

Brookins belongs to Nashua Lodge, No. 110, K. P., also to the Masonic lodge of Nashua and has taken the Royal Arch degrees at New Hampton. He and his wife are consistent and faithful members of the Congregational church and they are keenly interested in everything that has to do with the uplift of the individual and the up building of the county. Their circle of friends is almost coextensive with the circle of their acquaintances and throughout Chickasaw county Mr. Brookins is spoken of in terms of high regard as a representative business man and citizen.

#### FRANK TETZNER.

There was an old belief that the success of the farmer depended upon his industry and the weather, but it is a recognized fact today that there are other elements which enter into his success. He must possess the sound judgment that is essential in any undertaking and moreover, he must have an understanding of the scientific principles which are basic elements in the production of crops. Well qualified in all of these particulars is Frank Tetzner, who is living on section 18, Howard Township, Howard County. He was born in Traer, Iowa, October 30, 1888, a son of John and Margaret (Odson) Tetzner, both of whom were natives of Germany, where they were reared and married. About 1884 they came to the United States, settling in Tama County, Iowa, near Traer, where the father took up the work of cultivating rented land. He was thus engaged until 1910, when he purchased his present farm and removed to Howard County, where he has since lived. In 1915, however, he was called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, who passed away on the 20th of May of that year. They were the parents of twelve children, nine of whom survive, namely: Alvina, who is the wife of Claus Solto, of Reinbeck, Iowa; Lena, the wife of Frank Manlick, who follows farming in Oakdale township, Howard county; Minnie, the wife of Jacob Solto, of Bingham Lake, Minnesota; Anna, who gave her hand in marriage to Henry Jebens, of Davenport, Iowa; John C., a farmer residing at Reinbeck, Iowa; Herman, a resident of Reinbeck, Iowa; Frank, of this review; Dora, who is the wife of Martin Shoemaker, of Waterloo, Iowa; and Albert, who for ten months served on the Alsace front in France as a member of Company F, Three Hundred and Fifty-second Infantry, in the Eighty-eighth Division, known as the Clover Leaf Division.

Frank Tetzner, whose name introduces this review, having acquired a fair education in the district schools of Tama County, concentrated his efforts and attention upon farm work on his father's place and thus gained the practical experience which has constituted the basis of his later successful effort. In October, 1915, he was united in marriage to Miss Ida Lambert, of Howard Township, Howard County, and in the following spring he took charge of the home farm and has since cultivated it. He carries on general agricultural pursuits and the progressive methods which he employs have gained him place among the successful farmers of Howard Township.

In his political views Mr. Tetzner is a republican and keeps well informed on the questions and issues of the day, thus being able to support his position by intelligent argument. Both he and his wife are consistent members of the German Lutheran church and they are well known people of the district in which they reside, their substantial traits of character gaining for them the warm regard of those with whom they have been associated.

#### FRANK E. HOWARD.

Frank E. Howard, editor and owner of the Elma New Era, one of the leading weekly publications of Howard County, was born in Howard Center, Iowa, January 17, 1875, a son of Daniel and Margaret (Creamer) Howard, the former a native of County Cork, Ireland, while the latter was born in Columbus, Ohio. The father came to the United States when a lad of fourteen or fifteen years in company with his father, his