

Maccabees and the Brotherhood of American Yeomen. His political endorsement is given to the republican party, but he has never been an aspirant for office. His business affairs make ample claim upon his time and energies and he prefers to devote his leisure to his home and friends.

#### S. L. DEAL.

S. L. Deal, a florist, who is the proprietor of the New Hampton Greenhouses, was born February 16, 1886, in the city which is still his home, his parents being Cyrus and Pearl (Johnston) Deal, the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Chickasaw county. Her birth occurred in Jacksonville, her father, William Johnston, having been one of the pioneer settlers of this section of the state and for many years one of the leading business men of New Hampton, where he conducted a furniture store. Cyrus Deal came to Chickasaw county from Wisconsin in the early '70s and settled on a farm near Jacksonville. Subsequently he removed to New Hampton, where he engaged in the ice business, with which he was identified to the time of his death, which occurred on the 16th of September, 1907. For a number of years he had survived his wife, who died in 1898. They were among the substantial and representative residents of this section of the state and enjoyed the goodwill and high regard of all who knew them.

S. L. Deal of this review was educated in the public schools of New Hampton and after his textbooks were put aside worked for his father in connection with the ice business until his twentieth year. At that time he was married and soon afterward purchased his father's business and for seven years he conducted the ice trade of the city, enjoying a liberal patronage. He disposed of the business in 1913 on account of ill health and on the 1st of June, 1916, he purchased the greenhouses of Kutish & Moetsch and devoted his attention to the growing of plants and hothouse flowers. In the intervening period he has made good in this business and his patronage is constantly increasing. He is today rated among the leading business men of New Hampton, alert and enterprising, studying closely every phase of his business and giving to the public the best possible service in this connection. He also owns two residence properties in New Hampton and is contemplating the erection in the near future of a handsome home near his present residence.

Mr. Deal was united in marriage to Miss Fannie Houser, of Monroe, Wisconsin. She is a member of the German Lutheran church and in social circles they occupy an enviable position. Fraternally Mr. Deal is connected with Launcelot Lodge, No. 183, K. P.; with Phoenix Lodge, No. 556, I. O. O. F.; the Modern Brotherhood of America; and the Modern Woodmen of America. He is also connected with the New Hampton fire department and in matters of public concern is deeply interested, giving his active aid and cooperation to all well defined plans and measures for the general good. There have been no unusual or spectacular phases in his life record. He has always remained a resident of New Hampton, acquiring his education in the public schools, choosing this as the theater of his business career and by persistent and untiring effort steadily working his way upward. His course has at all times been above criticism, and that his has been a well spent life is indicated in the fact that many of his staunchest friends are those who have known him from his boyhood days to the present time.

#### PETER B. FICHTEL.

Modern business enterprise finds a worthy representative in Peter B. Fichtel, the manager of the Farmers Lumber Company of Alta Vista. He started upon life's journey in Germany, July 16, 1859, a son of Peter and Sophia (Schwab) Fichtel, both of whom remained residents of Germany throughout their entire lives.

In his native country Peter B. Fichtel was reared and educated, but the opportuni-