

of the State Normal School at Moorhead, in charge of the department of biology, and has since occupied that position, with his residence at Moorhead. During his residence in Moorhead, Professor Ballard has taken an active interest in the general affairs of the city and for six years served as a member of the city council. He owns a well-improved farm south of the city and gives considerable attention to the operation of the same.

In 1898, the year before he moved to Moorhead, Prof. C. A. Ballard was united in marriage to Ida Bell, of Fergus Falls, and to this union four children have been born, James, Curtis, Margaret and Edward. Professor and Mrs. Ballard are members of the Congregational church and take an earnest interest in church work, as well as in the general works of the community, and are recognized as among the leaders in the cultural activities of their home town. The Professor is a member of the Masonic order and takes an active interest in the affairs of the same.

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#### REV. MARTIN ANDERSON.

The present pastor of the Trinity Lutheran church at Moorhead, Clay county, Rev. Martin Anderson, was born in Benton county, Iowa, May 17, 1882, a son of Mons and Sarah (Tvedt) Anderson, both natives of the kingdom of Norway.

Mons Anderson came to America in 1865 and located in LaSalle county, Illinois, where he remained for two years. He then moved to Benton county, Iowa, where he engaged in farming until 1905, in which year he retired from active work and moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he died in 1915. He was the father of eight children, as follow: Bertha, deceased; Andrew, Celia, John, Anne, Peter, Christine and Martin.

Rev. Martin Anderson received his elementary education in the public schools of Benton county, Iowa. He afterwards attended the St. Olaf College, at Northfield, Minnesota, and graduated from that institution in 1906. Having chosen the profession of the ministry he attended the United Church Seminary, at St. Paul, Minnesota, where he completed a course of theological study and graduated from that seminary in 1909 and was ordained in the same year. His first pastoral charge was at Madison, South Dakota, where he remained for nearly five years. In 1914 he came to Moorhead and accepted the pastorate of the Trinity Lutheran church in

this place, where he has since remained. In 1915 he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity, conferred by Fargo College.

Rev. Dr. Anderson has proven himself to be a man of ability, energy and influence by his work in this community. He was instrumental in the building of a fine new church, costing forty-two thousand dollars, which was completed in 1915. The building is of modern construction and equipped with modern appointments. It is a credit to the congregation and one of the attractive buildings of the town.

In 1909 Doctor Anderson was married to Cora Gunderson, daughter of John E. Gunderson, of Driscoll, North Dakota. Two children have been born to this union, Milo and Harriet.

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, W. M. NESHEIM.

W. M. Nesheim, a well-known druggist at Moorhead, was born in Decorah, Iowa, April 19, 1865, a son of Iver H. and Elizabeth Nesheim, the former of whom was born in Norway and came to America in young manhood, locating in Iowa, where he followed the occupation of a painter. In 1880 he removed to Minneapolis, Minnesota, and lived there until his death. His children were: Josephine, Christine, W. M., Ida, Emma (deceased), Oscar (deceased), and Louis (deceased). Iver H. Nesheim was head of the paint department of the Amon Scop & Company, of Decorah, and was a man of rare artistic talent, his decorative work giving him more than local fame.

The subject of this sketch was educated in the public schools of Decorah, Iowa. At the age of fifteen he began work in a drug store in Decorah, where he continued for about one year. In 1881 he went to Minneapolis and was employed in drug stores in that city for fourteen years. Coming to Moorhead in 1895, he engaged in the drug business on his own account in that city and has continued in this business there ever since.

In 1905 W. M. Nesheim and Eleanor Albertson, daughter of Orris Albertson, of Battle Lake, Minnesota, were united in marriage, and to this union three children have been born: Eleanor, Roseltha and William (deceased). Mr. Nesheim's fraternal affiliation is with the local lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen at Moorhead. Mrs. Nesheim's father, Orris Albertson, for many years one of the foremost residents of Battle Lake, which town he helped to lay out, buying the first town lot sold there,