

first located at LaCrosse, Wisconsin, later coming to this state and becoming a pioneer farmer in Marshall county, where he is still living, one of the substantial residents of that part of the state.

Reared on the home farm in Marshall county, Oscar M. Westlin received his schooling in the public schools and early turned his attention to commercial pursuits. He was married in 1910 and in 1913 became associated with the First National Bank of Twin Valley, with which concern he remained for a year, at the end of which time, in 1914, he was made cashier of the Farmers State Bank of Flom and has since occupied that position, a resident of the thriving village of Flom and one of its most enthusiastic and enterprising "boosters". Mr. Westlin also is the manager of the Flom Implement Company and for the past two years or more has been the treasurer of the Flom Creamery Company. He takes an active and interested part in the civic affairs of the community and for the past year or more has been serving as justice of the peace in and for the township of Flom.

In the year 1910 Oscar M. Westlin was united in marriage to Hannah Hagen, daughter of Erick O. Hagen and wife, and to this union one child has been born, a daughter, Evelyn. Mr. and Mrs. Westlin are members of the Lutheran (Synod) church and take a proper part in church work, as well as in other local good works and are helpful in promoting such agencies as are designed to advance the common welfare in their home community. They have a very pleasant home and take an interested part in the general social and cultural activities of their home village.

ERICK J. EGGE.

Erick J. Egge, a well-known and substantial farmer, owner of a compact and well-kept place of one hundred and sixty acres in Skree township, Clay county, is a native of the kingdom of Norway, but has been a resident of the United States since he was twenty-three years old and of Clay county for the past thirty years. He was born in Norway on July 7, 1860, a son of Jorgen and Kari (Olson) Egge, both also natives of Norway and who immigrated to this country some years after their son, Erick J., had settled here. Their first location was near Pelican Rapids, Otter Tail county, Minnesota, where they lived for a time, later moving to Skree township, Clay county, where Jorgen Egge died while living with his son Erick. Mrs. Carrie Egge died while residing in Rosa county, Minnesota. They

were the parents of the following children: Ingeborg, who lives in South Dakota; Erick J., the immediate subject of this sketch, and Olc, who lives in North Dakota.

Erick J. Egge was educated in the schools of Norway and was reared on his father's place, where he helped in the work of the farm. In 1883, at the age of twenty-three, he immigrated to this country, leaving his parents in the old country, and first located in Pelican Rapids, Otter Tail county, Minnesota, to which place his parents subsequently came. In 1887 Mr. Egge moved to his present place in Skree township, where he has a compact and well-developed farm of one hundred and sixty acres of prime land, on which he has erected some substantial buildings and has laid out an attractive grove, which enhances the value and appearance of the place. Mr. Egge is actively engaged in general farming and is accounted one of the well-to-do and progressive farmers of that part of the county, and is doing very well in his farming operations.

In 1886 Erick J. Egge was united in marriage to Ellena Peterson, the ceremony being performed in Norwegian Grove township, Otter Tail county. Mrs. Egge was born in Norway, a daughter of Peter and Ragnild (Erickson) Iverson, also natives of Norway, in which country they all spent their lives. To Mr. and Mrs. Egge the following children were born: Carolina, John, Inga, Ella, Petra, Annie and Mary (twins) Gena, deceased, Gunvold and Ole, and two others who died in infancy. The Egge family are earnest members of the Lutheran church, which Mr. Egge helped to organize and in the good works of which they take a warm interest, as well as in all good works of the community in which they reside.

CHARLES C. ALLEN.

Charles C. Allen, mayor of the city of Ada and head of the firm of C. C. Allen & Company, one of the most extensive lumber dealers in this part of the state, is a native of the old Green Mountain state and was reared in Michigan, but has been a resident of the great Northwest ever since he was seventeen years of age and is thus thoroughly familiar with conditions here since pioneer days. He was born on May 29, 1863, and was but a child when his parents, Lewis J. and Ellen (Kent) Allen, also natives of Vermont, left that state and went to Michigan, settling at Battle Creek, where he was reared and where he received his schooling in the public schools of that city. As a