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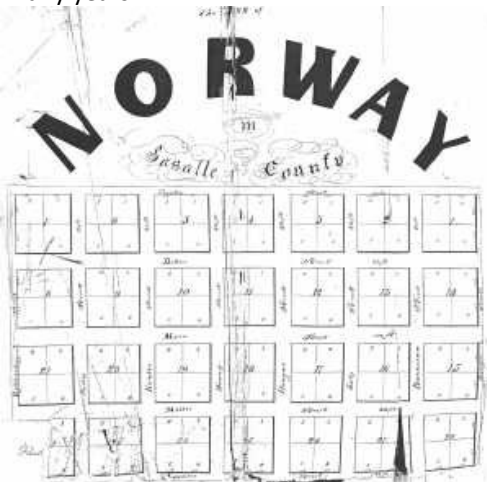
Married Gurine "Julia" Madland, had seven children, rem. Cariline Oveland had one child Gudmund Danielsen Haukaas had left the farm of his youth in Tysvær and gone to Rennesøy Island, from whence he went to Stavanger in 1820 as a servant. He was also a wheelwright.

There were no doctors in the Fox River Settlement but there were two honest medical practitioners ... who had received no professional training but who possessed high intelligence and the quality of leadership and who, through self training and varied experience, were able to render the others valuable aid. This was freely given without pay and won them esteem and confidence. These two men were the Sloopers, Gudmund Haugas (a great reader and fond of books) and John Nordboe, Anderson reports that he actually talked to people "who were helped by Dr. Haugas in cases of severe illness".

An important event for all the middle west Norwegians during this period was the advent in 1847 of the first Norwegian newspaper, "Nordlyset". Although it was actually published in Wisconsin, the Sloopers and their associates in La Salle County are given credit for the steps which brought it about. The key man in promoting the appearance of the Norwegian press was Ole Olson Hetletveit (Middlepoint). "The first impulse to starting of "Nordlyset" seems to have been given in 1846 when a number of meetings were held in which Ole Olson Middlepoint suggested the publication of such a paper. At a meeting held on Dec. 8, 1846 at the home of Endre Osmundsen, a sort of constitution was drawn up for the proposed paper, and Gudmund Haugas was elected president, and Ole Olson secretary". The "constitution" clearly indicates the Quaker and Haugean influences in the backgrounds of the organizers.

Goodman was an elder in the Church of Latter Day Saints. Dietrichson of Koshkonnong, in Wisconsin returned their visit the following spring and called at Gudmund's home. Here he saw above the sofa a facsimile of the golden tablets, whose existence had been revealed to Joseph Smith by the angel Moroni, and from which the Proph-

1845, in the western half of Section 13, 34 N, 4 E, they purchased 100 acres of land from Sloopers Gudmund Hougas and Jacob Anderson (Slogvig), and laid out a city dedicated to the Lord, and called it Norway. This was just over three miles southwest of the present town of Norway which it preceded by many years.



Joseph Smith III
in Plano, IL



Thomas Hougas family

1847 "Nordlyset" newspaper

