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*Remembrances of my Grandpa Peters:*

I remember Grandpa Peters as a boy between eight and ten years of age when we visited at the family home at 2236 St. Louis Ave. and at the "dry goods store" located at 14th and Warren.

Grandpa was then near eighty, but frequently went down to the store to serve as cashier. Occupying a desk on a raised platform in the center of the dry goods department. He was somewhat stern and formal in manner and always wore a plain dark suit with a prominent gold watch chain. I went to the store with my Mother, while she did some buying I stayed with grandpa at the desk.

The home at St. Louis ave. was then occupied by Grandpa, Grandpa, my Aunt Martha Urbach and her only son, my cousin Walter Urbach. Almost part of the family it seemed, was the chauffeur Harry Voight and the house maid Emma Heckinger.

Grandpa has strong feelings for his German homeland and the German language newspaper "Westliche-Poste" was received and some German was still spoken, mainly for the fun of it. Grandpa's house seemed to be the place for visiting ministers and missionaries to visit, and I remember Mr. Steffens the president of Dubuque University.

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