

father followed agricultural pursuits throughout his life and upon coming to the United States became one of the pioneer settlers of Winneshiek county, where he located in Madison township, buying land, to the cultivation of which he devoted the remainder of his life. Both the father and mother passed away there. Mr. and Mrs. Hanson were the parents of ten children: Borghild Hansine died at the age of thirty-two years. Alma Amanda passed away when but seven months old. Alma Alvilde, the wife of Rev. P. C. Danielson, who is pastor of the Norwegian Lutheran church of Fort Dodge, Iowa, is the mother of three children, Agnes Caroline, Evelyn Caroline and Baby Danielson. Cora Elizabeth died when seventeen years of age. Hans Peter, the eldest son in the family, is at present attending the Agricultural College at Ames, this state. Asle Norvin is pursuing a course in civil engineering at the State University at Iowa City. Sigurd Olaf takes an agricultural course at Ames, Iowa. Dagmar Victoria will graduate from the Decorah high school in 1916. Gisley Waldemar and Philip Yerner both died in 1902, the former at the age of two years and the latter in infancy.

Mr. Hanson gives his allegiance to the republican party, and the family are members of the United Lutheran church. Setting out upon his career without particular advantages or influence, he has attained to a prominent and substantial position in the community life of Decorah—a position which he has attained by his own efforts. He has well earned the proud title of self-made man and enjoys the confidence and good-will of all who come in contact with him in a business or social way.

OLE P. HOVE.

Ole P. Hove, who owns a fine farm of ninety acres on section 27, Madison township, and is one of the most active and progressive agriculturists of this locality, was born in Norway on the 24th of June, 1862. He is a son of Ole and Barbara (Hedalen) Hove, also natives of that county, who came to America in June, 1866, locating in Winneshiek county, Iowa. The father purchased a farm in Madison township and improved it for a short time, but, owing to the failure of the wheat crop throughout this locality, was forced to give up his land. He afterward made his home with his children during the remainder of his life, passing away in the fall of 1892. He had survived his wife for some time, her death having occurred in 1869.

Ole P. Hove was only four years of age when his parents came to America. He was reared and educated in Winneshiek county, completing the prescribed course in the district schools and afterward turning his attention to work as a farm hand. He spent eight or nine years in this occupation and by the exercise of thrift and economy contrived to save during that period a considerable sum of money. With this he purchased eighty acres of land on section 27, Madison township, and upon this he has since resided, having, however, afterward added to his holdings ten acres of timber land. Mr. Hove engages in general farming and stock-raising and has made many substantial improvements upon his property, which is today well improved and well cultivated, reflecting everywhere the