George, living at the same place; Agnes; the wife of George Coulter, of Bemidji, Minnesota; James, who is a piano dealer; Libbie, the wife of Freeman L. Corliss, a contractor in East Grand Forks; Christie and Mary who are both married and at present residing on homesteads in Canada; Margaret, who married Arthur Vickery and lives in East Grand Forks, and Robert J., who resides in East Grand Forks. Mr. Brown is a member of the Presbyterian church, in the organization of which he was influential and has continued to loyally serve its interests as an elder.

SAM T. EVANSON.

Sam T. Evanson, a prosperous farmer of King township, came to Polk county in 1894 and has since devoted his interests to the affairs of this community as citizen and farmer. He was born in Dane county, Wisconsin, June 25, 1858, and in early childhood accompanied his family to Goodhue county, Minnesota, where his father took a preemption claim and resided until his death. Sam Evanson remained in the parental home until twenty-one years of age and then availed himself of the homesteader's privilege in Trail county, North Dakota. Here he took an active part in the organization of the pioneer community, faithfully performing the duties of citizenship in the establishment of township and county. During the years of his residence there, he gave his attention to his agricultural interests and developed his land into a productive farming property, which he later sold for $25 an acre. On removing to Polk county, he bought the former homestead of Ole Quale, in section twenty-four of King township, two and one-half miles east of McIntosh, and this has since been his home. He also was the owner of another quarter section of Polk county land which, after improving it for cultivation, he sold in 1914. His home farm has developed under his able management into one of the prosperous estates of the section. Upon coming into his possession, but thirty-five acres had been cleared and the usual log buildings of the settlers, occupied the place. The clearing of the remainder of the land which was covered with brush presented years of arduous labor. He has now one hundred acres under cultivation and has equipped his property with buildings of modern convenience and appearance. In his agricultural operations, he has given his efforts to the various farming enterprises and is a patron of the co-operative creamery, keeping a herd of twelve cows. Mr. Evanson was married, in Polk county, in 1895, to Lena Bagstad, of North Dakota. She was a native of Norway and had come with her parents, as a young girl, to her home in North Dakota. Her death occurred April 11, 1912. Their only child, Henry, died at the age of sixteen. Mr. Evanson survives with the two nieces of his wife, Clara Brovold and Sena Brovold, who since their entrance into the Evanson household in their childhood, have been reared as daughters of the home. Clara Brovold is the home maker for Mr. Evanson and Sena Brovold is the wife of Odvin Johnson, residing on a farm two miles distant, in Brandsvold township. Mr. Evanson is a trustee in the Synod Lutheran church, where he and his family have always been devoted members.

HANS OLUS ROSAAEN.

Extensively engaged in the lumber trade and banking for a number of years, with centers of business at several different places, the late Hans Olus Rosaaen, whose life ended on July 9, 1904, was an important factor in the mercantile and financial life of Polk county and one of its most useful and enterprising citizens in connection with its public affairs and governmental activities in a variety of ways.