was cultivating potatoes when his sister came out to inform him that the bank had closed and Alfred had his only money, $250.00, in there to keep him going until the fall crop would be harvested. In order to borrow $50.00 to "tide him over", he had to list all his machinery, sign the papers, and get his mother to sign as well. The interest on his money was deducted in advance on the money. That money had to keep the farm going until fall.

Many, many changes have come to rural life in those years, machinery over hand labor, telephone service, electricity for light, power and heat, all in the name of progress.

Alfred started having attacks of multiple sclerosis in 1949, but managed to keep the farm going until 1963. He and his wife still live on the farm, but rent out the land for farming. He keeps busy with such hobbies as his condition permits. Esther works part time outside the home: as township clerk, assessor and as home health aide with the Polk County Nursing Service.

OLE DANIELSON

Ole Danielson was born October 11, 1855, in Satesdal, Norway, and came to America and Minnesota with his parents, Daniel Ose and Anne Skore Ose, and his brothers and sisters: Tarkel, Olav, Gro and Ingeborg.

Ole homesteaded land in Tynsid Township, bordering the Bygland township line and a mile east of the land his parents took in Bygland. In the late 1880's, he married Bertha Osmundson, who was born at Portage, Wisconsin, on May 15, 1870, and came to the area with her parents, Osmund Albert Osmundson and Anne Sanne Osmundson, in 1876.

Ole and Bertha lived in Bygland township not far from Tarkel in the early years of their marriage. In 1892, they purchased their farm: the Southwest ¼ of Section 33 in Huntsville township 151, North Range 49, West and the East ½ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 4 in Bygland township 150, North Range 49, West from Halvor Knutson. They located their buildings along the coulee of the South ½ of the Southwest ¼ of section 33 in Huntsville township, where their youngest son, Alfred and his wife, Esther Anderson Danielson now reside. Ole and Bertha had five children who grew up: Daniel (deceased) of Antelope, Montana; Mrs. B. U. Kienkolz (Anne) of Excelsior, Minnesota; Mrs. Gilbert Knutson (Alma) of Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Carl Berkeland (Olga) of Thompson, North Dakota; and Alfred on the home farm.

Bureau, 4-H Club and Homemakers. Ole and Bertha opened their home for all. They gave their cow pasture for ball games and picnics, even their barn roof and hillside when they allowed Alfred to build a ski slide from the top of the barn over the coulee bank.

Ole Danielson passed away in February, 1930, at age 74. Bertha lived on the farm with her son and family until 1960, when she entered Valley Memorial Home in Grand Forks, where she passed away in September, 1963, at the age of 93.

TRUMAN STANTON DANIELSON

My great-grandfather, Daniel Eivindson Ose, with his wife, Anne Tarkelsdot Skaari, and family came to America in 1872. He had been a farmer in Norway; but having turned his farm over to his eldest son, Eivind Danielson, he came to the United States hoping that amid larger opportunities, he might secure a patrimony for his other children. Daniel came directly to Polk County and located on the northern half of the southwest quarter of Section 30 of what later became Bygland township. His influence and his cabin home were the center around which clustered the various interests of the growing community and through him many of his countrymen came from Wisconsin, Illinois and Norway, and were assisted by him in securing a home.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Danielson and Family.

At the time of the organization of the township, it was thought to be a fitting tribute to the worth and services of its pioneer to confer upon it his name, but this honor, he firmly declined and refused a similar recognition upon the organization of the Lutheran church in which he was active as an organizer and faithful member. Upon his suggestion, both township and church received the name of Bygland, because of the prevalence among the citizens of natives of that town in Norway. Daniel Ose continued to reside on his homestead until his death. December 28, 1885. Of their family of four sons and two daughters, all but Eivind Danielson, lived in Polk County for a time — some for all their lives. The fourth son, Ole Danielson Jr., was a farmer in Huntsville township till his death. His son, Alfred N., continues to live on that same farm with his wife, the former Esther Anderson.

Daniel Ose's son, Ole Sr., sold his farm of 180 acres and returned to Bygland, Norway. The two daughters were Ingeborg, who married Eivind Froirak, and Gro, who became the wife of Eivind Aakhus. A son of theirs, Daniel, was a violinist and entertained often at various gatherings in Bygland and other places. He also worked as a piano tuner.

Torkel, second son of Daniel Ose, was my grandfather. He was born in Norway, at Ose, Satesdal, February 20, 1849, and spent several years in southern Minnesota before coming to Polk County. His first home was built of logs. During the years of active traffic on the Red River, Torkel operated a grain warehouse. This is described more fully in the township section of this book. Torkel was married in Stearns County, in