



JOHN H. STYLES.

John H. Styles, candidate for judge of probate in Kandiyohi county, was born in Minneapolis on July 28, 1862. His parents were Amos and Frances Styles, of American parentage. The subject of our sketch attended school in Minneapolis up to the age of fourteen years. He then learned telegraphy and went to work for the St. Paul & Pacific (now the Great Northern) at fifteen years of age. He became train dispatcher at the age of nineteen years. He came to Willmar sixteen years ago and was the first train dispatcher here. He was interested in the drug business with Olof Olson for a time. He has served as president of the village one year. He commenced the study of law in 1896, and was admitted to the bar in September, 1899. At present he is village justice. Mr. Styles is a man of sterling character who has always stood uncompromisingly for the moral advancement of his city. He is worthy of the support of every voter in the county, and deserves good at their hands. While unfortunately bodily disabled and unable to do anything but office work, he would make an admirable judge of probate, for which position his learning as a lawyer, his strong character and many years of training have well fitted him.

nineteen years ago, and has been secretary of the association ever since. He has done more than any other man to make the association a decided success. In politics Mr. Grue has always been an earnest worker for reform. In 1892 he was, without his own solicitation, made the people's party candidate for representative in the legislature, and although the average republican majority in the county was about 1,000, Grue came within 77 votes of being elected. In 1898 he was nominated and elected state senator by a large majority over a candidate that the republicans considered invincible.



PETER R. SLETTEN

of the town of St. Johns, peoples party candidate for auditor of Kandiyohi county, was born in Gulbrandsdalen, Norway, October 23, 1862. He came to America at an early age, and for twenty years lived with his brother, Ole R. Sletten of Dovre township. He attended the public schools for some years, then took a two years' course at St. Olaf's College, Northfield, attended the St. Cloud Normal School for three years, graduating in 1884. Took a course in mathematics at the State University in 1891. He has taught school in this county for about 16 years in 7 different districts. He bought 196 acres of land in that town in 1891. The next year he married and moved on the land which he has through hard work transformed into a good farm. He has lived there continuously until this last June, when he rented it out for 24 years.

Mr. Sletten has always been a strong advocate of temperance, and for many years worked with the prohibition party. Six years ago he joined the peoples party, because he was convinced that there were other reforms needed, and that party was the only one advocating those reforms. He is a man of good moral character, intense convictions, energetic and capable. These traits make him worthy of the support of all honest people. His fine mathematical training makes him especially fit for the position of County Auditor.



SALOMON STENBERG.

Was born in Sweden in 1857. He received a good common school education in that country, finishing the course at the age of thirteen. In 1880 he emigrated to America, settling in Lake Elizabeth township, where he has resided since, with the exception of four years spent as buttermaker at Irving. He is now buttermaker at Lake Elizabeth and ranks as one of the best buttermakers in the state. He has held several local offices. Like most of his countrymen, Mr. Stenberg joined the republican party on his arrival here; but as soon as he had gained an insight into political affairs he left that party. After that he voted the prohibition ticket until the people's party was organized, since which time he has been an active member of that party. He is still a strong advocate of prohibition, and is personally a total abstainer, having never tasted strong liquors. He is a man of positive ideas on public questions, and one who does not fear to advocate his views with all the earnestness and force of a strong character.



MISS INGA S. SIVERTSON.

People's party candidate for superintendent of schools in Kandiyohi county, was born in Irving in 1874. She entered the public schools at five years of age, and since that time almost her entire time has been spent in the schools either as pupil or teacher. She attended the Willmar seminary for three years. Taught in the public schools of Swift, Kandiyohi and Stearns counties from 1891 to 1893. From January 1893, to June, 1896, she taught in the Atwater graded school. For the next two years she attended the Litchfield high school, from which she graduated in the spring of 1898. The next two years she taught in the Madelia schools. At present she is teaching in District 24, Irving. In all these schools she has given excellent satisfaction. She has the highest recommendation from her teachers, from school boards and superintendents, among whom may be mentioned R. C. Dewey, principal, and M. Frances Tension, assistant principal of the Litchfield high school; Supt. B. S. Covell; Dr. J. S. Gibson and Peter Larson of the Atwater school board. She is bright, energetic and an enthusiast in school work, and the people of Kandiyohi county will make no mistake if they place their public schools under her charge.



OLEY NELSON GRUE

Was born in Wisconsin in 1856. His parents moved to Carver county, Minnesota, the same year, where they engaged in farming until 1862, when his father enlisted and served as sergeant in Company H, Ninth Minnesota Volunteers, until 1865. In 1868 they moved to this county. Oley attended the common schools and afterwards went to St. Olaf's college, Northfield, from which institution he graduated in 1879. Soon afterwards he married Miss Anna Skataas, and settled on a farm in the town of Green Lake. He has been a successful farmer but has, nevertheless, found time to take an important part in public affairs. He has been clerk of the school board for a number of years, assessor, and chairman of the board of supervisors. He was one of the chief movers in organizing the Dovre & Mamre Mutual Fire Insurance Association

**ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S WARNING.**  
As a result of the war, corporations have been enthroned and an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign by working upon the prejudices of the people until all wealth is aggregated in a few hands and the republic is destroyed. I feel at this moment more anxiety for the safety of my country than ever before, even in the midst of war. God grant that my suspicions may prove groundless.  
A single good government becomes a blessing to the whole earth.--Jefferson.



PASCAL H. FRYE.

Pascal H. Frye, of the town of Kandiyohi, was born May 17, 1850, at Lowell, Mass. He moved with his parents when five years old to Boone County, Ill. Attended district school until 17 years of age, when his father died. In 1872 he went to the coast and worked as common laborer in California, Oregon and Washington. Returned to Illinois in 1875 and followed farming as an occupation until 1882 when he entered the law office of Ellis & Meek at Chicago. He attended the law lectures at the Union College of Law at Chicago, and was admitted to the bar in Illinois, May 16, 1886. He removed to Kandiyohi County, Minnesota, in June, 1886, and practiced law one year at Willmar. He then purchased the farm on which he now resides in the town of Kandiyohi, which, by the way, is one of the best improved farms in that part of the county. He held the office as secretary of the Willmar farmer's mutual fire and lightning insurance company for five years. In politics Mr. Frye has been a prohibitionist, but affiliated with the alliance and people's parties. In 1898 he reluctantly accepted the nomination for county attorney upon the people's ticket, and entered into partnership with F. P. Olney of Benson. He was elected, and the office has been filled in a very satisfactory manner to the people of the county. He was unanimously tendered a re-nomination this fall, and if honesty of purpose and efficiency of service count for anything, he will be re-elected this fall with an ample majority.



JALMAR LARSON

Was born in Dane county, Wisconsin, in 1867. The same year his parents moved to Minnesota and settled in Dovre town, Kandiyohi county, where they have resided ever since. Jalmar grew up on the farm and obtained a common school education. In 1889 he married Miss Hanna Thorson, who died in 1893, leaving one child. In 1895 Mr. Larson married Miss Minnie Eliason. Two children have been born to them. Mr. Larson is a successful farmer and stands well in his community. He has served as clerk of the school board for ten years. In politics he was originally a prohibitionist, but in 1894 he joined the people's party, in whose ranks he has been an earnest and faithful worker ever since. He has never sought office; he has worked for the party because he was convinced that the principles of the people's party were right and necessary for the welfare of his country.



GABRIEL STENE.

The subject of this sketch, Gabriel Stene, was born in Columbia county, Wisconsin, March 21, 1856. With his parents he came to this county in 1867. His home was for many years on his parents' farm in the town of Lake Andrew. He attended the public schools, where he received a fair education, which he has greatly increased by private study. He was for many years a resident of Willmar where he worked in the machinery line. He also worked in that line for some years in Kerkhoven, Swift county. From 1894 he went back to the farm, and has devoted himself to that work for many years. He has held numerous local offices of trust. Like many of the leaders of the people's party of this county, Mr. Stene was originally a prohibitionist. He has spent a good deal of time and labor working for that cause, and is today as earnest in his fight against the liquor traffic as ever. But, like so



O. A. HEDIN.

O. A. Hedin, people's candidate for register of deeds of Kandiyohi county, was born in the town of Arctander, June 10, 1867. Soon after, his parents settled on a farm, where he grew up to manhood. He obtained a good common school education and afterwards obtained employment as clerk in Rice & Manning's store in Willmar. After some years of faithful service he became a partner of the firm, Manning & Co., doing a general mercantile business. He also was a cattle dealer, and in his work became acquainted with almost every man in the county. In the spring of 1898 the firm retired from business. In the fall of the same year Axel was nominated by the people's party for register of deeds and was elected by a large majority--the only populist officer in the court house. He has filled the place to the perfect satisfaction of all who have had dealings with him and was unanimously renominated by the people's party. Hedin was originally a republican, but he joined the reform forces in 1896. He is a man of good character, a strict temperance man and one never afraid of sticking up for a cause he believes to be right. Axel will undoubtedly be triumphantly re-elected.

many others, he saw that local prohibition would be the surest way of educating the people on the question, and that there were other important reforms that could be accomplished by a national political organization. He therefore cast his lot with the people's party and with his usual zeal and energy he has been right in the front of its battle line.



PETER J. DALE.

People's party nominee for treasurer of Kandiyohi county, was born in Norway, July 4, 1845. He obtained a common school education in that country. In 1860 he came to America and settled in Wisconsin. He attended the public schools there and also took a short collegiate course. In 1870 he married Miss Justina Olson. Seven children have blessed this union, all of them living in Willmar and vicinity. After his marriage Mr. Dale settled down on a farm. During his stay in Wisconsin he served as justice of the peace, town clerk, supervisor and member of the legislature. In 1880 he came to Kandiyohi county and settled on the Willmar farm, where he lived until last fall. At present he is a resident of this village.

Mr. Dale was originally a republican, but when the people's party was organized he joined it. He has been an untiring worker for the cause ever since, sacrificing time, labor and money as few men in this county have done. For four years he was chairman of the county committee, at a time when it was difficult to raise money for legitimate campaign expenses, and many a time he dived into his own pocket to pay them. He deserves the united support of the party. He is well qualified for the place and will make a painstaking, capable, and accommodating officer.



L. H. LARSON.

Lars H. Larson, of Lake Andrew township, Kandiyohi county, was born in Rice county in 1861. He came with his parents to Kandiyohi county in 1867, being among the early settlers. Lars has been a hard-working young man and has overcome many difficulties and come out on top. He is well liked in a large circle of acquaintances and friends. He has occupied positions of trust in his township and school district. He was an aggressive candidate for the people's nomination for sheriff in Kandiyohi county in 1900, and made a very good showing against a very popular man. Lars is still in the fight, however, for better government, local, state and national, and is making his influence felt for the people's cause.



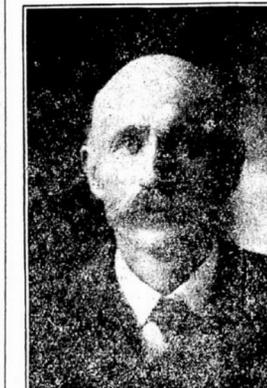
CHARLES WESTERBERG.

Charles Westerberg, the genial landlord of the Scandia hotel at Crookston, was born in Sweden in 1850. Came to this country in 1879, stopping first at Willmar, and settled in Crookston in 1880. During most of the time he has been engaged in the hotel business. His hospitality is the best dollar-a-day hotel in Crookston. It has accommodations for 150 guests, electric lights, steam heat, and free bus to all trains. Mr. Westerberg is an ardent supporter of the principles of the people's party and is a member of the state committee.



JOHN WICKLUND

The subject of this sketch is a typical Minnesotan. He was born at Taylor's Falls, Minn., Dec. 5, 1837, and when two years of age his parents started bravely out into the wilderness and were among the very earliest settlers in the southern part of Kandiyohi county. His father, the venerable Rev. E. P. Wicklund, still lives on his old place in the town of Fahlun, where he has spent so many useful years. John received a common school education and grew up to become one of the substantial and respected citizens of his township. That he possesses the confidence of his neighbors is witnessed by the fact that he has held most of the places of trust in the township, having served as constable, justice, supervisor, and chairman from one to three terms. He affiliated originally with the prohibition party, but became a member of the farmers' alliance when it was organized, and later joined the people's party, of which he is an honored member. He received the nomination for representative on the people's ticket in Kandiyohi county this year, but was obliged to decline the honor, owing to the pressure of private affairs which would not permit him to take the office.



LAWRENCE ZACHARIAH THOMPSON

Was born at Solvik, Norway, Nov. 24, 1848. He attended the public schools till he was fourteen years of age, when he enlisted as sailor. Previous to this he had for four summers sailed with his father during vacations. He studied navigation in the winter time, and in 1867 passed the naval examination with a credit mark of 2.88 out of a possible 3.00. His father having died, he was given the position of mate on the same ship and sailed with it all summer. Late in the fall the ship was wrecked on a sandbar in the Big Belt. After having been taken to the rigging for four days the crew was rescued. On his return to Norway he found the family had gone to America, and he followed them in the spring. He sailed on the great lakes for several years. In 1877 he was so seriously injured by falling rigging in a wreck that he had to abandon his occupation. On the 8th of January, 1877, Mr. Thompson was married to Miss Mathilda Indiana Johnson, of the town of Norway, Racine county, Wisconsin. In 1882 he bought a farm in Green Lake township and moved there the following spring. He has held several local offices, such as supervisor, assessor, and member of the school board. Politically Mr. Thompson is a member of the people's party, and has done a good deal of quiet but effective work for the reform cause.



NILS R. TACKLIND

Was born at Wallsjö, Sweden, July 16, 1874. Came with his parents to this country in 1882. He attended the Willmar high school for some years. At the age of 21 he went into the wheat business at Kandiyohi station, and has continued in that ever since. Mr. Tacklind is one of the most active workers in the people's party ranks in this county. He is president of the local Bryan and Lind club. A man of strict integrity, well posted on public affairs, and one of those genial souls who win friends everywhere, he will undoubtedly play a prominent role in the political affairs of the county in the future.