

izers of the Lake Parke Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He is a member, also formerly a trustee, of the Swedish Lutheran church, the plans for the church edifice of which he drafted, the same being accepted by the congregation.

GARFIELD H. RUSTAD.

Garfield H. Rustad, a well-known young attorney-at-law, with offices at Moorhead, city attorney there and former president of the Moorhead Commercial Club, was born in the neighboring state of North Dakota, but has lived in Moorhead since the days of his boyhood. He was born at Larimore, North Dakota, in 1887, son of August J. and Thea (Thorson) Rustad, who later became residents of Moorhead, where their last days were spent.

August J. Rustad was born in the kingdom of Norway and lived there until he was grown, when he came to this county and located in Larimore, North Dakota, where he presently became engaged in the clothing business, remaining there for some years, at the end of which time he moved to Grand Forks, in that same state, engaging there in the same line of business, afterward coming over into Minnesota and locating at Moorhead, where he engaged in business and where he and his wife spent the remainder of their lives. His wife's parents, Ole Thorson and wife, also spent their last days in Moorhead, at which place they had settled shortly after the laying out of the town, having located there straightway upon their arrival in this country from Norway, of which country they were natives. Ole Thorson was engaged in the flour-milling business at Moorhead and was one of the best-known and most active among the pioneer residents of that city. He died about fifteen years after locating there. August J. Rustad and wife were the parents of three sons, of whom the subject of this sketch was the last-born, the others being Oscar and Fred.

Garfield H. Rustad was but a child when his parents located at Moorhead and he finished his course in the common schools there. Upon graduating from the high school at that place in 1905 he entered the law department of the University of Minnesota and was graduated from that institution in 1908, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. For two years after his admission to the bar Mr. Rustad was engaged in the office of the county attorney at Moorhead, N. I. Johnson being county attorney at that time, and since then has been maintaining an office of his own and has acquired a fine practice. In 1911 Mr. Rustad was elected city attorney and has since been

serving in that capacity, giving his earnest attention to local civic affairs. He also has given his close personal attention to the general affairs of his home town and during the year 1916 served as president of the Moorhead Commercial Club, doing much in that time to promote the general interests of the city.

On January 1, 1913, Garfield H. Rustad was united in marriage to Agnes E. Madsen, of Fargo. Mr. and Mrs. Rustad are members of the Episcopal church and take a warm interest in the general good works of their home town. Mr. Rustad is a Mason and a member of the local lodges of the Knights of Pythias, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of the Ancient Order of United Workmen and of the Royal League, and in the affairs of all these organizations takes a warm interest.

JOHN MARTH.

John Marth, well-known and well-to-do retired farmer and an honored veteran of the Civil War, throughout which he had seen much service, was born in Germany, but has been a resident of this country for sixty years, having come to the United States in 1857. He was born on June 6, 1837, the only son of George and Sophia (Hohman) Marth, also born in the Fatherland and who spent all their lives in that country.

George Marth was born in Germany in February, 1793, and was educated in the schools of his native land, where he followed the occupation of a farmer during all his active years. He died in the old country in 1876, having reached the advanced age of eighty-three years. He was twice married, his second wife being Sophia Hohman, who was born in Germany in 1814, and who died at the early age of twenty-nine years, in 1843. They were the parents of two children, Elizabeth Keiser, who lives in Delano, Minnesota, and John, the subject of this sketch.

John Marth was educated in the schools of Germany and was reared on his father's farm, where he helped in the agricultural labors up to the age of nineteen, when he immigrated to America, arriving in this country in 1857. He engaged in farming, at which he continued for a few years, and some six months after the Civil War began, he enlisted on October 4, 1861, and served to the end of the war. He enlisted at Ft. Snelling, Minnesota, and saw service in the battle of Shiloh and at the siege of Corinth, at the end of which engagement he followed General Price through Tennessee and Mem-