M. RICH.
The Germans are among our best citizens and most enterprising merchants. Take the Germans from Orangeburg and you rob her of nearly half of her leading business men. Mr. M. Rich...is a German...

The O. News, 8 June 1872.

MARRIED: MISS HANNAH RICH...of Orangeburg. On the evening of the 6th of January, at the residence of M. Rich...to Michael Marcus of Lewisville...

The O. News, 10 Jan 1874. (Sat.)

WIFE of M. RICH...died at her residence in this city on last Thursday in the sixty-seventh year of her age...interred in the Hebrew Cemetery...

T. & D., 6 April 1892.

WIFE, JENNY RICH...wife of Mr. Philip Rich of St. Matthews, died recently at Asheville...where she had gone on a visit...She was about forty-eight...

T. & D., 12 Sept 1900.

WIFE, L. RICH...the beloved wife of Mr. L. Rich of St. Matthews died last Thursday at her home in St. Matthews...about seventy years old. Her remains were taken to Charleston and interred in the Jewish cemetery of that city...

T. & D., 28 Oct 1886.

PHILIP RICH...very prominent Hebrew of St. Matthews and a resident of it for 25 years, died of paralysis...on last Thursday evening. He was a man of splendid business qualifications, of boundless energy...which enabled him to accumulate a large fortune...always on the alert...to do all in his power for the upbuilding of St. Matthews. He was 50...and childless, and leaves his large fortune to the brothers and sisters and cousin of his wife, who died at Asheville...last August, and to his adopted daughter, Miss Minnie Rich. Mr. Rich was a good neighbor and a kind friend...

T. & D., 13 Feb 1901.
H. Rosenbaum to be buried here.

Herman Rosenbaum died.
7 March 1929 - Times and Democrat, Orangeburg, SC

Karl Miklosich received the news yesterday afternoon that his brother-in-law, Herman Rosenbaum, 30, had died at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home in Greenwood, where he is a merchant.

The funeral services will be held here at the Jewish cemetery. The time has not been announced, though it will either be today or tomorrow.

Mr. Rosenbaum was unmarried. He was a 32nd degree Mason and a SHRINER. He had been ill for a week before his death.
Remains of Jacob Rosenbaum to
Rest in Orangeburg—Citadel

Graduate.

Special to The State.

Greenwood, May 22.—Jacob Rosenbaum, a former teacher in this state and a graduate of the Citadel, died Saturday in a hospital in Trenton, N. J., according to messages received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Rosenbaum of Greenwood. The funeral will be conducted tomorrow in Orangeburg.

Mr. Rosenbaum was graduated from the Citadel in 1910. He taught school in this state and in Georgia, later being instructor at the Missouri Military Academy at Mexico, Mo. Returning to Greenwood a few years ago, his health failed and he underwent a serious operation at a Northern hospital from which he never fully recovered.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Rosenbaum of Greenwood; two brothers, Herman and Maurice Rosenbaum of Greenwood; two sisters, Mrs. Finklestein of Orangeburg and Mrs. M. Forden of New York.
## Certificate of Death

**County:** Aiken  
**State Board of Health:**  
**Certificate Number:** 3885

### Personal and Statistical Particulars

- **Name:** Michael P. Rice
- **Date of Birth:** July 21, 1877
- **Place of Birth:** Palmetto
- **Married:** Yes
- **Occupation:** Laborer
- **Father:** James Rice
- **Mother:** Anna Rice

### Medical Certificate of Death

- **Date of Death:** July 21, 1927
- **Cause of Death:** Typhoid Fever
- **Witness:** Anna Rice

### Parents

- **Father:** James Rice
- **Mother:** Anna Rice

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**Place of Death:**  
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Bertha Rich Siebenhausen dies.
Wednesday, 9 Jan. 1974 - Times and Democrat, Orangeburg, SC

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**17. I HEREBY CERTIFY**

- That I attended deceased from March 26, 1924, to March 29, 1924.
- That I saw him alive on March 28, 1924.
- That death occurred on the date stated above at 10 a.m. The Cause of Death was as follows: death resulting from excitement.

**9. BIRTHPLACE**

- State or Country: Russia

**10. NAME OF FATHER**

- P

**11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER**

- State or Country: ?

**12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER**

- P

**13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER**

- State or Country: ?

**14. THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE**

- Informant: J. Boone
- Address: Columbia, S.C.

**15. FILED**

- 6/30/55 - Register's Office

**19. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL**

- Address: Columbia, S.C.
Victor K. Smigell dies.
30 May 1950 - Times and Democrat, Orangeburg, SC

Rites at 6 P.M.
For Dr. Smigell

Funeral services for Dr. Victor K. Smigell of 29 Peachtree St., Charleston, will be held at the Duke-Darley Funeral Home at 6 p.m. today.

Burial will be held in the Hebrew cemetery.

Dr. Smigell, 40, died at Hill County Hospital Sunday night after becoming ill several weeks ago at Bamberg while traveling for his company.

A native of Philadelphia, Dr. Smigell was a graduate of Kansas City Medical School. He practiced medicine in Nashville, Tenn., until about seven months ago, when he began work selling drugs in this area.

He was a member of the Elks and the Unitarian Church in Nashville.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Betty Holtz Smigell of Charlotte, N.C., and a brother, Jack Smigell of Philadelphia.

Pallbearers at the funeral will be Prof. C. Cabell, M. I. Bankstelt, Charles Way, Charles Clyburn, J. Silver and Jack Hytrick.
MARRIED: MISS BLOUMAH SORENTRUE...

Sunday night, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Sorentrue, the parents of the young lady, objected to the match, and the young couple ran away and were married by Capt. W. W. McMonkber, who is a notary public.

T. & D., 3 Dec 1902.

J. I. SORENTRUE...

The sad news reached Orangeburg last Thursday morning from Charleston that Mr. J. I. Sorentrue of this city had been found dead that morning in bed at the Argyle Hotel. On a chair beside the bed was a glass containing about four teaspoonfuls of crude carbolic acid...and the lips and mustache were burned. The News and Courier says there seems not to have been the slightest motive for the deed. No note or letter was left. Last fall he closed out his business in the city, which was a hardware and crockery store. He expected to resume business this fall. He was residing in Orangeburg for many years and has conducted a safe and profitable business. Mr. Sorentrue left a wife and four children, two daughters and two sons. Mrs. Sorentrue is a daughter of Mr. Simon Brown of Blackville...

T. & D., 17 June 1903.

MARRIED: MISS PENA SORENTRUE...

of this city...to Mr. Arthur Furchgott of Charleston...at the residence of the bride’s mother on Thursday Afternoon...to take up their residence in Charleston...

T. & D., 19 Feb 1910(Sat.)

MARRIED: SIMON SORENTRUE...

and Mrs. Rosebud Neuberger of Augusta, Ga....in that city on last Sunday...to take up their residence in Charleston, where Mr. Sorentrue is in business. Mr. Sorentrue is a native of this city...

T. & D., 9 Jun 1910(Thurs)

SORENTRUE REUNION...

at the home of Mrs. J. I. Sorentrue on Hampton street Sunday...where being present all the children and grandchildren of the hostess...the first time in 12 years.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Furchgott and sons, Arthur, Jr., Robert and Max, from Charleston; Mr. and Mrs. Simon Sorentrue and son, Simon, Jr., of Charleston; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sorentrue and son, Charles, Jr., of Charleston and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Moseley and sons, Jake, J. P., Jr., and Edwin of this city. Mrs. Furchgott before marriage was Miss Pena Sorentrue and Mrs. J. P. Moseley before marriage was Miss Blumah Sorentrue.

T. & D., 31 Aug 1920(Tues.)

MRS. J. SORENTRUE...

Orangeburg, Jan. 21. — services for Mrs. Jennie Sorentrue, who died at her home here Thursday night, will be held from the home...Sunday...Interment in the Hebrew cemetery.

The State, 22 Jan 1933(Sun.)
From the records of Death Certificates on file at the South Carolina Archives:

SORENTURE, Jennie, City of Orangeburg, widow, white, female, born in Blackville, SC parent, Simon Brown born in Germany and Pena Ashar born in Germany, died age 71 on January 19, 1933 at 10:30 PM of acute endocarditis and acute colitis; informant Simon Sorenture of Charleston, SC. Buried Hebrew Cem January 22, 1933 (Tape DC 259)
J. I. Sorentrue
Has been identified with the city of Orangeburg since 1877, and we venture to say is known by nearly every man, woman and child in Orangeburg county.

His Variety Store,
containing the best and largest selection of China Ware, Crockery, Lamps of any description, Glass Ware, Silverware, Tin Ware, Pictures and Frames, to be found in any one establishment in this State. What cannot be found there in the above lines, is useless to look for elsewhere. When on the lookout for Wedding, Birthday or Christmas Presents, Sorentrue’s Bazaar is the first place to suggest itself. There is hardly a day in the year that this Bazaar does not receive new and desirable goods, and they are marked down to lowest notch. Christmas goods are now rolling in by every train, and it will be worth your while to visit this establishment during the coming Fall Festival.
MRS. BERTHA SORENTRUE

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — Mrs. Bertha Wald Sorentrue, 82, widow of Charles Sorentrue, died Wednesday in a local nursing home after an extended illness. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Mrs. Sorentrue was the daughter of the late Julius and Flora Rich Wald.

MRS. BERTHA W. SORENTRUE

Funeral service for Mrs. Bertha Wald Sorentrue, who died Wednesday will be held at 10 a.m. Sunday at the graveside in the Hewbrew Cemetery, with Mr. J.J. Teskey officiating.

Mrs. Sorentrue was the widow of Charles Sorentrue and a native of Orangeburg. Survivors include a son, Charles Sorentrue of Cooper City, Fla.; a brother, Maurice Wald of Long Island, N.Y.; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends may call at the Dukes-Harley Funeral Home.

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MRS. J. I. SORENTRUE...

Orangeburg, Jan. 19. — Mrs. Jennie Sorentrue, widow of J. I. Sorentrue, died at her home here tonight. She was 71 and had been a resident of Orangeburg for a number of years.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. P. Moseley and Mrs. A. C. Furchgott, both of Orangeburg; two sons, Simon Sorentrue of Charleston and Charles Sorentrue of New York; six sisters and three brothers.

The State, 20 Jan 1933 (Friday)

MR. & MRS. CHARLIE SORENTRUE...

of New York have been guests this week of Mrs. John Mose-T. & D., 4 Dec 1937 (Sat) they on Hamptons street.
Dear Mr. Ackerman:

I am writing you to find out if you know where Back between 1880 and 1900 where the Jewish people went to church in Orangeburg. Also, if there was a place where people came from overseas to settle there, where would they get naturalized (County, State, another city, Federal, etc.). I am trying to find out some clues where to write for my great-grandfather's death registry papers and his church records. You can write me at the following name and address:

Randy Sorentine
4110 S.W. 32nd St.
Hollywood, Fla. 33023

Sincerely,

Hugo S. Ackerman
1045 Edisto Ave. N.W.
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115
Dear Mr. Ackerman:  (April 1980)

My name is Mr. Randy Sorentine, who you sent a copy of the newspaper articles on my family background. I have found out a lot on my great-grandfather J. T. Sorentine but I am having trouble with a couple of items.

His naturalization papers and his passenger list that he came over by boat. I have tried the National Archives, Charleston Courthouse, Orangeburg Courthouse and the State Archives. He came to Orangeburg in 1880 and to Charleston in 1874. Those are the only ones I know he lived in. Also his Church records are hard to find. Since Orangeburg didn't have one then, there probably a city close by that he was naturalized but is hard to find. If you can give me any clues on how to get these three sources - Church records, his naturalization papers or Immigration papers - it would be greatly appreciated. Please write at the following address:

Randy Sorentine
4110 S.W. 32nd Street
Funeral for
Mr. Spiesman
Of Elloree

ELLOREE, April 24 — Funeral services for Morris Spiesman, 48, will be held at the Hebrew portion of Sunnyside Cemetery, Orangeburg, Friday, at 3 p.m., with Rabbi J. Aaron Levy, Sumter, officiating.

Mr. Spiesman, apparently feeling good, left Santee to pay his doctor in Sumter a visit, and died shortly afterwards in the office of Dr. Charles White, about 6:30, in Sumter, on Wednesday, April 23. He was born in April, 1904, and was a retired pharmacist, having retired in 1946 because of his health. He and Mrs. Spiesman came to Santee in 1948 and opened the Gamecock Motel, and, since 1948 the motel has been enlarged and a dining room added. He was a member of Charity Lodge, No. 62, A. F. M. Elloree.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Kate Spiesman; a foster son, Robert Metzendorf; one brother, Herman Spiesman, Trenton, N.J.; one sister, Mrs. Jack Haber, Newburgh, N.J.; two nieces and one uncle, Dr. Alton Brill, New York City.

Active pallbearers will be: J. T. Mitchum, W. E. Clark, Louis Rosen, M. J. Dantzler, H. C. Black, J. K. Ulmer, Jim Owen, Jr., and Joe Miller.
KATHERINE A. SPEISMAN
ELLOREE, S.C. — Mrs. Katherin Abbes Speisman, 64, widow of Morris Speisman, died Sunday morning in the Orangeburg Regional Hospital.
Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Elloece First Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. J. W. Middleton.
Active pallbearers will be J. T. Owen, Richard M. Griffith, C. H. Steppe, Hubert Rickenbaker and J. T. Mitchum.
Burial will be in the Sunnyvale Cemetery in Orangeburg, directed by Fogle-Hungerpiller Funeral Home.
Mrs. Speisman was born in New York City on Nov. 5, 1907, a daughter of the late Williams and Carey Reskos Abbes. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Elloece and was the owner and operator of the Gamecock Hotel in Santee.
Surviving are a son, Robert H. Merzendorf of Santee; one sister, Mrs. Theodore Charbat of Smallwood, N.Y.; and four grandchildren.
Arthur Steiner died in Chicago and his body arrived here last evening on the Southern. Services will be this morning from the Dukes-Harley Funeral Home with interment in the Hebrew Cemetery. Mrs. Steiner, formerly of St. Matthews, was buried here some years ago.

T. & D., 3 Dec 1940 (Tues.)
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1. PLACE OF DEATH:
(a) County: Orangeburg
(b) City or town: Orangeburg, S. C.
(c) Name of hospital or institution: 165 N. Broughton St.

2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:
(a) State: Penna.
(b) County: Philadelphia
(c) City or town: (If outside city or town limits, write RURAL)
(d) Street No. (If rural, give location)

3. (a) FULL NAME: Rosah Sharfsin Rich
(b) Last name: Rich
(c) Social Security No.:

4. Sex: Female
5. Color or race: W
6. (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced, Widowed
7. Name of husband or wife: late Harry S. Rich
6. (c) Age of husband or wife if alive: years

8. Birth date of deceased: (Month) 12 (Day) 18 (Year) 1947
9. AGE: Years 52 Months 0 Days 0 If less than one day 0

11. Usual occupation: Domestic
12. Name: Moses Sharfsin
13. Birthplace: Russia
14. Maiden name: Rebecca Haner
15. Birthplace: Russia

16. (a) Informant's own signature: Dr. Morris Rich
(b) Address: Orangeburg, S. C.

17. (a) Burial or cremation: Burial
(b) Date thereof: 12-14-47
(c) Place of burial or cremation: Hebrew Section of Sunny Side Cemetery.
18. (a) Signature of funeral director: Dukes-Harley
(b) Address: Orangeburg, S. C.

19. (a) Date of certificate: Dec. 19 1947
(b) (Underbars' signature)

20. Date of death: Month December (Day) 12th (Year) 1947
21. Date of death: (Month) 12 (Day) 18 (Year) 1947
22. Hour: 7:40 Minute: 0
23. DURATION: 0 Hours 0 Minutes
24. Immediate cause of death: (Specify): Heart Disease
25. Other causes: (Specify):

26. PHYSICIAN: Dr. Morris Rich
27. Address: Orangeburg, S. C.

28. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following:
(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (Specify)
(b) Date of occurrence
(c) Where did injury occur? (City or town) (County) (State)
(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? (Specify type of place)

29. Signature and date: (M. D. or other)

30. (Underbars' signature)
MISS FANNIE WALD...

from New York City arrived Monday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wald.

T. & D., 19 Sep 1935(Thurs.)

VICTOR WALD...

Fataally injured when he was struck by an automobile on East Russell street near his home on the evening of Oct. 12, died shortly after midnight at the Tri-County Hospital. Mr. Wald, who was 74, was born in Aparus, a small town in Hungary. He came to America in 1879, and had made his home in this city practically ever since. He remained in New York for only a short time after reaching this country and then came to Orangeburg. He married Miss Lena Link in 1888. His widow, two sons and one daughter survive: Sol Wald, Herman Wald and Miss Fannie Wald, all of this city.

For many years Mr. Wald was engaged as a traveling salesman and only within the past few years had retired from the road. He was a member of the local lodge of Masons and also a member of the local lodge of Elks.

T. & D., 23 Oct 1936(Fri.)

EMIL S. WALD, JR...

Richmond, Va., Oct. 5. - The death...at a local hotel was discovered today when a business associate who was unable to get his room telephone to answer the manager... The hotel manager...expressed the belief death resulted from a heart attack...The hotel manager said Mr. Wald was registered as from Richmond and was in the insurance business.

T. & D., 6 Oct 1937(Wed.)

MISS FANNIE WALD...

of New York City is spending her vacation of two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Victor Wald, on Center street.

Mrs. Wald has received the news of the marriage of her grandson, Edward Lee, in Chicago, on last Saturday...he lived here with his grandparents until graduation from the Orangeburg High School. He is now a law accountant connected with Proctor & Gamble and is making quite a success.

T. & D., 18 Jun 1938(Sat.)

MRS. FLORA WALD...

widow of Julius Wald, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Sorentrude, in Cedar Hurst, L. I., yesterday...the body will arrive in the city this morning...for burial at the Hebrew Cemetery.

She leaves several nephews in this city: Lipman Rich, Gus Rich, Dr. Morris Rich, Sol Wald and Herman Wald; also a sister-in-law, Mrs. Victor Wald. She also leaves the following children: Mrs. Charles Sorentrude of Cedar Hurst; Louis Wald, Morris Wald, and Herbert Wald of New York City...

T. & D., 17 Jul 1940(Wed.)
MARRIED: VICTOR WALD
and Miss Lena Link, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Link of our town were married last Wednesday at the residence of the bride's father...rites of the Jewish Church...a most elegant and sumptuous supper followed at the Adistic Rifle Armory...many elegant and costly presents were given the couple...

T. & D., 1 Feb 1888.

MARRIED: MISS JANIE WALD
of this city...to Mr. John L. Rast, young farmer of Middle St. Matthews...last Wednesday...the couple went immediately to their future home several miles east of Orangeburg. The marriage took place at the residence of Mr. William Sain, an uncle of the bride...

T. & D., 28 Feb 1900.

MARRIED: MISS JANIE WALD
of Orangeburg...on Feb. 21, 1900, at the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. William Sain, to Mr. John L. Rast of Cameron.


MARRIED: EMIL WALD...
The Columbia State says:"On Christmas night there was a quiet wedding at the home of the bride in the upper portion of the city. Miss Sadie Griner and Mr. Emil Wald were married (corner of page turned back)

T. & D., 1 Jan 1902.

MARRIED: MISS RENA WALD...
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wald, on Tuesday afternoon, to Mr. Arthur Leon Moore of Charleston. The solemn and impressive Jewish ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents on Russell street...Among attendants were...maid of honor, Miss Fannie Wald...Mr. and Mrs. Moore...will be at home in Charleston, where Mr. Moore is a prosperous business man, holding a responsible position with the Pinkussohn Cigar company...Mrs. Moore...taught successfully for several years in the O. graded school...

T. & D., 13 Jun 1914(Sat.)

MRS. RENA WALD MORE... (Wald)
of Charleston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wald of this city, died at her home in Charleston early yesterday...Mrs. Moore was for many years a teacher in the city schools here and was extremely popular in that capacity. Her early life was spent at her home here until she married Mr. Arthur Moore of Charleston...

Mrs. Moore is survived by her husband as well as her two small children and her relatives in Orangeburg...

T. & D., 26 Feb 1920(Thurs.)
MRS. JOHN S. GILMAN...

of Bridgeport, Conn., is here to spend two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Victor Wald, on Lowman Street. Mrs. Wald has been quite ill, but is now recovering nicely.

Mrs. Gilman is the former Miss Fannie Wald, but on May 28, was married to Mr. Gilman, who is the mechanical draftsman of The Stanley Works at Bridgeport. Mr. Gilman is a brother of Mrs. Joe Marcus of Broughton street.

T. & D., 3 Jun 1942 (Wed.)

MRS. LENA WALD.

81, died at the Tri-County Hospital last night, after an illness of several weeks. Services will be this afternoon from the late residence on Lowman Street, with interment in the Hebrew cemetery.

She was the widow of Victor Wald, who died several years ago. She was born in Charleston and came to Orangeburg with her parents when only 16 years of age. She had made this her home since that time.

Mrs. Wald leaves one daughter, Mrs. John S. Gilman of Bridgeport, Conn., and two sons, Solomon and Herman Wald, both of this city.

T. & D., 7 Jan 1943 (Thursday.)

HERMAN WALD.

44, died yesterday at a hospital in Columbia. He had been in declining health for the past two years. Services will be this afternoon from the Dukes-Barley Funeral Home, with interment in the Hebrew Cemetery.

He was the son of the late Victor and Lena Link Wald of this city. He is survived by one brother, Sol Wald of Orangeburg, and one sister, Mrs. John S. Gilman of Bridgeport, Conn.

T. & D., 9 Nov 1943 (Tues.)
GENEALOGY: WALLACE

SAM A. WALLACE...

prominent merchant and fraternal order man of this city died early Thursday morning...with pneumonia...services at Summerville Cemetery...with full Masonic honors. Mr. Wallace came to this city about fifteen years ago and was one of the leading merchants here. He took an active interest in the civic affairs of the city. He was born in Morganton, N.C., in 1875, and moved from there to Augusta, Ga., and then here. He married Miss Minnie Riley of this city about eleven years ago and she survives. Mr. Wallace is also survived by Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Wallace, his mother and father. He was a Mason, a Shriner, and an Elk.

T. & D., 7 Nov 1925(Sat.)

MRS. A. WALLACE...

of Augusta, mother of the late S. A. Wallace of this city, died at her home Monday afternoon, Mar. 29. Mrs. Wallace was born in Columbia, but made Augusta her home in her early girlhood...She leaves husband; daughters: Mrs. R. E. Jossmann of Detroit; Miss Esther, Clara and Frances Wallace; sons, Byron, William and Philip Wallace, all of Augusta...

T. & D., 3 Apr 1926(Sat.)

MRS. R. E. JOSSMAN, (Wallace)

of Detroit, Mich., sister of the late Mr. S. A. Wallace of Oconeeburg, has died...She leaves her husband, Mr. R. E. Jossmann and sons Ralph, Jr., and Wallace of Detroit. Her aged father, A. Wallace; three brothers, Byron, William and Philip; and three sisters, Esther, Clara and Frances, all of Augusta, Ga., services will be held in Augusta Friday...Mrs. Jossmann visited at her brother's home here on several occasions...

T. & D., 24 Oct 1926(Thurs.)

MRS. S. A. WALLACE...

and Miss Flossie returned from Augusta, Ga., where they attended the Wallace-Moses wedding on Sunday, Dec. 27. Mrs. Moses will be remembered as Miss Carolyn Wallace, niece of the late S. A. Wallace of this city.

T. & D., 30 Dec 1936(Wed.)

MARRIED: MISS GERVAIS WALLACE...

daughter of Capt. William Clifton Wallace, U.S.N. and Mrs. Wallace. Friday afternoon to William Gothard Brekke. Miss Wallace is a graduate of William and Mary College in Williamsburg, Va. The scene of the wedding was the Fort Meyer Chapel.

The bride had as her maid-of-honor her sister, Mrs. Lawrence Goldsmith. The best man was the bridegroom's brother, Trond G. Brekke.

The bridegroom attended Baylor Preparatory School in Chattanooga, Tenn., Cornell University and the Georgetown Foreign Service School. Until May he was with the Royal Norwegian Air Force in Toronto. At present he is serving in the press department of the Norwegian Embassy and at the Board of Economic Warfare...

T. & D., 1 Sep 1943(Tues.)
Sam Wallace dies.
7 Nov. 1925 - Times and Democrat, Orangeburg, SC

MR. SAM WALLACE
BURIED FRIDAY

Masons Pay Last Sad
Tribute to Prominent
City Merchant

Mr. S. A. Wallace, better known
as Sam Wallace, prominent mer-
chant and fraternal order man of
this city, died early Thursday
morning. He had been sick about
a week with pneumonia.

Funeral services were held Fri-
day afternoon at Summerville Co-
ter and a large number of his
friends saw him laid away. Full
Masonic honors were paid Mr.
Wallace during the funeral cere-
monies, and his passing is a distinct
loss to this city.

Mr. Wallace came to this city
about fifteen years ago, and was
one of the leading merchants here.
He took an active interest in the
civic affairs of the city and always
stood for the things which were best for the
community. He was born in Morganton, N.C., in
1875, and moved from there to
Augusta, Ga., and then here.
He married Miss Minnie Riley
of the city about eleven years ago
and she survives. Mr. Wallace is
also survived by Mr. and Mrs.
Aaron Wallace, his mother and
father.

Mr. Wallace took an active in-
terest in the fraternal affairs of
this city, being a Mason, Shriner and an Elks.
GENEALOGY: WILENSKY

MARRIED: MISS CELIA WILENSKY...
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilensky of this city to
William Benjamin of Baltimore., December 26 in Charleston. They
will make their future home in Baltimore.

T. & D., 10 Feb 1931 (Tues)

MARRIED: MISS RITA WILENSKY...
of this city to Mr. Shanley Nitzberg of New York City, in
Columbia, S. C., Sunday afternoon at the home of Rabbi D.
Kares, in the presence of the bride's family and a few close
friends.

On Monday evening the parents of the bride held an informal
reception at the home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr.
and Mrs. H. A. Becker on Iveson street.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wilensky
of Orangeburg.

T. & D., 2 July 1940 (Tues.)

MARRIED: EMANUEL WILENSKY.

Detroit, Mich., July.-- on Sunday, June 20, and Miss
Rose Denenberg, daughter of Mrs. Gella Denenberg, and the
late Dave Denenberg. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.
Wilensky of Orangeburg, S. C.

Miss Jeanette Wilensky, sister of the bridegroom, was
the maid of honor, and Mr. Al Becker served as best man.
Also in the bridal party included Miss Dora Denenberg, sister
of the bride. They will reside in Detroit.

T. & D., 3 July 1940 (Sat.)

MRS. S. L. FINN (...Wilensky)

...and infant son of Richmond, Va., are visiting Mr. and
Mrs. Jake Wilensky on Glover Street. She is their daughter.

T. & D., 7 June 1944 (Wed.)

JACOB WILENSKY...

64, local merchant, died at his home, 21 East Glover Street,
last night. He had been in poor health for some time.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie Bernstein Wilensky;
four daughters: Mrs. M. Hurwitz and Miss Janet Wilensky,
Orangeburg; Mrs. S. L. Finn, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. C. J. Idson,
New York; two sons, Joe Wilensky, Columbus, Ga.; Pfc. Emanuel
Wilensky, overseas; three brothers, Sam, Isadore and Julius
Wilensky, New York; three sisters: Mrs. Dave Kaplan, Miss Ida
Wilensky, Mrs. Annie Horowitz, New York.

Tod, 25 Nov. 1944 (Thurs.)

STAFF SGT. MANUEL WILENSKY...

...and his wife of Detroit, Mich., are visiting his mother,
Mrs. Jake Wilensky at the Sycamore Apartments. He had now re-
ceived his discharge, having been in service 35 months. He
spent two and a half years in the European theater.

Tod, 21 Jan 1946.
MRS. ANNIE B. WILENSKY

Mrs. Annie Bernstein Wilensky, 91, widow of Jacob Wilensky, died Sunday afternoon at an Orangeburg nursing home where she had been making her home for the past four years.

Funeral will be at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Dukes-Harley Funeral Chapel with Rabbi Arnold M. Turchick officiating. Burial will be in the Hebrew Cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be Isadore Bernstein, Henry Hammer, Pinkus Cramer, Henry Stern, Milton Marcus and Irving Benjamin.

Honorary pallbearers will be Mordie Rubinstein, Alex Becker, J.J. Teskey, Alexander Goldner and H. Benjamin.

Mrs. Wilensky was born in Warsaw, Poland, daughter of the late David and Hannah Bernstein. She was a member of Temple Sinai.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Arthur (Celia) Idson of New York City, Mrs. Milton (Sarah) Hurwitz of Orangeburg, Mrs. Sam (Rita) Finn of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. Joseph (Janet) Cohen of Miami, Fla.; a son, Joseph Wilensky of Columbus, Ga.; a brother, Sol Bernstein of Macon, Ga.; a sister, Mrs. Etta Kramer of Columbia; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Hurwitz, 824 Horger N.E., and at the Dukes-Harley Funeral Home.
A GOOD MAN GONE...

Mr. Theodore Kohn, one of Orangeburg's most prominent and useful citizens, d. at his home here Monday night at 10:40 o'clock. Mr. Kohn had been in failing health for some little time and some time ago went to New York in search of medical help but was unable to secure the strength that he needed. He died peacefully at his home surrounded by the members of his family. Mr. Theodore Kohn was the eldest son of the late Philip Kohn and Dana Kohn, and was born in Furth, near Munich, Bavaria, on April 28th, 1840. His father was a distinguished artist and during the excitement in Bavaria for political liberties his father was rather active and in 1850 he came to America accompanied by his wife and two sons. In 1850 Mr. Kohn came to Orangeburg and went into the mercantile business under his Uncle, Mr. D. Louis.

When the war for Southern Independence broke out, although Mr. Kohn was a young man and he had no monetary interests here, he was among the first to enlist in the Edisto Rifles and went to Charleston on the 11th of April, 1861, and remained in the service until the close of the war. He served continuously in the Edisto Rifles, holding a minor office. He served for a long time on James Island and around Charleston and was in the engagements at Secessionville and Follyville and on Morris Island. He was among the last to leave Battery Wagner and upon leaving the company met with a number of fatalities. His company left Morris Island, in Sept. 1863, and served in Port Sumter for a while. Early in May, 1864, Hager's Brigade, of which the Edisto Rifles was a part, left Carolina for Virginia, and on the 8th of May was in the small force that had a tilt with Gen. E. F. Butler, and on the following day he and his command were in the serious fight at Walthall Junction. On the 16th of May he was in the battle at Drury's Bluff where he was severely wounded in the arm. He was sent to the Hospital at Richmond and afterwards got a furlough, and after coming to his home in Orangeburg and recovering partial use of his arm, he promptly rejoined his command in Virginia in camp and remained with it until peace was declared. Mr. Kohn was recently awarded a Cross of Honor for his faithful and devoted service to the Confederate cause, of which he was always such a devoted believer.

Although Mr. Kohn as since the war been actively engaged in business he has not been idle in doing public service. He was an alderman of the city at one time and was foremost in public enterprises. He was instrumental in the organization of the Edisto Bank, being on its first
board of directors. Perhaps his most distinguished public service to the community in which he lived was in connection with education. On account of his devotion to education and his peculiar circumstances he was in a position to take leadership and it is generally admitted that to him more than to any one else is due the credit for the establishment of the excellent graded-school system now in operation in this city. He is generally called the "Father of the Orangeburg Graded Schools" and he has served on the original board until a few days ago when he resigned on account of ill health.

Mr. Kohn was also a firm believer in higher education. He sent his daughters off to school and his sons, August and Sol are graduates of the South Carolina College, David has just graduated from Clemson College and his youngest son, Louis, is in the present senior class at the South Carolina College. For twenty-five years Mr. Kohn was treasurer of Shiloh Lodge A. F. M., and some time ago on account of his continuous and valuable services to the Lodge was elected to life membership. Mr. Kohn was an active and enthusiastic member of the Knights of Labor and has been the Recorder of the Orangeburg Lodge since its organization.

Mr. Kohn leaves a widow, Mrs. Rosa Kohn, to whom he was married in April, 1867, and it is somewhat noteworthy that during the married life of more than thirty-five years the only death in the family until that of Mr. Kohn was of an infant child. His children are Mr. August Kohn of Columbia of the News and Courier, Mr. Sol Kohn, Mr. David Kohn, Mr. Louis Kohn of Orangeburg, Mrs. Gustave Hirsch of Camden, Miss Melina Kohn and Miss Bertha Kohn of Orangeburg. Mr. Kohn leaves two sisters and one brother, Mr. Henry Kohn of Orangeburg, Mrs. Charles Wauchtel of Nacen, Va., and Mrs. A. E. Bane of Dublin, Ga. The funeral services Tuesday afternoon were conducted by Rabbi Barnett A. Elias, of Charleston, who conducted a most touching and beautiful service and the Masonic order, of which Mr. Kohn had been such a long member, were then placed in charge of the services.

T. & D., June 19, 1902.
If Theodore Kohn were living at this time how he would rejoice to be with his companions in arms, of the days of the Confederacy. It would be thirty-four years of service, but what difference does it make if one joins the celebration. Nothing was more distant from his heart than the memories of those four years of his youth spent in trying to make of his land one of independence. His people had left Bavaria because they felt the bond of political binding. His father was Philip D. Kohn, a man of culture and exquisite taste, an engraver and designer by profession. Before the elder Kohn left Bavaria-for America in 1855 his work had won fame and awards and opportunities for his bronzes had found place in the palaces of the Empress. Theodore Kohn was born in Munich, Bavaria, April 24th, 1849, and when a lad hardly in his teens came to America. In 1861 he came to Orangeburg, where his mother's brother, the late D. Louis was engaged in mercantile business. That was seventy years ago and from that day ever after Orangeburg's interests were his. Carolina's was his pride and joy and his ambition was to live and to develop the community, for he and his. From the early days until the day of his death, June 23, 1902, he lived and toiled and struggled with his best effort among the people who were so dear to him. Today the establishment founded by him is one of the most successful in Orangeburg. So too are the successful graded schools of Orangeburg. Testimonials to his increasing efforts for cultural development and educational advantages. As a neutral and as one in whom there was entire confidence he held and used a strategic position to organize and develop the graded school system, before that excellent but independent and "pay" schools. But this is essentially a sketch of Theodore Kohn's war record. Growing up in an environment of enthusiasm, himself a lover of freedom of thought and life when South Carolina seceded he was among the first, very first to rush to arms and fight for his country. There were no slaves, no necessity of raising arms, but the lure of doing his duty that impelled him to go to the field. Impudent at the time of enlistment and organization with a few friends he rushed to the front. It was in the first or second fight. But his continuous service was with the Edisto Rifles. Comrades at Drury's Bluff he suffered from neglect of the overweight Confederate Hospitals and made the trip from Virginia to Orangeburg to recuperate. Fretting at home with a crippled hand he was impatient to return to the front and did so and returned to his command to be with his fellow soldiers. His enlistment on all muster rolls of the company during its twelve months' enlistment. Page 447, Vol. 1, South Carolina Troops in the Confederate service, compiled by A. S. Saley, Jr., Secretary of the Historical Commission of South Carolina. Again from the records are these extracts that tell the story of his life. Theodore Kohn (born, April 23th, 1849) enlisted at Summerville, July 26th, 1861, reported on muster roll of April 12, 1862 as "absent with leave." He re-enlisted for the war at the reorganization, April 13, 1862. His name was entered on the muster roll of August 22, 1862 and stricken out. The muster roll of October 31, 1862, under the head of "Remarks" says "enlisted on last pay roll by mistake." W. V. Irwin in a sketch of the Edisto Rifles (MS) says Private Kohn had gone on to Virginia and participated in the battle of Manassas. That being the case he could not have been with the company when it entered service at Summerville, July 20, 1861, yet that is the date given for his
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under the firm name of Theodore Kohn & Brother. This business was conducted on the present site of the present National Bank of Orangeburg. Later they acquired the present location, and the store now known as Theodore Kohn was built by him and descended to his immediate family.

It was in 1897 that occurred perhaps the first real romance of the boy who had grown up with Orangeburg. Visions of a happy home, devoted children and affection grew, and in April 1897 he married Miss Rosa Weid, in New York City. The young bride like the husband went into a community strange to her but her life and energies were soon inseparably linked with Orangeburg. Theirs was indeed a happy and devoted family life. The husband somewhat retiring and unobtrusive in manner was joined for life to a spouse of remarkable vigor, active mind, far seeing vision, and the couple in hand lived to see their utter devotion to their seven surviving children rewarded by a family closely woven into their lives and in all their native state. There were seven in the Theodore Kohn family: August, Sol, Dina, Adelina, Bertha, Dave and Louis, all born reared and educated in South Carolina and part and parcel of their State.

Such a sketch as this must necessarily be brief and can not adequately portray the intimate relationship of an active life: from 1858 to 1902 — a span half a century, closely allied to the sub- stool of the City. Whatever was reckoned to be for the good of Orangeburg was espoused by him. He put his enthusiasm into every enterprise or undertaking, whether it be charitable or social work or the helping of others or his beloved Orangeburg.

Just before his death this paragraph appeared in The Times Democrat:

"The many friends of that gallant old Confederate Veteran, Mr. Theodore Kohn, will regret to learn that his health is not good. We earnestly hope that he soon may be restored to complete health. Orangeburg never had a more public spirited citizen. He is ready at all times to do what he can to advance the interests of his town and State."

It was near him at the time and he held up his hand to me and said
"Look here Willis, what the damn yankees have done for me," his language was so emphatic and earnest, that it made me feel like laughing, but I did not know how soon my turn might come.

Corporal Acorn was born by birth a Savanarian, coming south when about ten years old, making Orangeburg, S. C., his home; at maturity he was thoroughly Southern in sentiment and principal, and lost no time in responding to the first call to arms, he was in service for four years, making a reliable and trustworthy soldier."

(From sketch of the war record of the Edisto Rifles 1861—1865, by W. V. Iizar 1914.)

This volume was published by August Kohn, son of August Kohn, some years after Maj. Wm. V. Iizar had complied it.

It was a long hard pull for this footsore and weary soldier, but returning to his home and loved ones in Orangeburg he went to work trying to forget the struggle but never his friends nor his duty as a Carolonian.

in 1889 he opened and conducted a mercantile business with his friend Mr. Ezekiel, under the firm name of Ezekiel & Kohn. The business was conducted in what was known as the Champy store.

Later on the business house was moved to the corner of Middle and Russell Streets, later acquired by his uncle. L. Louis and now 1924 the location of the Edisto National Bank, of which Theodore Kohn was one of the original stockholders, and on the first board of directors of the bank. In the Fall of 1899 Theodore and his younger brother Henry associated in business and conducted business
"CONFEDERATE VALENTINE IS SOUVENIR OF FRIENDSHIP OF SOLDIER IN GRAY"

(BY DAVID KOHN)

My Father, Theodore Kohn, was the oldest of the ten children of Diana and Phillip Kohn, distinguished Bavarian artist, who settled in this country at Orangeburg, South Carolina in 1830.

When Theodore was ten years old, he was taken into the family of his uncle, D. Louis, where he grew up in the company of his young cousin, Mary Louis. They were constant companions and their deep friendship sustained throughout their lives.

Theodore enlisted in the Edisto Rangers from Orangeburg, and was in Charleston when the first shots fired at Fort Sumter commenced the bloody war that was to last four years. Though severely wounded once, he rejoined his command and was with his regiment until Lee's surrender at Appomattox.

For Valentine's Day, 1863, his cousin Mary made him a Valentine—mailed on February 13th, and franked with a vertical pair of London Print 5-cent stamps (torn).

Cleverly, in poetry, she teased him about his handsome brown curly hair and his unusual eyes, one brown and one blue. Our family saved and treasured this Valentine, and since I first became interested in stamps, it has been one of the favorite pieces in my collection.

Late in the war, Mary Louis married Lt. Samuel Dibble, also with the Edisto Rangers; Theodore Kohn returned to Orangeburg at the close of the war, where he became a leading merchant and banker, and spent years in the furthering of public education, until his death in 1902.

You can imagine, then, my surprise and delight, when, a few years ago, while examining a collection with a view toward purchasing — to find, in faraway Chicago, a cover addressed to our own dear little Mary Louis!

(Father also received Valentines and many letters during the war from Eliza McKewin (Alberrott), Mary Louise Thackston and others, whose descendants still live in Orangeburg.)
Are you (in) love?
I am (in) love.

Your Valentine
Feb. 14, 1863.

"I love thee not for that dark eye,
Nor for those ringlets flowing,
But for thy heart, I sanelly sigh,
With truth and virtue glowing;
For charms in beauty near we find,
Which time won't quickly sere;
But the best charms are the charms of mind
For these I'll love thee ever."