

pursuits Mr. Spilde also delivers cream four days a week for the Nordness Creamery Company and he is a stockholder in that concern as well as in the Nordness Telephone Company and the Farmers Hog Company of Decorah.

On the 10th of June, 1897, Mr. Spilde was united in marriage to Miss Ida Ystaas, a daughter of Iver and Sarah (Homre) Ystaas, natives of Norway. The father was a pioneer in Winneshiek county, purchasing in early times the farm which the subject of this review now owns. He has reached the age of seventy-one and has survived his wife since 1909. Mr. and Mrs. Spilde have live children: Julia, aged fifteen; Iver, thirteen; Andrew, ten; Ida, seven; and Gustav, fourteen months.

Mr. Spilde gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is a member of the Lutheran church. He is interested in the development of the community and cooperates heartily in all measures and projects for its advancement and growth. He is a man of many sterling traits of character, active in business, progressive in citizenship and at all times trustworthy and reliable.

HENRY W. FUNKE, JR.

The upbuilding and development of the community. Among their number is Henry W. Funke, Jr., now living in Springfield township, where his time and energies are fully occupied with the care and cultivation of a farm of one hundred acres, which presents a neat and attractive appearance and is a visible evidence of his life of well directed thrift. Mr. Funke is a native son of this part of Iowa, born in Springfield township, June 20, 1885, his parents being Henry and Maggie (Eggstuler) Funke, the former born in Germany, April 4, 1853. He was brought by his parents to America in the same year and in 1854 to Winneshiek county, where he grew to manhood and where Winneshiek county has its full quota of progressive farmers who have contributed their share toward he is now a prosperous and successful farmer. In his family are nine children: Maggie, the wife of Castro Buchied, of Washington township; Annie, in a convent at La Crosse, Wisconsin; Barbara, also a nun in a convent at La Crosse; Mary, who lives at home; Henry W., of this review; Albert H., Herman C. and Otilde, all of whom live at home; and Agnes, who is in a convent at La Crosse.

Henry W. Funke, Jr., was reared upon his father's farm and acquired his education in the district schools of Springfield township. From his childhood he assisted with the operation of the farm and in 1908 began his independent career buying one hundred acres of land, of which eighty are in Springfield township and twenty in Military township. Upon this land he still resides. Here he carried on general farming and stock-raising and both branches of his business under his able management have proven extremely profitable. Substantial improvements have been made upon the farm, everything is kept in good repair and the machinery is of the modern and labor-saving kind. Mr. Funke gives practical all of his attention to making his farm productive and profitable and the result of his care is seen in the neat and attractive appearance of the place, which is one of the finest agricultural properties in his section of the county.