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## Local cemetery may join National Register of Historic Places

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Commissioner Lucas Wakefield offered to draft a letter in support of the cemetery's placement in the national register, while also offering to travel to Bismarck to advocate for the recognition at a Jan. 27 meeting of the Historical Society.



According to the Sons of Jacob website, "the earliest Jewish settlers of the Garske Colony were two brothers-in-law, Morris Kohn and Herman Kaufmann, who emigrated from a wine district in Hungary after a plague wiped out their vineyards."

Though those initial settlers moved from the region, other members of the colony stayed in the region for decades.