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BIOGRAPHY

Born at East Smithfield, Penn. Wed Sara May Andrews in 1887. Worked at Amenia and Sharon Land Company Farm, later moved to sheep ranch near Fort Yates, N.D. Started a freight hauling business which lasted until 1900. Died at Mobridge, S.D. and was buried at Pollock, S.D.

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