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their goods were examined to see if anything was being smuggled through. Then they went by train to Liverpool. From here they started their journey across the ocean April 18, on the "Palmyra". On the trip the propeller shaft broke. After two hours of signaling, a small cattle steamer came to help them. It took them to St. John, Newfoundland. Here they waited until the ship was repaired, when they again set sail. They reached New York May 20, from New York they took the train to Chicago, stayed there three days and went on to St. Paul. This trip had cost each person about



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## Biography of Pioneer - J.O. Hetager.

Ole and Sarah Olson were the parents of Thor Olson Hetager born on September 1, 1867, in the country of Norway in the county of Hallingdal, and near the city of Drammen.

He left his former home, because he thought it would be a better future for him in the United States. He came to North Dakota instead of any other state, because he had relatives living there. Landing in New York by Steamboat he came to North Dakota by means of a train on September 21, 1887.

He took up his land in the township of Rosendal, Section 5. The first house on his land was a frame shack. On trips to town he either walked or with a team



of horses. He experienced many blizzards but no floods or prairie fires. His nearest neighbors were John Peterson and Ben Cornet. He never had any machinery or teams, because he rented out his homestead as soon as he had pruned it up, and worked elsewhere.

Among the early schools was the Gallatine, Laura Amalie being the teacher. The Ness church was one of the early churches having Rev. Guamme as the minister.

He got his fuel from the river, hauling it from there with oxen.

He was married to Rachel Skars at Cooperstown, North Dakota in 1910.

His present residence is in Cooperstown, North Dakota.



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