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of Zumbrota. Ida J., born February 24, 1881, is now Mrs. Anton Johnson, of Zumbrota. Mr. Weiss, together with R. O. Lund, were the prime movers in founding the State Bank, and Mr. Weiss has been a director ever since. He is also a director in the Security State Bank.

**Henry E. Weiss**, treasurer of the Zumbrota village school board and cashier of the Security State Bank, of Zumbrota, is a native of this county, born in Minneola township, November 19, 1878, son of Henry J. and Mary (Starz) Weiss, well known farmers of that township. He received his education in the district schools of Minneola, the public schools of Zumbrota, and the Red Wing Business College. At once after completing a course in the latter institution he entered the Security State Bank, in 1897, as bookkeeper. In 1899 he was made assistant cashier and in 1902 was promoted to his present position. He is an ardent supporter of the Republican party and has served the village three years as recorder and three years as treasurer. He belongs to the English Lutheran Church and affiliates with the Masons, the Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias and the Elks. Mr. Weiss was married November 5, 1902, to Winifred Tucker, daughter of Richmond and Cornella Tucker, farmers and fruit raisers of Kasson, Minn. This union has been blessed with one child, Marion, born May 29, 1904, who is the idol of the household.

**Anton J. Rockne**, of Zumbrota village, the distinguished speaker of the Minnesota house of representatives, is of Minnesota birth, his natal place being in Harmony township, Fillmore county, and the date of his birth December 19, 1868. His parents were Michael and Anna (Amundson) Rockne. The father left Norway in 1849, and located in Illinois, where he farmed two years. In Wisconsin and South Dakota he also lived for a time, and was married in 1865. After coming to Minnesota he purchased 160 acres in the town where young Anton was born, and continued general farming. The home place is now managed by Michael Rockne and his brother. Anton's early youth was spent on the home farm, and his primary education received in the schools of the neighborhood. His classical and academic training was obtained at the Decorah Institute, Decorah, Ia. He then spent an interim in teaching school, subsequent to which he entered the law department of the Minnesota State University, from which he graduated in 1894, being admitted to the bar June 7 of the same year. A few months later he came to Zumbrota and opened up an office. His success was instantaneous and in this profession he has since continued. He at once took an active interest in politics, and in 1902 was elected to the legislature, being re-elected successively in 1904, 1906 and 1908. His elo-

quence on the floor and his good sense in caucus and committee deliberation won the confidence of his fellow members, and in 1909 he was elected to his present position as speaker. Not alone, however, at the state capital, is his influence felt, for at home his merits are no less realized. He has served as president of the village council one year and has been a member of the council two years. He has also done considerable campaigning for the Republican party. Mr. Rockne was married December 10, 1899, at Zumbrota, to Susie Albertson, daughter of Elling Albertson, a prominent farmer of Wanamingo. The fruits of this union are three children—Melroy, born September 11, 1900; Elnor, born February 26, 1902, and Ariel, born June 26, 1904. The family worships at the Lutheran Church.

**W. Scott Van de Bogart** is a new comer in Zumbrota township compared with those who settled here in the fifties and sixties, but in the dozen or so years that he has lived here he has already established himself in the confidence and regard of the community. He was born in Appleton, Wis., February 15, 1862, son of Henry and Emeline (Hubbard) Van de Bogart, natives of New York state. They came west to Wisconsin in the early days and engaged in farming until 1862, when the father joined the union army and served in Company D, Twenty-first Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, until his death at Murfreesboro as the result of a fever contracted during the campaign. After this sad bereavement, the mother lived at Appleton until 1878. She then lived two years in Kansas and in 1880 moved to North Dakota and still later to Nebraska. In 1899 she came to live with her son, then returned again to Nebraska, and subsequently in 1907 again took up her home with her son, and ended her days, November 26, 1908. W. Scott received his education in Wisconsin, there spent his young manhood and in 1880 took up a homestead of 160 acres in North Dakota and also a tree claim in the same state. In 1897 he came to Zumbrota township, purchased 150 acres of land in section 29, and continued to carry on general farming. Mr. Van de Bogart was married April 2, 1884, to Annie Barteau, daughter of David and Joana (Willet) Barteau, natives of New York state, who came to Zumbrota in 1873 and engaged in the hardware business. The father died in August, 1908, and the mother makes her home in Zumbrota village. To W. Scott and Annie (Barteau) Van de Bogart were born five children—Jay H., born April 28, 1885, is employed by the Tri-State Telephone Company at Minneapolis; Byron B., born July 12, 1888, died in March 6, 1908; Hazel L., born February 19, 1891, lives at home; Sadie J., born May 9, 1894, died September 23, 1903; Ruth A., born March 8, 1898, lives at home. The mother of these children died March 17, 1898, and the