township. On this tract of land he lived and labored, cultivating and improving his farm and erecting good buildings on it, until the fall of 1914, when he retired from active work and moved to Winger. He and his wife have had three children, Herman K., Ingmar K. and Carl G. Ingmar died at Mentor, Polk county, November 26, 1902. The other two are living.

Carl G. Messelt was married at Winger December 18, 1912, to Miss Ellen Stai, a native of Winger township. They have one child, their son Conrad E. Carl has filled school and other offices in the township, and has won the esteem of the people by his sturdy and sterling citizenship and devotion to the welfare of his locality. He and his wife are zealous and consistent members of the Synod Lutheran church. A separate sketch of Mrs. Carl Messelt will be found in this volume.

ORIN DANIELS.

Orin Daniels, of Crookston, ex-sheriff of Polk county and a retired farmer, was born August 17, 1874, in Dane county, Wisconsin, and came to Minnesota with his parents when eight years of age. He is the son of Anun and Tone (Bergland) Daniels, the latter a native of Dane county, Wisconsin. Anun Daniels was born in Illinois and engaged in farming in Wisconsin, where he enlisted in the service of his country during the Civil war and was an officer in his company. In 1882 he came to Polk county and located on government land near Crookston, which he developed into a prosperous farm property and sold in 1891. He is now living, at the close of a useful and active career, in Spokane, Washington. Orin Daniels is the only one of the family of eight sons and a daughter, who resides in Minnesota. He was reared on his father’s homestead and received his education in the public schools of the county and for a number of years devoted his attention to farming activities, his first association with official service being in 1901, when he was appointed deputy sheriff under Mr. Sullivan. He continued to hold this position for eight years, through the terms of office of Mr. Sullivan and his successor, Mr. Gonyea, becoming well known through the county during these years of able service and in 1908 was elected sheriff and capably discharged the responsibilities of this office for two terms, being re-elected in 1910. Beside his official duties and public services, Mr. Daniels has always been actively interested in agricultural enterprises and gives some time to the successful management of his farm of two hundred and four acres. He has always been a loyal supporter of the Republican party and is a member of the Elk lodge. His marriage to Sadie Reindahl, of Dane county, Wisconsin, occurred in 1903 and they have one son, Truman.

THORE H. BANG.

The late Thore H. Bang, whose death occurred in Crookston August 14, 1905, was an early settler in the city and helped materially to build and develop it from its small beginning to something near its present magnitude and importance as a trading, manufacturing and commercial center. He was born in Valberg, Norway, in 1843, and was reared and educated in that country, where he followed farming for some years after reaching his maturity. In 1882 Mr. Bang came to the United States and located in Polk county, Minnesota, on a homestead which he entered east of Crookston, and which he partially improved and then sold. After selling his farm he took up his residence in Crookston and became a member of the city police force, on which he served five years. He was afterward variously employed in Crookston until his death.

Mr. Bang was married in his native land to Miss