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He was President of St- John's Academy at Petersburg, West Virginia from 1921 to 1931, and when the Academy was changed into a Junior College, he became an instructor in Religion, Languages, and Psychology. After eight years as Superintendent of the State School at Romney, he taught for two years at the high school in Petersburg, West Virginia and later was pastor at the Lutheran church in Bergton, Virginia.

He was married to Minnie C. Lawrenz of Dayton, Ohio in 1912 to whom were born four children; one son and three daughters.