

chinery greatly facilitates the work of the fields. He is a member of the Farmers Equity Association of Bassett.

Mr. Miller is a republican in his political views and fraternally he is connected with the Brotherhood of American Yeomen at Bassett. He and his family are members of the Congregational church of Bassett and they are people of genuine worth who enjoy and merit the warm regard and confidence of all. Mr. Miller represents one of the old pioneer families of Chickasaw county that from early days has been closely identified not only with the material development but with the social, intellectual and moral progress of the community.

CARL, W. REED.

Carl W. Reed, filling the position of county attorney in Howard county and ranking with the leading and well known lawyers of Cresco, was born May 6, 1873, in the city where he still resides, a son of Judge H. T. and Laura J. (Webster) Reed, prominent and well known people of the county. He spent his boyhood days under the parental roof and after graduating from the Cresco high school, went to Madison, Wisconsin, where he entered the State University, matriculating as a law student. After spending one year there he entered the law department of the State University of Minnesota, graduating in 1896. Following his admission to the bar he returned to Cresco, and with his father formed a law partnership which continued until 1904, when H. T. Reed was appointed United States district judge. On the first of December, 1910 he became associated with Charles Pergler and has since been an active member of the bar. His ability has been attested in many important cases which he has carried forward to successful completion. In 1914 he was elected to the office of county attorney and in 1918 he was elected state senator from the Howard-Winneshiek district.

Mr. Reed is most pleasantly situated in his home surroundings. In 1909 he married Miss Alice Swenson, a daughter of Fred and Josephine (Iverson) Swenson and a native of Cresco. Her parents came from Wisconsin to this state in 1870 and took up their abode in Cresco, where the father began the manufacture of mowing machines in connection with J. J. Lowry and also operated a steam boiler foundry. To Mr. and Mrs. Reed have been born three children, June, Henry Fred and Richard.

The parents are members of the Congregational church and Mr. Reed is identified with various fraternal orders. He has attained the Knight Templar degree in the York Rite of Masonry and the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and he is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He likewise has membership with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Modern Woodmen of America, the Woodmen of the World and the B. P. O. E. In politics he is a republican but has never sought or desired office outside the strict path of his profession. He is interested, however, in the vital question and issues of the day and keeps well informed concerning all political problems

WILLIAM BALL.

William Ball, devoting his time and energies to general agricultural pursuits, in Howard county, his home being on section 12, Afton township, was born in Waterloo, Iowa, on the 20th of April, 1883. He is a son of Carl and Freda (Hofferd) Ball, who are now residents of Elma, Iowa. For many years the father was connected with agricultural interests in Howard county but in 1911 retired from active business life and is now enjoying a well earned rest, his former toil supplying him with all of the necessities and many of the comforts and luxuries