

mixed farming and the raising of a good grade of Shorthorn cattle, headed by a registered Shorthorn bull. He is an enterprising young farmer, carrying on his farming operations according to modern methods of agriculture, and is doing very well. His place is well improved and he is accounted one of the substantial farmers of his section of the county.

On June 14, 1906, William Videen was united in marriage to Hilda Sunquist. To Mr. and Mrs. Videen three children have been born, namely, Eunice, Margarete and an infant that died. The Videen family are members of the Swedish Lutheran church and warmly interested in all church work, and are prominent members of the community. Mr. Videen gives his ardent support to the Republican party and is serving as clerk of Moorhead township; he is also clerk of school board district No. 79. He is president of the South Side Farmers Club and takes a good citizen's interest in all local civic matters and in the general affairs of the community in which he lives.

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#### K. KITTELSON.

K. Kittelson, a well-known and energetic farmer of Goose Prairie township, Clay county, owner of a compact and well-kept farm of two hundred and forty acres, is a native of the kingdom of Norway, but has been a resident of this country since he was five years old and of Clay county since 1878. He was born in 1856 and is a son of Kittel and Gunild Kittelson, both natives of Norway, who came to America in 1861.

Kittel Kittelson was a farmer in his native Norway and on coming to the United States proceeded to the state of Wisconsin, working out for a time. His health was not the best and at the end of two years following his arrival here his death occurred. His wife, Gunild Kittelson, lived with her son, the subject of this sketch, and at the time of her death in 1894 was seventy-six years old. Kittel Kittelson and wife were the parents of the following children: Ingeborg, deceased; Mrs. Anna Ostinson, who lives in North Dakota; Agnes, living in Iowa; Nellie, deceased; Tohore, deceased; Guleck, deceased; Ole, deceased; Nils, deceased, and K. Kittelson, the subject of this sketch.

K. Kittelson was a child of five years old when his parents immigrated to the United States and he went with them to Wisconsin, where his father died some two years after arriving in that state. His mother then moved to Iowa, and he attended school and worked out to help the family deprived

of its head while he was still a child. At the age of twenty-one years Mr. Kittelson moved to Clay county and took a homestead near Hawley, in Highland Grove township. This was in 1878. He lived at that place for seven or eight years and sold out and came to Goose Prairie township and bought a farm of one hundred and sixty acres in section 36, that township, later adding another eighty, and now has a compact and well-kept farm of two hundred and forty acres of choice land and is engaged in general farming, his efforts from the beginning of his agricultural operations in this township meeting with success. Mr. Kittelson carried out all the improvements at present on his holding and he is now regarded as one of the substantial and energetic farmers of this part of the township.

In 1905, at Moorhead, K. Kittelson was united in marriage to Mathilda Holum, who was born in Norway in 1875 and came with her mother to America in 1892, the father having died some time previously in Norway. A brother also accompanied her to this country. Mr. and Mrs. Kittelson are the parents of two children, a boy, Carl, ten years old, and a girl, Alice, seven years old. Mr. Kittelson is a member of the United Brethren church and warmly interested in all its good works. He takes a good citizen's interest in all community affairs, but has never been a seeker after public office.

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#### CHARLES PALLAS.

Charles Pallas, an energetic and substantial farmer of Humboldt township, Clay county, proprietor of a fine farm of three hundred and twenty acres in section 17 of that township and actively engaged in the raising of Holstein cattle and Poland China hogs, was born in the city of Chicago, state of Illinois, in 1877. He is a son of Louis and Carolina Pallas, the former of whom is still living and the latter is deceased.

Louis Pallas, who has now reached the advanced age of eighty-three years, was born in Germany in 1834 and was educated in the schools of that country. At the age of twenty-five, in 1859, he immigrated to the United States, and lived for several years in the state of Illinois. He is now living with his children. He farmed near Barnesville, this county, for several years. His wife, Carolina Pallas, was born in 1840 and died in September, 1905, aged sixty-five years. They were the parents of the following children: John, Gustie, Helena and Charles.