

years he conducted a grist and sawmill and, prospering in his undertakings, he made judicious investments in land, becoming the owner of several farms. In later life he held a position in the pension department at Washington, D. C., for a number of years. Joseph K. Tucker, father of Fred W. Tucker of this review, attained his majority in Chickasaw county and was here married. He then located on a farm in Chickasaw township and was actively engaged in general agricultural pursuits until about 1904, when he removed to Bassett, where he lived retired until the fall of 1916. He then established his home in Minneapolis, Minnesota, but in 1919 returned to Bassett, where he now resides. Almost his entire life has been passed in Chickasaw county and his many sterling traits of character are recognized by all among whom he has lived.

Fred W. Tucker was educated in the town schools of Bassett and when a youth of seventeen years he became a wage earner, working out by the month as a farm hand. When he reached adult age he began farming on land of his own, which came to him as an inheritance from his grandmother. On the 16th of August, 1899, he was united in marriage to Miss Irene Sutherland, of Chickasaw township, a daughter of H. A. Sutherland, now a resident of Charles City, Iowa. Mrs. Tucker is a lady of many accomplishments and for some years prior to her marriage was successfully engaged in educational work. Mr. Tucker brought his bride to his home in Bassett and is now the owner of an excellent farm comprising two hundred acres adjoining the town, eighty acres of which lies within the corporate limits. He devotes his attention to general agricultural pursuits and has brought his fields under a very high state of cultivation and development, so that he annually harvests rich crops for which he finds a ready sale on the market. He was also one of the founders of the State Bank of Bassett in 1910 and was elected a member of its board of directors, in which capacity he has since served.

Mr. and Mrs. Tucker have become the parents of three children, but Clifford K., their first-born, is now deceased. The others are: Neva, who is a junior in the high school; and Alice, who is also in school.

In his political views Mr. Tucker is a republican and for a number of years served as township trustee. He has also been town clerk, member of the town council, assessor and mayor. In fact he has filled every office save that of town marshal and has made a most excellent record by the prompt and faithful manner in which he has discharged his duties. He belongs to the Modern Woodmen of America and has many friends both within and outside of that organization. He has demonstrated his worth in business circles and in public office as well and Bassett presents him as one of her representative citizens.

HON. H. L. SPAULDING.

Hon. H. L. Spaulding, a leading attorney of the Howard county bar living at Elma, was born on the 17th of February, 1863, a son of John F. and Augusta A. (Rowell) Spaulding, both of whom were natives of the New England states and both representatives of old families of that section of the country. In both lines the family was represented in the Revolutionary war and also in the French and Indian war. In 1870 John F. Spaulding came to the west with his family, making his way to Charles City, Iowa, where he lived retired to the time of his death, which occurred in January, 1909, when he had reached the age of eighty years. His wife died in April, 1911, also at the age of eighty.

H. L. Spaulding was educated in the graded and high schools of Charles City and subsequently entered the Iowa State University, from which institution he received his collegiate degree in 1887. In 1888 he won his law degree and in 1890 the degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him. Following the completion of his education he established his home in Elma and entered upon the practice of law. In the intervening period of thirty years he has been connected with some of the important litigation heard in the courts of the district. He is