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Biography of
Charles F. Arndt

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The name of the pioneer
is Mr Charles F. Amst. He
was born January fifteen,
~~eighteen~~ ~~sixty eight~~ in Schwerin
Germany. He came with
his parents and four brother
and two sisters. Because in order
to have a greater opportunity
in United States. They came
across in the Baltimore boat
and landed in Baltimore.
They started for North Dak-
ota because it was not
settled and could take a
homestead and they could not
do it in the eastern states.
When the family got to Fargo,
He started to work out for himself.
But the family was poor and had
to give his father his money so they

could get a start first. He
work there for six dollars
a month after working for
a year ^{then} went to Casselton.

He kept on working all the way
up to Cooperston. When he got
here, he work for Cooper on
his ranch. This was in the
year about eighteen eighttwo. He
was about fifteen years old.

Then, This was the first
money he earned for himself.

He hauled grain for Cooperston
to Sanborn, which they used to
make the trip in one day with
the oxen. But had to get up
early in the morning when they
started. After he earned some
money, he started to take
a horse and 14 miles west

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first crop, he sold his wheat
for 65 cents a bushel, Barley
at 22 cents a bushel and Flax
at 63 cents a bushel. The
second year the crop average
13 bushels and acre, But he
could not get it thru for there
was not very many machines
around. The next spring he
burned the crop of because the
birds had ate the grain and he
want to get another crop in.
The threshing machine were
house power, and they had
men to cut the bundles and
huck the straw away. In the
summer time he earned money
by picking buffalo bones.
The next year he traded the

half section of with Mr Berg
for section nine and 1/4 of sixteen.

His first neighbors were Gust
Rothart, Jim McCulloch and
Gust Evens. He drove to
Valley City to get his lumber
to build his new home
on section 29. It took two
days one to get it and one to
return home. The carpenters
were B. H. Doune and
McCulloch. The first team
of horses was in 1898 which he
got from Rothart. The hard-
ship were great they went
to Valley City to get groceries
and drove in the storm. The
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was married to Ida Retzoff,
and live on section twenty-nine.
After farming six years he
bought some more land which
was $\frac{1}{4}$ section of 20 and twenty-one.
The first fuel they burned
was wood and cow chip
in the cold weather.
In nineteen hundred he had a
good crop and saw better prices
for grain. He kept farming
Twenty $\frac{1}{2}$ section of land. In
nineteen hundred and eight
he built his first barn,
32 by 76 which was built by
Mr. John Howell. The next
year built a grainery. After
this kept on making improvements

on his farm. In nineteen
hundred and twelve bought
a ford car which he thought
that he then had made a
success in farming. In
nineteen fifteen thought
that he would see the
country and bought a ticket
for \$90 which was a round trip
to Cap. Wash. Oregon & Lewis. The
next year went again and
left the children to take care
of the land at home in the
winter which he returned in
the spring. The next year he
went again this was his last
trip and he bought land this
time at Shore Rivers, Lewis.
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good. But after he made
a success he retired. Family
but still live on the farm
three miles west and
five miles north of
Coopers town in Lyrol
Township on section twenty
nine. where he still live at
present at the age of fifty eight
year old and has section $\frac{1}{4}$ of
21, $\frac{1}{4}$ section of 29, $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 20
 $\frac{1}{4}$ section of 21 and 16 and half section
of nine.