KRIEGER, Henry 1990

Henry Krieger was born 12 July 1885 in Norka, Russia. He was one of 17 children (2 sets of twins and only 2 girls) born to Heinrich and Magdalena (Hohnstein) Krieger. As an infant he was baptized in Holy Baptism and after completing religious instruction of Holy Truths was confirmed in 1901 at age 16.

On 13 April, 1903, he took the last communion at the Norka church. After leaving Norka 31 May 1903, he arrived at the Port of Philadelphia 18 June 1903. From there he traveled to Portland, Oregon where he lived with his brother, John and family, until he married. Henry married Maria Lind on 2 June 1906. Maria died 30 May 1917, after suffering for 2 years with complications of tuberculosis. No children were born from this marriage.

Henry then married Maria Block, nee Obermiller, who had a six year old daughter, Irena. Two daughters were born to Henry and Maria, Ruby Rebecca and Dorothea Ruth. A third marriage ended in divorce after a short time (wife unknown).

Henry's first job in Portland was to collect garbage with a horse drawn wagon. He then worked at East Side Lumber Co. in Sellwood with his brother, Melchior. Since neither of them had a car, they rode the Oregon City streetcar to work. Later, Henry and his brother-in-law Henry Krieger, became partners in a booming garbage business. The two Henry Kriegers had married Obermiller sisters.

After his retirement, Henry, helped build cabins and other buildings at a church camp. He received no money for this project. He said, "I was working for the Lord, doing the Lord's work." Back in Norka, Henry's father was a casket-maker. Because he learned to work with lumber as a boy, Henry was able to use this knowledge all his life. He made some furniture, but his most prized works were small chests with designs of inlaid wood.

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Information from documents and his daughter Ruby

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Krieger – Henry, father of Ruby R. Werth, stepfather of Irene Scheideman; father-in-law of Bert A. Werth; grandfather of Seeford B. Werth, gr. grandfather of Kelly A. Jones, Leslie K., Sherrie I., Michael P. and Craig W. Werth; gr. gr. grandfather of Karen L. Jones; several nieces and nephews. Services, Saturday April 26 1 p.m. Ross Hollywood Chapel, N.E. 48<sup>th</sup> and Sandy. Friends invited. Private interment Lincoln Memorial. Member of Apostolic Faith Church.