Stuhr has taken an active and helpful part in all township affairs. For eighteen years he served well and wisely as a member of the school board, and he has also filled most of the other township offices and all with credit to himself and benefit to the township.

His parents are still living in Euclid township. Their six children are Anna, Peter, Katie, Mary, Henry and John. Peter owns 360 acres of land near the village of Euclid.

**ERICKSON BROTHERS.**

Emil and Martin Erickson, who carry on a general merchandising business at Climax, this county, in which they succeeded A. & E. Steenerson November 20, 1906, and have been engaged ever since, are sons of Hans Erickson, one of the leading farmers of Traill county, North Dakota. He lives on a fine farm in that county nine miles west of Climax, on which he settled in 1877 or 1878, and was one of the pioneers of the county. His farm comprises a whole half-section of land and is well improved. He was born and reared in Norway, and came to the United States in his young manhood, locating in Mitchell county, Iowa, and there his son Emil was born, September 20, 1874. Martin's life began in Traill county, North Dakota, December 23, 1880.

Emil Erickson remained with his parents until he reached the age of twenty-five years, then returned to Iowa and took up his residence in Worth county, opening a hardware and agricultural implement store at Joice. He kept this store seven years and built up an extensive trade for it, then sold the business and for a year lived in Grand Forks. In 1906 he and his brother Hildus bought the business of the Steenersons, at Climax, and the next year Martin joined them in the store, taking Hildus' place as a member of the firm. Hildus died several years later at Bellmont, North Dakota.

The two enterprising merchants, who are trading under the firm name of Erickson Bros., have about $10,000 invested in their business and it is very flourishing. Their trade is growing steadily and their hold on the confidence and good will of the people is constantly increasing and intensifying. They are strictly up-to-date business men, and they please the community around them because they study how and try hard to do it. They make it their first consideration and leading desire to know the needs of their trade and their prime undertaking to provide for them.

Emil Erickson was married at Joice, Iowa, in 1901, to Miss Sophia Holstad. They have seven children, Reuben, Hazel, Maynard, Lillian, Gladys, Iona and Wilma, all of whom are still with their parents. Martin's marriage took place in 1904 and united him with Miss Amanda Engen, a daughter of Ole Engen, of Climax, a sketch of whose life will be found in this work. Martin and his wife have two children, their daughters Vivian and Orpha. The brothers and their wives belong to the Lutheran church at Climax.

**OLE KNUDSON.**

Ole Knudson, who is one of Polk county's advanced, enterprising and successful farmers, lives on Section 10, Roome township, nine miles west of Crookston, four and a half north of Eldred and five southeast of Fisher, owns 480 acres of excellent land improved with good modern buildings and up-to-date conveniences, and carries on extensive operations with great vigor, progressiveness and profit to himself and the region in which he lives. He was born in Norway, September 23, 1848, and came to the United States in 1870. After spending some months at Decorah, Iowa, he moved to Reed's Landing in Wabasha county, Minnesota, and there he worked on the railroad.

In the spring of 1871 he began running lumber