

earnings and in 1895 purchased one hundred and sixty acres in Oak Port township, Clay county, where he has since resided. He worked hard developing the place and, prospering with advancing years, he later added eighty acres, now owning two hundred and eighty acres of productive and well-improved land. He erected suitable buildings and fences, also planted a large grove. He has been very successful as a general farmer and stock raiser.

Mr. Nelson has remained unmarried. He belongs to the Lutheran church, and takes a practical interest in community affairs tending to the public good.

PEDER H. OVERBO.

Peder H. Overbo, gardener of Moorhead, was born in Norway, August 15, 1862. He is a son of Hermund and Carrie Peterson (Urness) Overbo, natives of Norway, where they spent their lives on a farm.

The subject of this sketch grew to manhood in Norway and he attended the public schools there. He immigrated to America in 1874, locating first in Goodhue county, Minnesota, where he worked for his uncle, Nels Overbo, who came to America with him. After remaining in Goodhue county until 1881 he came to Moorhead, Clay county, and worked here on a farm for the same uncle. This farm is now owned by the subject of this sketch. His uncle preceded him to Clay county by about two years. Peder H. Overbo bought thirty-one acres of his uncle in 1912, which land lies within the city limits of Moorhead and is a very valuable tract. It is well improved and under a high state of intensive cultivation. Mr. Overbo carries on gardening on an extensive scale and is making a pronounced success of his work. He is a hard worker, persevering and painstaking and a close student of modern methods of trucking. His products, owing to their excellent quality, find a ready market.

Mr. Overbo was married in 1893 to Anna Kvam, a native of Norway. She is a daughter of Melker and Anna (Johanson) Kvam, both natives of Norway, where they grew up, were married and established their future home on a farm, where the mother is still living, the father dying there some years ago. To Mr. and Mrs. Overbo six children have been born, namely: Harry, Nels, Caroline, Rudolph, Myrtle and Pearl. Mr. Overbo is a member of the Lutheran church.