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Sebens, William P. (1896-1978)

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BIOGRAPHY

Born at Hamlet, Ind. Sold cars in Phoenix, Ariz. Returned to Indiana. Wed in 1918, moved from Indiana to N.D. Farmed in partnership with his brother, Edward, at Milnor, N.D. Sold out in 1934, moved to Fargo and was employed by the Greater North Dakota Association.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

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