

of the farm and rented his property in order to remove to Decorah. Four years later, in the fall of 1912, he disposed of his farm of one hundred and sixty acres, receiving an advantageous price. Upon his coming to Decorah Mr. Lynne engaged in the flour and feed business and has since built up an enterprise of extensive and profitable connections, having a store on Main street where he handles his produce.

On May 6, 1879, Mr. Lynne was united in marriage to Miss Catharine Peterson, a daughter of Gustave Peterson, who for many years engaged in school teaching and farming in Glenwood township. Later Mr. and Mrs. Peterson sold their farm and moved to Wisconsin, where both passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Lynne became the parents of the following children: Clara, the wife of Adolph Running, an agriculturist residing in Detroit, Minnesota, by whom she has one child, Catharine; Milla, who is the wife of Peter Ramsey, a farmer of Frankville township, and by whom she has five children, Elling, Thelma, Oren, Marjorie and Peter; Gustave, who is engaged as bookkeeper and stenographer at Detroit, Minnesota; and Arthur and Edna, at home.

Politically Mr. Lynne is a republican and has given evidence of his public spirit in various capacities, serving as township tax collector, assessor and trustee, as justice of the peace and president and secretary of the school board of Glenwood township, of which board he was also a director. He, moreover, was road supervisor for several years. His interest in commercial expansion is evident from his membership in the Commercial Club of Decorah, and his religious faith, and that of his wife and children, is indicated by their membership in the Lutheran Synod church. He is keeping alive the spirit of his ancestors by membership in the Norske Selskab society of Decorah. When living upon his farm he was one of those who were instrumental in organizing the first creamery in Glenwood township and subsequently organized two more enterprises of that kind, assisting in the management and operation of the three plants. In partnership with him in this company were Nels Ramsey, Ole Batke, Gustave Johnson and E. R. Miller. They operated their plants successfully for three years and then sold out at a profit to the Excelsior Creamery Company. That the activities of Edward Lynne have been of lasting and important benefit to his locality, there is no doubt, for he has not only raised agricultural standards but was one of the promoters of the creamery industry and in later years has become a power for trade expansion in Decorah, making him a serviceable factor in the community life—a man who is as much interested in promoting general prosperity as his own success.

#### SAMUEL WISE.

Samuel Wise, who has resided upon his farm in Pleasant township since he was eleven years of age, is numbered among the most able, progressive and successful farmers in this vicinity, his fine property of two hundred and ninety-three acres on sections 16 and 17, evidencing in its neat and attractive appearance his careful supervision and practical labors. He was born in Pine Grove township, Venango county, Pennsylvania, on the 24th of December, 1845, and