

Peder was the son of Hans Madsen and Bertha (PREBENSEN) MADSEN. Peder's brother Hans was under his mother's care until reaching the age of eighteen in 1889. Then in 1889 he came with her to the United States, locating in Ashland, Wis., to which place three of his brothers had preceded him in 1882 and where they were then living. Thus the family were in large measure reunited. Young HANSON remained in Ashland for three years, working on government breakwaters from Parishville to Washburn. In 1892 he went with his mother to Ironwood, Mich., where soon after she died.