

## Biography of Adolph Arndt

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Mr. Arndt took up land on Section 25 and 26 in Addie Township. He took up a section and a quarter. The first house in which they lived was a sod house with grass growing on the roof during the summer. The trip for provisions was made to Cooperstown with a team of oxen. The nearest neighbor was Mr. Fred A. Sinclair who lived a mile away. The farm machinery was a plow and he also had a team of oxen. The chief crop raised by Mr. Arndt was wheat which averaged 35 bushels to the acre. To get their fuel the people went down to Lake Addie and out on the prairie and gathered the wood which they might find. The prairie fires were the most dangerous hardships with which the pioneers had to deal.

Mr. Adolph Arndt was married to Miss Minnie Tesolofin in 1907. Mr. Arndt has five children whose addresses are; Mr. Harold Arndt, Grand Rapids, N. Dak.; Mr. Joe Arndt, Grand Rapids, N. Dak.; Mr. Allen Arndt, Grand Rapids, N. Dak.; Mr. Alfred Arndt, Grand Rapids, N. Dak.; Miss Verna Arndt, Grand Rapids, N. Dak. Mr. Arndt is now living in Grand Rapids, N. Dak.



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