To Peter and Rose (Weis) Sand were born nine children: John, living in Washington, born in 1887; Peter, living in Winona, born in 1896; Micheal, living in Millwaukee, born in 1898; Edward, living in Willmar, born about 1899; Veronica (Mrs. Wright), living in Washington, born about 1901; Elizabeth, living at home in St. Cloud, born in 1903; Joseph, died at the age of nineteen years; Marie, and Marie died in infancy. There are five grandchildren.

Interviewed: Peter Sand
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Paul Sand	Age 29
Sex	Male
Occupation	Farmer
Born	Holland
Gathern Sand	Age 23
Sex	Female
Born	Holland
John Sand	Age 2
Sex	Male
Occupation	_____
Born	Iowa