

In 1891 Dick Meyer was united in marriage to Cena Johnson, who was born in Christian county, Illinois, in 1869, the marriage taking place in Iowa. They are the parents of the following children: Herman, John, Mary, Cena and Kattie. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer take a proper interest in the affairs of the community in which they reside, helpful factors in the promotion of all causes having for their object the common good of neighborhood and township. Mr. Meyer gives a good citizen's attention to public affairs and is now serving as township treasurer, filling the office with a marked degree of ability. He also was a director on the district school board for six years, his attention to educational matters during that period being unremitting.

HANS J. ULLRICH.

Hans J. Ullrich, well-known grain buyer at the village of Downer, and clerk of the township of Elkton, Clay county, was born in Germany, but has been a resident of this country since he was ten years of age, and of Minnesota since 1885. He was born on October 27, 1870, son of Hans and Wiby (Glohe) Ullrich, also natives of Germany, who came to the United States with their family in 1880 and settled in Boone county, Iowa. Five years later they came to Minnesota and settled on a farm in Martin county, and there Mrs. Ullrich spent her last days. Some time after his wife's death, Hans Ullrich, Sr., moved to Elkton township, Clay county, where he was engaged in farming until his death. He took an active interest in local civic affairs and was serving as a member of the board of township supervisors at the time of his death. He and his wife were members of the Lutheran church and their children were reared in that faith. There were five of these children, all of whom are living, the subject of this sketch having three brothers, Henry, John and Marcus, and a sister, Anna.

Having been but a boy when he came to this country with his parents in 1880, Hans J. Ullrich completed his schooling in the schools of Iowa and Martin county, Minnesota, where he began farming on his own account. He remained there until the fall of 1899, when he came up into the Red River country, where he has ever since made his home, living in Downer and vicinity. For a time after coming here, he was engaged in farm labor and then for five years was engaged as a clerk in a store at Downer, working first for John Seim and later for Mrs. Hawkins, the latter having suc-

ceeded the former in the proprietorship of the store. Mr. Ullrich then was engaged by the Hennepin Grain Company as buyer at Downer and, after two years of connection with that concern, was employed by the St. Anthony & Dakota Grain Company as buyer in the same place and has ever since been thus engaged, one of the best-known grain men in that part of the country. Mr. Ullrich is the owner of a fine farm of two hundred acres at Downer, a part of the townsite having been laid out on his place. In addition to his activities as a grain buyer, he gives his personal attention to the management of his farm. He also handles the local agency for the Fargo Implement Company. Ever since coming to this section, Mr. Ulrich has given a good citizen's attention to local civic affairs, having served for two terms as justice of the peace in Elkton township and for the past eight years as clerk of the same.

In 1912, Hans J. Ullrich was united in marriage to Lydia A. Austin, who was born in Clay county, daughter of C. W. Austin and wife, and to this union two children have been born, John Arthur and Myrtle Anna. Mr. and Mrs. Ullrich are members of the Lutheran church, the former being one of the organizers of the local congregation of that church, in the affairs of which he and his wife take a warm interest.

FREDERICK W. ALTENBERND.

Frederick W. Altenbernd, a well-known and substantial farmer of the southern part of Clay county and the proprietor of a fine place of four hundred and eight acres in Elmwood township, where he and his family are very comfortably situated, is a native of Kansas, born on a pioneer farm in Douglas county, that state, on January 4, 1871. He is a son of William and Katie (Hill) Altenbernd, natives of Germany, the former of whom came to this country in 1860, he then being twenty-seven years of age, and the latter of whom came to America with her parents when she was eight years of age. Both are now deceased. They were the parents of eight children.

Reared on the home farm in the neighborhood of Lawrence, Kansas, Frederick W. Altenbernd received his schooling in the public schools of that city and in the business college there. Not long after leaving, he came up here into the Red River country and bought a farm of two hundred and forty acres in Elmwood township, Clay county, and started in to improve