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Bruno is a tiny village in Pine County, Minnesota. It can be found by traveling Highway 23, which is designated Veterans Evergreen Memorial Drive. One hundred miles from the capitol city of St. Paul and fifty miles south of the in-land harbor of Duluth.

## 1905

The last state census was taken in Minnesota in 1905. Census taking is now a federal operation.

### List of Families living in Bruno in 1905

Alexander, John  
Ames, Joe  
Ames, Will  
Bade, Carl  
Ball, Frank  
Barnett, Frank  
Bartells, Charles  
Bates, Harry  
Bellille, Dave  
Bennett, Goldie & William  
Bradshaw John  
Bribo, Amelia  
Brings, John  
Bristol, George  
Buswell, Lorean  
Campbell, Jesse  
Carlson, John  
Churchill, Albert  
Colburn, Alex  
Cook, Willis  
Crane, Eugene  
Degerstrom, Peter  
Demo, Dave  
Dill, Monroe  
Ducker, Julia

Elwell, Joel  
Emerson, George & Matt  
Fairchild, Albert  
Fitz, Rudolph  
Fix, Antone  
Freeman, Nels  
Gallagher, Pat  
Gardner, Mary  
Gault, Grant  
Gellatly, William  
Gervais, Julius  
Gordon, E.W.  
Hedin, Clara  
Hill, Jasper  
Hogan, James  
St. Peter, Napoleon  
Hoganson, Hogan  
Jackson, Charlie  
Jackson, Dave  
Johnston, James  
Kane, Pat  
Kellet, Albert  
Kling, Charles  
Klintz, Hans  
Knibb, John  
LeFavor, May  
Larson, John  
Lawick, H.  
LePeer, William  
Lindstrom, Charles  
Lund, Fred & Lawrence  
Marihart, Joseph  
Messenger, Herman  
McCulloch, John  
Murphy, Pat  
Nelson, Dan  
Nelson, Hans  
Oman, Andrew  
Orcutt, Charlie  
Pavelka, Frank  
Peterson, Louis

Peterson, Ludwig  
Pherrel, Charles  
Reynolds, William  
Richards, A.  
Smoltz, Arnold  
St. Peter, Adolph  
Stafforrd, John  
Stanson, Paul  
Steeves, Walter  
Stevens, George  
Sullivan, William J.  
Thomas, Henry  
Torgenson, Albert  
Trepanie, William  
Vigdahl, John  
Visser, William  
Wagner, John  
Wait, Alton  
Waletzko, Albert  
Walsh, Hiram  
Wentzel, Gust  
Wharton, Albert  
Whelan, John  
Williams, Nelson  
Williamson, Patrick

**Other early families not on the 1905 census:**

Breiland, Nels  
Myren  
Saastad  
Tuor  
Shoumaker, William  
Layng, W. G.  
Anderson (lived near cemetery)?  
Olson, Frank  
Douglas  
Otto, W. G.  
Holst, Dve  
Shandreau  
Domning

Didden  
Storebo, Andrew  
Billman  
Plaisted  
Sprague  
Katzel, Frank  
Scott  
Dougan

## **1906**

### **Birthdays in 1906**

Mrs. Pat Murphy had a birthday party on an afternoon in March for her mother, Mrs. Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Williams had a gathering in February to celebrate Lucy Bowe's birthday.

Maud Gault had a party in November for her fourteenth birthday.

### **Weddings in 1906**

Miss Theresa Whelan and Edwin Troweden were married at the Catholic Parsonage by Father Patt. Margaret Whelan was her sister's bridesmaid and William Sullivan was best man.

### **Births in 1906**

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Walsh had a daughter on February 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher had their eighth son in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy had a twelve pound son in April.

Mr. and Mrs. Messenger had a son in December

### **Deaths in 1906**

Julius Gervais' daughter, Helen, died from appendicitis. She was only seven years old.

## 1907

### Children who died in 1907

February 22: Phillip Edward Hogan, 14 months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hogan

February 28: Vina Otto, 14 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Otto. She was Annie Otto's sister.

Ruby Walsh, 1 year and 1 day old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Walsh.

Leonard Leo Gallagher, 11 months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gallagher.

March 14: Baby Alberta and Lela LeFavor, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. LeFavor. Their little boy had been badly burned in 1906

Vera Orcutt, six years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Orcutt

October 24: Peter Stevens, second son of Mr. and Mrs. George Stevens.

Eugene Gallagher, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Gallagher

December 12: A three week old infant, child of Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge

Mrs. William Wood died of Meningitis. She left a husband and five children.

### Births in 1907

January 20 girl, Mr. and Mrs. J. Marihart.

February 21 10 ½ pound boy, Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch

April 4 Girl, Mr. and Mrs. H. Walsh

June 6 Girl, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kane

August 29      Son, Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong.  
Sept. 5        Girl, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gallagher  
November 7    Girl 8 ½ pounds Mr. and Mrs. William Minor  
November 18   Boy, Mr. and Mrs. Woan, Grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Wharton  
December 4    Nine pound boy, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy

## 1908

### Deaths in 1908

Linnea Jackson, wife of Charles Jackson she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Nelson. She was survived by three children, the oldest four years old and the youngest a few hours old.

Mrs. A. O. Wharton died from apoplexy. She was one of Bruno's earliest residents. She was buried at Faribault.

Hetty Marie Orcutt, ten years old died from diphtheria.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lusk's eight-month old baby of "brain fever".

Mr. and Mrs. John Vigdahl's six week old baby girl of heart failure.

## 1909

### Births in 1909

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Will LePeer in January.

Pat Murphys had a nine pound boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Freeman's boy died of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Christianson's son died of pneumonia.

# 1910

## Marriages in 1910

Rev. Hubert W. O'Dell planned to marry Alice Mae Gould in June. He was given a going away party in April

John Bade and Mary just were married in March.

Anna Vjork and Harold Friesendahl were married in August in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Friesendahl.

Lucy Thomas, daughter of Henry Thomas, married Mr. Gay of Bemidji at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jessie Gay on Nov. 1.

# 1911

## Deaths in 1911

.R. A. Campbell of Bruno died on March 21 from pleurisy.

John Whalen, an early Bruno settler since 1891, died after suffering four months with cancer.

John Emery, father of Mrs. H. E. Crane and Mrs. A. L. Churchill, died at the Churchill home.

Scarlet fever took the lives of both Tour children. Cora was six and Lewis five.

Edna Marie Holst, three, and a six month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David C. Holst died from an undisclosed illness.

# 1912

## Marriages in 1912

Miss Gertrude Vork and Fred Saastad were married by Justis W. G. Otto. A reception dance was held at the Burns Hall with supper at midnight and more dancing after.

Loretta Leary and Elton F. Bailey were married in June at the Catholic Church.

Emelia Stockman and George P. Peterson were married. She was the sister of Mrs. Julius Newman. Mr. Peterson had his store in Bruno for two years on the west side of the tracks.

Ivan Skinner and Martha Saastad were married at Pine City.

Invitations were sent in December for a January 1, 1913 wedding reception at the Bruno Hall for Maude Gault and Walter Bram.

## **Deaths in 1912**

Anna Christina Nelson died in January. She was survived by two sons; A. H. and H. C. Nelson and a daughter in Denmark. She was nearly eight-two years old. Services were held at the Presbyterian Church with a Lutheran minister officiating. Mrs. Nelson came to Bruno in 19093 with her husband.

Also in January, Morris Leslie Friesendahl, the nine month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Friesendahl died from unknown illness.

Lew St. Peter died from pneumonia at the home of his uncle Napoleon St. Peter. His funeral was at the Catholic Church.

Hannah Martin Rodenberge, wife of Ed and mother of E.J. and F.M Rodenberger, died in 1912

Nellie Frances Fairchild, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fairchild, died when she was thirteen months old. The funeral was at the Presbyterian church and she was buried in the Bruno cemetery.

## **1913**

### **Marriages in 1913**

Mable Wood and Ausin Wiltsie were married at Mount Rose in March. They returned to Bruno for a reception at the H. E. Crane home.



Rex Sprague married Nan Kane of Knox, North Dakota. The wedding was at noon on June 28 at Bisbie, North Dakota. Rex was an agent for Great Northern Railway.

### **Anniversaries in 1913**

Friends and relatives helped Mr. and Mrs. Mel Plaisted celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary in August. They received several pieces of beautiful silverware and everyone enjoyed an evening of dancing.

### **Deaths in 1913**

Mrs. Eryvette Moore, mother of Mrs. Albert Fairchild died on January 8. She had lived with her daughter's family since March 21, 1903.

Nels Larson Lindstrom, eighty-one years old, died at his home south west of town. His funeral was on February 2 at two o'clock at his home.

Isabel Hedin, eleven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albin Hedin, died from typhoid pneumonia. She had been sick a long time. The family lived six miles south of Bruno. Her funeral was at the Swedish Church.

Phillip Peterson, two and one half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Peterson, died in September of the "summer complaint."

Word was received from Connecticut that Mrs. Joseph Ames had died after a short illness.

Rev. Herbert O'Dell died on Tuesday, May 6. He had been ill nine months with tubercular trouble. He was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1881. He came to Canada and then to Minnesota. He came to Bruno to serve as pastor of the Presbyterian Church in 1909. He left in April 1910 to serve a church at Little Falls for two years. He married Alice Gould of Minneapolis in June 1910, and he and his wife came back to Bruno on April 1, 1912. He was pastor of the Bruno and Willow River churches until April 1913 when he left because of ill health.

## **1914**

### **Marriages in 1914**

Archie M. Dugan of Bruno and Mason City, Iowa, married Mary Thompson the first week in February. They planned to be at home in Bruno after April 1.

Wilhemina Whelan and Edwin Fairchild were married June 24 at Sacred Heart Church in Bruno. The bride's attendants were her sister, Lillian, and her niece, Mabel Sexton. The groom's brother, Floyd and John Didden were groomsmen. Frank Sexton, nephew of the bride was usher. Mrs. N. A. Williams played the wedding march. Edwin Fairchild had recently purchased the Bruno Livery and Feed Stable. The couple had both grown up in Bruno.

On October 6 Etta Fairchild and John Didden, the barber, were married at the Fairchild home. Father Giroux of Duluth performed the ceremony. The couple was at home in the former Pavelka residence on Lincoln Street after a trip to the Twin Cities to buy furniture.

J. Clifton Anderson married Susie Honmedal at the Swedish Lutheran Parsonage in Red Wing on Dec. 30 1914. Mr. Anderson was the owner of the meat market, and people suspected he had a reason to fix up living quarters with furniture and house wares. They were back in Bruno the first week in January.

## **Deaths in 1914**

Myrtle Marie, three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erick Erickson, died in January from spinal meningitis. Her father was in the hospital suffering with Brights Disease. Contributions were raised to help Mrs. Erickson and her remaining two children. The family had lived in the Bruno Community for eight years.

John Holtz died in April. He was sixty-five years old and had been ill all winter. He had worked on the section near Bruno for several years.

Mrs. J. A. Alexander, a Bruno pioneer, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. Kellett. She was sixty five years old and she had lived in Bruno for twenty five years. She was survived by her elderly husband, three daughters, and one son.

In September, Herman Nortrup, twelve year old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Nortrup, died from burns he received when he tried to light the kitchen stove with kerosene. Funeral services were held at Willow River Presbyterian Church with Rev. Robert I. Barr officiating.

Charles Bennett, a little boy who suffered from heart disease, died at his home. The funeral was conducted at his home by Rev. Barr. He was buried in the Bruno Cemetery.

In December Mrs. Andrew Boo died at her home nine miles east of Bruno. She had been ill for four years. She was survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Frank Olson, and two sons. She was seventy-five years old, and she had lived in Pine County for fifteen years. Services were at Vilstad Church southwest of Bruno and burial was in the Vilstad Cemetery.

In October the Bruno community was shocked and saddened to hear that Will Layng, one of their most well liked and active leaders, died from blood poisoning.

## **1915**

### **Deaths in 1915**

Mrs. Baldwin died just a month after celebrating her birthday. Her funeral was at the Presbyterian Church with Rev. Barr officiating. She was buried in the Bruno cemetery. Mrs. Baldwin was survived by four daughters. Mrs. Patrick Murphy, Mrs. Hiram Walsh, Mrs. Hattie Johnson of Bruno, and Mrs. John Mohr of Stillwater. She had been a widow for sixteen years.

The body of Freddie Dauel was brought from Stillwater for burial in the Bruno Cemetery. The funeral was held at his parents home in Norman Township. Freddie had died from typhoid fever. His parents believed he had been held by Stillwater authorities in an unsafe environment. The news story did not explain why he had been detained in Stillwater.

## **1916**

### **Marriages in 1916**

Iva Orcutt and William Sloan were married at Pine City in June.

Alice Sprague and Mike Plaisted were married August 23.

Goldie Plaisted and Tedd Doboszinski were married t Scred Heart Church on November 8.

## **Deaths in 1916**

Ella Chaplin Claugh, age forty-five, died on Feb. 25 after having an appendectomy at Eitel Hospital in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Comstock, mother of Mrs. Layng and Mrs. Ames, was killed when she was knocked down by a horse.

Martha Bertha Lindberg Gissler, fifty four, died of cancer. She was survived by her husband and eleven children.

## **1917**

### **Marriages in 1917**

Fred McClellan and Ruth Plaisted were married in February at the Mike Plaisted home in Duluth.

In April Mrs. Anna Friesendahl and Harold Elwell were married in Sandstone and left for their home in Duluth.

Floyd Fairchild and Miss Essie Bates were married at the Presbyterian Church in May. They were attended by Miss Ida Fairchild and Lloyd Bates.

Miss Inez Gellatly was married to a Mr. Anderson of Duluth in July.

### **Death in 1917**

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Plaisted lost their baby boy in July.

## **1918**

### **Marriage in 1918**

Earl Percy DeMaris and Edna Mabel Bates were married at the J. D. DeMaris home in August. The parlor was decorated with evergreens and white garlands with a large wedding bell. Miss Zana DeMaris and Lyle Bates were the attendants. The bride wore a white crepe de Chine dress and her attendant wore a light blue silk dress. Earl went into the service soon after the wedding.

## **Death in 1918**

Bloodhounds were brought from Mitchell, South Dakota, to search for little Frank Henzel, a four year old boy who was lost. Men had been searching for him since Monday, and they didn't find him until Thursday, it was too late. There had been heavy rain on Wednesday night and the child died from exposure. The funeral service was at the Catholic Church and he was buried in the Bruno cemetery.

## **1919**

### **Marriages in 1919**

Merle Gault and Leo Forsythe were married on July 9 at eleven o'clock at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Gault. The ceremony was performed under an arch of green ferns and flowers. Attendances were Laura Layng and Glenn Gault. Helen Walsh was flower girl. Miss Althea Hoaglund played the wedding march. A large reception was held at 3:00 o'clock. Both the bride and groom had grown up in Bruno.

Myrtle DeMaris surprised her Bruno friends when she sent them an announcement of her marriage to Ralph Walsh of Hampton, Iowa. They were married in the Methodist church in Hampton, Iowa and then planned to live in Hampton.

### **Deaths in 1919**

Little Marionette Rose Gault, daughter of the Will Gaults, died on October 4, 1919. The funeral was held from the Presbyterian Church, Rev. Kamman officiated. Her death was caused when she ate pills from a box of medicine. She was only four years old.

## **1920**

### **Marriages in 1920**

Mrs. Lucy Gay and John Moneette were married in Pine City and made their home in Faribault.

Elsie Bates and Willie DeMaris were married in Duluth and resided in Bruno.

### **Deaths in 1920**

Mrs. F. W. Dauel died February 5, having succumbed to injuries caused by a kerosene explosion in the house kitchen.

Brynoff Armstrong, age twenty, died January 31 as a result of an appendicitis attack.

## **1921**

### **Weddings in 1921**

Miss Evelyn Plaisted and Mr. Glenn Gaualt were married on October 13<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Roy Emerson and Miss Emma Martha Robinson were married in October

### **Deaths**

Mr. George W. Plaisted passes away shortly after his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. He had been living with his son, M. W. Plaisted.

News came from Chisago that Mr. Pat Kane had died. A pioneer Bruno businessman, he had owned Kane's saloon from 1899 until Prohibition.

Fred McClellan passed away in November. Death resulted from an accidental gun discharge.

Reynold Lingren, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lingren was killed as a result of being kicked by a horse.

## **1922**

### **Weddings in 1922**

Miss Maude Rodenberger and Lee Beavens were married February 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Eggerman, who were married in early May, made their home on his father's farm east of Bruno.

Marion Gaualt and Genevieve Larson were married September 5.

### **Deaths in 1922**

Margaret Jean, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Saastad was seriously burned November 24 when she tried to put some paper into the stove (to warm her doll good). Her clothes caught fire as a result. She did not survive, death coming soon after.

## **1923**

### **Weddings in 1923**

The Carl Pearson family celebrated the weddings of two daughters; Astrid Paulen Pearson and Grant Harvey DeMaris were married on March 16. Miss Mabel Pearson married Donald Archambault of Duluth June 14.

Miss Marie Gellatly was united in marriage to Arthur Lund on June 23.

Miss Zana DeMaris became the bride of Hubert Hill, a resident of Minneapolis in July.

In August, Miss Verda Pletcher was married to Mr. Lloyd Bates.

Claude Hammer and Miss Gladys Hoff were married in Des Moines, Iowa and will live near there.

Miss Genevieve Gellatly and Elder Plaisted were married in Duluth during November and resided there.

Miss Frances Domning and MR. Elmer Breiland were married on December 13.

### **Deaths in 1923**

Mrs. Alice Plaisted passed away on April 11 at the young age of twenty seven. She and her husband were residing in Duluth

Francis Olson, the seventeen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Olson, was killed accidentally in June. While working with a road crew, he took the full charge of a dynamite blast.

Mrs. Alice Rick, age eighty three, died in September. The mother of Mrs. J. D. DeMaris, she was a native of England and had recently lived at her daughter's home.

# 1924

## Weddings in 1924

Miss Thora Heininge of Askov and Clarence Breiland were married in Minneapolis on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Adams, became the bride of Arthur J. Anderson of Duluth on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Nettie Layng announced the marriage of her daughter, Laura Kathryn, to Claudius Billman, on June 24<sup>th</sup>. The wedding was held at Atwater, Minnesota

Miss Emma Nortrup and Mr. Ed Domning were married on July 12<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Johannah Myren and Irvin Plaisted were united in marriage on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Johanna Pawloski and Mr. Chester Waletzkwow tied the knot in November at Sturgeon Lake.

Miss Myrtle Davis and Mr. Francis Pearson married on December 18, 1924.

## Deaths in 1924

A son of the Rudolph Lund family died in April.  
The son of the John Wahlstrom family died August 14<sup>th</sup>.

# 1925

## Weddings in 1925

Miss Ruth Barbara Walsh was married to Albert C. Buetow of St. Paul on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Miss Irene Figg became the bride of Lester Hammer on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Emma Jackson and John Lundgren were married on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Deaths in 1925



Mrs. Eva Jackson passed away in January at the age of eighty. She, with her husband, John came to the Askov-Bruno area in 1897 from Sweden.

Mrs. Joe Bribo passed away on October 6.

The nineteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Frisendahl, Harold, was killed early November in an automobile accident that occurred north of Duluth.

## **1926**

### **Wedding Anniversary in 1926**

Mr. and Mrs. William Weber, parents of Mrs. Adams, celebrated their sixty-sixth wedding anniversary on August 13. Mrs. Weber is eighty four and Mr. Weber is ninety one.

### **Weddings in 1926**

A double wedding took place on July 31. Miss Wanda Rupp became the bride of Albert Ostercamp and Miss Uneeta Rupp was married to William Davis.

Louise Brandt became the bride of James Steele of Morris, Illinois on August 25<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Inga Larsen and John Patrick Murphy were married September 17<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Alvira Lundahl and Carl Lemke were married October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Jane Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cooper, became the bride of Clifford I. Sonnenberg from Minneapolis on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Deaths in 1926**

Bruno lost a prominent resident on September 23. John Stafford died soon after an auto accident that occurred on Highway No. 1 near Willow River. Others in the second car received injuries. Mr. Stafford, age fifty four, had been president of the village council, town clerk, and served on the school board for many years. He was also the clerk and elder of the Bruno Presbyterian Church for nearly twenty-two years.

Mr. Timothy Billman passed away in Texas on February 19.

Julius F. Slott, Sr. age seventy-two passed away on July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Charles G. Lindstrom passed away on November 13. He was fifty eight years of age. Death was caused by an inflammation of the heart.

Mrs. Hoganson passed away on December 27. She and her husband came to Bruno on June 21, 1896. Mr. Hoganson had died fifteen years earlier.

## **1927**

### **Anniversaries in 1927**

A great celebration took place on June 30 for the golden anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Nelson. They arrived in Bruno from Sweden before the turn of the century, homesteading between Bruno and Askov.

### **Weddings in 1927**

Miss Louise Williams was married on February 10 in Detroit to Arthur Dahl of that city.

Miss Della Moberg of Grand Rapids, Wisconsin, is the bride of Albert Breiland of Bruno. The wedding took place in Minneapolis on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Sylvester Marihart married Miss Elizabeth Carrs of Proctor, a former teacher at Bruno. This ceremony took place in Detroit on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Adeline Rudd of Park Township and Carl Neibour of Friesland were married on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Deaths in 1927**

Two young men were spending the winter hunting and trapping near Two Harbors. There was no word from them for a long time. A brother of one traveled to the area in March to find their charred bodies in a shanty that had burned completely. Funerals were conducted for these men, George Kowitz and Henry Hannon.

Oscar F. Peterson died at his home on July 1 at the age of seventy four. He came to Bruno in 1918 and was in the potato and feed business.

Mrs. Grant H. DeMaris of Duluth, nee Astrid Pearson, was the victim of drowning at Sturgeon Lake during a Fourth of July weekend picnic. She was only twenty five years old.

Another untimely death occurred on November 5. Mrs. Frank Olson passed away. She was forty four years old.

## **1928**

### **Weddings in 1928**

Miss Agnes Nelson and Adolph Draves were married in Pine City February 17<sup>th</sup>.

From Park Township, news came that Miss Mildred Martinek and Mr. Leslie Stater were married on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Myrtle Johnson became the bride of Peter A. Peterson, both of Bruno, at Grand Rapids on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Miss Irene Christine Jensen and James Willam Thompson of Minneapolis on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Fro the neighborhood east of Kerrick, the news was that Miss Mary Mach married Adolph Larson on August 28.

In Park Township, Miss Eva Swanson of Askov married Fredolin Martinek in September.

Myrtle Breiland and John Douglas exchanged wedding vows in Pine City on September 6<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Evelyn Jackson and Victor Marihart were married in Pine City on September 21<sup>st</sup>, and they made their home in Bruno.

Miss Frances Walsh became the bride of Jimmie Renford of Fergus Falls on December 23 in Pine City.

### **Deaths in 1928**

Mr. Julian Monette, who was living with his son, Mose, passed away October 9. He had lived a remarkable ninety six years.

Swan Ecklund, age sixty seven, died on October 9. The cause of death was apoplexy.

## **1929**

### **Special Birthday in 1929**

On August 13, many relatives and friends gathered at the E. W. Adams home to celebrate an important birthday. The mother of Mrs. Adams, Mrs. William Webber, was observing her eighty seventh birthday.

### **Weddings in 1929**

Miss Glee Plaisted was united in marriage to Mr. Grant DeMaris on June 12 in West Duluth. They will reside in Duluth.

### **Deaths in 1929**

Mrs. Louis Bade died on December 30, 1928 She and Mr. Bade lived in Bruno at one time.

Mrs. Esther Gates Lalyng passed away early in January at the age of eighty-four. She and her deceased husband were early settlers, arriving soon after the turn of the century.

Mr. Thure Hoganson, age forty four, died on January 6. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hogan Hoganson.

Mr. James Morrison, age eighty six, passed away on March 20, to be followed by Mrs. Morrison's death on March 22. She was eighty one years of age.

## **1930**

### **Weddings in 1930**

Mr. William Marihart and Miss Clara Nortrup exchanged wedding vows on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Francis Starch of Bruno married Miss Gertrude Smith of Aitkin on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Louise Marihart was united in marriage to Mr. Lawrence Kertscher on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Norbert Tabery was married to Miss Daisy Eisentrager in Hillsview, South Dakota, on December 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Deaths in 1930**

A pioneer, Mr. William DeMaris, passed away in early March at the age of seventy-four. He and his wife came to the Bruno area in 1912 at which time they purchased a 320 acre farm. It was determined that hardening of the arteries caused his death.

On April 1, another pioneer, Albert Fairchild, age seventy-one, also passed away. The Fairchild family came to Bruno in 1903.

Mr. John Bade died in September. Mr. Bade was sixty five years of age. He had resided next to Sand Creek since 1904. He was a charter member of the Presbyterian Church in Bruno.

Others who were reported to have died during 1930 were Mrs. Carl Von Schenk, Mr. S. E. Cooper, Mr. Frank Pilrain, and Ole Larson.

## **1931**

### **Weddings in 1931**

A January 1 article announced that Mr. Leonard Lund and Miss Lydia Jensen became man and wife on Saturday.

On January 12, Mr. Erick Zack and Alice Mach were united in marriage.

Miss Alma Jensen and Mr. Thomas Rodenberger were married on May 21. On May 28 they occupied their home, known as the Baily farm.

June 17 was the wedding date of Mr. Oscar Eklund and Miss Della Greene. They made their home in Willow River.

News reached Bruno that Miss Josephine Douglas and Mr. Charles Bramkamp were married at Phoenix, Arizona on July 27<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Esther Hammer was united in marriage to Chester Frisendahl of Little Falls on August 1.

Miss Joyce Edwards of Bruno married Mr. Arthur E. Anderson of Minneapolis on November 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Deaths in 1931**

Mr. H. G. White, a pioneer of Bruno since 1908, passed away on July 24. When Mr. White's parents lived near Beloit, Wisconsin, after 1855, five of his siblings succumbed from an epidemic of whooping cough and measles in a period of one week.

Mrs. Plank, who resided at the O. F. Peterson home, died on August 7<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Carrie Sway, age eighty four, died late September. She was the mother of John Sway of Park Township.

Frank Watson died on November 15. He was eight-six. Mr. Watson was buried in South Dakota. He had been residing with his son George of Bruno.

November 20 noted the passing of Henry Brandt, Sr. at the age of sixty-nine. He came to Bruno in 1912.

Mrs. Nath Degerman passed away on December 17 at the young age of fifty-one. She had been ill for several years.

## **1932**

### **Weddings in 1932**

Edwin Wallner and Adeline Domning were married in January. The wedding took place in Duluth.

February was the wedding of Elmer Hansen and Helen Seabloom. The vows were spoken in Moose Lake.

Miss Gertrude Cash of Park Township and Mr. Maurice Monette of Fleming Township were married in early March. They remained in the community.

Mr. Clarey Jensen of Askov and Miss Dorothy Saastad of Bruno were united in marriage at the Danish Lutheran Church in early June. Their residence was in the Askov area.

Miss Faye Gilson and Mr. Alvin Damman became man and wife in June. Both were Bruno residents.

Miss Rose Mach, a resident east of Bruno, and Thomas Waletzko of Willow River were married in Kerrick on June 27<sup>th</sup>.

William Degerstrom and Miss Clara Nelson's wedding ceremony took place in Pine City on July 2.

The new Presbyterian minister, Rev. David Farrington, and Miss Effie Carlson of North Branch were married at her home in July.

Mr. Arthur Budd and Miss Marjorie Golden exchanged wedding vows in September.

Miss Sonja Nelson of Park Township and Mr. Arthur Tietz of Willow River were united in marriage at Moose Lake in October.

## **Deaths in 1932**

Mrs. Eli Spires (Grandma Spires) passed away in February. She was the mother of Mrs. Walter Hammer.

Jacob Wolf, the father of Mrs. Chas Kunz of Park Township, passed away in February.

Mrs. William Webber passed away on June 3, just short of her ninetieth birthday. She and her husband came to Bruno in 1917. She was fondly remembered for a favorite and very expert hobby, quilt making. Her husband had died prior to her passing.

Mr. Wm. W. Cleugh died in July at the age of sixty-seven. Mr. and Mrs. Cleugh came to Bruno in 1916. Mrs. Cleugh passed away soon after their arrival. He was a nearby neighbor of Andrew Storebo.

## **1933**

### **Weddings in 1933**

Miss Margie Rodenberger and Mr. Len Gilmore were married in Minneapolis in late January. They are making their home there.

The Leslie Darling and Frances Putnam nuptials were pronounced on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Viola Degerman and Mr. Lawrence DeMaris were wed in June.

### **Deaths in 1933**

Mr. William Lepeer, age fifty-nine, passed away in January. A resident of Bruno for many years, he operated the butcher shop there for a number of those years.

January was also the time of passing of Mrs. Catherine Beyer. Her home was northeast of Askov. She was over seventy-nine years of age. Children, Mrs. A Espointour and Walter Beyer, survived her.

Mrs. S. O. Saastad died on March 6 at the age of eighty-three. The Saatads came to Bruno in 1905.

Mrs. Anna E. Holm passed away on April 7. She was forty-nine.

## **1934**

### **Weddings in 1934**

On the very first day of 1934, Miss Genevieve Ione Anderson of Bruno became the bride of Mr. Carl Johnson of Finlayson.

Miss Luella Wallner of Bruno and Mr. Victor Larsen of Askov were married on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Ted Brieland of Bruno and Miss Violet Tyre of Minneapolis were united in marriage in early March.

Mr. Harry Pletcher and Miss Vivian Pearson, both of Bruno, were married on April 21.

Miss Dorothy Swanson of Moose Quarters, Wisconsin, and Peter Dumas of Bruno, were married on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Mary Storebo of Bruno married Mr. Edwin Olson of Stanchfield on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.



## **Deaths in 1934**

Mrs. Kilda St. Peter of Bruno passed away on March 4. She was seventy-three years of age.

Dr. F. W. Greene died at the age of eighty, in April. He originally came to Bruno in 1912 after "retiring" from practice. He left Bruno for a time but returned in 1922.

Mrs. John Mach, seventy-two, passed away on April 7. The Machs came to Bruno in 1919.

Mrs. Melvin Plaisted, sixty-three, passed away on May 8. Her husband, Mel, as well as five sons and three daughters mourned her death.

Mrs. Ludvig Peterson, sixty-six, and a resident of Bruno for thirty-two years, passed away in early December.

## **1935**

### **Weddings in 1935**

On September 5, Dale E. Miller of Bruno married Miss Jennie Severson of Cameron, Wisconsin.

November was the wedding date of the general store merchant in Bruno, Mr. Abe Markus. He married Miss Lillian Ruth Segal of Chicago.

Mr. Julius Waletzko and Miss Wilhelmena Purull exchanged wedding vows in November.

Miss Helen Matthes became the bride of Mr. Hosmer Miller in December.

### **Deaths in 1935**

Two deaths occurred in early January. Pneumonia caused the passing of Mrs. Arthur July, age thirty-four. Mr. Matthew Emerson, age sixty-eight, died in Anoka while he was helping a family member there.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monette passed away in February due to pneumonia.

Mrs. Susan Smith was laid to rest in March at the age of eighty-two. She and her husband, who passed away in 1925, came to Bruno in 1917.

Burns Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong, passed away in Minneapolis at the age of thirty-four.

Mrs. Julius Slott Jr. died in July at the age of seventy-five. She had been a resident of Bruno for twenty-seven years.

## 1936

### Weddings in 1936

The year began with the wedding of Miss Marian Starch to Mr. Orville Kay of Missouri on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

In April, Mr. Ernest Degerstrom was united in marriage to Miss Iris Bemus.

Miss Hildegun Samuelson of Oak Lake became the bride of Mr. Hedin, a resident of Vilstad, on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

May 30 was the wedding day of Miss Leona Starch to Mr. Leslie Williams of North Dakota.

Mr. Ivan Miller exchanged wedding vows with Miss Lillian Smith of St. Paul in July.

Miss Eva July and Mr. Adolph Storebo were married in August.

Mr. Robert Berglund and Miss Edna Dille of St. Paul were married on September 5.

Miss Vera Thomson of Park Township became the bride of Mr. Ralph Matthes in September.

Miss Helen Smith and Mr. Lawrence Forsyth were wed in September.

Miss Vivian Johnson, formerly of Bruno, and then from Duluth, married Mr. Pence of Duluth.

On October 22, Miss Elizabeth Pearson and Mr. Adrian Berglund became husband and wife.

Miss Myra A. Hammer became the bride of Mr. Albert C. Petersen of Askov in October.

Miss Rose Kvasnicka married Mr. Bert Johnson of Minneapolis in November.

## **Deaths in 1936**

Jimmie Peterson, just over two years of age, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Peterson, died on January 2 from pneumonia that was contracted after two surgeries were successfully performed.

In late February, Mr. Syver O. Saastad, age eighty-six, passed away in Mankato. He and his wife came to Bruno in 1905. Mr. Saastad died three years previously.

The June 4 news reported that the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Darling passed away in Minneapolis. He had suffered from a very weak heart.

One of Bruno's oldest residents passed away in late June. Mr. Daniel Nelson was born in Sweden in 1849 and settled in Bruno in 1888. This funeral was not long after a celebration was held on April 29, not only for his wife's ninety-first birthday, but the annual observance of Mr. Nelson's eight-seventh birthday as well as the birthday of Mrs. Nelson's brother, Emil Larson, of Sandstone, who was ninety-six.

Word reached Bruno that a former resident had passed away in Minneapolis. Mrs. Arthur F. Anderson, formerly Miss Joyce Edwards, died on July 7 at the age of twenty-five.

August t claimed two other residents, William H. Tabery, age fifty-six, and Victor Holm of Fleming.

A tragic accident caused the death of Miss Mabel Anderson, age seventeen. She used kerosene in an attempt to help start a fire in the stove when the can exploded. She suffered for weeks before she passed away.

Mrs. Nels Lind passed away in September at the age of eighty.

## **1937**

### **Weddings in 1937**

Miss Sheila Ball became the bride of Mr. Arne Leskinen of Duluth in January. Mr. Leskinen was in the Merchant Marines.

Miss Mary Rose was married to Carlton Stafford. The ceremony took place on January 8. They made their home in Bruno.

Miss Blanche Seidenkrantz of Kerrick and Mr. Marvin Breiland of Bruno were united in marriage on June 16.

Miss Myrtle Olson of Ormsby and Mr. Oliver Armstrong of Racine were married on June 22. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong of Bruno.

Miss Dorothy Severson and Mr. John Storebo were married on July 30.

July 31 marked the date when Miss Lucille Moriette and Mr. Henry Olson became man and wife.

Miss June Hammer and Mr. James Nicalaw of Duluth were united in marriage on August 9.

Miss Ruby Rupp and Mr. France Melanson of Duquette were married on September 4<sup>th</sup>.

Miss Pearl Rupp and Mr. Alf Torrell of Duquette were united in marriage on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Henning Pearson and Miss Grace O'Connell of St. Paul were married on September 25.

Nuptial vows were exchanged between Miss Adelaide Frisendahl and Mr. Earl Bonnin on September 6.

Friends learned in November that Miss Lillie Purull had become the wife of Mr. Elmer Berg on May 1.

### **Deaths in 1937**

In January, scarlet fever claimed the life of Robert Martinek, age sixteen, of Park Township.

Two ladies in Bruno, Mrs. Catherine Stafford, eighty-five and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. John Stafford, sixty-two passed away on the same day, February 20. The former came to Bruno in 1920. Mrs. John Stafford arrived in 1904 with her husband. John and they operated a mercantile business. Mr. Stafford died as a result of an automobile accident in 1926.

Mrs. J. H. Frisendahl, age eight, died in March.

Mr. E. Larson of Sandstone was called from this earth in June at the age of ninety-seven. His sister, Christine (Mrs. Daniel Nelson), resided in Bruno and was ninety-two years old at this time.

Mrs. Henry A. Starch passed away in June. She was fifty-six. She and her husband came to Bruno in 1911.

Mr. J. D. DeMaris died on August 19 at the age of sixty-five. He came to the Bruno area in 1912.

Mrs. Mabel Sangren Haugen, age thirty-six died in September. She came to the area between Bruno and Willow River in 1911.

Rowland Smith, sixty-eight, passed away in September.

Mrs. Anna Degerstrom, eighty-two, died in November. She and her husband, Peter, were settlers in the Vilstad community in 1895.

Some former residents had passed away during the year. Mrs. Ed Smith, Robert Fairchild, Mrs. Harley Gellatly, and Mrs. Walter Hiatt.

## **1938**

### **Weddings in 1938**

On June 11, Miss Lavina Lafrenz and Mr. Geo. Basche were united in marriage.

In November, Miss Della Seablom became the bride of Mr. Clifford Degerstrom.

A wedding ceremony in December united Miss Velta Hendricks and Mr. Henry A. Starch in marriage.

### **Deaths in 1938**

A former resident of Bruno passed away in January. Mrs. Oscar (Carrie) Johnson was seventy. She had moved to Oregon two years before her death.

Joseph Kvasnicka of Park Township died in a Minneapolis hospital in June due to injuries he received from a run-away accident. He was thrown off the wagon when his horses became frightened and ran. He was sixty years of age.

Residents were sad when a respected business and church leader had died on October 1. Mr. Lingren was involved in Bruno's bank for twenty-seven years. He was sixty-one years of age.

In October, an early settler, Mr. Nels Breiland, passed away. He had been ill for several months.

Mrs. Lorra Barringer passed away in December at the age of seventy-eight

## **1939**

### **Weddings in 1939**

On April 8, Miss Beth Howey was married to Mr. Wayne McDonnell of Minneapolis.

Miss Edna Lapeer and Mr. Albert Christensen became man and wife in May.

Miss Signe Eklund was married to Mr. Harold Wahlstrom in July.

In September, Miss Ruth Darling became the bride of Mr. Clyde Sibley.

Miss Marie Southerton of Kerrick was united in marriage to Mr. Jerry Dyer of Bruno on September 17.

Mr. Robert Cross was married to Miss Ora Adams of Flint, Michigan, in September.

In October, Miss Shirley Rupp was united in marriage to Mr. Morris Anderson of Albert Lea.

Miss Grace Hanson and Mr. Floyd Damman exchanged wedding vows in October.

Miss Betty DeMaris of Bruno and Mr. Robert Spicer of Akov were married in October.

## **Deaths in 1939**

A former resident, Hattie Elms Otto passed away at Isanti. She was seventy-seven years of age.

One of Bruno's oldest citizens, Mr. William Trepanai died in March at the age of eighty-three.

Another former resident passed away at the age of forty-nine. Mrs. Frank Hoffman, formerly Miss Rosaline Schoumaker, was a resident of Duluth.

Mrs. W. A. Bull died on July 4. She was forty-eight.

Two old residents had passed away in July. They were Mr. Wm. Reynolds and Mr. Joe Vassar.

Mrs. George A. Brewsaugh died in Minneapolis on August 2. She was the sister of Mrs. Hiram Walsh and lived in Bruno for a time. She was seventy-two.

Word was received that a former resident, Mrs. William Tabery, passed away on August 1.

Mr. Charles Spraugue died on August 19 at the age of seventy-nine. He came to Bruno in 1909 and was a Watkins salesman for twenty-nine years.

Mrs. D. D. McCoy passed away on Oct. 1. She came to Bruno in 1908 and was over seventy years of age at the time of her death.

A former resident of Bruno, Mr. Nels Lind, passed away in November at Minneapolis at the age of eighty-four.

Mr. Jack Edwards, sixty-eight, passed away in November at Minneapolis. Mr. Edwards came to Bruno in 1916.

A car accident near Willow River took the life of John Furey in December. His son, Bernard, suffered a broken arm. A daughter, Irene, was unharmed.

## **1940**

### **Weddings in 1940**

Miss Goldie Sway of Park Township to Mr. Hjalmer Erickson of Nickerson.

Miss Ruth Nelson of Park Township to Mr. Ragnar Olson of Moose Lake.

Miss Shirley Winton to Mr. Herman Peterson.

Miss Bertha Kline of Kerrick and Mr. Claire Pletcher.

Miss Ethel Pederson of Bruno and Mr. Oscar Nelson of Sturgeon Lake.

Miss Lenora Rupp and Mr. Albert Hedin, both of Bruno.

Miss Dorothy Southerton of east of Bruno to Mr. Ralph Jones of Minneapolis

Miss Juliet Conrad of Minneapolis to Mr. Karl R. Von Schenk of Bruno.

Miss Mabel Hultgren of Kerrick to Mr. Carl Kvasnicka of Bruno.

Miss Florence Monette of Bruno and Mr. Axel Hansen of Askov.

Miss Helen Walsh from Bruno and Mr. Russell Peters of Superior.

### **Deaths in 1940**

The early January news reported the death of Fredrick Rupp. He was sixty-four years old and came to Minnesota from Illinois when he was just eight months of age.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rupp received word that their son had passed away. He was thirty-two. He was a patient in Cambridge.

The three-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hammer, Donna Mae, died on March 10.

Pneumonia caused the death in April of Jackie Southerton, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Southerton.

A pioneer settler passed away in April. Mr. Grant E. Gault was born in 1866 and came to Bruno in 1905. He had always been very active in the community.



A former resident, Mrs. Grace Herber Pearson passed away in Rochester. She came to Bruno in 1919 and moved to Rochester about two years prior to her death. She was sixty-six.

Elof Friesendahl, Jr. died in June. He was fifteen years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Jap Hill were informed that Mr. Hill's brother, William, had died. He was a former Bruno resident but had moved to Seattle, Washington.

Louis J. Lindstrom, age seventy-five, passed away in October. He came to Pine County in 1915.

Mr. Nels Peter Lundahl, a Vilstad pioneer, was laid to rest in December. He was a resident of the community since 1904.

## **1941**

### **Weddings in 1941**

Miss Lillian M. Pederson of McGregor to Mr. Melvin V. Schott of Hinckley. Miss Pederson had been employed at Eklund's Store in Bruno for several years.

Miss Alma Storebo of Bruno to Mr. Theodore Bade of Bruno.

Miss Frances Beckman of Sandstone and Mr. Joe Ames of Bruno.

Miss Victoria Kalafut of Pleasant Hill to Mr. Ralph Armstrong of St. Paul

Miss Margaret Palm of Brook Park to Mr. Jacob Storebo of Bruno.

Miss Virginia Dyer of Bruno and Mr. Henry Melancon of Nickerson.

### **Deaths in 1941**

It was reported in January that the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Giles Duncan had passed away on December 22 from pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Breiland lost a baby son in January.

Mrs. Wm. DeMaris passed away in February at the age of eighty-three. She had been a resident of Bruno for many years.

Margaret Berg, the sixteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Berg passed away in February from a cerebral hemorrhage.

Mrs. Frank Martinek of Park Township died on March 1 at the age of seventy.

Mrs. Francis H. Pavelka passed away on March 2, she was eight-four.

Services were held on March 7 for Mrs. F. W. Greene, the widow of Dr. Greene. They served the Bruno community together for years.

Oscar Lindstrom, age sixty-three, died in May. He had been a resident of Bruno for some time.

James Murphy, formerly of Bruno and then a resident of Kerrick, was electrocuted while on the job near Stanchfield. He was thirty-four.

Mr. Michael J. McMann passed away in June.

Mrs. Daniel L. Nelson died in November at the age of ninety-six. She and her husband were the first settlers in Norman Township in 1890.

Albert P. Waletzko passed away in December. He was seventy-three. He came to the area with his parents in 1887.

## **1942**

### **Weddings in 1942**

Miss LaVerta Krueger and Herman Marotz.

Miss Loretta Purull of Bruno and Mr. Gale Pletcher of Mahtowa.

Miss Lola Olson and Mr. Ross Naylor

Miss Phyllis Plaisted of Bruno and Mr. Charles Willard of Mankato..

Miss Dorothy Sather and Mr. Harry N. Sway of Park Township.

Miss Charolette Ogilvie and Mr. George Samuelson.

Miss Jennie Anderson of Kerrick to Rev. J. Florentin Anderson of Bruno.

Miss Evelyn Kahring of Barnum to Mr. Clarence Sway of Parka Township.

Miss Ingrid Pearson of Bruno and Mr. Alfred Watrin of the Grindstone Lake community.

## **Deaths in 1942**

Louie A. Larson, a Fleming resident who had been ill for several years, passed away in January. He was forty-nine years old.

Mrs. Della W. Peterson died in Illinois City in February.

Mrs. Mary Bade, formerly of Bruno passed away in California.

Bert Allen Messenger, formerly of Bruno, died in Bemidji.

The Vilstad Lutheran Church held a funeral service for two local women in April. Mrs. John Lundgren was sixty-five and Mrs. Dorothea Linge was forty-five.

Rites were held in May for a Norman Township resident, J. I. Novak.

Four members of the Melancon family of Nickerson were killed in May when the truck they were in was hit by a Great Northern Flyer at the Kerrick crossing. Mr. and Mrs. Melancon and daughter were killed instantly from the impact. A son died two hours later.

Mrs. Francis H. Pavelka succumbed to a stroke in June.

Mr. Victor Marihart died in Minneapolis in July and his mother, Mrs. Joseph Marihart died in October.

Patrick Gallagher, formerly of Bruno, passed away in St. Paul. Death occurred in October. He was ninety-two.

Irving Plumb, fifty, passed away in October.

## **1943**

## **Weddings in 1943**

Miss Lillian Traxler was married in the West to Sgt. Milton Curtis on December 19, 1942

Miss Avis Darrow became the bride of Mr. Floyd Blankenship.

Miss Betty June Dietz of Askov married Pvt. Roy Charles Bates of Bruno.

Miss Hilma E. Seablom exchanged vows with Mr. Axel Melvin Lundgren.

Miss Sarah Monthei of Waukegan, Illinois, and Mr. Doanld Rose of Bruno.

Miss Una Papenfuss of New Richmond, Wisconsin and Mr. Roy E. Cook.

Miss Ruth Irene Bragg of Englewood, California, and Mr. Hersal Elwell of Bruno.

Miss Irene Furey of Bruno and Mr. Joe Thill.

Miss Luella Wahl of St. Paul and Mr. Andrew Traxler of Bruno.

Miss Irene Margaret Haley of St. Paul and Mr. Arthur E. Dracy of Bruno.

Miss Wilma Fredericks of Bruno and Mr. Norman Hawley.

Miss Francis July and Mr. Edward Jorgensen.

## **Deaths in 1943**

Mr. Bribo passed away in January.

A former resident, Mrs. Walter Hammer passed away in March. She resided in California. Mrs. Hammer was sixty-eight.

Mrs. Edward Gray of Grand Rapids died in April. She lived in Bruno prior to 1917.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Waletzko passed away in April.

Mrs. Jacob Storebo died in April. She was just thirty-two years of age.

Mrs. Mary Martinek of Park Township lost her mother. She passed away in Austin.

Mr. Wilbur Kelley succumbed to a heart attack. He came to Bruno about twenty-five years before his death.

Mrs. Frank Magee passed away in June.

Mr. Herman Noeldner, a twenty-year resident, passed away in July.

Mr. Fred Wood's body was found in his cabin where he lived alone. A fifteen-year resident, Mr. Wood was sixty-nine.

## **1944**

### **Marriages in 1944**

Miss Margaret Howey and Mr. Merritt Plumb on New Year's Day.

Miss Ada Lorraine Miller and Mr. Harold Noeldner.

Miss Doris Betty Turks, of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin and Mr. Arthur G. Schrader of Bruno.

Miss Orvilla Sangren and Mr. Wesley E. Otte.

Miss Grace Southerton, from east of Bruno, and Mr. Ray Ketchum of Kerrick.

Miss Elaine Spicer and Carl Christensen.

Miss Ella May Sangrene, formerly of Norman Township, and Mr. Norman Flick of Kokomo, Indiana.

### **Deaths in 1944**

Death called two men in January. Mr. Edward L. Rupp, age seventy-six, was a twenty-two year resident of Bruno. Mr. Frederick W. Grabow was seventy-two.

Word reached Bruno in February that a former resident, Mrs. Frank Rodenberger, had passed away in California.

Mrs. Louisa Peasley, the mother of Mrs. E. P. Gage, passed away in Prescott, Wisconsin, at the age of 102.

Mr. Harold C. Elwell died suddenly in August. He came to Bruno in 1903 and was fifty-six at the time of his death.

Mr. Ward J. Edwards of Sturgeon Lake died at the age of twenty-nine. He came to Bruno at the age of two and had left several years ago.

Mrs. Minnie Sidenkrantz, sixty-three, died September 16 in Vancouver, Washington.

A result of several heart attacks, Mr. Ted Rudd, of Pak Township, passed away in October.

Mr. Fred Saastad, fifty-six, was laid to rest in October. He came to the Bruno area in 1906.

## **1945**

### **Weddings in 1945**

Eunice Dahlgren and Vernon Sangren.

Shirley Fisher of Anoka and Robert Olson, formerly of Park Township.

Carol Jean Jackson, H. A. 2/c Wave of Memphis, Tennessee, and Ralph Plaisted S 2/c

Miss Bernice Zebrasky of Park Township and Mr. Desmond Pitman of St. Paul.

Miss Betty Kozlowski and Mr. Wilbur Jones.

Miss Shirley DeMaris of Bruno and Mr. Frank Johnson of Minneapolis.

Miss Alice Albertsen and Mr. Lester Dracy.

Corp. Rose Mary Vinger and Corp. George I. Good.

### **Deaths in 1945**

A former resident, Mrs. Peter Snyder died January 24 in Waukegan, Illinois. She was sixty-three.

Mr. George M. Hyatt passed away in April at the age of seventy-eight.

Pvt. Roy M. Johnson who was killed in action.

Henry C. Bade of Moose Lake, age sixty-three, on July 18. He was a former resident of Bruno.

On August 8, Mr. Henry Starch passed away. He was sixty-four.

John Rupp, a resident since 1908, passed away on September 1 at the age of seventy-one. Mrs. Rupp subsequently sold the farm in November.

Mr. Albert July passed away in September. He was forty-six years of age.

A former resident, Mr. Albert Eugene Tuttle, passed away at Elmira, New York at the age of eighty-nine.

Lt. Leo G. Olson died in Belgium.

A former Bruno youth, Russell Miller, fell through the ice in November at Chisago City while looking for trapping prospects.

Mrs. Albert F. Forsyth died on November 25, she had been a resident of the Bruno community since 1907. She was seventy-six.

Mr. Anton Vaclav Havel, father of Mrs. Frank Martinek in Park Township, passed away in December.

Mrs. Gertrude Ball passed away in December, the result of severe burns. She was sixty-two.

## **1946**

### **Marriages in 1946**

Miss Verna Dicke of Red Wing and Mr. Harry Schrader of Bruno.

Miss Anna Goldberg of Sandstone and Mr. Ivan Lundeen of Bruno.

Ms. Helen Rupp and Mr. Elmer Sisco.

Miss Gloria Bandow and Mr. Wilfred J. Elwell of Bruno.

Miss Jean Mildred Beavens of Bruno and Mr. Werner J. Lunde of Askov.

Miss Dorothy Berglund of Bruno and Mr. Leslie Armstrong of Kerrick.

Miss Duena R. Kellhofer of Chillicothe, Ohio, and First Lieutenant Joseph E. Ames of Bruno.

Miss Roberta Noeldner and Mr. Raymond Storebo, both of Bruno.

Miss Myrtle B. Nolan of Bruno and Mr. Donald E. Foster of St. Paul.

Miss Joyce Wahlstrom of Bruno and Mr. John A. Seabloom of Askov.

Miss Alice Joan Juneski of St. Paul and Mr. Russell W. Market of Bruno.

Miss Phyllis Purull of Bruno and Carl Lingle of Kettle River.

Miss Dorothy LaVern Olson of Bruno and Mr. Arthur LeRoy Bushey of Minneapolis.

Miss Ruth LePeer, formerly of Bruno, and Mr. William Webster of Washington, DC.

Miss Jacqueline Murasky and William Slott of Bruno.

Miss Marie Sullivan of Bruno and Dr. Michael Echemendia of Havana, Cuba.

Miss Elaine Bundgard of Hutchinson and Mr. Hilge G. Samuelson of Bruno.

### **Deaths in 1946**

A resident since 1902, Mr. Harry J. Bates passed away on January 3 at the age of eight-six.

Mr. Patrick Murphy passed away on March 2. He was eighty-six years of age. Mr. Murphy came to Bruno in 1902 and was an important figure in the growth of Bruno and the surrounding area.

John Carl Zebrasky of Park Township passed away in September at the age of fifty-six.



A former resident, Mr. Garfield Edmund Douglas passed away in October. Mr. Douglas was forty-eight.

Mr. Frank P. Martinek passed away in November. Born in Czechoslovakia in 1867, he and his wife came to clear a farm in Park Township in 1904.

John Armstrong, a Bruno resident since 1905, died in November at the age of eighty-one.

## **1947**

### **Weddings in 1947**

Miss Irene Wermerskirchen of Bruno and Mr. William Brummett of Long Beach, California.

Miss Norma Jean Plaisted of Bruno and Mr. Merle H. Wood of Willow River.

Miss Gretchen Conklin and Mr. Fred Murphy.

Miss Marcelene Lindstrom and Mr. Stanley R. Deikman.

Miss LuVerne Breiland of Bruno and Mr. Carl Sandahl of Askov.

Ms. Francis July and Mr. Floyd Keuhn, both of Bruno.

Miss Marjorie Rose Wermerskirchen of Bruno and Mr. Raymond R. Steppa of Kerrick.

Miss Peggy K. Billman and Mr. Kenneth E. Cahoon, both of Bruno.

Miss Adeline Ellen Albertsen of Bruno and Mr. Hurley J. Anderson of Moose Lake.

Miss Elaine Fairchild of Bruno and Mr. Robert Carroll of Finlayson.

Miss Margaret Wolfe of St. Paul and Mr. Clifford Olson of Bruno.

Miss Lillian Schrader of Bruno and Mr. William J. Krumholtz of Hallock.

Miss Marjorie Jean Gilmore of Hinckley and Mr. Warren I. Larson of Bruno.

Miss June Mayfield and Mr. Wallace Jackson, both of Bruno.

Miss Betty Passow of Bruno and Mr. Glenn Wood of Willow River.

Miss Virginia Gross of Bruno and Mr. Elmer Olson formerly of Bruno.

Miss Romayne Lemke of Askov and Mr. Max R. Market Jr. of Bruno.

Mrs. Hyatt and Mr. D.D. McCoy, Bruno residents.

Miss Millie Storebo of Bruno and Mr. Svend Jensen of Askov.

### **Deaths in 1947**

Clarence J. Breiland passed away in January. He came to Bruno in 1905 as a young boy. He moved to Minneapolis in 1922. He was forty-nine years of age.

Nels Berg of Park Township died in March. He was sixty-four.

Mrs. Andrew Olson passed away in April at the age of seventy-seven.

Albert F. Forsyth, at eighty, passed away in June. A resident of the Bruno area beginning in 1907, he had moved to Duluth in 1945.

Mrs. Sadie DeMaris White passed away on August 4.

Mrs. Harriet Olive Thayer, the mother of Mrs. Chas. Southerton, passed away in August.

Miss Anna Mutch, eight, of Park Township passed away in August.

## **1948**

### **Marriages in 1948**

Miss Betty Ruth Shandorf of St. Paul and Mr. Vernon Olson of Bruno

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Miss Irene Hardan of Chicago and Mr. Bert Smith of Bruno.

Miss Joyce Rounds and a Bruno resident, Harry Osterkamp.

Miss Harriet Kathleen Fuller of Bruno and Mr. Kenneth Ray Hall of Brainerd.

Miss Pat Fogarty and Mr. Walter Berg, both from the Bruno area.

Miss Phyllis Ericson, formerly of Bruno and Mr. Herman Hinseth of Minneapolis

### **Deaths in 1948**

Albert Kalafut of Park Township passed away in April.

A young Mrs. Svend Jensen (Millie Storebo) passed away in May.

The Bruno community was saddened to learn of the death of Dr. W. C. Ehmker of Willow River in May. He meant a great deal to the Bruno community.

A former resident, Mrs. George Lord, passed away in June. The death occurred in Minneapolis.

Mr. Gust Wenzel, a resident for forty years, died in June at the age of seventy-five.

Mr. Ed Clough passed away in June.

Polio took a life in October of Mr. Warren Hammer. He was living in Duluth at the time of his death. He was twenty-six.

Mrs. Charles Sprague, seventy-five, passed away in November. She left Bruno four years earlier after living there for thirty years.

Mrs. Mary K. McCoy was laid to rest in December. She was sixty-seven years of age.

Mrs. Alice Amell, mother of Mrs. William Marihart passed away in December.

## **1949**

### **Weddings in 1949**

Miss Peggy Bier of St. Paul and Mr. Alton Claire Elwell of Bruno.

Miss Tyre A. Buege of Stillwater and Mr. Kenneth D. Jorgensen of Bruno.

Miss Elsie Nelson of Park Township and Mr. Dallas Cadmus of St. Paul.

Miss Marie Ann Furey of Bruno and Mr. Donald Raymond Marier of Hugo.

Miss Zola Southerton of east of Kerrick and Mr. Larry Farness of Duluth.

### **Deaths in 1949**

Mrs. Jossie Mach passed away in February at the age of sixty-two. She and her husband, Frank, came to Bruno in 1915.

Mr. Joseph H. Barrigar was sixty four when he died in February.

Mr. Carl J. Johnson, a resident since 1919, also passed away in February. He was sixty-seven.

A former resident, Mr. James Martin Davis, passed away in Seattle at the age of eighty-five. He resided in Bruno from 1914 until 1934.

Polio was the cause of death for Mrs. Walter Jensen in March. She was thirty-two.

Otto S. Olson died in August. He was seventy-four.

Rites for Claude Hammer were held in August. Mr. Hammer died at the age of forty-eight.

Mrs. Sophia Martha Bartels, seventy-two, passed away in Joliet, Illinois. She had been a resident of Bruno for a few years prior to 1942.

