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Tschetter, Levi P. (Missoula 1945)

Levi was born June 2, 1917, at the Maxwell Hutterite Colony in Manitoba, Canada. He died September 29, 1994, in Watertown, SD, at the age of 77. Levi jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season. He had six training and three fire jumps. On his last fire jump, he broke his foot and hip ending the season for him.

After his discharge from the Civilian Public Service, he returned to the New Elm Springs Colony in South Dakota where he taught school.

He received his Bachelor's degree from South Dakota Wesleyan and his Master's from South Dakota State in Brookings. He taught English and German for 32 years finishing at the Poinsett Hutterite Colony near Estelline, SD. The Hutterites are the oldest Christian communal society in the world (450 years) and there are more than 350 colonies in the US and Canada.

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