

Farmers' Elevator Company at Moorhead and was the first vice-president of the same. Politically, he is independent. He is township supervisor, which office he has held during the past sixteen years.

Mr. Hogstad was married on November 11, 1910, to Anna Grimstvedt, who was born in Norway, a daughter of Sven and Sigme (Ness) Grimstvedt, also natives of Norway, where they established their permanent home, and both of whom are now deceased. Sven Grimstvedt was married twice and was the father of fifteen children. Mrs. Hogstad came to America in 1897. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Hogstad, namely: Helge, Segfred and Bertha.

CHARLES S. MARDEN.

Charles S. Marden, extensive owner of land, former member of the state Legislature and former county attorney for Clay county, is a native of the state of Vermont, but has been a resident of Minnesota since 1882. He was born in Randolph, Vermont, on October 2, 1864, a son of Riley H. and Emily M. (Clifford) Marden, natives of the same state.

Riley H. Marden was born in Albany, Vermont, on January 24, 1832, and was a member of the legal profession and a well-known member of the bar in his native place. At the age of fifty, in 1882, he moved to Fergus Falls, Minnesota, where he continued to practice as an attorney and also became the owner of a tract of land. His death took place on July 22, 1900. Riley H. Marden served the cause of the Union during the Civil War and was a member of Fourth and Ninth Regiments, Vermont Volunteer Infantry, and later held a commission in the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh United States Colored Infantry. His war service covered the entire period of that conflict and he participated in several important engagements, receiving his honorable discharge at the close of the war. Mr. Marden's wife, Emily M. Clifford, was born in April, 1837, in the same house in Randolph, Vermont, as was her son, Charles S., the subject of this sketch. She died in April, 1871, eleven years before her husband came to this state. They were the parents of two children, namely, Mrs. Caroline E. Hooper, whose death occurred in Omaha, Nebraska, in March, 1899, and Charles S.

Charles S. Marden was reared in Bristol, Vermont, and attended the

public schools and Bristol Academy. In 1882 he accompanied his father to Minnesota, where they settled in Fergus Falls and he commenced taking a law course with the view to practicing as an attorney. In 1891 he moved to Barnesville, Clay county, where he resided until 1911, and where he served as city attorney from 1891 to 1901. From 1901 to 1907 Mr. Marden was county attorney for Clay county, and from 1911 to 1915 he represented the Sixtieth district in the Minnesota state Senate. During all those years of public service he commanded the unstinted confidence of the electors and was generally recognized as one of the leading and public spirited men of Clay county. In April, 1911, Mr. Marden removed his practice to Moorhead. In January, 1911, he organized the Red River Farm Loan Company, and has been president of the company ever since.

On January 2, 1886, Charles S. Marden was united in marriage to Elise E. Cayo, who was born on April 15, 1863, in Two Rivers, Wisconsin. They are the parents of two children, Irene Emily, who married L. V. Repke and is living at St. Paul, this state, and Edith Josephine, who became the wife of Fred M. Brophy and lives in Moorhead, this county. Mr. and Mrs. Marden take a proper part in the general social activities of the community in which they reside, helpful factors in the promotion of all causes having for their object the common good of the community. Mr. Marden is a member of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; he is also a member of the Masonic order and is a Shriner and also holds membership in the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and the Elks, and in all these several organizations takes an active part. He served two years in Company C, Second Regiment, State Militia, at Winona, Minnesota.

KNUD WEFALD

Knud Wefald, well-known lumberman of Hawley, Clay county, was born in Kragero, Norway, November 3, 1869. He is a son of Knut and Karen (Pederson) Wefald. The father was born June 10, 1843, in Drangedal Parish, Norway, June 10, 1843, and the mother was born in Songedal, Sondeled Parish, Norway. They grew to maturity, were married and established their home in their native land. The father was a non-commissioned officer in the regular Norwegian army for about twenty-five years. He was a surveyor by profession, but spent the latter part of his life on a farm. His was the oldest family in Drangedal Valley, the old Wefald home-