

Glyndon and Barnesville, for the first month of that term conducting her school in an old dirt-floor homestead shack that stood on land now a part of the farm of Charles Lamb, Sr., a little east of the present village of Downer. To Mr. and Mrs. Henry four children have been born; Joseph, Bemis, Lamont and Pearl. They have besides an adopted daughter, Matilda.

JUDGE CARROL A. NYE.

Specific mention is made in this history of Clay county of many of the worthy citizens who have figured in the growth and development of the county and whose interests are identified with its various phases of progress. Each has contributed his share to the well-being of the community, and to the advancement of its interests. Though all do not reach the heights to which they aspire, yet in some degree each can win a measure of success and bring advantages to his fellowmen. It is not necessary to follow any particular line of endeavor or engage in any particular vocation, to be of service to one's home community. In all walks of life there remains much good to be accomplished and many opportunities for the exercise of talent and influence that in some way touch the lives of those with whom one may come in contact, making them the better and the greater. Of the men of the county, who have had an elevating effect on the resident population, as well as on the entire district, it is well to mention one of the most prominent members of the Clay county bar, and one who has risen to a high position in the legal fraternity in the county, Judge Carrol A. Nye.

Judge Carrol A. Nye was born in St. Croix county, Wisconsin, in 1861, and received his education in the common and normal schools of that state. After having completed his education in the schools of the state, he entered the law office of his brother, Frank M. Nye, who was at that time located at Clear Lake, Wisconsin, and is now a successful attorney of Minneapolis, Minnesota. He later studied in the office of Robert M. LaFollette, the present senator from that state, and who was at that time located at Madison. He then entered the University of Wisconsin in 1886, where he was given the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He received the greater part of his education through his own efforts and, while in college, paid the larger part of his expenses with money earned by working on the farm and in teaching school. After completing his education and after having been admitted to the bar, he located in Moorhead, Minnesota, where he has since resided.

After having established his residence and having engaged in the practice of his profession in Clay county, Judge Nye met with much success, and always took the greatest interest in local affairs. His ability and force of character were soon recognized and he was appointed city attorney, which position he held for five years. He was then elected mayor of the city and was the efficient executive for four years, and was for eight years attorney for the county. His educational qualifications and high standing attracted to him the attention of the officials of the State Normal, and he served on the board of management of that institution for a term of six years. In all of these positions he gave to the people the highest measure of service and won the approval of the entire community. In 1910 he was elected district judge, and in 1916, was re-elected without opposition. His services on the bench have been of the highest class, and his decisions have been regarded as just by the people and the bar. His life as an attorney and as a judge has placed him among the high-minded and conscientious men of the district. Few men in the district are held in higher regard and few have had more to do with the high standard of moral excellence.

In 1886 Carrol A. Nye was united in marriage to Mary A. Gordon, and to this union a son, James G., was born. He received his primary education in the local schools, and later was graduated from the Philip Exter College and the University of Wisconsin, and from the latter institution he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He later entered on the practice of his profession and has met with the highest degree of success. His patriotism and loyalty to his government have been demonstrated by the fact that he served with the troops on the border of Mexico during the years 1916 and 1917. He is now a commissioned officer at Ft. Snelling, Minnesota. In 1896 Mary (Gordon) Nye passed away, and two years later Mr. Nye was married to Harriett Rumball, and to this union one son has been born, Carrol A., Jr. Harriett Nye was for a number of years an instructress in reading and expression in the Moorhead Normal, and is a woman of education and refinement. Her work in the normal school was of the highest class, and many of the proficient teachers of the state bear evidence to her ability as an instructress. Since assuming her position in the home of Judge Nye, she has won the esteem of a large circle of friends, who hold her in the highest regard. She has long been identified with the social and religious life of the community. Mr. and Mrs. Nye's best efforts are ever exerted in the promotion of those enterprises that will tend to the future greatness of the district.

During his student days in the university, Judge Nye gave much atten-

tion to military training, and has always been a strong advocate of preparedness and the training of young men for military duty, whereby they may be able to assist in the defense of their country. In 1916 Judge Nye was at Plattsburg, New York, where he took part in camp life. On January 5, 1917, he was appointed captain in the quartermaster's division of the reserve corps of the United States army, which position he now holds. Judge Nye has lived an active and useful life and he has accomplished much that is worthy of note.

E. S. JENKINS.

E. S. Jenkins, a member of the board of commissioners of Norman county, former chairman of the board of supervisors of McDonaldsville township, vice-president of the Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Ada and a well-to-do retired farmer now living at Ada, is a native of the great Empire state, but has been a resident of Minnesota since he was ten years of age and of Norman county since pioneer days, he having settled here on a quarter of a section of land he pre-empted in McDonaldsville township back in 1878, in the days before the county was organized as a separate civic unit. He was born in Warren county, New York, October 7, 1856, son of Chauncey and Sarah (Davis) Jenkins, both of whom were born in that same county, who later became pioneers of Stearns county, this state, and there spent their last days.

Chauncey Jenkins was born on a farm in Warren county, New York, February 24, 1821, and was a farmer all his life. He married Sarah Davis, who was born on March 16, 1826, in the village of Hague, in that same county, and remained there until 1866, in which year he came with his family to Minnesota and settled in Stearns county, where he and his wife spent the remainder of their lives. Upon coming to this state he bought a farm three miles from Sauk Center, but presently left the farm and moved to Sauk Center, where he died in 1868. His widow survived him for many years, her death occurring in 1906, she then being eighty years of age. They were the parents of six children, of whom the subject of this sketch was the fifth in order of birth, the others being as follow: John W., born on May 19, 1846; Julia S., February 17, 1849; George W., August 17, 1851; Edith A., December 27, 1853, and Emma E., May 27, 1859.

As noted above, E. S. Jenkins was about ten years of age when he came to this state with his parents in 1866 and his schooling was completed