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Nancy,

I am Floyd Brown from Lyons, NE and am sending the attached photos to seek your assistance in possibly identifying any of them. The photos came from a picture album of William Rautenberg. The album was handed on to a nephew Elmer Rautenberg, and Elmer's wife, Mae, gave the album to her daughter (Judy Brown) in 1983. Mae could not identify any of the members and a Wilma (Rautenberg) Brown of Tilden could not identify any of the photos. I have shown them to many people in the Tilden area and no one can identify them. I don't know if old negatives with names were saved by companies and in turn given to the Society. If a time period could be set on some that might be helpful.

The photo entitled Willie's book 19 has the name Chas. Routenberg on it. However there were two Chas. Routenbergs, the father and the son. The son was sickly the latter part of his life and the last few years he spent in Norfolk at the Verges Sanitarium. Possibly you have some of those records from the middle years of 1930s. I gladly will do the research in those records should you have them. Please inform me of your hours at the Society.

17 Dec 2008 Family Group Sheet

Husband: ALBERT ROBERT RAUTENBERG #418

Born: 13 June 1874 in Columbus, Wisconsin 1
Died: 29 May 1941 in Tilden, NE 1,2 (see note 1)
Confirmation: 18 Jun 1926 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 3
Buried: 31 May 1941 in Tilden, NE Lutheran Cemetery 4 (see note 2)
Occupation: Farmer 5
Father: CHARLES FRIEDERICH RAUTENBERG, SR. #423
Mother: Louise Henrietta Dorothea Gabriel #424

Wife: EMMA AMELIA SANNE #419
Married: 28 Sept 1904 in Tilden, NE 6

Born: 16 DEC 1883 in WEST POINT, NE 4
Died: 21 Feb 1937 in Tilden, NE (at home) 6 (see note 3)
Buried: 23 Feb 1937 in Tilden, NE (Lutheran Cemetery) 6 (see note 4)
Father: AUGUST SANNE #984
Mother: BERTHA WEDLER #985

F Child 1: BERTHA ANNA RAUTENBERG #454

Born: 11 Apr 1905 in Tilden, NE 7
Baptized: in
Died: Oct 1953 in Tilden, NE 8
Spouse: JOSEPH QUINCY BOSSARD #455 b. 16 Aug 1906 d. 14 Feb 1978

Married: 1 Apr 1926 in YANKTON, SD 8

M Child 2: FREDERICK AUGUST RAUTENBERG #483

Born: 31 Oct 1906 in Tilden, NE 9 (see note 5)

Baptized: in Tilden, NE 9 (see note 6)

Died: 28 Dec 1959 in Tilden, NE 9

Buried: 4 Jan 1960 in Tilden, NE 9 (see note 7)

Confirmation: 18 Jun 1926 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 3

Spouse: MARTHA LOUISE ZURCHER #484 b. 7 Mar 1911 d. 30 Oct 1997

Married: 21 May 1938 in Tilden, NE 10 (see note 8)

Frederick was known as Fritz. Fritz was born on the Rautenberg farm north of Tilden, NE. Fritz was baptized when an infant and later confirmed in the Lutheran faith. Burial was in the Lutheran Cemetery but was to be on Sat. afternoon, however, services were postponed due to weather conditions. Fritz died at the Tilden Hospital after a lingering illness caused by cancer. Rev. Sagehorn officiated. Martha & Fritz were married at the Evangelical Immanuel Lutheran Church by Pastor W.H. Sagehorn.

M Child 3: ROBERT HENRY RAUTENBERG, SR. #487

Born: 22 Sep 1908 in Tilden, NE 11

Baptized: in

Died: 9 Jan 2000 in Tilden, NE 11 (see note 9)

Buried: 12 Jan 2000 in Tilden, NE 11 (see note 10)

Confirmation: 18 Jun 1926 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 3

Spouse: BEVERLY JO MEYER #488 b. 24 Apr 1929 d. 6 Sep 1991

Married: 21 Dec 1946 in Center, NE 11

Robe died at the Tilden Community Hospital. Robe was buried in the Tilden City Cemetery. Reverend Michael Awe officiated.

Notes of Mae Rautenberg state Robert's full name was Robert Augusta Hendrich Rautenberg.

F Child 4: WILMA TRACY RAUTENBERG #531

Born: 11 Apr 1911 in Tilden, NE

Baptized: in

Died: in

Confirmation: 18 Jun 1926 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 3

Spouse: LARUE ELMER BROWN #532 b. 30 Sep 1911 d. 12 Jun 1997

Married: 2 Jun 1931 in Tilden, NE

M Child 5: ELMER JOHN RAUTENBERG #99

Born: 28 Aug 1913 in Tilden, NE 1

Baptized: 26 Oct 1913 in Tilden, NE (Immanuel Lutheran) 1

Died: 22 DEC 1982 in Tilden, NE 1 (see note 11)

Buried: 24 Dec 1982 in TILDEN, NE Lutheran Cemetery 1

Confirmation: 17 Jun 1928 in Tilden, NE (Immanuel Lutheran) 3

Occupation: FARMER

Spouse: MAE PEARL HOLY #100 b. 7 Oct 1911 d. 2 Feb 2005

Married: 22 Jun 1937 in Tilden, NE

Elmer and Mae were married by Rev. H. Sagehorn at Bertha and Joe Bossard's home as the license was not for the county in which the church was located.

F Child 6: MARGARET EMMA RAUTENBERG #533

Born: 26 Nov 1916 in Tilden, NE 12

Baptized: in

Died: 31 May 1959 in Los Angeles, CA (Stroke) 12 (see note 12)

Buried: 4 Jun 1959 in Long Beach, CA 12

Confirmation: 1 Jun 1930 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 3
Spouse: GLEN EDWARD SULLIVAN #534 b. 7 Mar 1914 d. 21 Feb 1989
Married: 20 Feb 1936 in Battle Creek, NE 12
Margaret died on the 17th birthday of her daughter, Sheila.

F Child 7: MARTHA IDA HATTIE RAUTENBERG #545
Born: 14 Jan 1918 in Tilden, NE 3
Baptized: in
Died: 21 Sep 1965 in NORFOLK, NE
Buried: in MADISON, NE
Confirmation: 28 May 1933 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 3
Spouse: WILLIAM EMIL HINTZ #546 b. 26 Feb 1914 d. 17 Apr 1967
Married: 17 Apr 1938 in MADISON, NE Trinity Lutheran

F Child 8: EMMA LAVERN RAUTENBERG #594
Born: 22 Jan 1921 in Tilden, NE 13
Baptized: in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 13
Died: 22 Jan 1999 in Norfolk, NE Veterans Home 13
Buried: in Tilden, NE Lutheran Cemetery 13
Confirmation: 28 May 1933 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 3
Spouse: JOHN PAUL LARSON #595 b. 27 May 1913 d. 4 Feb 1983
Married: 5 Oct 1942 in Center, NE 13

- (1) Obituary in Tilden Citizen, Thurs., Feb. 25, 1937.
- (2) Letter from Joyce Ryan, April 2003.
- (3) Confirmation Records of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Tilden, NE.
- (4) Burial Records of Tilden Immanuel Lutheran Church.
- (5) Death Certificate.
- (6) Obituary of Mrs. Albert Rautenberg.
- (7) Mae Rautenberg notes.
- (8) Generations of August Sanne, p. 60.
- (9) Obituary of Fritz Rautenberg.
- (10) Obituary of Martha Rautenberg.
- (11) Obituary of Robert Henry Rautenberg, Sr.
- (12) Obituary of Margaret E. (Rautenberg) Sullivan.
- (13) Obituary of Emma Larson.

Note 1 In an April 2003 letter, Joyce Ryan states, "When grandpa Rautenberg passed away I remember every detail. Years ago I told mom about it. She was so surprised I could tell her everything about that day as I was only 2 years old. But I was sitting on his lap and he was playing with me when he had a fatal heart attack. Mom was fixing Sharen's hair. Had just done mine."

Note 2 The sermon text for the funeral was Matthew 25: 1-13.

Note 3 Mrs. Albert Rautenberg's obit appeared in the Tilden Citizen on Thurs. Feb. 25, 1937.

Note 4 The text of the sermon was Matthew 24: 36-51. Mourners: husband, 3 sons, 5 dau.(Lutheran Church in Tilden, NE has the records.)

Note 5 Fritz was born on the Rautenberg farm north of Tilden, NE.

Note 6 Fritz was bapitized when an infant and later confirmed in the Lutheran faith.

Note 7 Burial was in the Lutheran Cemetery but was to be on Sat. afternoon, however, services were postponed due to weather conditions. Fritz died at the Tilden Hospital after a lingering illness caused by cancer. Rev. Sagehorn officiated.

Note 8 Martha & Fritz were married at the Evangelical Immanuel Lutheran Church by Pastor W.H. Sagehorn.

She was 27 & he 31 years of age. Witnesses were Robert Rautenberg and Minerva Zurcher.

Note 9 Robe died at the Tilden Community Hospital.

Note 10 Robe was buried in the Tilden City Cemetery. Reverend Michael Awe officiated.

Note 11 Elmer died on a Wednesday.

Note 12 Margaret died on the 17th birthday of her daughter, Sheila.

17 Dec 2008 Family Group Sheet

Husband: CHARLES FRIEDERICH RAUTENBERG, SR. #423

Born: 14 Jun 1844 in Germany 1 (see note 1)
Baptized: in
Died: 28 Jan 1932 in Fremont, NE 1 (see note 2)
Buried: 31 Jan 1932 in TILDEN, NE, Tilden Cemetery 2
Father:
Mother:

Obituary for Charley Rautenberg says he was born in Germany on June 14, 1845. The 1900 US Census of Pierce County, Mills Precinct, Volume 32, Enumeration District 150, Sheet 17-B, Line 70-75 indicates the birth in June 1846. This census also says he was 54 yrs old Marr 28 yrs born Germany Emigrated 1868 & his wife's name was Henryette age 50 (b. Sept 1849 in Germany & emigrated in 1868) with the following children: Albert, June 1874, age 25 born in WI; Charles, Mar 1877 age 23 & born in WI; Louise, July 1882, age 17, b. in NE; Willie, Feb 1884 age 16, b. in NE. The tombstone says "Grabell His Wife" (Sept 8, 1841 - Nov. 1, 1911) and "Louisa Their Daughter (July 20, 1882 - July 25, 1907).

In a death notice in the Fremont Evening Tribune of Thurs., Jan. 28, 1932, p.2, it states Charles Rautenberg died at the home of Mrs. Burt Thomas where he had lived for the past 12 years. It also gives his age as 90.

Wife: Louise Henrietta Dorothea Gabriel #424
Married: 5 Jul 1871 in Wisconsin 3

Born: 8 Sep 1841 in Germany 4,5
Baptized: in
Died: 1 Nov 1911 in Pierce Co., Tilden, NE 6
Buried: 3 Nov 1911 in Tilden, NE 4
Father: MICHAEL FRIEDRICH AUGUST GABRIEL #1119
Mother: JOHANNE CHARLOTTE WILHEMINE ORMOUTH #1120

Her funeral card reads: Mrs. Charles Routenberg; Died November 1, 1911; Aged 70 years. Her tombstone in Tilden, NE shows on the marker of Carl Rautenberg, "Grabell His Wife, Sept. 8 1841 - Nov. 1, 1911. In a note by Mae Rautenberg, she refers to Grabell as "Jette". Death Certificate # 10170 says Yetta Roytenberg. The death certificate states she died of acute obstruction of the bowels at 8am. Dr. C.Barr, MD and H. Marshall, Undertaker. The Lutheran cemetery records of Tilden (see Lyle Herbolshiemer) shows she was buried in lot #6, which was the 6th lot purchased. Wilma (Rautenberg) Brown on Feb 23, 2005 stated that Jette had previously been buried at the Warren Cemetery, 1 mile east and about 2 miles north of Tilden, NE. The following confirmation records were found in the Lutheran Church of Tilden, NE: Fraw Rattenberg & Herr Rattenberg, Illiterat. ?aun nicht (not) lesers Bemerkungen(remarks) = Nicht caufirmint. Not sure if the previous notes mean they could not read and thus did not get confirmation or ??? In the marriage certificate of dau. Louisa (Louise) the name is spelled Jettie Gorbell.

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Confirmation: 18 Jun 1926 in Tilden, NE Immanuel Lutheran 9
Buried: 31 May 1941 in Tilden, NE Lutheran Cemetery 10 (see note 4)
Occupation: Farmer 11
Spouse: EMMA AMELIA SANNE #419 b. 16 DEC 1883 d. 21 Feb 1937
Married: 28 Sept 1904 in Tilden, NE 12

F Child 2: LILLY RAUTENBERG #790
Born: Abt. 1874 in Wisconsin 13
Baptized: in
Died: in
Spouse: PETER CARSTENS #791
Married: in

The 1880 federal census indicates Lilly was born in Wisconsin abt. 1874 and by 1880 was living in Willow Creek, Pierce, Nebraska. Her marriage license to Peter Carstens was issued in Pierce County, NE Jan. 6, 1893 (Book A, page 429).

M Child 3: CHARLES RAUTENBERG, JR #425
Born: 21 Mar 1877 in Tilden, NE 14
Baptized: in
Died: 12 Dec 1938 in NORFOLK, NE 14
Buried: 15 Dec 1938 in Tilden, NE Tilden City Cemetery 14

Charley is buried with his brother, William, as both were bachelors. Charles died in Norfolk at the Verges Sanitarium at 4:30pm due to cerebral hemorrhage and apoplexy. Undertaker was Marshall Mortuary in Tilden, NE. Death certificate #11407.

F Child 4: TILDA RAUTENBERG #792
Born: Mar 1880 in Nebraska 13,15 (see note 5)
Baptized: in
Died: in
Spouse: JASPER SIMKINS #793 b. Nov 1877
Married: abt. 1898 in (see note 6)

F Child 5: LOUISA RAUTENBERG #789
Born: 20 Jul 1882 in Pierce Co., NE 5,16
Baptized: in
Died: 25 Jul 1907 in 5
Buried: in Tilden, NE; Tilden Cemetery 5
Spouse: WILLIAM BOKEMPER #964
Married: 21 Mar 1903 in MADISON, NE 16 (see note 7)

A search for a death certificate in the State of Nebr. showed nothing. However, The Madison Star-Mail of August 2, 1907 received mail from the Tilden Citizen which stated, "Mrs. Will Bohempor died on Wednesday from blood poisoning. The Citizen joins in the very general sympathy which the community extends to the bereaved family."

M Child 6: WILLIAM RAUTENBERG #426
Born: 16 Feb 1884 in 17
Baptized: in
Died: 28 June 1971 in TILDEN, NE (Tilden Comm. Hospital) 17

Buried: 30 June 1971 in TILDEN, NE (Tilden Cemetery) 17 (see note 8)
In a letter dated July 17, 1994 Mae Rautenberg wrote: Willie is related to us. He was Elmer's father's brother. Another brother, Charlie lived with him at the same place. They never married so just lived there all the time. I remember Charlie, too. Then Charlie died, and Willie lived alone. He didn't have a car, never tried to get one, always rode to town with Robert and Elmer. Then in his later years, he decided to move to town and wanted Elmer to have the place, so made a deal with him, so he could pay on it every year until he had it paid for. So that is the way it was and how we got to live there. This was always the Rautenberg place. Their parents came here from Germany and first lived in a dug out at the bottom of the hill until they built a house which was that big granery that we used. It was papered with newspapers to keep the cold out. I saw the newspapers and wondered why so that's what they told me. Then they started building that house up the hill where it was when we lived there. They added on as time went on and they needed more space. Elmer's father (Albert) got married and lived where they always lived by the school house. I really don't know if there were any sisters, I will ask Wilma. Death Certificate #6476 states he died in Antelope Co. at 5:30 ?.

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- (1) Death certificate by State of Nebraska.
 - (2) Record of Funeral of Charles Rautenberg.
 - (3) Obituary of Charles Rautenberg, Sr.
 - (4) Certificate of death for Yetta Roytenberg.
 - (5) Tombstone.
 - (6) Funeral card of Mrs. Charles Rautenberg.
Death Certificate # 10170.
 - (7) Obituary in Tilden Citizen, Thurs., Feb. 25, 1937.
 - (8) Letter from Joyce Ryan, April 2003.
 - (9) Confirmation Records of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Tilden, NE.
 - (10) Burial Records of Tilden Immanuel Lutheran Church.
 - (11) Death Certificate.
 - (12) Obituary of Mrs. Albert Rautenberg.
 - (13) 1880 U.S. Federal Census.
 - (14) Certificate of Death for Charles Rautenberg, JR.
 - (15) Federal Census of 1900.
 - (16) Marriage license from County of Madison in Nebraska.
 - (17) Obituary, Norfolk Daily News (NE) 11 Jan 2008, Funeral bulletin.

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Note 2 Obituary for Charley Rautenberg says he died Jan, 27, 1932. But in the Fremont Evening Tribune of Thurs., Jan 28, 1932 it states he died Thursday morning the 28th. See obit in the Tilden Citizen of Feb. 4, 1932

Note 3 In an April 2003 letter, Joyce Ryan states, "When grandpa Rautenberg passed away I remember every detail. Years ago I told mom about it. She was so

surprised I could tell her everything about that day as I was only 2 years old. But I was sitting on his lap and he was playing with me when he had a fatal heart attack. Mom was fixing Sharen's hair. Had just done mine."

Note 4 The sermon text for the funeral was Matthew 25: 1-13.

Note 5 1. The 1880 federal census shows Tilda being born abt. 1879 in Nebraska and living in Willow Creek,

Pierce County, Nebraska.

2. The 1900 federal census shows Tillie being born Mar 1880 in Nebraska and living in Mills Precinct,

Pierce County, NE.

Note 6 1. Marriage license issued in Pierce County, NE on Dec. 6, 1898 (Book B, page 187).

Note 7 Married by the County Judge, Wm. Bates. Witnesses were Jasper N. Simkins of Madison Co. & Tillie Simkins of Madison Co., Neb.

Note 8 1. Funeral services were held at 2pm on Wednesday at the Marshall-Harlan Funeral Home with

Rev. Arnold Deke officiating.

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Husband: MICHAEL FRIEDRICH AUGUST GABRIEL #1119

Born: 25 Oct 1808 in 1
Baptized: in
Died: Nov 1888 in 1
Buried: in Otter Tail Co. MN Immanuel Luth Cem
Father:
Mother:

Shirley Simkins had the Otter Tail Co. (Minn.) Genealogical Society research on the Gabriel family and they found the grave markers in the Friberg Twp. Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery. The stone reads: Michael Friedrich August Gabriel, Geboren- 25 Oct 1808, gestorben - Nov. 1888.

Wife: JOHANNE CHARLOTTE WILHEMINE ORMOUTH #1120
Married: in

Born: 3 Jul 1806 in 1
Baptized: in
Died: 5 Oct 1891 in 1
Buried: in Otter Tail Co., MN; Immanuel Luth. Cem 1
Father:
Mother:

Shirley Simkins had the Otter Tail County Minnesota genealogical society research on the Gabriel family and they found the grave markers in Friberg Twp in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery and forwarded to Floyd Brown July 1, 2007. The stone reads Johanne Charlotte Wilhemine Gabriel, Geboren - 3 July 1806, Gestorben - 5 Oct. 1891.

F Child 1: Louise Henrietta Dorothea Gabriel #424

Born: 8 Sep 1841 in Germany 2,3
Baptized: in
Died: 1 Nov 1911 in Pierce Co., Tilden, NE 4
Buried: 3 Nov 1911 in Tilden, NE 2

Spouse: CHARLES FRIEDERICH RAUTENBERG, SR. #423 b. 14 Jun 1844 d. 28 Jan 1932

Married: 5 Jul 1871 in Wisconsin 5

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Rautenberg, "Grabell His Wife, Sept. 8 1841 - Nov. 1, 1911. In a note by Mae Rautenberg, she refers to Grabell as "Jette". Death Certificate # 10170 says Yetta Roytenberg. The death certificate states she died of acute obstruction of the bowels at 8am. Dr. C.Barr, MD and H. Marshall, Undertaker. The Lutheran cemetery records of Tilden (see Lyle Herbolshiemer) shows she was buried in lot #6, which was the 6th lot purchased. Wilma (Rautenberg) Brown on Feb 23, 2005 stated that Jette had previously been buried at the Warren Cemetery, 1 mile east and about 2 miles north of Tilden, NE. The following confirmation records were found in the Lutheran Church of Tilden, NE: Fraw Rattenberg & Herr Rattenberg, Illiterat. ?aun nicht (not) lesers Bemerkungen(remarks) = Nicht caufirmint. Not sure if the previous notes mean they could not read and thus did not get confirmation or ??? In the marriage certificate of dau. Louisa (Louise) the name is spelled Jettie Gorbell.

M Child 2: FREDERICK GABRIEL #1201

Born: Mar 1846 in Germany

Baptized: in

Died: in

Immigrated: 1868 in

Spouse: SOPHIA ? #1202 b. May 1859

Married: in

The 1900 Minnesota census shows immigration in 1868 and the 1910 census says 1883.

- (1) Shirley Simkins found info on tombstone.
- (2) Certificate of death for Yetta Roytenberg.
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Death Certificate # 10170.
- (5) Obituary of Charles Rautenberg, Sr.

If you need more information please ask and perhaps I can help. I thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

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