

Paul Vornkahl (1879) and Paul Hermann Vornkahl (1888)

Chicago, Cook County, Illinois

Two Vornkahls with the given name Paul are found in various historical documents concerning Chicago, Illinois. The older of the two was Paul Vornkahl who, according to his World War I draft registration card, was born on 28 Oct 1879.^[3173] We have not found the place of his birth. At the time of the draft registration on 12 Sep 1918, he was living at 4832 Prairie Avenue, Chicago. He stated that his nearest relative was Amelia Vornkahl, living at the same address and presumably his wife because a Chicago marriage index records the marriage of Paul Vornkahl and Emelia Sangolis on 21 Mar 1915.^[3174] He was 37 years of age and she was 40 years old at that time. They are recorded again in the 1920 U.S. census at the same address in Ward 3 of Chicago.^[3175] Paul's occupation is given as a janitor.

The second of the two was Paul Hermann Vornkahl who was born in Hannover, Germany, on 28 Oct 1888, the son of August Adolf Heinrich Vornkahl and Caroline Dorothee Langrehr.^[2737] Paul was the youngest of five siblings. He was married to Mary Boehm (or Bohm) who was born on 6 Oct 1896 in Austria.^[3176] The couple are recorded in the 1927 Evanston, Illinois, city directory wherein he is listed as a janitor and living at 731 Hinman Avenue.^[3177] They are recorded again in the 1930 U.S. census, now living on N. Francisco Avenue in Ward 40, Chicago, his occupation still as a janitor.^[3178] The census records that he immigrated to the United States in 1902 and Mary in 1914. They had been married about ten years in 1930. Paul died at the age of 53 on 21 Nov 1941 leaving his wife Mary.^[3179] She died in Chicago on 28 Oct 1945.^[3180]

References and Notes are found in the Sources section of this book.