years, with his sister keeping house for him before his marriage and his wife doing the same afterward, the present dwelling house not being erected until 1900, although the barn was built some years before that time and other improvements were also made earlier.

The farm, which is five and a half miles east of the village of Fertile, now comprises 320 acres, Mr. Hendricks having bought the adjoining quarter-section of land for $2,200 about 1895. About 225 acres are under cultivation, nearly all of which was cleared by the owner during his lifetime. For many years he depended mainly on raising grain, but of late he gave more attention to raising live stock, and always kept twelve to sixteen milch cows for furnishing milk to the co-operative creameries at Fertile and Rindal, in both of which he owned stock.

Mr. Hendricks was a Republican in his political faith and always made it a matter of duty to vote at every election. He was one of the first members of Faaberg United Lutheran church at Rindal, but aside from his duties in the church and as a citizen, he gave his attention exclusively to his farm, except that for a number of years he was in partnership with his brother, N. C. Hendricks, in carrying on a dry goods store at Fertile, remaining in the firm, which bore the name of the Hendricks Dry Goods company, until his brother left the county.

On August 8, 1884, Mr. Hendricks was united in marriage with Miss Laura Larson, a daughter of John and Eli Larson, who lived in Nicollet county, this state, for a time and moved to Polk county in 1880, also becoming homesteaders in Garden township not far from Rindal. Mrs. Hendricks was not yet nineteen at the time of her marriage, but she immediately took charge of the housekeeping for her husband, although she had very little furniture and her culinary supplies were often scant and limited to a few very plain articles of food.

Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks were the parents of ten children, one of whom, a son named Arnold Theodore, and the eighth child in the order of birth, died at the age of seven years. The children who are living are: Ella Sophia, now the wife of Thomas P. Bugge, of Seattle, Washington; Wilbert Eugene, who is living at home; Cora Josephine, who is a school teacher in Norman county and has taught in Polk county; Hilma Lorando, who works in Seattle; Lawrence Joseph, who has charge of the home farm; and Clarence Julius, Clara Matilda, Norma Luella and Arnold Leland, who are still members of the parental family circle, and take an active part in all its interests and industries.

---

CARL LUDWIG HANSEN.

Making his way in a new world under difficulties incident to a wild frontier and seriously handicapped by the loss of his right arm when he was but thirteen years old, Carl Ludwig Hansen, one of the substantial and progressive farmers of Garden township, this county, with a tract of 320 acres of land in sections 28-26, 29, which he has made into a fine farm, with 200 acres yielding good crops, has worked out steady progress for himself by his persistent industry, prudent frugality and excellent management of his affairs.

Mr. Hansen was born near the city of Christiania, Norway, December 15, 1849, and in 1854 came with his parents, Lewis and Anna Maria Hansen, to the United States, locating at St. Peter, Nicollet county, Minnesota, where the mother died six weeks later, and was the first white person to die in the township of their residence. What is now the city of St. Peter was then called Travers de Sioux, and there was a missionary family living there. This family took charge of an infant daughter left by Mrs. Hansen, and reared her as their own child. She never knew until after marriage that she was not the daughter of the missionary. Then she learned who she was and opened a correspondence with her brother Carl. The father improved a farm three miles from St. Peter,