Their children after their marriage were: Mrs. Andrew (Carrie) Jordahl Berg, Gully and Crookston. Mrs. Gilbert (Carrie) Stromen, Eldred, Minnesota. Mrs. Julius (Julia) Jacobson, Mrs. Chris (Emma) Wilson, Mrs. Albert (Annie) Henry, Miss Senna Knutson, Knute Knutson, all of Crookston, Minnesota, and Ole Knutson, Junior, who remained on this home farm until his death in 1944. All of this immediate family are now passed on and all are buried in the Oakdale Cemetery in Crookston, Minnesota. There were eleven grandchildren.

BERNHARD (BENNE) MELING

Bernhard was born April 27, 1903 near Climax, Minnesota. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson Meling who came from Norway in 1898.

He had a brother John and two sisters, Anna and Norma. He was baptized and confirmed in the Sand Hill Church, and attended school in district 238, the Dyrdur school near their farm home. He was a farmer all his life.

On March 25, 1934, he was united in marriage to Helen Jennette Larson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Larson of rural Climax, Minnesota. This union was blessed with one daughter Lou Ann Bernette born October 13, 1934.

In the spring of 1938, Bennie was accidentally kicked and trampled by a horse at the farm. He died in the Crookston hospital five days later.

His widow and Lou Ann lived at the farm with Lou Ann's grandparents until 1945 when Helen married Arnold Evenson, December 28, 1945.

AMUND MOEN

Marit Romsaa, daughter of John and Marit Pederson Romsaa was born in Gulbrandsdal, Norway, February 12, 1833, she married Peder Moen in Norway and came to America in 1871. They lived for a number of years in Freeborn County, Minnesota. In 1878 they located on a farm near Climax, Polk County, Minnesota. They had a family of ten children, two of them located in Canada, and the others remained in Polk County area. Maret Moen died in 1935 at the age of one hundred and two years. Peder died in 1910. The log house stood until a few years ago. Amund, son of Marit and Peder Moen was born November 25, 1859, in Ringebu, Gulbrandsdal, Norway, and came to America with his parents in 1871 at the age of twelve.

Thea Thronson, daughter of Hans and Kari Thronson, was born November 16, 1863, in Gulbrandsdal, Norway, and came with her parents to America in 1871, when she was five years old. They lived in Freeborn County, Minnesota for several years before moving to a farm near Climax, Polk County, Minnesota. She married Amund Moen February 25, 1883 and they lived on a farm, which they homesteaded in the same community. To this union eleven children were born: Minnie, Hilda, Peter, Marie, Stella, Peter, Henry, Cora, Alice, and Pearl.

Their nearest town was Fisher, Minnesota, where they had to haul their grain, and buy their groceries. Many of the farmers living near Nielsville and vicinity, on their way to Fisher would make the Moen home an overnight stopping place.

Amund and Thea Moen. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moen.

Even though the home was small and crowded, they always made room for them. In the summer, their biggest fear was prairie fires which could destroy everything in a short time. In the winter, it was the deep snow and blizzards, as there were no trees for a windbreak.

Thea Moen died March 31, 1933, and Amund married Magda Thompson November 14, 1941. Amund died December 29, 1943. Henry Moen, son of Amund and Thea Moen, married Myrtle Hegge in 1939. In 1940 he purchased the farm from his father, on which the Moens still live. To this union nine children were born: Arnold, Mylon, Janice, Sandra, Richard, Bonnie, Julie, and Karen. Henry farms till 1958, at the time he was stricken with a heart attack. In 1959 being forced to give up farming he took up clerking at the Hovland Hardware, where he worked for five years. In January of 1964, he suffered a stroke and passed away the sixteenth day of the same month. All of the children are living except the oldest, Arnold, who passed away in 1974, after being stricken with cancer.

Arnold married the former Phyllis Elkins, they had two children, Debra and Melanie. Arnold was employed at Riverview Hospital as Laborotory Technician at the time of his death. Richard is presently farming the Moen farm. Mylan is living on the Arnold Moen farm and is employed as an electrician and tends a few Arabian horses which his brother, Arnold, had a deep interest in.

Mrs. Arnold Moen (Phyllis) and girls are living in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, where Phyllis is attending the University of Minnesota, where she plans to receive her Ph.D. Degree in teaching in Sociology. Janice Moen married Ervin Fahrenkrug May 9, 1964, they live in Omaha, Nebraska, where he works with Western Electric. They have two children, Lisa, age six, and Daniel age three.

Sandra Moen married Fabian Yanez on March 20, 1965, they have two boys, Paul age eight and Prescott age three. They live at Campbell, Minnesota, where he works as fieldman for Fieldcrest Fertilizer.

Diane Moen married David Morken in September 1972. They live on a farm north of Eldred, Minnesota, which was established in the summer of 1972. They have a daughter, Chathleen. David farms with his father, Stanley Morken. Bonnie Moen married Joe Munn on June 20, 1973. They live in Crookston, Minnesota where Joe is employed by the city. They have one daughter, Christeen, one year old. Julie and Karen Moen are attending Climax High School, where Karen is a junior and Julie is a senior.

All the Moen children graduated from the Climax High School. The Moens were all baptized and confirmed in the Sand Hill Lutheran Church of Climax, Minnesota.

Arnold finished his course in technology at the University of Atlanta, Georgia. He and his family moved back to Crookston in 1966 when he took up his position at Riverview Hospital. Both Arnold and Mylan were in the armed services. Mylan spent eighteen months in Germany and began his studies in electronics and finished two years at Vocational Technical College at Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Richard attended University of Minnesota Technical College at Crookston and has been in the National Guard four years.