

was born in Switzerland. Both came to the United States in 1844 and took up their abode in Buffalo, New York, where they were married, and for seven years thereafter they continued to reside in Buffalo, where Mr. Zipse worked at the trade of shoemaking, which he had previously learned in his native country. With their removal to the Mississippi valley they took up their abode in Cedarville, Illinois, and while they were there residing their son Albert was born. The father continued to work at the trade of shoemaking for twelve years and subsequently he established his home three miles northwest of Cedarville, where he turned his attention to farming, and that occupation claimed his time and energies throughout his remaining days. His first purchase of land made him owner of seventy acres, and as his financial resources increased he added to his holdings until at the time of his death he was the owner of one hundred and twenty acres. His wife also passed away on the old home farm near Cedarville, Illinois.

Albert Zipse had no especial advantages at the outset of his career. In fact his youth was quietly passed, and he pursued his education in the common schools of Red Oak or assisted his father in the work of the home farm. He continued with his parents until he reached the age of twenty-three years and on the 10th of January, 1889, he was united in marriage to Miss Maggie Heiselman. Immediately afterward the young couple started for Iowa and established their home three miles south of Lawler, where Mr. Zipse engaged in the cultivation of a rented farm for six years. They practiced close economy and industry in order to gain a start and bravely faced the difficulties and hardships incident to settlement in a new locality. Eventually their labors brought to them a sufficient sum to enable them to purchase property and they made investment in one hundred and twenty acres. This constituted the nucleus of their present farm, the boundaries of which have since been extended until it now embraces two hundred acres of the rich and fertile land of Chickasaw county. The improvements which have been placed thereon and the care and labor manifest in the development of the fields have made it one of the excellent farm properties of northern Iowa.

Mrs. Zipse was a daughter of Michael and Frederika Heiselman and the mother is now living with Mr. and Mrs. Zipse, the father having passed away about thirty-five years ago. The other members of the household are their five living children: Lloyd W., Edward B., Arthur V., Myron M. and Martha M. The family belong to the Congregational church of Lawler and in the social circles of that part of the county they occupy an enviable position.

Mr. Zipse is identified with the Farmers Equity Association of Lawler and in matters of citizenship is always found on the side of progress and improvement. For three years he has served as school director in Utica township, and his aid can always be counted upon to support any project that looks to the material, intellectual, social and moral development of his community.

JOHN D. FRAZEE.

The farm upon which he now resides on section 5, Chickasaw township, Chickasaw county, was the birthplace of John D. Frazee and he has spent his entire life thereon. His natal day was April 23, 1873, and his parents were John and Cyrena (Beckwith) Frazee, the former born near Frankfort, Clinton county, Indiana, February 5, 1841, while the latter was born in the state of New York. They came to northern Iowa as children with their parents, the Beckwith family settling in Riverton township, Floyd county, while the paternal grandfather, James L. Frazee, purchased the farm that is now owned by John D. Frazee of this review, residing thereon to the time of his death. He entered one hundred and sixty acres of land as a claim from the government and this land has never passed out of the ownership of the family. John Frazee and Cyrena Beckwith were married in New Hampton, April 28, 1868, and afterward settled upon the home farm, which the former continued to cultivate until his father's death, when he became owner of the property. In 1900 he retired from active business and removed to Bassett, where he resided for nine