

and stock raising up to the time of his death. To Robert Richards and wife seven children were born, of whom Margaret is the fourth in order of birth. Further and extended reference is made in another part of this volume to Robert Richards and other members of his family and to these sketches the attention of the reader is invited.

Margaret E. G. Richards was educated in the schools of this county and remained at home for some years helping in the domestic routine of the family home. At the death of her father she inherited one hundred and sixty acres of land in section 9, Kragnes township, which land is rented from her by her brother, Tom. She inherited this land about four years ago. Three years ago she became the owner of a splendid corner lot and house in Moorhead and has given ample evidence of her capacity to conduct business with profit and advantage. She now and for some time past has been conducting a rooming house, to the management of which she has brought keen business judgment.

Miss Richards is an earnest member of the Congregational church and warmly interested in all its good works. She takes a proper part in the social and cultural activities of the neighborhood in which she resides, ever desirous to assist in matters calculated to elevate community conditions.

JULIUS T. LUNDER.

"Through struggle to triumph" seems to be the maxim which holds sway with the majority of the Scandinavians who come to Minnesota; that is, those who attain to a successful goal at all, find it after arduous effort. But this class of men enjoy their success after it does come much more than the man who has inherited a competency or gained it with but little or no effort.

One of the farmers of Highland Grove township, Clay county, who has won a definite degree of success after a strenuous effort is Julius T. Lunder. He was born in Norway, March 2, 1874. He is a son of Thorsten Nelson and Dorthea (Granavold) Lunder, both natives of Norway, where they grew to maturity, where they married and made their home until the spring of 1877, when they immigrated to America, coming directly to Minnesota, where the father took up a homestead of one hundred and sixty acres in Highland Grove township, Clay county, which is the place on which his son, Julius T. Lunder, now resides. He was one of the pioneers here

and he developed the place from a wild prairie to an excellent farm, planted a large grove of fine trees, erected a comfortable dwelling and numerous outbuildings, fences, etc., and here he engaged in general farming and stock raising with very gratifying results until his death, which occurred in the year 1907.

Nine children were born to Thorsten N. Lunder and wife, named as follow: Nels, the eldest; Rande, deceased; Iver, living; Olavus, deceased; Nickolie, living; Segred, deceased; Thorvald and Dorthea, living, and Julius T., the subject of this sketch.

Julius T. Lunder was three years old when his parents brought him from Norway to Clay county and he grew up on the home farm in Highland Grove township, where he has lived ever since. He received his education in the district schools of his vicinity. He has kept the old farm well improved and under a fine state of cultivation and has carried on diversified farming with success. He has kept the buildings well repaired and erected a new barn, thirty-four by seventy feet.

In July, 1905, Mr. Lunder was married to Hilda Carlson, who was born near Lake Park, Becker county, Minnesota. She grew to womanhood on the home farm and attended the public schools. She is a daughter of Carl G. and Sanne (Ebeltoft) Carlson, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this volume. Four children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Lunder, namely: Vivian Gladys, Roy, Howard Joseph and Esther Inez. Politically, Mr. Lunder is a Democrat.

OLE LARSON.

Ole Larson, farmer of Humboldt township, Clay county, was born in Scott county, Minnesota, April 16, 1867. He is a son of Andrew and Mary (Engen) Larson, both natives of Norway, from which country they immigrated to America, single, in 1850, making the voyage on the same boat, landing at Quebec, Canada, where they were married. After spending three years in that city, they removed to Chicago, Illinois, and lived there eight years; then went to Muskego, Waukesha county, Wisconsin, where they remained until 1862, when they came to Scott county, Minnesota. Mr. Larson had worked as a laborer all these years, but by living economically he had saved enough to buy land, which he developed and farmed, being one of the pioneer settlers in Scott county. Remaining there until the spring