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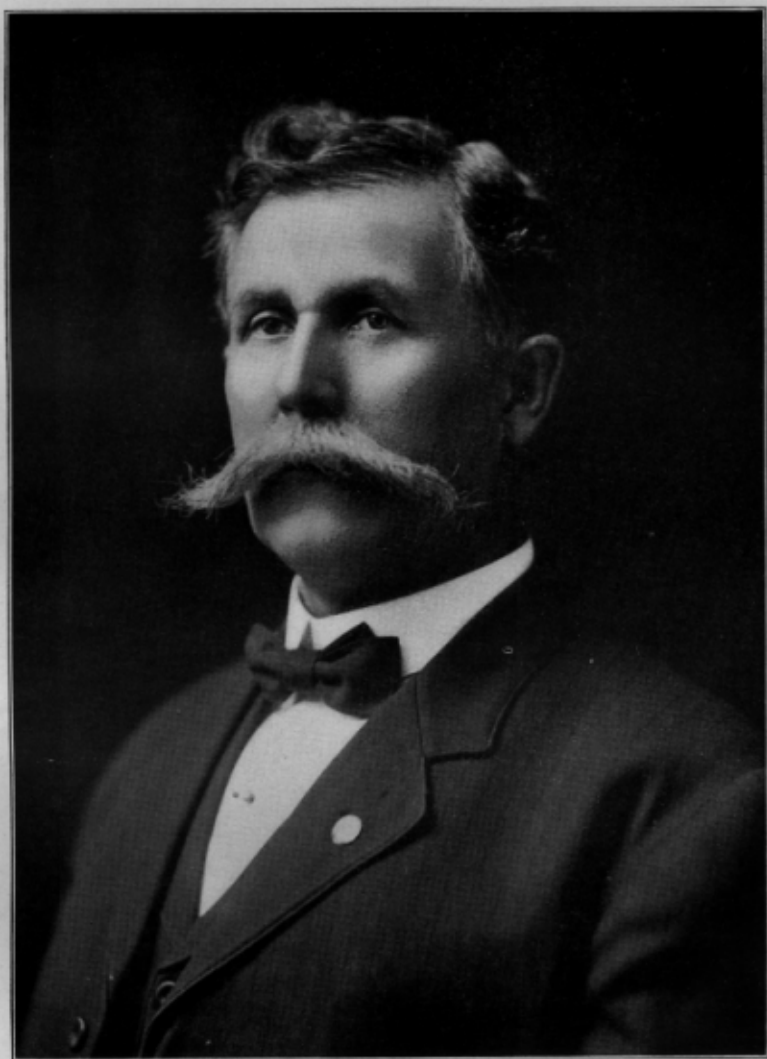
Edmund L. Brown was educated in the public schools of Little Rock, Arkansas. As a young man he served an apprenticeship in the office of the *Arkansas Gazette*, at Little Rock and was for some time reporter and city editor of that paper. In 1894 he moved to Indianapolis, Indiana, where he was married to Lucy Huxley, of Martinsville, Indiana. He removed to Martinsville, where he was engaged for nine years in the manufacture of old hickory chairs and rockers. Then he went to Seymour, Indiana, where he had a factory in the same line of business for six years. Then he went to Janesville, Wisconsin, and established a factory for the making of fireless cookers, and continued in that business at that place for four years. In 1913 he came to Minnesota and engaged in the real-estate business at Barnesville, and has been thus engaged in that city ever since.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown have one daughter, Frances, who is now a student at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, taking a special course in that institution. Mr. Brown is a Scottish Rite Mason, affiliated with the consistory of the Valley of Indianapolis, and is a noble of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, affiliated with Murat Temple of that order at Indianapolis.

ALBERT J. WRIGHT.

Albert J. Wright, undertaker and funeral director at Moorhead, is a native of Norway as were all his ancestors. He was born in Norway on August 14, 1858, a son of Andrew and Olianna (Sannes) Wright, who were born and spent the greater part of their lifetime in that country. In 1860 the father of our subject came to America and located at LaCrosse, Wisconsin, where he remained until 1876. In that year he removed to Fillmore county, Minnesota, where he is still living. He is a minister in the United Lutheran church. His children are Albert J., Anna W., Marie O., Laura J., Edwin P., William R., Ella T., Samuel J. and Hilma Louise.

Albert J. Wright came with his father to America in his childhood years. He received his education in the schools of LaCrosse, Wisconsin and in the high school at Rushford, Minnesota, from which he was graduated. He taught school for two years and then was engaged in farming for about three years in Mower county, Minnesota. In 1881 he came to Moorhead and engaged in the undertaking business and has continued in



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this business ever since, his being the oldest undertaking establishment in Moorhead.

Mr. Wright has been twice married. His first wife was Julia A. Colberg, to whom he was married in 1878. To that union four children were born: Albert Lawrence, Walter Collins, Russell Sherman and Lillian C. The mother of these children died in 1893. Mr. Wright's second wife was Christine Soreng, and by this marriage five children have been born: Edgar Eugene, Alice Marie, Henry Morris, Clarence Bernard and Norman Ferdinand. The family are members of the United Lutheran church. Mr. Wright served for twenty-eight years as superintendent of the Sunday school in this church, and has held other official positions in the same.

Mr. Wright has held several official civic positions. For three or four years he served as city recorder; was chief of the fire department for eight years; in 1912 he was elected county commissioner of Clay county and was re-elected to that office in 1916 and holds that office at present. Fraternaly, he is affiliated with the Ancient Order of United Workmen, with the Knights of the Maccabees and with the Sons of Norway.

TORGRIM OLSON MORKEN.

Among the successful self-made men of a past generation in Clay county, whose efforts and influence contributed to the general welfare of his locality, the late Torgrim Olson Morken, one of the sterling pioneers of Morken township, occupied a conspicuous place, and his record is well worth setting forth in a volume of the province of the one in hand.

Mr. Morken was born in Norway on October 14, 1846, and there he grew to manhood and attended school. He was a son of Ole Torgrim Morken and wife, natives of Norway, where they grew up, married and continued to reside until 1867, when they immigrated to America, locating in Houston county, Minnesota, where they established their home on a farm, and there the death of the father occurred in September, 1888. The subject of this memorial sketch came to America with his parents at the age of nineteen years. He was the youngest of a family of five children, the others being as follow: Tona, who is married and lives in Houston county; Nels, who is also married and lives in that same county; Salva, deceased, and Ole, deceased.

Torgrim O. Morken devoted his active life to general farming and