

AMMERENTIE VAN DEN HURK

Ammerentie van den Hurk married Jan Diepeveen after the death of his first wife. She had been a seamstress and later worked for Jan as a maid before they married June 26, 1935.

Ammerentie wanted a baby girl but soon adapted to Jan's 6-year-old boy, Willem. She bought him a doll and taught him to sew clothes for this doll.

When Jan's mother Jacoba died she left him \$200. Ammerentie bought a piano with this money and had Bill take piano lessons. (Something that was quite unusual for the time period.) Later the family would sell this piano in order to come to America. It had become so important to Bill and his family that after a few months in Provo, Bill purchased another piano. Ammerentie always told Margarete that she married Bill for his piano.

Margarete and Bill lived for nine months with his father Jan and stepmother Ammerentie. It was very difficult for the new couple because Ammerentie would always enter the newlywed's room without knocking.