

penheim, a daughter of John and Theresa Pappenheim, both of whom passed away in Chickasaw county.

Following his marriage Mr. Krieger and his bride took up their abode upon one of his father's farms, comprising one hundred and sixty acres of land in New Hampton township, and this he continued to develop and improve as a renter until his father retired and gave the farm to his son. To this tract the latter later added eighty acres and eventually became the owner of a valuable and productive farm of three hundred and twenty acres. Year after year he carefully tilled the soil and developed his crops, which brought to him a splendid financial return. In 1909, however, he retired from farming and has disposed of all of his property except the home in which he lives and which is situated on the north side of New Hampton. For the past fourteen years he has occupied the position of secretary of the New Hampton Farmers' Creamery Association and has contributed in marked measure to the success of that business. He is also at present the vice president of the Chickasaw County Mutual Fire Insurance Company of New Hampton, having occupied that position for a period of twelve years. Whatever he undertakes he carries forward to successful completion. He is a man of sound judgment and unfaltering enterprise and his progressiveness has been a most potent force in the success of the two corporations with which he is now identified.

As the years have passed Mr. and Mrs. Krieger have become the parents of four children: Gerhard, Adeline, Joseph W. and Richard W. The son Joseph has for the past nine years been the assistant cashier of the First National Bank of New Hampton save for the period of his service in the great World war. He was with the famous Thirty-third or Prairie Division as a member of the One Hundred and Thirty-first Machine Gun Battalion and participated in many of the engagements overseas in which that battalion took part. He was again and again under shell fire and machine gun fire and it seemed that only a kindly fate intervened to keep him from death. Mr. Krieger and his family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church of New Hampton. He belongs to Knights of Columbus Council No. 1697 of New Hampton and also to the Catholic Order of Foresters at New Hampton. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party and he has long been recognized as one of the leaders in local political circles. He filled the office of township trustee of New Hampton township and served as a member of the board of county supervisors for six years—from 1891 until 1897. He was appointed assessor of Dayton township to fill out an unexpired term of a year and at the end of that time he was elected and by reelection was continued in the office for four consecutive terms of two years each, covering the period from 1899 to 1908. For three terms of two years each, from 1913 until 1919, he was a member of the city council of New Hampton and still higher political honors were also accorded him, for through two years he served as a member of the state legislature and was a member of various important committees during the sessions of the twenty-seventh assembly. Over his official career there falls no shadow of wrong or suspicion of evil. He has been loyal to the trust reposed in him and has placed the public welfare before partisanship and has made self-aggrandizement subservient to the general good.

LEE J. CHESTEK.

Lee J. Chestek, a well known farmer of Deerfield township, Chickasaw county, living on section 30, was born November 6, 1879, in the township which is still his home. His father, John Chestek, is a native of Austria and came to the United States when a young man of eighteen years. He resided for a number of years in Illinois and then came to Iowa, settling in Deerfield township, Chickasaw county. His first purchase of land was the farm that is now owned by his son Lee. He married Amelia Cummings, a native of Waukegan, Illinois, and she passed away in July, 1907, since which time Mr. Chestek has made his home with a daughter in Bassett.