came to the farm where he was. Mr. Hagen met the wife, son and daughter at Fisher’s Landing with his ox team and hauled them to the farm. His marriage with Miss Dorothy occurred when she was but seventeen years of age. She was resolute in spirit, always ready to take what came in the way of duty, and for one summer worked out in the employ of Robert Anderson’s family. Her father’s old homestead is now owned by Andrew Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagen were married by I. Thorelson, of Grand Forks, a minister there. By this time he owned horses, and he was more prosperous and making better progress than he had been, but he still lost crops by hail, one storm being so violent that it killed everything he had growing, scattered his stock and forced him to protect his head with his boots, and the hail stones lay in heaps on the ground for hours after falling. Frost also injured his crops frequently. He was early in the field in this section with a threshing outfit, but he was obliged to steer his first engine with teams.

He has been a member of Grand Marais Lutheran church and one of its prominent workers ever since he settled here. He and his wife became the parents of ten children, nine of whom are living: Olof, Thorval, Emma, Ode, Bennett, Julia, Ida, Nina and Arthur. They are all at home with their parents yet, the only break in the family circle occurring by the death of a son named Adolph, who died when he was five years old.

ANDREW L. STEELE.

Andrew L. Steele, a successful farmer of Grand Forks township, is a native of Sweden and came to Polk county in 1879. He was born March 5, 1855, and grew to manhood in his native land, where he was employed in an iron mine. In 1877 he came to the United States and for a time worked in the lumber yards at Minneapolis. Subsequently he spent a number of years as a lumber man and railroad laborer, spending the winters in the lumber woods and the summer season in railroad grading. It was in the pursuit of the latter occupation that he came to Polk county, working on the construction of the road bed between Fishers Landing and Grand Forks. Ambitious to secure an education, he availed himself of every opportunity to advance himself, using his carefully saved capital for this purpose. After gaining the use of the English language through his own studies, he spent two years in the public schools at Red Wing, Minnesota, and later studied for a year in the Gustavus Adolphus college, at St. Peter. In 1879 he took a homestead in section eight of Northland township and since that time has devoted his attention to farming, living on his homestead until 1887, when he was married to Caroline Erickson. She is a native of Sweden and came to Brainerd, Minnesota, 1877, as a young girl, to join her brother, Peter M. Lagerquist. In 1880, she came to Polk county, immediately after her marriage to Ole Erickson, who had located in Grand Forks township two years previous. She has since continued to make her home on this farm, where the death of Mr. Erickson occurred in 1884, at the age of thirty-five. He was a well known farmer of that section and was prominent in township affairs. There were four children born to this marriage, three of whom are now living, Edith Caroline, the wife of Adolph Larson, of East Grand Forks; Minnie Amanda, who married her cousin, Andrew Erickson, and lived on the farm which they bought of P. M. Lagerquist, until her death three years after; and Oscar Herbert, who is a rural mail carrier, located at East Grand Forks. Upon his marriage, Mr. Steele assumed the management of his wife’s farm, which he operated with his own land until some ten years ago, when he sold his homestead in Northland township and has since added to the home farm in section two, Grand Forks township, making an estate of two hundred and ten acres. In 1898 he erected the present pleas-