

Reinhold Axel Andersen

He died in Fall River County (in the extreme southwest side of the state) in November of 1983, although the Social Security Death Index does not give the day. A transcript of this information contained in the Social Security Death Index is among the attachments I have included in this email.

So, I wrote a letter to the South Dakota Archives, requesting that they send me photocopies of these naturalization records. They have finally arrived, and they are indeed Axel's records. They include **two different "first papers,"** one filed in Turner County, and one filed in Pennington County, on the western side of the state. They also include his **"second papers" filed in Fall River County,** and his final oath of allegiance and the acceptance of his petition to become a US citizen.

Axel did go to Turner County when he arrived, for his brother had paid his way to America. But unlike Anders, Axel made no hurry to file his first papers for citizenship. He filed the first papers, called a **"Declaration of Intention" on 10 March, 1928** - 4 yrs and 5 months after arriving. At that time he was **living in Centerville,** and was still a farm laborer.

Notice, however, that this first "Declaration of Intention" to become a citizen was by law not valid after seven years of its signing, meaning that if he waited seven years or more before signing his "Petition for Naturalization" (second papers) that he would have to start over with the signing of new first papers. Axel waited too long. **So, Axel had to sign a new Declaration of Intention.** He did this on 8 October 1936. But now, he was in Pennington County on the other side of the state, and had become a **cook.** But, in 1928 and in 1936, **he still was unmarried.**

The 1930 United States Federal Census

He is living with **Oscar and Hanna Olsen** on a farm the Olsen's own in **Harkon County,** not in Turner County.

Finally, on **11 March 1941,** his petition was granted, and he became a **US citizen.**

The 1945 South Dakota State Census.

Axel is still in Fall River County, working as a cook (unfortunately, none of these documents tell what person or business he was cooking for – this remains to be investigated). But, **he owned his own** home, and he was married. The maiden name of his wife was **Glenola Dibble,** and they were **married in 1941,** the same year he became a naturalized citizen.

Axel apparently married a **divorced lady,** Glenola, who had **separated from this Fay Henry Maddox.** She apparently had **two children** from her first marriage

It is clear that Axel was collecting **Social Security,** probably from the time he turned 65.