

On November 6, 1884, Mr. Haugen was united in marriage to Miss Mary Tollefson, a daughter of Ole and Berit Tollefson, natives of Norway, who came to America at an early date, the father engaging in farming in Springfield township, Winneshiek county, for a number of years and meeting death through asphyxiation in a cistern in 1883. His wife survives him. Mr. and Mrs. Haugen are the parents of six children: Ole, aged twenty-seven; Bertha, who is twenty-five years of age and who married Julius Clauson, a farmer in this county; Lottie, aged twenty-three; Inga, twenty-two; Theodore, nineteen; and Peter, aged sixteen.

Mr. Haugen is a member of the Lutheran church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a stockholder in the Farmers Creamery Company and the Farmers Cooperative Hog Buying Company of Decorah and his ability is widely recognized in business circles. He is a man of many sterling traits of character, industrious, progressive and enterprising, and is well entitled to classification with the township's most substantial and able farmers.

#### JOHN HEGG.

John Hegg, a prosperous agriculturist and prominent citizen of Winneshiek county, owns and operates a farm of one hundred and sixty-four acres on section 1, Springfield township. His birth occurred near Drammen, Norway, on the 28th of April, 1848, his parents being Ole and Carrie (Arneson) Hegg, who were likewise natives of that country. In 1853 the family emigrated to America, coming direct to Springfield township, Winneshiek county, Iowa, where the father purchased one hundred and twenty acres of government land. He followed the trade of blacksmithing in Norway but in this country turned his attention to general agricultural pursuits, clearing and improving his land and cultivating the same during the remainder of his life. He passed away in 1861, at the age of sixty years, being long survived by his widow, whose demise occurred in 1890, at the ripe old age of eighty-five years.

John Hegg, who was a lad of five years when brought by his parents to the new world, attended the district schools of this county in the acquirement of his education and spent the period of his minority with his mother on the home farm. When twenty-one years of age he bought the property and subsequently extended its boundaries by purchasing an adjoining tract of forty-four acres. He has made many substantial and modern improvements on the place and has been continuously engaged in its cultivation to the present time, annually gathering rich harvests which find a ready sale on the market. In addition to his farming interests he acts as president of the Norwegian Mutual Insurance Company of Winneshiek county and is a stockholder in the Nordness Creamery Company, the Nordness Telephone Company and the Decorah Farmers Cooperative Society.

On the 28th of October, 1871, Mr. Hegg was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Viste, her parents being Ole and Sigrid Viste, of whom more extended mention is made on another page of this work in connection with the sketch of Olaus Viste, a brother of Mrs. Hegg. Unto our subject and his wife have been