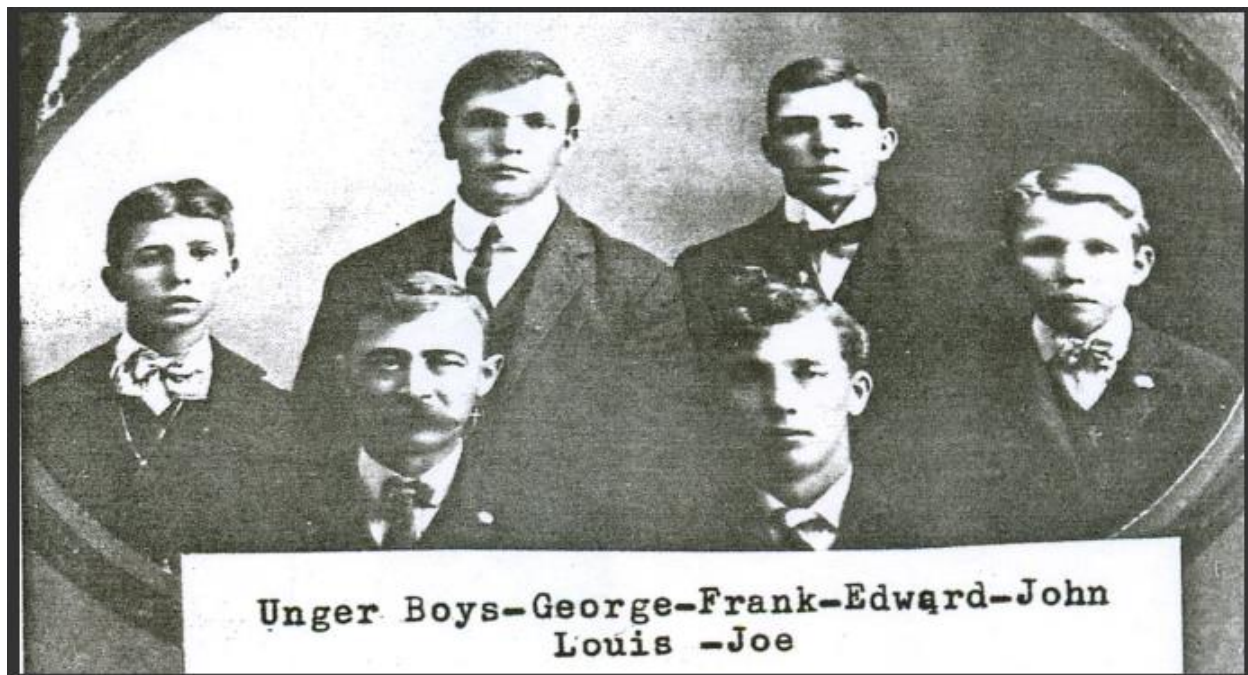


TUSCANIA

Tuscania casualty

Unger, Fred Mat

1884 NE – 5 February 1918 Tuscania



Photograph does not include Fred – his brothers/half-brothers - Those identified with captions are standing left to right: Edward George Unger, (Rev.) Joseph Peter Unger, John Andrew Unger, George Joseph Unger – that leaves Louis John Unger & Frank J. Unger. Since Frank is the oldest of all of Fredrick Unger's children, he is likely the seated man at left with the moustache & Louis John Unger is the seated man at front right. -

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WAR DEPARTMENT
O. Q. M. Form No. 623
Approved Aug. 12, 1913
Revised July 15, 1929

ORIGINAL
APPLICATION FOR HEADSTONE
(PLEASE MAKE OUT AND RETURN IN DUPLICATE)

Name	Rank	Company	U. S. Regiment, State Organization, or Vessel	Date of Death
Unger, Fred M. <i>OK</i>	<i>OK</i> Pvt.	Co. D. <i>OK</i> 20 Engineers		Feb. 5, 1918 <i>OK</i>
Name of Cemetery	Located in or near— City State		If World War Veteran— Division State Emblem	
Catholic Cemetery	Parkston, S. D.		Non-Dis. <i>OK</i> S. D. <i>OK</i> Christian	

TO BE SHIPPED TO: Herbert Dortland (Name of consignee) at Parkston, S. D. Davison Co. (Give town, county, and State)

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE: Box 512, Mitchell, S. D.

DO NOT WRITE HERE

I hereby agree to accept the headstone at above destination, freight prepaid, and properly place same at decedent's grave.
This application is for the UNMARKED* grave of a World War Veteran Soldier. It is understood the stone will be furnished and delivered at the railroad station or steamboat landing above indicated, at Government expense, freight prepaid, and agreed to be promptly removed and set up at private expense.

Verified: _____
Ordered: _____
From: PROCTOR, VT. MAY 23 1932
Shipped: 6/16/32

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Herbert Dortland, Applicant.
Address: Box 512, Mitchell, S. D. Date: Dec. 29, 1931

*Stones must not be requested for any grave at which a private stone, monument, or other permanent marker is already erected or is to be erected.
†State whether soldier, sailor, marine, Army nurse, etc.

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Veteran headstone application - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/558342:2375>

Fred M Unger

Military • United States, World War I American Expeditionary Forces Deaths, 1917-1919

Unger, Fred M. Pvt Co D 6 Bn 20 Engrs Feb 5/18

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OREGON

WHITE: INDUCTED INTO NATIONAL ARMY OR ASSIGNED THERETO UPON ENLISTMENT.

NAME	SERIAL NO.	RANK	ORGANIZATION AT TIME OF DEATH	DATE OF DEATH
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1905 SD state census - <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HY-XHK9-WG7?i=319&personUrl=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AMMH3-3QJ>

Life:

FOR MOLOLOS

**The South Dakota Volunteers Lead
in a Glorious Charge up the
Intrenchments---The**

FILIPINOS FLEE BEFORE THEM

**Many American Lives Lost in the Battle---
The List of Killed and Wounded
a Long One---On to
Malolos Today.**

SOUTH DAKOTA VOLUNTEERS

Meet With Severe Losses---Several in Com-
pany M Wounded---Sergeant
Preacher Severely Hurt---
Letters From
Manila.

Special to THE JOURNAL.

Washington, March 28 --The First South Dakota volunteers made one of the most gallant charges today that has been made during the war. With Colonel Frost at their head they led in the charge that stormed the trenches before Malolos and made the Filipinos flee before them like sheep at the points of their bayonets. Their gallant fight was not made without loss, however, and there will be many sad hearts and homes when the news becomes known, for while South Dakota has won glory it has been at the expense of her brave soldiers. Another charge will be made tomorrow. Following is a list of the killed:

Captain Jonas H. Lien, Company I;
Lieutenant F. H. Adams, Company II;
Lieutenant L. M. Morrison, Company E;
Harry Keough, Charles Lewis, Peter Ryan, Frank Schrader, James Nelson, Matt Ryan.

Of the large number of wounded the following are from the Black Hills: Lieutenant Paul D. McClelland, Company I; W. Crosier, Company I; August Myers, Fred Unger, Company L; Sergeant Charles B. Preacher, chest, severe; Charles H. Jackson, head, severe; Matt Schueler, leg, moderate; David Elmes, leg, moderate, Company M.

Was this the right Fred Unger, fighting in the Philippines in the Spanish-American War? –
“Rapid City (SD) Black Hills Weekly Journal” Friday 31 Mar 1899 p 1

Filings in the Land Office,
Homesteads—

026528 — Fred Unger, Clough,
S. D., NW ¼ Sec. 9, T 6N R 11.

“Rapid City (SD) Journal” Wednesday 9 Aug 1911 p 6

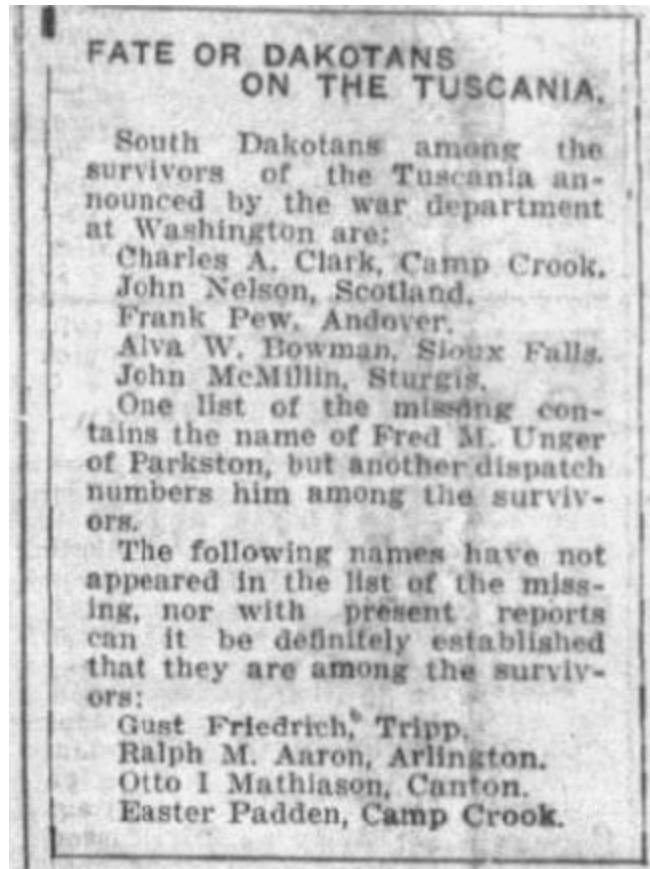
ON THEIR WEDDING TRIP

Fred Unger was surprised yesterday when his brother and his brother-in-law each with a bride upon his arm, dropped in to pay him a visit. Mr. and Mrs. George Unger come from Frank, this state; while Mr. and Mrs. Titus J. Pape come from Tyndall. Both young couples were married but a few days ago, and they decided to spend their honeymoon visiting with Fred out in the Black Hills, and have come to stay a couple of weeks. They will visit the Falls of the Spearfish and other places of interest around Lead and then take in Sylvan Lake and the Springs. The young couples are pleased with everything they have so far seen in the Hills and are glad they have come. Mr. Unger and Mr. Pape are both prosperous farmers in the eastern part of the state, and their wives are pretty and accomplished.

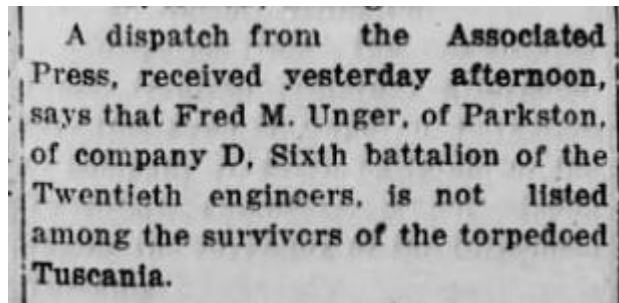
"Lead (SD) Daily Call" Monday 23 Jun 1913 p 5

Miss Theresa Pape arrived yesterday on the Northwestern from Perkston, S. D., to visit here with her brother-in-law, Fred Unger.

"Lead (SD) Daily Call" Thursday 26 Mar 1914 p 8



One dispatch says Fred is alive, one that he is missing - "Sioux Falls (SD) Argus-Leader"
Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1



"Daily Deadwood (SD) Pioneer-Times" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 1

UNGER LIVED IN LEAD

**He is Believed to Have Been Lost on
the Tuscania**

Fred M. Unger of Parkston, S. D., according to press dispatches, is believed to have been among those lost when the transport Tuscania was torpedoed by a German U boat, off the north coast of Ireland, a week ago. Unger was a member of Company D, 6th battalion of engineers.

Up to about two years ago Unger was a resident of Lead, in the employ of the Homestake Mining company. He was a member of Hose company No. 1 and rather active in the affairs of that company. Since he left several letters have been received here from Parkston, mentioning the fact that he was a resident of that place and inquiring about certain affairs of his in Lead.

"Lead (SD) Daily Call" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 4

FRED M. UNGER AMONG THE DEAD

**Former Lead Man's Body is Buried
on Scottish Coast**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The home address of American soldiers buried on the Scottish coast, taken from the Associated Press list of accounted for, as checked with the Tuscania's passenger list, includes:

DROOGS, WILLIAM I, Mount Idaho, Idaho.

UNGER, FRED M. Parkston, South Dakota.

ROBINSON, JOHN C, Potlach, Idaho.

There is no longer any doubt that that Fred M. Unger, who was a resident of Lead up to about two years ago, was among those who lost their lives when the transport Tuscania was torpedoed and sunk by a German U boat off the Irish coast on Tuesday night, Feb. 5th. The above Associated Press dispatch, received by the Call today, tells of the burial of his body, with many other victims on the Scottish coast.

While in Lead he was in the employ of the Homestake Mining company and a prominent member of Hose company No. 1. He was a married man and it is supposed that his wife is living at Parkston, S. D., to which place he moved when he left Lead, and from which he enlisted entering Company D, 6th battalion of army engineers.

"Lead (SD) Daily Call" Wednesday 13 Feb 1918 p 1

Only South Dakota soldier reported as missing on Tuscania is Fred W. Unger, Parkston. Eighteen hundred and thirty-two soldiers rescued reported to War Department, leaving 345 unaccounted for. Work of checking list slow.

Only SD casualty of Tuscania – "Brookings (SD) Register" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 2

Fred M. Unger of Parkston, is the only South Dakota boy who is listed with the soldiers who are missing from the ill-fated Tuscania, and whose burial is thought to have taken place on the Scottish coast.

“Pierre (SD) Weekly Free Press” Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 5

**IOWA AND S. DAKOTA
SOLDIERS RESCUED**

Washington, D. C., Feb. 12.—Iowans among the survivors of the Tuscania announced by the war department include:

Drew S. Ryan, Ottumwa.
Clifford C. Smith, Arlington.
Sam Hettershaw, Swea City.
John H. Evans, State Center.
Lee Frank Hopper, La Porte City.
Verne B. Hoyer, Battle Creek.
Wesley D. Leroy McCall, Walker.
Clyde C. Pelley, Cedar Rapids.
Dale C. Hartzell, West Liberty.

South Dakotans saved:
Charles A. Clark, Camp Crook.
John Nelson, Scotland.
Frank Pew, Andover.
Fred M. Unger, Parkston.

While other newspapers are reporting that Fred Unger is dead & buried in Scotland, this paper announces he has survived – “Scotland (SD) Citizen-Republican” Thursday 14 Feb

1918 p 3

LOST ON TUSCANIA

Fred M. Unger, of Parkston, S. D., aged 33 years, who was lost on the Tuscania, enlisted at Vancouver, Wash. in Company D, Sixth Battalion, Twentieth Engineers, December 15, 1917. He was raised in Hutchinson county and leaves a widow and five small children. They are now living with her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Pape, at Parkston. His parents are living in Oregon. He also has several brothers and

sisters living, one brother being pastor of the Catholic church at Claire City, S. D.

"Brookings (SD) Register" Thursday 21 Feb 1918 p 2

SOLDIER'S FUNERAL

**FRED M. UNGER, OF PARKSTON,
VICTIM OF THE TUSCANIA.**

Parkston, Feb. 23.—Funeral services for Private Fred M. Unger, of the Twentieth engineers, and formerly of this city, who was lost on the transport Tuscania, and was buried on the coast of Scotland, were held here at the Catholic church. A solemn requiem mass was read by Rev. Joseph Unger, of Claire City, a brother of the lost soldier, assisted by Rev. Father Dahlmanns and Rev. Father Harrington, of the parish. The large church edifice was crowded with relatives and friends. Practically every business house was closed during the ceremonies.

The mayor, councilmen and local exemption board attended in a body, also the children and teachers of the schools. Rev. Father Dahlmanns delivered an eloquent and patriotic sermon on the loyalty and patriotism of the Catholic population of this country to our flag, and that all bigotry and slander should be entirely abolished and forgotten at this time. statistics showing that there were more Catholics serving in the army and navy than of any other one faith.

The dead soldier's wife and five children reside here.

Memorial service – Catholic Mass officiated by Fred's brother, Rev. Joseph Unger -
"Madison (WI) Daily Leader" Saturday 23 Feb 1918 p 2

PARKSTON LOSES SECOND SOLDIER IN THE SERVICE

(Special to the Argus-Leader.)

Mitchell, April 2.—Fred Flecken, a soldier of Parkston, is dead of pneumonia at Fort Sill, Okla., after a short illness, according to a dispatch received here today. Flecken, who was well known here, attended the medical department of the university of Vermillion until the time of his enlistment. He was made a sergeant only a few days before the fatal attack. This is Hutchinson county's second sacrifice to the world war. Fred M. Unger, a townsman and acquaintance of Flecken's, was lost on the Tuscania.

"Sioux Falls (SD) Argus-Leader" Tuesday 2 Apr 1918 p 12

LEGION POST SOON TO BE ORGANIZED THERE

Parkston, S. D., June 23.—A post of the American Legion is soon to be organized here. A charter has been applied for and granted and is expected to arrive in about two weeks. It will have a charter membership of 30. It will be named Fred M. Unger post, in memory of the first Parkston boy to give his life in the recent war. He died aboard the Tuscania, near the shores of England.

"Tabor (SD) Independent" Thursday 24 Jan 1920 p 6

LEGION POST ORGANIZED AT PARKSTON, S. D.

Parkston, S. D., July 14.—A post of the American Legion has just been organized in this city, and will be known as Fred M. Unger post, No. 194, in memory of Fred M. Unger, of this city, who lost his life on the Titanic. The post begins with a membership of 30, but it is planned to begin a campaign at once to secure every ex-service man.

"Tabor (SD) Independent" Thursday 15 Jul 1920 p 6

LEGION POST ELECTS FIRST SET OF OFFICERS

Parkston, S. D., July 21.—At the first meeting of Fred M. Unger Post of the American Legion of this city, Saturday night, the following officers were elected: M. M. Mizener, post commander; Theodore Keenig, vice commander; E. G. Meisenhoelder, adjutant; Dick Welch, vice adjutant; Carl O. Grasz(finance officer; William Fix historian, and E. G. Kelsey chaplain.

"Tabor (SD) Independent" Thursday 22 Jul 1920 p 2

PARKSTON SOLDIER IS GIVEN BURIAL

**Body of Fred Unger Shipped
From Scotland; War Vic-
tim of Torpedoing of the
Tuscania.**

Parkston, S. D., Oct. 25.—One of the largest crowds ever in attendance at a funeral service in this city was present Thursday morning at the Catholic church and cemetery, when the remains of Private Fred M. Unger were laid at rest here. The body arrived from overseas Tuesday night, where it has been buried on the coast of Scotland since the Tuscania was torpedoed.

Fred M. Unger enlisted in the Engineer corps and was being sent over on the Tuscania and was drowned on the coast of Scotland. He has a wife and five children living here, besides other relatives. The remains reached New York October 10, and arrived here Tuesday night October 19.

Funeral arrangements were in charge of the Fred M. Unger post of the American Legion of this city, which post was named in his honor as he was the first to give his life from this county in the world war. The local post was assisted by the other ex-service boys from this community, the K. of C., Women's Relief Corps and the Daughters of Isabella of this city.

The body was met at the train Tuesday by the American Legion and escorted to the Catholic church where it laid in state until Thursday morning, ex-service men being in attendance during the two nights. Fifty ex-service men in uniform, including a firing squad of 8 and 10 ex-service pall bearers, and the Parkston band, W. R. C., D. of L., and K. of C. marched in a body to the church and later to the cemetery with the remains followed by hundreds of friends.

Solemn requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Goggin assisted by Rev. Virgil and Rev. Heinen. An eloquent sermon was delivered by Rev. Virgil, O. S. B. Taps was sounded and the firing squad responded over the remains at the close of services at the cemetery. All business places were closed during the services.

Fred's brother, Rev. Joseph Peter Unger, did not officiate at his funeral because Frl Joseph had dropped dead 19 Oct 1920 in Aberdeen SD while on a train to the funeral - "Scotland (SD) Citizen-Republican" Thursday 28 Oct 1920 p 2

Wife:

Rites Held At Parkston For Former Resident

By Republic News Service

PARKSTON — Funeral services were held at the Sacred Heart Church here May 28 for Mrs. Cunigunda T. Unger, who died at Kansas City, Kan., May 23 at the age of 71.

The Rev. Father Rodenbur officiated. Burial was in the Sacred Heart cemetery, under the direction of the Mehlhaff Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Bobby Heisinger of Dimock; Leo Pape, Edwin Pape, Louis Degen and Frank Frederick of Parkston and Wilfred Pape of Agar. Honorary pallbearers were Mrs. Amelia Adelman, Mrs. Elizabeth Tischler, Mrs. Peter Lichter, Mrs. Anna Pfann and Misses Connie Heisinger and Gertrude Cremer.

Mrs. Unger, the former Cunigunda Pape, was born at Parkston May 31, 1886, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pape. She was married in October, 1905, to Fred Unger, who was killed in World War I. Mrs. Unger continued to make her home in Parkston until 1948 when she moved to Kansas City.


Survivors are three sons, Titus of Dell Rapids; Florian of Coolidge, and Wendlin of Coolidge, Ariz.; and one daughter, Mrs. Marion Phalen of Kansas City. She also leaves one brother, Titus J. Pape of Parkston.

Obituary of Cunigunda Pape Unger - "Mitchell (SD) Daily Republic" Thursday 26 May 1958 p 2 - Fred died on "Tuscania" not "Lusitania" - the American Legion Post in Parkston SD is named in his honor

UNGER—Mrs. Cunigunda T. Unger, 71, of 2055 North Twenty-second, Kansas City, Kansas, died last night at her home after an illness of about six months. She was a member of the Altar society of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic church. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Marion E. Phalen, 2244 Lafayette, Kansas City, Kansas; three sons, T. J. Unger, Dell Rapids, S. D., and F. J. Unger and W. J. Unger, both of Collidge, Ariz.; a brother, Titue Pape, Parkston, S. D.; 12 - grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. The family will receive friends after noon Sunday at the Butler chapel. Funeral services and burial will be Wednesday in Parkston, S. D.

Obituary of Cunigunda Theresa Pape Unger – “Kansas City (MO) Star” Saturday 24 May 1958 p 3

South Dakota Marriages, 1905-1949



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Name	Cinnigand Pape
Gender	Female
Marriage Age	19
Birth Date	1890
Record Type	Marriage
Residence Date	1909
Residence Post Office	Parkston
Residence Place	Hutchinson
Marriage Date	10 Oct 1909
Marriage Place	Hutchinson, South Dakota, USA
Spouse	Fred Huger
Certificate	764
Registration Number	12980

Marriage on 10 Oct 1909 in Parkston, Hutchinson SD - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/7332252/person/25123822895/facts>

Cunigunda Theresa Pape
in the South Dakota, U.S., Birth Index, 1856-1917

Name	Cunigunda Theresa Pape
Gender	Female
Birth Date	31 May 1886
Birth Place	Hutchinson, South Dakota, USA
Father	Peter Pape
Mother	Elizabeth Heisinger
State File Number	660380

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/35832:6996?ssrc=pt&tid=7332252&pid=25123822895>



"Mitchell (SD) Daily Republican" Tuesday 24 Jun 1958 p 6

Children:



Son Titus J. Unger (1906-1990) - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/7332252/person/25123822692/media/055a8957-4dab-46ec-80e7-c1433810caaa>

Titus Unger

DELL RAPIDS — Titus J. Unger, 84, Dell Rapids, died Saturday, Nov. 17, in Terrace Manor Nursing Home, Dell Rapids.

Mr. Unger was born Oct. 17, 1906, in Parkston where he grew up. He married Louise Isaak June 29, 1931, in Parkston. They moved to Sioux Falls and owned and operated Super Service Station for 13 years. In 1945 they moved to Dell Rapids and owned and operated the Gamble Store. Later they ran Dell Rapids Dry Cleaning for many years until their retirement. He was the inventor and patentor of the Flow-Trool Minnow Bucket. He was a charter member of Dell Rapids Lion Club and a member of Knights of Columbus for 66 years. He also was a member of Dell Rapids Sportsmans Club, Lake Madison Association, and St. Mary's Catholic Church, Dell Rapids.

Survivors include his wife; one son, David, St. Louis Park, Minn.; three daughters: Mrs. Tom (Nancy) Astle, Las Vegas; Mrs. Gordon (Carol) Guibert, Fountain Valley, Calif.; and Mrs. Roger

(Roxie) Ellis, Sioux Falls; 13 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and one brother, Florian, Casa Grande, Ariz.

Funeral Mass will begin at 2 p.m. Tuesday in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Dell Rapids, with burial in the church cemetery.

Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. today in Kahler Funeral Home, Dell Rapids. A wake service will begin at 7 tonight in the funeral home.

DELL RAPIDS NEWS

World famous “Flow Troll” – the Titus Unger story

Craig Kumerfield

Published 11:05 p.m. CT Aug. 17, 2015



Titus Unger was a fisherman.

He was good at it, and he took his sport seriously. He always seemed to find the good spots and consequently spent a lot of time reeling in his catch.

But, like all fisherman, there were down times when the fish just weren't biting. During those times, his eyes always drifted to the minnow bucket hanging from his boat. He could never understand why you needed two buckets, one sliding into the other, to hold the minnows.

After thinking about it for years, he finally concluded that there was in fact no reason for two buckets. So he decided to do something about it.

Working with a tinsmith friend, Titus tested model after model for close to two years until he came up with the perfect one-piece bucket. He put it to use and found that it worked much better than the traditional bucket, keeping a constant flow of water through his new bucket as he rode across the lake, and as a result keeping the minnows alive much longer.

He called his invention “the most practical thing on the market for minnows.”

It turned out that for Titus in the early fifties, inventing the new minnow bucket was the easy part – marketing it was anything but easy. His attempt to make his dream a reality started at his home where he and a metal worker would work evenings, usually turning out a couple of buckets a night. He didn't have a lot of time as he spent days working at his dry cleaning business.

At first he marketed his product to folks around Dells, selling the bucket for ten dollars. People were impressed, and everyone told him he needed to market his new invention. Titus knew this, but realized that he wasn't going to be able to make them fast enough at home. He needed a national distributorship and mass production assembly. That was a lot easier said than done, however.

Titus was willing to work hard to get his minnow bucket on the market, but had no idea how difficult it would be. His attempts went on not for weeks, or months, but for years. His metal bucket worked fine, but he would have to convert the metal bucket to a plastic one in order to sell them cheaply.

He then ran into another problem. The plastic bucket he created wasn't heavy enough to sink down far enough to let water to flow through it. It just floated on the surface. By this time, Titus was so angry that he started throwing rocks at the bucket, not caring if he broke it.

But something remarkable happened. After just enough rocks made it into a small dent at the top, it began to float exactly in the position he wanted it to. So, it seemed that the problem was solved. He mounted a small lead weight on the bottom of the bucket, which sank the bucket at the proper depth and angle.

At an inventor's congress in Mitchell, a man from Texas offered to buy ten thousand buckets if Titus could get them made of plastic. Inspired, Titus then went on a search, from Chicago to St. Louis to Kansas City looking for someone who worked in plastic.

The search finally paid off in 1960 when COSOM of Minneapolis became a business partner with Titus on a royalty basis. He got ten cents per bucket for every one sold. He never said exactly how many sold before his patent ran out, but he said he was satisfied with his profits.

Titus Unger's story is a reminder of how difficult it is to market an invention, regardless of how practical and useful it is. He spent a lot of his money and many years before his "Fisherman's Dream" came to fruition. He knew it was going to be a tough row to hoe, but he was convinced it would eventually pay off. And it did. How much, we don't know, but we do know that fisherman all over the United States, Europe and South America have enjoyed using Titus Unger's "perfect minnow bucket."

Titus became a sought after advisor to other inventors in South Dakota and surrounding states. He always gave the same advice, "If it's a gadget, no. If it's practical, go ahead and push your money into it."

Titus died in 1990 at Terrace Manor in Dell Rapids. He is gone now, but his Flow-Troll Minnow Bucket continues as the number one selling minnow bucket in America.

Titus Unger was among the one per cent of inventors who made money on their product. Surprisingly, Thomas Edison didn't even profit from his inventions. General Electric made a lot of money on him, but Edison died poor. Titus didn't.

From the "Sioux Falls (SD) Argus-Leader" of 17 Aug 2015 -
<https://www.argusleader.com/story/news/dell-rapids/2015/08/18/world-famous-flow-troll-titus-unger-story/31631463/>



Titus Joseph Unger's invention the Flow-Troll – the best-selling minnow bucket in the United States as of 2023 –

<https://frabill.com/products/flow-trollr-4501?variant=40020419412177> and
<https://www.amazon.com/Frabill-Troll-Container-6-Quart-Yellow/dp/B000EYYPPI>

SERIAL NUMBER 1936	1. NAME (Print) Titus Joseph Unger (First) (Middle) (Last)			ORDER NUMBER 1039
2. ADDRESS (Print) 303 N West Ave. Sioux Falls Minnesota SD (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)				
3. TELEPHONE 4237 R (Exchange) (Number)	4. AGE IN YEARS 33 DATE OF BIRTH Oct 17 1906 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	5. PLACE OF BIRTH Parkston S Dak (Town or county) (State or country)	6. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP U.S.A	
7. NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Mrs Louise Unger (Mr., Mrs., Miss) (First) (Middle) (Last)			8. RELATIONSHIP OF THAT PERSON Wife	
9. ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON 303 N West Ave Sioux Falls Minnesota S Dak. (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)				
10. EMPLOYER'S NAME Self				
11. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS 325 N West Ave Sioux Falls Minnesota SD (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)				
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.				
REGISTRATION CARD D. S. S. Form 1		Titus Joseph Unger (over) 10-17105 (Registrant's signature)		

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	L	5'11"		190		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	
Negro		Blue	L	Blonde		Ruddy	L
		Gray		Red		Dark	
Oriental		Hazel		Brown	L	Freckled	
		Brown		Black		Light brown	
Indian		Black		Gray		Dark brown	
				Bald		Black	
Filipino							

Registrar for 4 6 Sioux Falls S. Dak
(Precinct) (Ward) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration October 16, 1940.

LOCAL BOARD NO. 2
MINNEHAHA COUNTY
SIOUX FALLS S. DAK.
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space.)

18-17105

WWII draft registration of Titus Joseph Unger - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/197763256:2238>

MRS. MARION PHALEN

Mrs. Marion Phalen, 73, of 4728 Kimball Ave., Kansas City, Kan., died Sunday at the home. She was born in Parkston, S.D., and had lived in this area for 50 years. Mrs. Phalen worked for the Kansas City, Kan., Recreation Department for 30 years before she retired six years ago. She was a member of the Kansas Recreation Board. She was a member of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church and its Altar Society. She leaves a son, James A. Phalen of the home; three brothers, Titus Unger, Dell Rapids, S.D., Florian Unger, Casa Grande, Ariz., and Wendlin Unger, Coolidge, Ariz.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Services will be at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Gibbon-Butler Chapel and at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the church; burial in Mount Calvary Cemetery. The rosary will be said at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the chapel, where friends may call after 4 p.m.

Obituary of daughter Marion Anna Unger Phalen (1909 [1908]-1982) – “Kansas City (MO) Times” Monday 22 Mar 1982 p 27

Anna Unger

in the South Dakota, U.S., Birth Index, 1856-1917

Name	Anna Unger
Gender	Female
Birth Date	26 Jul 1908
Birth Place	Douglas, South Dakota, USA
File Date	30 Jul 1908
Father	Fred Unger
Mother	Cunigunda Pape
State File Number	32874

Birth of Anna [Marion] Unger on 26 Jul 1908 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/184728:6996?tid=7332252&pid=262115514222&queryId=390577cee31ada35144cad0aa63516de&phsrc=hFB64024&phstart=successSource>

Address Y.M.C.A. 404 E 10 (416W11) (2)

Application No. A 45817 For License to Marry

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss. L. John Phalen (AFFIDAVIT OF MALE)
County of Jackson, }

of Kb County of Jackson
and State of MO party of the first part, desiring to procure a license to marry

Ann M. Unger - 51569
of Kb County of Jackson
and State of MO party of the second part, do hereby solemnly swear that we

are of the ages of 22 years and 22 years respectively and that we are both single and unmarried and not first cousins, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

(SIGN HERE) L. John Phalen
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of June, 1931.

JOSEPH W. CORDER, Recorder.
By J. A. Kilmer Deputy.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss. (AFFIDAVIT OF FEMALE)
County of Jackson, }

I, the undersigned, party of the second part, do hereby solemnly swear that I am the person named in the above application for a marriage license and that I am the age of 22 years and that I am single and unmarried and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

(SIGN HERE) Ann M. Unger
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of June, 1931.

JOSEPH W. CORDER, Recorder.
By J. A. Kilmer Deputy.

Marriage of "Ann M." Unger to Leo John Phalen on 27 Jun 1931 in Jackson Co. MO - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/507553404:1171>

Florian Unger, 90, of Casa Grande AZ, passed away October 7, 2000. Visitation will be from 6-8pm, Chapel of the Valley, Services Oct. 12 at 10am, St. James Church, Coolidge, AZ. Cole & Maud Chapel of the Valley

Obituary of son **Florian Joseph Unger (1910-2000)** – “Arizona Republic” (Phoenix AZ)
Thursday 12 Oct 1900 p 26

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SOUTH DAKOTA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS

County Hutchinson Registered No. M-398

Record of Marriage

{ Where } Postoffice Parkston, S.D.
{ Solemnized } County Hutchinson

Date of Marriage February 17th 1936
(Month) (Day)

HUSBAND		WIFE	
Name	<u>Florian Joseph Unger</u>	Name	<u>Margaret Evelyn Keating</u>
Residence	<u>Sioux Falls, S.D.</u>	Residence	<u>Sioux Falls, S.D.</u>
Postoffice	<u>Minnehaha</u> County	Postoffice	<u>Minnehaha</u> County
Age	<u>25</u>	Age	<u>22</u>
Nationality	<u>American</u>	Nationality	<u>American</u>
Bachelor Widower Divorced	<u>Bachelor</u>	Maiden Widow Divorced	<u>Maiden</u>
Name of Clergyman or Officer Officiating <u>Rev. Henry Hoerner</u>		Official Character <u>Catholic Priest</u>	

Marriage of Florian Joseph Unger to Margaret Evelyn Keating on 17 Feb 1936 in Parkston, Hutchinson SD – https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/529586:8561?tid=7332252&pid=262169377764&queryId=3c2d69dcb2960cb99f9e33fbdf2a021a&_phsrc=hFB64035&_phstart=successSource

Boy to Mr. and Mrs. Florian J. Unger, 319½ Northwest ave., March 25.

“Sioux Falls (SD) Argus-Leader” Sunday 30 Mar 1941 p 13

Social Security Death Index

[View record](#)

Name	Florian Unger
Social Security Number	503-03-4954
Birth Date	9 Jul 1910
Issue year	Before 1951
Issue State	South Dakota
Last Residence	85222, Casa Grande, Pinal, Arizona, USA
Death Date	7 Oct 2000

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/7332252/person/25123822960/facts>

Margaret Unger in the U.S., Obituary Collection, 1930-Current	
Name	Margaret Unger
Gender	Female
Death Age	88
Birth Date	abt 1914
Birth Place	South Dakota
Residence Place	COOLIDGE, Casa Grande
Death Date	4 Sep 2002
Spouse	Florian
Child	Patricia Springer Paul Unger Jerome Unger
Siblings	Don Keating Jerry Keating

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1677453035:7545?ssrc=pt&tid=74961411&pid=232203651425>

Margaret Unger, 88, of Casa Grande Arizona, passed away on September 4, 2002. Visitation will be held on Sunday, September 8th from 6-8 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. Rosary at Cole & Maud Coolidge Chapel. Services are scheduled for Monday, September 9th, 10:00 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church.

“Arizona Republic” (Phoenix AZ) Saturday 7 Sep 2002 p 36

Wendolyn Unger in the South Dakota, U.S., Birth Index, 1856-1917	
Name	Wendolyn Unger
Gender	Male
Birth Date	26 Jul 1912
Birth Place	Lawrence, South Dakota, USA
File Date	29 Jul 1912
Father	Fred Unger
Mother	Cunigund Pape
State File Number	82508

Birth record of son **Wendelin Joseph Unger (1912-1988)** -

https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/161672:6996?tid=7332252&pid=262169377766&queryId=3eef9d79ab354af9215aa4566ba81366&_phsrc=hFB64028&_phstart=successSource

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Unger were blessed this morning by the arrival at their home of a baby boy.

Birth of Wendelin Joseph Unger – “Lead (SD) Daily Call” Friday 26 Jul 1912 p 1

Wendelin J. Unger, 75, of Coolidge, a retired supervisor for Arizona Department of Transportation, died Jan. 4, 1988, at his residence. He was born in Lead, S.D. Survivors include his wife, Marie; daughter, Susan; sons, Donald and Jim; two brothers; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. Friends may call from 6 to 9 p.m., with rosary at 7 p.m. today at Cole & Maud Mortuary, Coolidge. Mass will be said at 9 a.m. Thursday at St. James Catholic Church, Coolidge. Memorial contributions may be made to the Arizona Kidney Foundation.

Obituary of Wendelin Joseph Unger – “Arizona Republic” (Phoenix AZ) Wednesday 6 Jan 1988 p 17

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SOUTH DAKOTA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS

County Hutchinson

Registered No. M-239

Record of Marriage

{ Where
{ Solemnized }

Postoffice

Dimock, S.D.

County

Hutchinson

Date of Marriage November 27, 1934
(Month) (Day)

HUSBAND		WIFE	
Name	<u>Wendelin Joseph Unger</u>	Name	<u>Marie Anna Mechtenberg</u>
Residence	<u>Parkston, S.D.</u>	Residence	<u>of Dimock, S.D.</u>
Postoffice	<u>Hutchinson</u>	Postoffice	<u>Hutchinson</u>
County		County	
Age	<u>22</u>	Age	<u>23</u>
Nationality	<u>Am-Born</u>	Nationality	<u>Am@Born</u>
Bachelor	<u>Bachelor</u>	Maiden	<u>Maiden</u>
Widower		Widow	
Divorced		Divorced	
Name of Clergyman or Officer Officiating		Official Character	
<u>Rev. Jos. Hensbach,</u>		<u>Catholic Priest</u>	

Marriage of Wendelin Joseph Unger to Marie Anna Mechtenberg on 27 Nov 1934 -

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/199342:8561>

Child Falls Into Lily Pool

Ex-Army Man Saves His Life

James Tumbleson, Drilled in Resuscitation Methods, Gets First Chance to Use Them—Revives Two-Year-Old Jimmy Unger

Two-year-old Jimmy Unger strolled out into the backyard late in the afternoon Wednesday after he had gotten up from his nap.

"Ise goin' out to play, Mommy," he announced to his mother, Mrs. Wendelin J. Unger of 318 North Willow ave.

Jimmy wandered out into the fresh November sunshine and over to the southeast corner of the lot where Wendelin Unger, Jimmy's daddy, had spent much time and patience building a lily pool.

The cold, murky water attracted him. He toddled close to the edge, stumbled and fell in.

A few minutes later his mother, always keeping a guarding eye on Jimmy, the only child, looked out the window. She couldn't see him anywhere.

She came out on the porch for a better look and still couldn't see him. The thought of the pool suddenly terrified her.

Finds Boy in Water

She ran to the back corner of the yard and found that just what she had feared, had actually happened.

She reached her hands into the water, lifted the limp and dripping body from the water and raced to the James Tumbleson residence, 1508 West Seventh st., a half block away.

She put the body on the garage floor and shouted for Tumbleson, who learned first aid and resuscitation during a four-year "hitch" in the U. S. army from 1925 to 1929.

Tumbleson summoned firemen and then went to work on Jimmy. In the few minutes before the firemen arrived, he succeeded in draining most of the water from the child's lungs.

Using artificial respiration and rubbing Jimmy's limbs briskly to stimulate circulation, the firemen soon brought groans of returning life.

Tumbleson Given Credit

Police, a deputy sheriff, and a doctor arrived in order in response to an alarm that there was "a drowning at 1508 West Seventh st." By actual count there were five police, a deputy sheriff, six firemen and a doctor, who all arrived within five minutes after Tumbleson summoned help.

Firemen credited saving of the child's life to Tumbleson, who has been coached in first aid methods at the packing plant in addition to what he learned in the army.

He is a night watchman at the plant where Jimmy's father also is employed.

"It was the first time I ever had occasion to use the first aid and resuscitation methods," Tumbleson said.

South Dakota, U.S., Birth Index, 1856-1917

[View record](#)

Name	Lucile Unger
Gender	Female
Birth Date	29 Jun 1914
Birth Place	Lawrence, South Dakota, USA
File Date	30 Jun 1914
Father	Fred Unger
Mother	Cunigund Pape
State File Number	107785

SD birth record of daughter Lucia Marie [here Lucile] Unger -

https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/105086418/person/102095809945/facts?_phsrc=hFB64030&_phstart=succesSource

Fred Unger and wife are the proud parents of a baby girl who came to bless their home yesterday afternoon.

Birth of Lucia Marie Unger – “Lead (SD) Daily Call” Monday 29 Jun 1914 p 1

Mother:

Mrs. Lena Unger

Mt. Angel—Mrs. Lena Unger, 90, died here Monday. Resident of Mt. Angel since 1912. Recitation of the rosary at the Unger Funeral home at 8 p.m. Tuesday. Funeral services from St. Mary's church Wednesday at 10 a.m. She was a gold star mother of World war I. Born in Murfort, Luxemburg in 1856 and came to this country 14 years later. Married at Messina, Iowa, in 1876 to Fred Unger, Civil war veteran, who died in 1918. Surviving are five of her 15 children, John Unger of Reedsport, Lewis of North Fork, Neb., George of Stickney, N. D., and Ed and Elizabeth, both of Mt. Angel; 68 grandchildren, 126 great grandchildren and 22 great great grandchildren.

Obituary of Magdalena Fischer Unger – "Salem (OR) Capital Journal" Tuesday 16 Apr 1946

Aged Woman At Mt. Angel

MT. ANGEL — Lena Unger, who had seen almost a century of living, was buried Wednesday at 10 a.m. A solemn requiem high mass was offered at St. Mary's church, celebrated by Rev. Fr. Saal of Roy, Ore., a special friend.

Father John and Father Hildebrand were deacon and subdeacon and Father Vincent acted as master of ceremonies. Father Damian, pastor, gave the funeral sermon and officiated at the graveside services in Calvary cemetery.

Priests whom she befriended came to assist at the rites. Present in the sanctuary were Father Mitchell, Portland; Father Doherty, Gervais; Father Moffenbeier, Woodburn; Father Baurus, St. Benedict's abbey; Father Jonas, Stayton; Father Kilian, Reedsport, and Father Damina Glenn, Lacey, Wash.

The pallbearers were grandsons, Pat Unger, Hillsboro; Anton Unger, Cornelius; Bill Unger, William Grenbemmer and Bob Unger, Reedsport, and Frank Lachnit, Vancouver, Wash.

Lachnit, Vancouver, Wash.

Mrs. Unger came to Mt. Angel with her husband, Fred Unger, in 1912. A son, Fred, jr., was a casualty of the first world war, and a priest son, Rev. Joseph Unger, died a few years later.

She had 15 children and survived all but five of them. Her children and a great number of her grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren helped celebrate her 90th birthday February 18. Her birthday party had been an annual celebration for her descendants who came for the event. This year, due to failing health, the celebration was restricted to a home affair. She attended mass that day for the last time.

She had 68 grandchildren, 126 great grandchildren and 22 great great grandchildren.

She was the last of the Gold Star Mothers of the first world war and the crown princess of the Mother's day celebration. Until the last months she was interested in activities, religious or civic, of Mt. Angel.

Obituary of mother — "Salem (OR) Statesman Journal" Saturday 20 Apr 1946 p 3

Siblings:

Oregon State Board of Health Certificate of Death

1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County Washington State Oregon State Registered No. 15
 Township _____ or Village _____ Local Registered No. 7
 City Hillsboro No. P4 Jan 22 Hospital St. _____ or _____
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred 2 yrs mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

2. FULL NAME Anna Grenbemer
 (a) Residence: No. _____ St. _____
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city or town and state)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Female 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. Single, Married, Widowed or divorced (write the word) Married
 6a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of Herred A. Grenbemer (or) WIFE of _____
 7. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) Jan 7 - 1880
 8. AGE Years 50 Months _____ Days 15 If less than 1 day, hrs. or min.
 9. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. housekeeper
 10. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, sawmill, bank, etc. own home
 11. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) Jan 24 - 1920 12. Total time (years) spent in this occupation 25 yrs
 13. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) Lawa
 14. NAME Unger
 15. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) not known
 16. MAIDEN NAME _____
 17. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) _____
 18. INFORMANT Frank A. Grenbemer (Address) Hillsboro, Ore P4
 19. BURIAL, CREMATION OR REMOVAL Place Catholic Cem Date Jan 25, 1920
 20. UNDERTAKER Geo J. Schindler (Address) Hillsboro Oregon
 21. Filed Feb 10, 1920 J. O. Ralst Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) Jan 22, 1920
 22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 1-21 1920 to 1-22 1920 that I last saw him alive on 1-22 1920 Death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 4 P m. The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows:
Shock from explosion of stove in kitchen - piece of stove struck her in abdomen
 Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause:
1889
 Name of operation _____ Date of _____
 What test confirmed diagnosis? _____ Was there an autopsy? no
 23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:
 Accident, suicide, or homicide Accident Date of injury Jan 21, 1920
 Where did injury occur? Country Road P4 (Specify city or town, county, and state)
 Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place. in home
 Manner of injury explosion
 Nature of injury injury to abdomen
 24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? _____ If so, specify _____
 (Signed) J. O. Ralst M. D.
 (Address) Hillsboro Oregon

OF DEATH IN PUBLIC RECORDS, SO THAT IT MAY BE PROPERLY CLASSIFIED. EXACT STATEMENT OF OCCURRENCE IS VERY Important. See instructions on back of certificate.

OR death record of sister Anna Unger Grenbemer (1877-1930) – died when struck in the abdomen by a stove which exploded - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/426511:61675?tid=7332252&pid=25123822426&queryId=035a09407388559fcec25455f5890b94&_phsrc=hFB64007&_phstart=successSource

Grenbemer Rites Today

Funeral for Mt. Angel Man to Be Held There Burial in Hillsboro

MT. ANGEL — Funeral services for Fred D. Grenbemer, 67, will be held at St. Mary's church Thursday morning at 8:15, Father Saal of Verboort, an oldtime friend of Mr. Grenbemer, singing the requiem mass. Burial will be in the St. Mathews cemetery at Hillsboro.

Mr. Grenbemer, a former Mt. Angel resident, died, suddenly from a heart attack Monday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. C. Heston of Redmond.

He was born in Madison, Wis., September 17, 1875. On Sept. 18, 1894, he was married to Anna Unger at Parkston, SD. The family came to Oregon in 1907, living at Hillsboro until 1922 and then coming to Mt. Angel. After six years here they returned to Hillsboro where Mrs. Grenbemer died in 1930. Mr. Grenbemer then moved to Ashland, returning a year ago when he went to Red-

mond to make his home with Mrs. Heston.

Survivors are seven children, Bill Grenbemer, Medford; Mrs. Mayme Heston, Redmond; Frank Grenbemer, Albany; Mrs. Lauretta Pfeiffer, George Grenbemer and Mrs. Margaret Orme, all of Port Townsend, Wash., and Mrs. Margaret Leavens, Medford.

A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

Grind Stone in Unger & Grenbemer's Blacksmith Shop Exploded.

One of the most distressing accidents which has ever happened in Humphrey took place this afternoon shortly after one o'clock wherein the large grind stone at Unger & Grenbemer's blacksmith shop exploded, and as a result Henry Unger, the senior member of the firm is lying with an ugly wound in his head, and grave fears are entertained of his recovery.

Just how the accident happened nobody seems to know, but it is very evident that the large grind stone, which is run by a gasoline engine, was running at too high a speed. Mr. Grenbemer was in the shop at the time, and he says that Mr. Unger had started up the engine and turned on the belt to the grind stone to do some grinding, and before the stone had hardly gotten to its full speed, it flew to pieces, one piece striking Mr. Unger in the forehead.

Help was immediately summoned and the injured man was carried to Dr. McKinley's office where he now lies in an unconscious state.

Death of **brother Henry Unger (1878-1902)** – "Humphrey (NE)Democrat" Friday 16 May 1902 p 4

ACCIDENT PROVES FATAL.

HENRY UNGER DIES FROM THE INJURIES RECEIVED FRIDAY.

The Funeral Was Held Tuesday, and the Remains Were Buried in St. Mary's Cemetery Attended by a Great Many.

The terrible accident which befell Henry Unger by the bursting of a large grindstone in his blacksmith shop last Friday afternoon, a report of which appeared in the last issue of The Democrat, proved fatal, and all that remains of a young, happy and useful life lies in a calm and peaceful sleep in St. Mary's cemetery a few miles southeast of Humphrey.

About three hours after being taken from Dr. McKinley's office to the residence of Jacob Fisher, Henry Unger breathed his last, and without regaining consciousness at any time. While the accident did not cause any visible fracture of the skull, the doctors claim that the shock was so great that it caused concussion of the brain. It is heedless to say that everything that medical skill and loving hands could do was done to save the young life from the grim reaper, but all such efforts were in vain; his time had come; it was God's will, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Henry Unger was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Unger who were, until 1894, residents of the St. Mary's neighborhood, and they were among the earliest settlers in the county. Henry was the fourth of a family of thirteen children, three of whom, John, Joseph and Mrs. Grenbemer, were here at the funeral, the remaining children being unable to get here, and he was born near St. Mary's October 13, 1878; he was therefore 23 years 5 months and 3 days old on the day of his death. In 1894 he moved with his parents to Parkston, S. D., and shortly after going there he entered a blacksmith shop and learned the trade. Later he and his brother John purchased a shop at Canestota S. D., which they ran together until early this spring when Henry sold his interest in the shop and came to Humphrey, formed a co-partnership with his brother-in-law Fred Grenebemer, and purchased the blacksmith shop owned by L. J. Veik. The new firm proved to be a popular one as they did a good business from the start, and their prospects for the future were extremely bright. The funeral was to have been held Monday forenoon, but owing to the difficulty of finding the father of the deceased who had gone to Wisconsin on business, it was held Tuesday forenoon. Services were held in St. Francis church at this place and also at St. Mary's church, and the remains were laid to rest in St. Mary's cemetery as above stated, attended by many sorrowing relatives and friends.

V
Resolutions.

Whereas by a sudden and terrible accident the Humphrey Volunteer Fire Department has for the first time suffered a loss to its ranks by the death of Henry Unger of Engine Co. No. 1, and, whereas, by his honesty, friendliness, upright character and loyalty to this department he has endeared himself to all, therefore be it

Resolved, That the sudden removal of such a member from our ranks causes a sense of gloom to fall upon all of our members.

Resolved, That in token of our grief the hall door and engine be draped with crape for thirty days.

Resolved, That with deep sympathy with the bereaved relatives we express our hope that even so great a loss may be overruled for good by Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the records of this Department, a copy be furnished to each of the local papers, and a copy be forwarded to the bereaved family.

JEROME PFLAUM
F. J. ZUERLEIN
C. A. SCHROEDER
E. J. MAREK
JACOB FISHER

Memorial
Committee.

The Humphrey Volunteer Fire Department of which Mr. Unger was a faithful member attended in a body.

During Henry Unger's short residence in Humphrey, he conducted himself in such a way as to win the respect and friendship of all he became acquainted with, all of whom extend their sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

"Humphrey (NE) Democrat" Friday 23 May 1902 p 1



Find A Grave 39204903

The Humphrey Democrat, June 6, 1902, p. 5, col. 3

Fred Grenebemer, of the firm of Unger and Grenebemer, has turned out a piece of work in the shape of a cross for Henry Unger's grave, which is the finest piece of work of the kind we have ever seen. The cross is made of iron and it will last forever.

Joseph P Unger

in the South Dakota, U.S., Death Index, 1879-1955

Name	Joseph P Unger
Death Date	19 Oct 1920
Death Place	Brown, South Dakota, USA
Certificate Number	71895
Page number	975

SD death record of **brother Rev. Joseph Peter Unger (1880-1920)**

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PRIEST DROPS DEAD GOING TO FUNERAL - HEROIC BROTHER

(Special to The Argus-Leader)

Mitchell, Oct. 23.—Most unusual circumstances have surrounded the death and burial of Fred Unger, Parkston. The funeral took place there Thursday, and was one of the largest funerals Parkston ever had.

Unger enlisted in his town for the naval service when the United States first entered the war. He was killed in May, 1918, when the ship on which he was serving was torpedoed off the coast of Scotland.

For two years his body reposed in a grave on the barren Scottish coast. And then when peace came arrangements were made by his family to have the remains shipped back to the United States and to Parkston. The deceased is survived by a widow and family.

The remains arrived in Parkston and in making further funeral arrangements, Rev. Father Unger, a brother of the deceased and Catholic priest, who has been in charge of a parish north of Aberdeen, was requested to conduct the services.

Father Unger left his parish for Parkston Thursday morning but suddenly dropped dead after the train had reached Aberdeen.

And so the funeral of Fred Unger held at the Catholic church in Parkston will be followed by the funeral of his brother, the Rev. Father Unger, in Oregon, where his parents now live.

There are several errors in this article, but Fred's brother Rev. Joseph Peter Unger died in Aberdeen SD on 19 Oct 1920 while on a train to officiate at his brother's funeral, Fred's body now having been exhumed from Scotland – Fred Unger enlisted in the Army, not the Navy – he died 5 Feb 1918 not in May 1918 -

Reedsport Civic Leader J. Unger Passes Away

John Unger, prominent business man and civic leader at Reedsport died Tuesday morning at Kizer Hospital at North Bend, following two weeks' illness.

Unger operated the Unger Funeral Home at Reedsport since locating in that city in 1925.

Born at St. Mary's, Nebr., June 20, 1882, he lived for a time at Omaha, Nebr., where he worked as a police detective, prior to going to Reedsport.


During the war he was chief of the Office of Price Administration and did other civic work in connection with the wartime program at Reedsport. He served on the Reedsport city council eight years and was a member of the Elks lodge at Coos Bay.

Surviving are the widow, Margaret; two sons, John Jr. and Robert, and two grandchildren, James Jeffery and Nancy, all of Reedsport; three brothers, two of whom, Ed of Mt. Angel and George of Stickney, S. Dak., are in the undertaking business, and Lewis, living in Nebraska, and a sister, Miss Elizabeth Unger of Mt. Angel.

Funeral services will be held at the Catholic Church at Reedsport at a time to be announced later.

Obituary of brother John Andrew Unger (1882-1952) – "Roseburg (OR) News-Review"
Wednesday 18 Jun 1952 p 1

Oregon, Death Index, 1898-2008



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Name	John A Unger
Death Date	17 Jun 1952
Death Place	Ooos
Spouse	Margare
Certificate	6379

OR death record of John Andrew Unger - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/7332252/person/260150204839/facts>

Louis Unger in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014	
Name	Louis Unger
Social Security Number	508-09-3530
Birth Date	5 Aug 1887
Issue year	Before 1951
Issue State	Nebraska
Last Residence	68748, Madison, Madison, Nebraska, USA
Death Date	Jan 1972

Social Security record of **brother Louis John Unger (1887-1972)** - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/63789504:3693?tid=7332252&pid=262184185990&queryId=250cb882c56262d40f98f40345f881c2&_phsrc=hFB64017&_phstart=successSource

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER U 469	1. NAME (Print) George Joseph Unger			ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) Stickney Aurora So. Dak (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)				
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]				
3. MAILING ADDRESS Same (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)				
4. TELEPHONE Stickney 3-9 (Exchange) (Number)	5. AGE IN YEARS 52	6. PLACE OF BIRTH Platte Nebraska (Town or county) (State or country)		
DATE OF BIRTH 3 18 1890 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)				
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Mrs. Catharine Unger Stickney S. D.				
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS Self.				
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS Stickney Aurora S. D. (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)				
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.				
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42)		16-21630-2 George Joseph Unger (over) (Registrant's signature)		

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

RACE		HEIGHT (Approx.)		WEIGHT (Approx.)		COMPLEXION	
White	✓	5'9"		185		Sallow	
		EYES		HAIR		Light	✓
Negro		Blue		Blonde		Ruddy	
		Gray		Red		Dark	
Oriental		Hazel		Brown		Freckled	
		Brown	✓	Black		Light brown	
Indian		Black		Gray	✓	Dark brown	
				Bald		Black	
Filipino							

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.....

None

Registrar for Local Board.....

Jas A. Hughes
(Signature of registrar)

(Number)

(City or county)

(State)

Date of registration.....

Local Board No. 7-1942

Aurora County

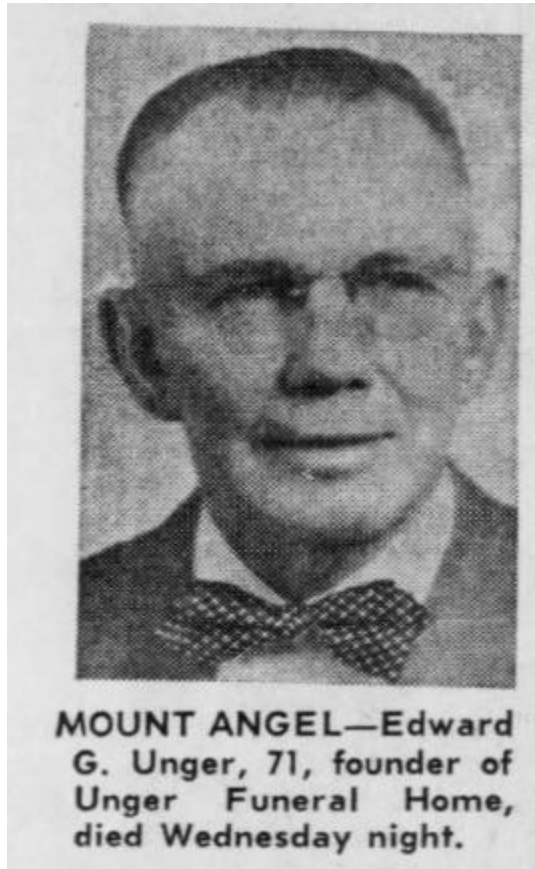
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Plankinton, South Dakota
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

WWII draft registration of **brother George Joseph Unger (1890-1959)** -
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Edward G. Unger

MOUNT ANGEL — Rosary for Edward G. Unger, 71, founder of the Unger Funeral Home and prominent Mount Angel citizen, will be 7:30 p.m. Friday at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Funeral mass will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the church, with interment at Calvary Cemetery.

Unger died Wednesday night at a Portland hospital. He had been periodically ill for five years, and suffered a heart attack Tuesday.

A native of Nebraska, he came to Mount Angel in 1915, and four years later started the funeral home.

A World War I veteran, he was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters and a fourth degree Knight of Columbus. He was a strong supporter of Mount Angel's former flax festivals, and was one of the five founders of the St. Paul Rodeo Association. For many years a giant community Christmas tree and nativity scene were erected on his lawn annually.

Unger was instrumental in the city's leasing, for 99 years, of Southern Pacific property between Main and Railroad Streets for conversion into a memorial park for two of the town's early doctors, Dr. J. E. Webb and Dr. A.F.E. Schlerbaum.

Surviving are the widow, Gertrude; one daughter, Mrs. Marlon McDonald, Ashwood, Ore.; five sons, Arnold, William (Bill) and James, all Mount Angel, Richard, Portland, and Thomas, manager of Unger Funeral Home in Silverton; sister, Miss Elizabeth Unger, Mount Angel; brother, Louis Unger, Nebraska; and 15 grandchildren.

Obituary of brother Edward George Unger (1892-1964) – "Salem (OR) Statesman Journal"
Friday 8 May 1964 p 6

Elizabeth Unger

in the Oregon, U.S., Death Index, 1898-2008

Name	Elizabeth Unger
Age	90
Birth Date	31 Mar 1895
Death Date	18 Nov 1985
Death Place	Marion
Certificate	85-20471

OR death record of **sister Elizabeth Theresa Unger (1895-1985)** -

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/829454:5254?tid=156359247&pid=232060028679&queryId=cdcef74f14cc6ac742083e5259590d1d&phsrc=hFB64022&phstart=successSource>

Half-siblings:

PLACE OF MARRIAGE		RETURN OF MARRIAGE	
County of <u>Washington</u>	Registered No. _____		
or			
City of <u>Hillsboro</u>	No. _____	Street _____	
Date of Marriage <u>January</u> , <u>23</u> , 19 <u>22</u>		MONTH DAY YEAR	
HUSBAND		WIFE	
Full Name <u>Frank Unger</u>	Full Maiden Name <u>Hermine Vogl</u>		
Residence <u>Hillsboro Ore.</u>	Residence <u>Hillsboro Oregon</u>		
Color _____; Age <u>42</u> <u>4</u> <u>8</u>	Color _____; Age <u>23</u> <u>7</u> <u>1</u>	YEARS MONTHS DAYS	
Birthplace <u>Festina Iowa</u>	Birthplace <u>Portland Oregon</u>		
Occupation <u>Farmer</u>	Occupation _____		
No. of Marriage <u>1</u>	No. of Marriage <u>1</u>		
Father's Birthplace <u>Germany</u>	Father's Birthplace <u>Eger Austria</u>		
Mother's Birthplace <u>Evansville Ind.</u>	Mother's Birthplace <u>Wiesau Germany</u>		
(Signed) _____			

Marriage of **half-brother Frank Unger (1869-1934)** to **Hermine Josephine Vogl** -

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Frank Unger - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/156359247/person/232060029032/media/c2afdf8a-f7cd-4d79-aa0d-5acfe6f4ce22?_phsrc=hFB63993&_phstart=successSource



Frank and Hermina Unger
on their wedding day
January 23, 1912
Hillsboro, Oregon

Frank Unger & Hermina Vogl on their wedding day, 23 Jan 1912 -
https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/2297605/person/-210575862/media/772e634d-21b6-4004-80fa-ffffc41069f?_phsrc=hFB63997&usePUBJs=true&galleryindex=4&sort=-created

Oregon State Board of Health **Certificate of Death** 746

1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County Multnomah State Oregon State Registered No. 2127
 Township _____ or Village _____ Local Registered No. 2186
 City Portland No. 12th Ave. NE + Elison St. _____ Ward _____
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its name instead of street number)
 yrs. mos. da. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

2. FULL NAME Frank Unger
 (a) Residence: No. _____ St. Willow Ave
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city of town and state)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3. SEX <u>Male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (Write the word) <u>Married</u>		21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <u>Aug 3 . 1934</u>	
6a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of <u>Hermine</u>				22. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from _____ to _____ that I last saw him alive on _____ 19____; death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at _____ m. The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows: <u>Coronary Thrombosis with Arterio Sclerosis</u> Date of onset _____	
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day and year) <u>Sept. 9. 1868</u>				The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows: <u>Coronary Thrombosis with Arterio Sclerosis</u> Date of onset _____	
7. AGE Years <u>65</u> Months <u>10</u> Days <u>23</u> If less than 1 day, - hrs. or - min.				Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause: <u>(None)</u>	
8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, Sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. <u>Farmer</u>				Name of operation _____ Date of _____	
9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, sawmill, bank, etc. <u>(None)</u>				What test confirmed diagnosis? <u>Ex</u> Was there an autopsy? <u>NO</u>	
10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) <u>Aug 1. 1934</u>				23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following: Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ Date of injury _____ Where did injury occur? _____ (Specify city or town, county, and state) Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.	
11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation <u>30</u>				Manner of injury _____ Nature of injury _____	
12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) <u>St. Maries Nebraska</u>				24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? If so, specify _____	
13. NAME <u>Frank Unger</u>				(Signed) <u>R. M. ERWIN M.D.</u> by <u>Ray L. Matthews</u> M.D. (Address) <u>Coroner</u> <u>Deputy</u>	
14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (state or country) <u>Germany</u>					
15. MAIDEN NAME <u>unknown</u>					
16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (state or country) <u>Germany</u>					
17. INFORMANT <u>G. S. Unger</u> (address) <u>Mt. Angel, Ore</u>					
18. BURIAL INFORMATION ON REMOVAL Place <u>Mt. Angel, Ore</u> Date <u>Aug 6. 34</u>					
19. UNDERTAKER <u>G. S. Unger</u> (Address) <u>Mt. Angel, Oregon</u>					
20. Filed _____ 19____ <u>AUG 3 1934</u> Registrar					

Important. See instructions on back of certificate.

OR death record of half-brother Frank Unger - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/467874:61675?tid=7332252&pid=260150173169&queryId=f601afac04cdbcda35449cf68d6622622&phsrc=hFB63992&phstart=successSource>

Frank married Hermina Josephine Vogl on January 23, 1912. Hermina, born May 22, 1888 in Portland, Oregon was 23 years old and Frank was 42. They had six children.



Anthony (Tone or Tony), born 1913
 Mary Louise (Louise), born 1914
 Marie, born 1917
 William (Bill), born 1919
 Ferdinand (Ferd), born 1920
 Patrick (Pat), born 1924



In the family picture, from left to right are Tone, Frank holding Bill, Louise, Hermina holding Ferd and Marie. Pat, the youngest, is in the separate photo.

The farm was heavily wooded and each year the boys cleared around 3-4 acres of land. Potatoes were always planted on the new ground. The family began to raise milk goats after Pat's allergic reaction to cow's milk. There were as many as 50 goats at one time. The kids took turns herding the goats in unfenced areas of the farm. To pass the time, Louise recalls mending socks while Marie preferred reading.

Frank had worked as a cheese maker in Tillamook before his marriage to Hermina, and he used his skills to make goat cheese on the farm. Goat milk, cream, cheese and meat were all sold to provide a livelihood for the family. The cream was removed from the milk with the use of a separator and sold to the Forest Grove Creamery. The meat was a popular item with Italians in Portland for a special Easter meal. Butter, cottage cheese and limburger cheese were also made from the goat milk for the family's enjoyment.

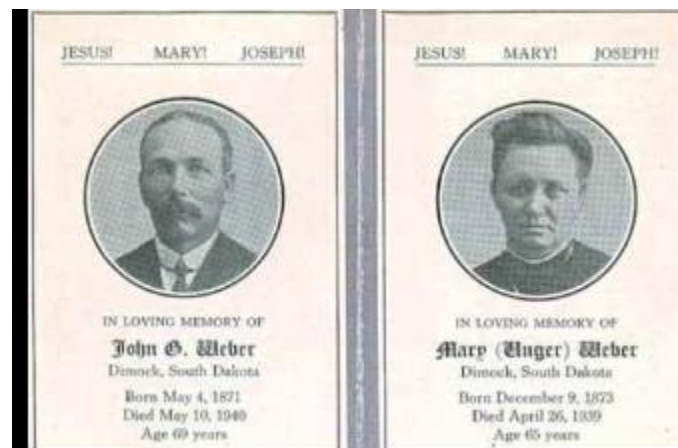
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Wedding day of **half-sister Clara Unger (1871-1920)** & Franz Lachnit, on 14 May 1889 at St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, near Humphrey, Platte NE -
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Left to right: half-sister Mary Elizabeth Unger Weber (1874-1939), husband John G. Weber, Mary's sister/Fred's half-sister Clara Unger Lachnit - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/collection/1030/tree/2297605/person/-237335341/media/bf11c8a7-dcdd-4189-8d9b-ddc4e1944608?_phsrc=hFB64002&_phstart=successSource





Half-sister Mary Elizabeth Unger (1874-1939) with husband John G. Weber – Find A Grave 73911389

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Parkston Unger-Fergen American Legion Post
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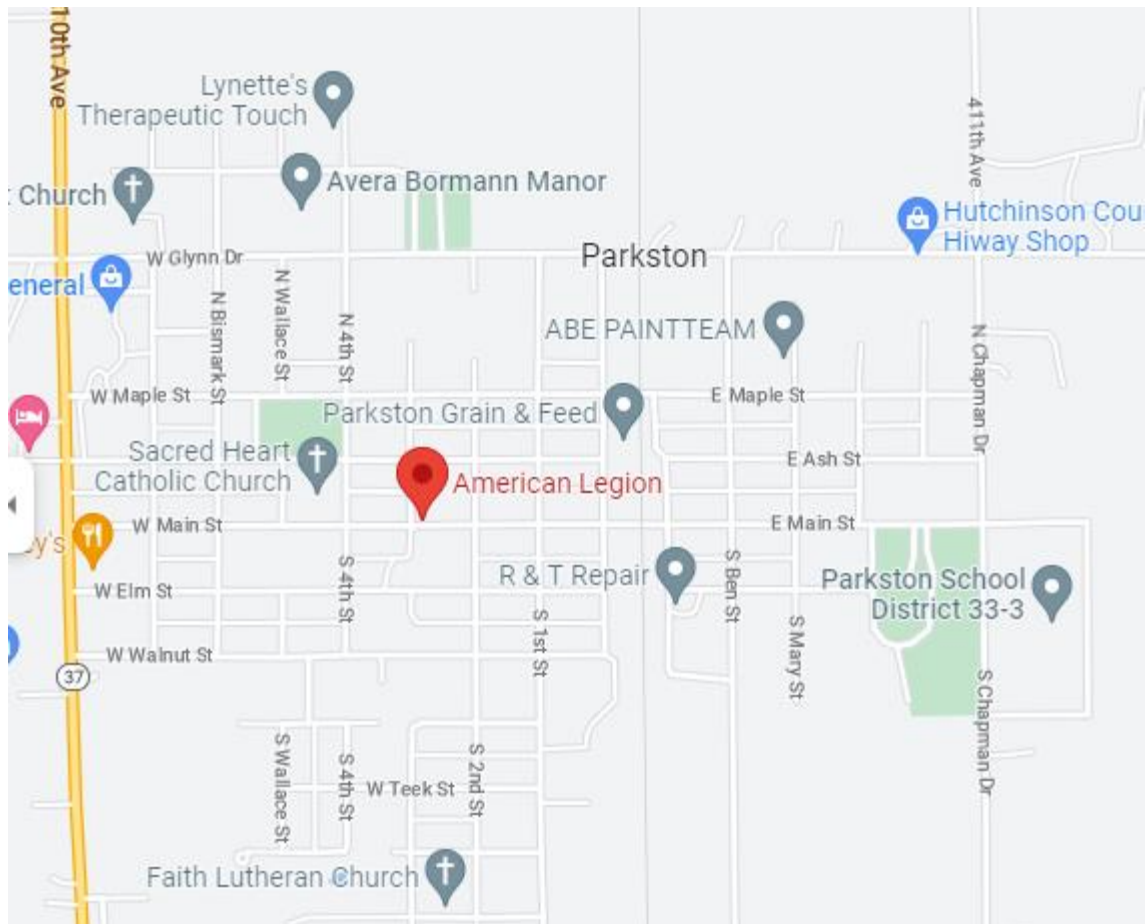
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<https://www.facebook.com/legionpost194/>

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Fred Mat Unger

Name variations: Vager – alternative surname listed on Veterans Administration Master Index. Middle name also found as Mathew.

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 16th/Co. D - private

Serial number: US Army enlisted men were not assigned serial numbers until after the sinking of the Tuscania showed their value, so Fred died without a number.

Entered service from: Parkston, Hutchinson SD

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Fred M. Unger

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": wife Cunigunda Unger, Parkston SD

First buried on isle of Islay, Scotland: in Kinnabus, Islay, Scotland, grave 24, as Fred M. Unger

Body returned from war on: "Antigone" arriving Hoboken NJ 29 Sep 1920

Body listed on return ship as: Fred M. Unger

Rank & unit on return ship: pvt, Co. D, 20th Engrs

World War I draft registration (1917):

Veterans Administration Military Index: name variation: Vager

Enlisted: date not given

Discharged: date not given

Born: 25 Mar 1884

Died: 6 Feb 1918

Address: Parkston SD

Rank/unit: private, Co. D, 6th Battalion, 20th Engineers

Birth & death:

Born: 25 May 1884 NE (likely in Platte Co. NE - family resided in Stearns, Platte NE in 1880 & in Grand Prairie Township, Platte NE in 1890)

Died: 5 Feb 1918 Tuscania

Find A Grave record: 15546053 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Parkston, Hutchinson SD

Cemetery: Sacred Heart

Tombstone: veteran tombstone application: Pvt Co D 20 Engineers

Father: Fredrick Unger, 18 Sep 1844 Hannover, Stadt Hannover, Niedersachsen, Germany – 17 Dec 1918 Mount Angel, Marion OR. Son of Francois Unger & Anna Maiea Vand. Civil War veteran for the Union, serving in the IA Cavalry.

Fredrick was 1st married to Mary [Anna Marie] Meyer (1845-17 Nov 1875, buried in Saint Mary's Cemetery, Festina, Winneshiek IA, F: 84905747). They married in 1868.

Married in 1876 to Magdalena Fisher, who was Fred's mother,

Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mount Angel, Marion OR.

Find A Grave: 67867357

Mother: Magdalena ("Lena") Fischer [Fisher] Unger, 19 Feb 1856 Moutfort, Canton de Luxembourg, Luxembourg, Luxembourg – 15 Mar 1946 Mount Angel, Marion OR. Daughter of Casper Fisher & Angela Ettinger. Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mount Angel, Marion OR. Find A Grave: 67867379

Parents' marriage: 29 Feb 1876 Festina, Winneshiek IA, at the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Seven Dolors

Spouse: Cunigunda Pape Unger, 31 May 1886 Hutchinson Co. SD – 23 May 1985 Kansas City, Wyandotte KS. Daughter of Peter Pape & Elizabeth Heisinger. Buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Parkston, Hutchinson SD.

Spouse Find A Grave: 88559281

Marriage: 10 Oct 1909 Parkston, Hutchinson SD

Children:

- Titus Joseph Unger, 17 Oct 1906 Parkston, Hutchinson SD – 17 Nov 1990 Dell Rapids, Minnehaha SD. Husband of Louise M. Isaak (1906-1998, F: 278211420). Buried in Saint Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Dell Rapids, Minnehaha SD. F: 27821104
- Marion Anna ("Mamie") Unger Phalen, 26 Jul 1908 Parkston, Hutchinson SD – 21 Mar 1982 Kansas City, Wyandotte KS. Also listed as Anna Marion. Married in Jackson Co. MO on 27 Jun 1931 to Leo John Phalen (1909-1978, F: 25718102). Buried in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Kansas City, Wyandotte KS. F: 198444153
- Florian Joseph Unger, 9 Jul 1910 Parkston, Hutchinson SD - 7 Oct 2000 Coolidge, Pinal AZ (at his residence, at age 90). Married 17 Feb 1936 in Parkston, Hutchinson SD to Margaret Evelyn Keating (7 Nov 1913 SD – 4 Sep 2002 AZ). Margaret was the daughter of Floyd Earl Keating & Anna Evelyn Rea. Not on Find A Grave as of 16 Apr 2023.
- Wendelin Joseph Unger, 26 Jul 1912 Lead, Lawrence SD – 4 Jan 1988 Coolidge, Pinal AZ. Married Marie Anna Mechtenberg on 27 Nov 1934 in Dimock, Hutchinson SD. Not on Find A Grave as of 16 Apr 2023.
- Lucia Marie Unger, 29 Jun 1914 Lead, Lawrence SD – 10 Dec 1933 SD. Buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Parkston, Hutchinson SD F: 15546060

Siblings:

- Anna Unger Grenbemer, 6 Jan 1877 Lucas, Lucas IA – 22 Jan 1930 Washington Co. OR. Wife of Ferdinand David ("Fred") Grenbemer (1874-1942, F: 25982107). Her husband was in partnership with her brother Henry in Humphrey NE, doing business as Unger & Grenbemer, when Henry died from an accident at their blacksmith shop. Anna died when she was hit in the abdomen by a piece from an exploding stove. Buried in St. Matthew Catholic Cemetery, Hillsboro, Washington Co. OR. F: 25977368
- Henry [Heinrich] Unger, 13 Oct 1878 St. Mary, Johnson NE – 16 May 1899 Humphrey, Platte NE. In the 1900 census, Henry Unger, 21 NE, b. Oct 1878, single, parents b. Germany, lived in Canistota, McCook SD; his occupation is indistinguishable. Was in partnership with his brother-in-law Ferdinand Grenbemer in a blacksmith shop in Humphrey NE when a grindstone exploded & caused a fatal head concussion. He died 3 hours after the accident at their shop. Buried as Heinrich Unger in Saint Mary of the Angels Cemetery, Humphrey, Platte NE. F: 39204903
- Joseph Peter Unger, 26 Aug 1880 Parkston, Hutchinson SD – 19 Oct 1920 Aberdeen, Brown SD. Roman Catholic priest who officiated at his brother Fred's postwar funeral. Fr. Unger died at the Aberdeen SD train station as he was traveling to Parkston SD to officiate at the funeral of his brother Fred, whose body had been returned from Scotland. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mount Angel, Marion OR. F: 67867667
- John Andrew ("Jack") Unger, 8 Feb 1882 Lincoln, Lancaster NE [or Humphrey NE] – 17 Jun 1952 North Bend, Coos OR. Husband of Margaret M. Moackler (1882-1971, F: 95682553)

whom he married 29 May 1906 Hutchinson Co. SD. Buried in Reedsport Masonic Cemetery, Reedsport, Douglas OR. F: 25497721

- Willie Unger, 25 May 1884 St. Mary's NE – 26 May 1884 St. Mary's NE
- Magdalena Unger, b. & d. 29 Jul 1886 NE. One Ancestry.com family tree claims she was born in OR & died in NE – on the same day. The family was living in Nebraska.
- Louis John Unger, 5 Aug 1887 Humphrey, Platte NE – 31 Jan 1972 Norfolk, Madison NE. Tombstone inscribed with birth year of 1887, but listed as 1888. Married in 1910 to Eva K. Dreifurst (1889-1964, F: 217647930). Buried in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Norfolk, Madison NE. F: 217647856
- George Joseph Unger, 18 Mar 1890 Humphrey, Platte NE – 31 Jul 1959 Redmond, Deschutes OR. Married in Day Co. SD on 19 Jun 1913 to Katherine Agnes Chyma (1889-1961, F: 74883003). Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mount Angel, Marion OR. F: 75057914
- Edward George Unger, 14 May 1892 Saint Mary, Johnson NE 1964 Portland, Multnomah OR. Married in 1923 to Gertrude Hedwig Hillesheim (1898-1983, F: 67343014). Operator of Unger Funeral Home in Mount Angel, Marion OR. Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mount Angel, Marion OR. F: 67342966
- Elizabeth Theresa Unger, 31 Mar 1895 Parkston, Hutchinson SD – 18 Nov 1985 Marion Co. OR. Buried in Calvary Cemetery, Mount Angel, Marion OR. F: 67867657

Half-siblings: by his father Fredrick Unger's 1st marriage, to Mary Meyer

- Frank J. Unger, 6 Sep 1869 Iowa City, Wright IA – 2 Aug 1934 Portland, Multnomah OR. Married on 23 Jan 1912 to Hermina Josephine Vogl (1888-1983, F: 26167111). Buried in St. Matthew Catholic Cemetery, Hillsboro, Washington Co. OR. F: 26167140
- Clara Unger Lachnit, 16 Dec 1871 Des Moines, Polk IA – 3 Jul 1920 Eden, Marshall SD. Married in St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church in Humphrey, Platte NE on 14 May 1889 to Franz ("Frank") Lachnit (1865-1957, F: 139786419). Buried in Saint Michael's Catholic Cemetery, Day Co. SD. F: 139786674
- Elizabeth Unger, 1 Mar 1872 Iowa City, Wright IA - 20 Aug 1872.
- Mary Ellizabeth Unger Weber, 9 Dec 1874 Bellvue, Jackson IA – 26 Apr 1939 Dimock, Hutchinson SD. Married in 1894 to John G. Weber (1871-1940, F: 73911389). Buried in Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Cemetery, Dimock, Hutchinson SD. F: 73911393

Notes:

Father's family tree at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/7332252/person/25123822421/facts>

Fred's family tree at: https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/7332252/person/25123822548/facts?_phsrc=hFB64023&_phstart=succesSource

Pre-war:

Wartime:

"Daily Deadwood Pioneer-Times" (Deadwood SD) 16 Feb 1918 p 1 & 22 Feb 1918 p 1 - age 33, with widow & 5 small children at Parkston SD. Enlisted Vancouver WA in Co. D, 20th

Engineers, on 15 Dec 1917. Fred's funeral was held in Parkston SD on 21 Feb 1918 at the Catholic church, with his brother Rev. Joseph Unger of Claire City SD one of the three priests. The large church was crowded. Almost all Parkston businesses closed.

"Lead [SD] Daily Call" 12 Feb 1918 p 4 - resident of Lead SD until 2 years ago. Employee of Homestake Mining Co. & active member of Hose Co. No. 1

Post-war:

Namesake of the Unger-Fergen American Legion Post No. 194 in Parkston, Hutchinson SD.

Obituary:

Censuses:

1880 Stearns, Platte NE

Frederick Unger, 34 Germany, parents b. Germany, farmer
Mrs. Lena, 24 Germany, parents b. Germany, keeping house
Frank, 10 IA, at home
Clara, 9 IA
Lize, 8 IA
Mary, 7 IA
Anna, 3 IA
Henry, 1 NE

1900 Liberty, Hutchinson SD

Fred Unger, 55 Germany, Sep 1844, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1849, in US for 53 years, naturalized, married 24 years, farmer
Magdalin, 45 Germany, Feb 1856, parents b. Germany, emigrated 1871, in US for 29 years, gave birth to 11 children, 9 are living
John, 17 NE, Jun 1882, farm laborer
Fred, 16 NE, May 1884, farm laborer
Alouis, 12 NE, Aug 1887, in school [Louis]
George, 10 NE, Mar 1890, in school
Edward, 8 NE, May 1892, in school
Lizzie, 5 SD, Mar 1895

1910 Township 5, Meade Co. SD – SD marriage record indicates marriage in 1909

Fred M. Unger, 25 NE, parents b. Germany, in 1st marriage, married 5 years, farmer, homestead
Cumgunda [Cunigunda], 22 SD, parents b. Germany, in 1st marriage, gave birth to 2 children, 2 are living
Titus J., 4 SD
Mamie, 1 SD

1920 Liberty, Hutchinson SD – widow & 5 children living with her mother

Lizzie Pape, 58 MD, parents b. Germany, widow

Cunigunda Unger, 33 SD, father b. Germany, mother b. MD, widow [daughter]

Titus Unger, 13 SD [grandson]

Marian Unger, 11 SD [granddaughter]

Florian Unger, 7 SD [grandson]

Wendelin Unger, 7 SD [grandson]

Lucia Unger, 5 SD [granddaughter]

Theresa Pape, 31 SD, single, father b. Germany, mother b. MD, nurse, hospital [daughter]

[Note: census taker spelled Maryland as Marland - Theresa Pape the only one listed with an occupation]