

place occurred when he was a student in Luther College at Decorah, in which he spent two and a half years. He has worked diligently and persistently to bring his land under a high state of cultivation, and he has upon his place good farm machinery and modern equipment.

On the 19th of December, 1901, Mr. Sivesind was married to Miss Christina Evenrud, who was born in Glenwood township and is a daughter of Andrew and Carena Evenrud, of whom mention is made on another page of this volume in connection with the sketch of Nels A. Evenrud.

In politics Mr. Sivesind has always been a republican, staunchly supporting the principles of the party. He has held all of the township offices, save that of justice of the peace, to which he has been elected on four different occasions but would never qualify. He was postmaster at Woodville until the office was discontinued, and in 1900 he was census enumerator. He holds membership in the First Lutheran church, in which he has filled various official positions, and at all times his life has been actuated by high and honorable principles in harmony with his professions as a member of the church. He was a little lad of but six years when brought by his parents to the new world, and since that time he has resided continuously in Winneshiek county, always identified with its agricultural interests, and the record which he has made is a commendable one.

ANTON O. DAHLE.

Madison township numbers among its worthy and valued citizens Anton O. Dahle, who has worked diligently and persistently to develop his fine farm of three hundred and sixty-five acres on sections 12 and 13, and in so doing has won a place among representative and substantial agriculturists. He was born in Winneshiek county on July 28, 1866, and is a son of Ole and Aase (Hellen) Iverson Dahle, natives of Norway. The father came to America and located in Winneshiek county, Iowa, about the year 1855. He purchased a farm in Madison township and began improving and developing this property, operating it until his death in 1868, his wife surviving him many years, dying in 1911.

Anton O. Dahle was reared at home and acquired his education in the district schools of Madison township. He remained with his mother and operated the homestead until he was thirty years of age. At twenty-one he had purchased eighty acres of land and this he developed for nine years thereafter, while still residing at home. He then rented a place close to the eighty acres which he had bought and stayed there for three years. The next year after buying the eighty acres he came in for forty acres of the homestead and then also rented his brother's place of one hundred and twenty acres. He subsequently bought the eighty acres which is part of the farm on which he now lives, on sections 12 and 13, Madison township, and gradually added to this tract until he owns today three hundred and sixty-five acres of well improved land, in the cultivation of which he is successful. He is in addition a stockholder in the Farmers Creamery Company and the Farmers Hog Buying Company of Decorah. His business interests are all carefully controlled, so that he has now reached a plane of affluence and is numbered among the representative citizens of his township.