geles, California. He was succeeded by Mr. Hagen, the present publisher of the Vastesheimen who added a prohibition hue to its editorial policy. Elias Steenerson, then Postmaster, had it wished on him, and it became the distinguished exponent of pure and unde-filed Republicanism. Three years ago Crawford and Egley purchased the Press, and are now conducting it successfully as a semi-weekly.

OTHER COUNTY PAPERS LIVING AND DEAD.

The Erskine Echo, and the Climax Chronicle are the only two of the later-day weeklies not previously mentioned that are still in existence. There are several others, like the McIntosh Tribune, the Euclid Eagle, the Beltrami Chronicle, most of which died "aborning," and left hardly a scratch, on the tablets of fame.

There are many side lights and incidents connected with the history of Polk County journalism, proclaiming the joys of temporary victories or the sorrows of disastrous defeats, which would make a long and interesting chapter; but they cannot be recorded here. Sufficient to say that the newspaper history of Polk County is coincident with the material progress of the County itself. In every instance, in every section, the newspapers have been the advance guard in the march toward a higher and better order of things. They have had their ups and downs, their trials, temptations, and disasters; but their tendencies have always been cast on the side of better living, and better citizenship, for greater striving and bigger ideals.