

fortable living. His sons later added more land to the original place. He was married before leaving Ireland. The death of Patrick Burns occurred in 1898 at the age of fifty-two years. His widow survived until 1906, dying at the age of seventy years. To Patrick Burns and wife six children were born, namely: James, subject of this sketch; John, married and lives on the home farm in Eglon township; Edward, who makes his home in Montana; Thomas, who lives in Nevada; Lizzie, the wife of Ben Frazier, and William, who makes his home in Salt Lake City, Utah.

James Burns was but an infant when his parents brought him to Clay county. Here he grew to manhood on the home farm where he has since resided. He received his education in the local district schools. He has kept the home place well improved and well cultivated, assisted by his brother, John. They have a good home and good general improvements. A great deal of grain and live stock is marketed annually. A good grade of live stock is kept. James owns two hundred and four acres, and John, eighty acres. James is unmarried and makes his home with John, who married Julia Roach in 1907. John Burns and wife have three children, namely: Roselia, Cathryne, and an infant son.

The Burns brothers are members of the Catholic church, and take a warm interest in community affairs.

THEODORE H. ANDERSON.

Although, doubtless, most people would like to remain on the old homestead where they "played away the happy hours of innocent childhood," but few are permitted to do so, from one cause or another; for there is always a sentiment about the hearthstone where the family gathered when we were children that cannot be replaced. So one who, like Theodore H. Anderson, one of the young farmers of Eglon township, Clay county, is fortunate enough to spend his life at his birth-place, is to be envied.

Mr. Anderson was born in the above designated vicinity, in the year 1890. He is a son of Carl and Louisa (Bostrum) Anderson, both natives of Sweden, where they spent their childhood and attended school, but came to America single, he about the year 1867 and the mother making the trip unaccompanied, when twenty-five years old. She is still living on the home place in Eglon township, being now (1918) sixty-one years old. The father died about the year 1903, at the age of fifty-four years.

Carl Anderson worked out as a farm hand in Wisconsin after coming to America for some time. He was married about 1880, and a year or two thereafter homesteaded the farm which his son, Theodore H., now occupies in Eglon township. He worked hard and managed well and in a few years had a good farm and raised large crops of grain and numerous live stock. The place consists of one hundred and sixty acres. To Carl Anderson and wife four children were born, namely: Albert, deceased; Alfred, married and employed on the section gang of the Northern Pacific railroad; Theodore H., of this sketch; and Ella, who lives at home with her mother.

Theodore H. Anderson grew to manhood on the home farm, where he has always remained, and when a boy he attended the district schools. He is operating the place successfully, carrying on general farming and stock raising. He has kept the place well improved and it is now in better condition than ever before. He is a persevering and painstaking worker and manages well. He is unmarried. He belongs to the Swedish Mission church. He was at one time president of the Young Peoples Society of the same, and has long been active in church affairs.

OLE H. KASIN.

The properly managed farm not only becomes an annual income producer, but leads on to what is tantamount to an endowment policy or an annuity during the declining years of the farmer, and, finally resolves itself into a provision for the family the farmer leaves behind. One of the successful general farmers of Hawley township, Clay county, is Ole H. Kasin.

Mr. Kasin was born in Norway in 1860. He is a son of Halver and Gunda (Olson) Carson, both natives of Norway, where they grew up, were married and established their home and there the mother is still living at the advanced age of eighty-one years. The father was a farm laborer during his active life. He died in 1905 at the age of sixty-five years. To these parents nine children were born, four of whom are now deceased; those living are Halver, Swengen, Hilge, Gunial and Ole H.

Ole H. Kasin grew to manhood in Norway and there he attended the common schools. He was twenty-eight years old when he immigrated to the United States in 1888. He came to Clay county in 1903 and bought one hundred and sixty acres in section 36, Hawley township, also eighty acres in section 35, and, prospering with advancing years through close applica-