

the usual experiences of the farm-bred hoy who divides his time between the duties of the schoolroom, the pleasures of the playground and the work of the fields. In 1871 he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Jira, also a native of Bohemia, her birth having occurred in the town of Protivin, in honor of which the Iowa town was named. She came to the United States in 1869, when sixteen years of age, and spent two years in Chicago, where she was married to Mr. Chyle. Immediately afterward she accompanied her husband to Howard county. Prior to his marriage Mr. Chyle had purchased the farm on which the town of Protivin now stands and there in 1877 the Catholic church was built and Mr. Chyle platted and laid out the town. He was appointed the first postmaster and gave the name of Protivin to the little hamlet. He served for several years as postmaster of the town and was keenly interested in everything that pertained to the welfare, upbuilding and progress of the community. He was called upon to serve as assessor of New Oregon township for several years, was also notary public for several years and was identified with the insurance business. He ranked with Protivin's most prominent and progressive men and carried forward to successful completion whatever he undertook. For a considerable period he was actively engaged in farming and brought his land under a high state of cultivation.

To Mr. and Mrs. Chyle were born ten children, five of whom are yet living: Mary, the wife of L. J. Schor, a resident farmer of Chickasaw county; James T., who carries on general farming upon the old home place; Beatrice, at home; Frank T., a mechanic employed in the Protivin Garage; and Charles W., butter maker at the Protivin Creamery.

The death of the husband and father occurred April 5, 1909. He was a consistent Christian man, holding membership in the Catholic church, and he was a member of the Bohemian Lodge, Z. C. B. J. One of Protivin's most highly esteemed citizens, his worth was acknowledged by all who knew him and when death called him his passing was the occasion of deep and widespread regret. His friends were indeed many and all spoke of him in terms of the highest regard. Mrs. Chyle is still living and occupies the old home in Protivin, where she is well known in the social circles of the city.

A. C. BUNDLE.

A. C. Bandle, carrying on general farming on section 16, Howard township, in Howard county, was born on the old home farm, a part of which he now operates. His natal day was December 31, 1866, his parents being William and Mary (Fallgetter) Bandle, of whom mention is made in connection with the sketch of their son, William Bandle, elsewhere in this volume. A. C. Bandle, having mastered the branches of learning taught in the district schools, concentrated his efforts and attention upon farm work and in 1901, when his father left the home farm, he took charge of two hundred and forty acres of this property, which he has since cultivated and further developed. His fields are fertile and bring forth rich crops as the result of the care and labor which he bestows upon them. He employs the most progressive methods of farming in the care of his land, rotating his crops, keeping his soil in excellent condition, and as the result of his energy and close application he is meeting with substantial success. He is a stockholder in the Farmers' Cooperative Lumber & Coal Company of Alta Vista and is a stockholder in the Alta Vista Creamery Company and the Alta Vista Telephone Company. Thus broadening his business relations, he has won a place among the substantial business men of his section of the county.

In 1895 Mr. Bandle was married to Miss Mary Erion, of Chickasaw county, a daughter of Michael Erion, now deceased. They have become parents of three children, one son and two daughters: Walter, who has passed away; and Leona and Rosella, both at home.

In politics Mr. Bandle has maintained an independent course, voting for men and measures rather than for party. He has served as a member of the school board and as road boss and is ever willing to do his part in behalf of public progress and improvement. Fraternally he is connected with Alta Vista Lodge, No.