

is in the United States army, stationed at Kelly Field No. 1, in camp at San Antonio, Texas, serving with the rank of sergeant; and Wynona, at home.

Politically Judge Moore is a republican and during the fifty-three years of his residence in Fredericksburg he has never missed a general election and has always voted the republican ticket in the same precinct. For the past ten years he has served as notary and for many years he has filled the position of justice of the peace, his decisions being strictly fair and impartial. He has been a Mason for forty-five years and for twenty years has been secretary of Mount Horeb Lodge, No. 333, A. F. & A. M., which has ever found in him a worthy exemplar, one who is most loyal to the teachings of the craft, the brotherhood of mankind and the obligations thereby imposed. He is also a member of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen. Chickasaw county numbers him among her best known and most highly respected citizens. His friendship is of that kind which stands the test of adversity as well as prosperity, and his character includes the power of appreciating whatever is noble and uplifting in another.

### GEORGE J. SCHOLZ.

George J. Scholz, cashier and member of the board of directors of the Alta Vista Savings Bank of Alta Vista, Iowa, was born in Guttenberg, this state, on the 26th of January, 1881, a son of Charles and Helena (Ulrich) Scholz, both of whom were natives of Germany. The father came to the new world in young manhood in company with his brother, W. H. Scholz, while the mother crossed the Atlantic as a girl with her parents. Both became residents of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where they were later married. For a year or two they resided in that city and then removed to Guttenberg, Iowa, where the father engaged in general merchandising and became prominently identified with the business life of that city, where he continued his mercantile activities for more than a quarter of a century. He was also active in community affairs, served as president of the school board and for a number of years was a member of the city council. He passed away at a comparatively early age, being called to his final rest when a man of fifty-three. His widow continued the business for a period of ten years.

George J. Scholz was educated in the common schools of Guttenberg, passing through consecutive grades to the high school, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1896. He displayed special aptitude in his studies, completing his course before his sixteenth year. When his textbooks were put aside he secured a clerkship in a store, in which he was employed for a year, and subsequently he taught school for two years, at the expiration of which period he came to Alta Vista and entered the banking business as assistant cashier of the Alta Vista Savings Bank. He held that title for several years but served in the capacity of cashier, being practically alone in the conduct of the bank's affairs. In 1906 he was formally chosen as cashier of the institution and has since given his attention to constructive effort, administrative direction and executive control. He is thoroughly familiar with every phase of the banking business and his efforts have been a basic element in the success of the institution. He is ever a courteous and obliging official and does everything in his power to accommodate the patrons of the bank, while at the same time carefully safeguarding the interests of depositors and stockholders.

In 1903 Mr. Scholz was united in marriage to Miss Millie Kohler, of Guttenberg, Iowa, who passed away in 1916, leaving three children, of whom two are living, Charles H. and Milton K. In August, 1917, Mr. Scholz was again married, his second union being with Miss Clara Erion, of Alta Vista.

In his political views Mr. Scholz is an earnest republican and for ten years has served as mayor of Alta Vista, giving to the city a very businesslike and progressive administration, characterized by needed reforms and improvements. He has also served as president of the school board and is interested in the intellectual progress of the community. Fraternally he is a Mason, belonging to Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 528, A. F. & A. M.; Adelpia Chapter, No. 113, R. A. M., and also to Alta Vista Lodge,