

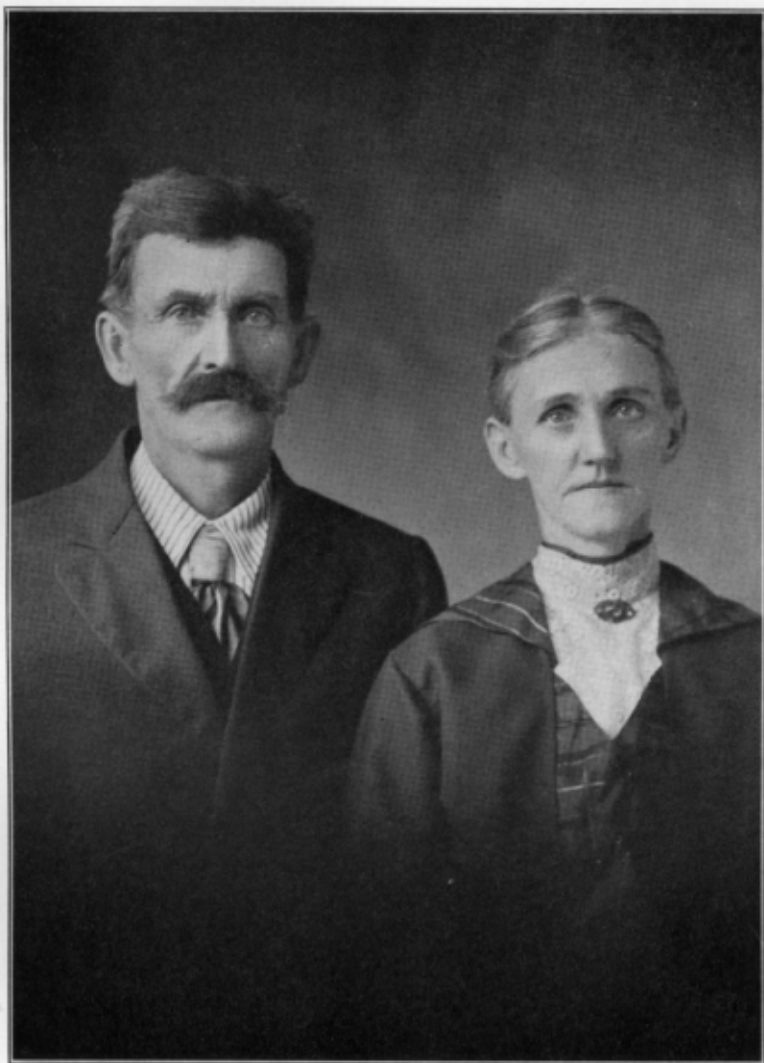
Torger O. Sundet was educated in the schools of Norway and was reared to manhood on his father's place. At the age of thirty-one, in 1867, he decided to try his fortune in America and in that year immigrated to Fillmore county, Minnesota, where he worked on farms until 1880. In the latter year he moved via horse team to Norman county and took one hundred and sixty acres of homestead land in section 28, Bear Park township, on which he erected some log buildings and carried on general farming until 1903. He then moved to his present place in section 21, Bear Park township, where he has two hundred acres of excellent land, which is set out to general crops and from the very beginning of his operations he has met with a large measure of success, being considered one of the best husbandmen in the farming community.

Torger O. Sundet has been three times married. His first wife was Olena Guansta, a native of Norway; no children were born to that union. His second wife was Mrs. Marie (Jelleberg) Jelleberg, the widow of Herman Jelleberg, who died soon after their arrival in Fillmore county, Minnesota. By her marriage to Mr. Jelleberg she was the mother of one son, Olas H., born on February 2, 1868, and who came with his parents to America the following year, 1869. Mr. Sundet's third marriage was to Jodda Johnsdatter Sennepen, who is still living. Mr. Sundet is a member of the Ness Lutheran church, which he helped to organize and in whose good works he is actively interested. He also assisted in the organization of Bear Park Mercantile Company. Mr. Sundet is not the father of any children, but his stepson, Olaus H. Jelleberg, has taken the name of Sundet, and all live together on the home farm.

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#### EDWARD M. EVANS.

Edward M. Evans, a well-to-do and progressive farmer, owner of three hundred and sixty acres of excellent land, connected with various township offices and with the local telephone and creamery companies, is a native son of Minnesota, born in Fillmore county, July 11, 1858. He is a son of Nels and Gunhild (Tostensen) Evans, both of whom were born in Norway, the former coming to America, while yet a single man, in 1846, and, in 1856, settling in Fillmore county, where they were married some time later. Gunhild Tostensen came with her parents, Tostensen and Astrí (Sverie) Larson, in 1857, and who also settled in Fillmore county.



MR. AND MRS. EDWARD M. EVANS.

On arriving in Fillmore county Nels Evans pre-empted a tract of land proceeded immediately to get it into a state of cultivation and engaged in general farming up to the time of his death in 1872, being regarded as one of the most energetic and practical farmers in that part of the county. His wife, who survived him, is still living in Fillmore county. Nels Evans served as a soldier on behalf of the maintenance of the Union of his adopted country, joining Company F, Fifth Regiment, Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, and saw much service, finally being mustered out, after which he resumed his farming operations. Nels Evans and wife were the parents of seven children as follow: Edward M., the subject of this sketch; Anna; Henry C.; Anton, deceased; Caroline, deceased; Charles, and James, deceased. They were members of the Lutheran church and earnest advocates of all its good works. They helped to organize the first church of their community in Fillmore county and were ever among those who aimed at helping in all causes calculated to promote the best interests of the neighborhood and township in which they lived.

Edward M. Evans was educated in the schools of Fillmore county and worked on his father's farm, a valuable assistant in the labors of improving and developing the land. In 1881, at the age of twenty-three years, he came to Norman county and bought a tract of railroad land in McDonaldsville township and is still residing on that place, engaged in general farming. He put up some substantial buildings on his holding and set out a fine grove of trees, which adds considerably to its general appearance. He is now the owner of three hundred and sixty acres of prime land, which he cultivates according to modern methods of agriculture and is regarded as one of the progressive farmers of the township.

On December 10, 1885, Edward M. Evans was united in marriage to Jensena Erickson, who was born in Norway and at the age of six months was brought to this country by her parents, Anton and Guro (Anderson) Erickson, who are now living in Lake Ada township, Norman county. Their first place of residence was in Clay county, where, in the early seventies they homesteaded a tract of land on which they lived until 1883 when they moved to the farm in Norman county, and where Anton Erickson is a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Evans are the parents of the following children: Gena, Nels, Josie, Edwin and Albert, all of whom are living. The Evans family are members of the Lutheran church and are earnest supporters of the church and all neighborhood good works, excellent factors in the affairs of the community and township.

Mr. Evans has ever given a good citizen's attention to public affairs and for fifteen years served as township assessor, in which office he served with fidelity and ability. He helped to organize the local school district and served on the school board for a considerable time. He also helped in the organization of the local telephone and creamery companies and has held official positions in both, and in other ways he has given of his time and energy to the public welfare.

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### ANDREW HUSEBY.

Andrew Huseby, a farmer of Tansem township, Clay county, was born in Norway, April 19, 1860, and, like many of his countrymen, he came to the great Northwest with no capital; but with plenty of courage and grit, consequently he has succeeded. He is a son of Andrew and Anna (Huseby) Huseby, both natives of Norway, where they grew up, married and established their home, never coming to the United States. The elder Andrew Huseby was a shoemaker by trade. To these parents eight children were born, named as follow: Gilbert and Erick, who are still living in Norway; Ragna and Sarah, both of whom died in Norway; Gertrude, who came to America and died in Wisconsin; Andrew, the subject of this sketch, and Ole and Knut, who are both engaged in farming in Tansem township, Clay county.

The junior Andrew Huseby spent his boyhood in Norway and there attended the common schools. When twenty-five years of age, in 1885, he came to America, and almost immediately thereafter started on the long journey directly to Clay county, Minnesota. He secured employment as a farm hand in Tansem township, where he worked for some time, then bought railroad land, which he improved into a good farm, on which he has since resided, owning one hundred and sixty acres in section 15, Tansem township. He has put on all the improvements on the same, including a comfortable residence and numerous outbuildings, and is carrying on general farming and stock raising.

Mr. Huseby was married in Norman county in 1890 to Marie Narum, who was born in that county. She grew up on the farm and attended the district schools. She is a daughter of John and Caroline Narum, both natives of Norway where they spent their earlier years. They came to America and took up a homestead in Norman county, Minnesota, about 1874, being among the first settlers there. They endured many hardships, as did