

were David and Mary E. (Williams) Morgan, the latter of whom is still living and has her home with him. A sketch of the life of the father will be found elsewhere in this work.

William grew to manhood in Shelbina and obtained his education in its schools, beginning it in the great university of the people, the district schools, and completing it at the Shelbina Collegiate Institute. After leaving school he went into business with his father, aiding him in conducting an extensive enterprise in the manufacture of wagons and dealings in vehicles of all kinds and general farming implements. He is still engaged in the same line of endeavor and doing well at the undertaking, having his brother, James H. Morgan, an account of whose life will be found elsewhere in this volume, associated with him. When the partnership was formed the father was living and the firm name was D. Morgan & Sons. Although the father has been dead a number of years the sons still adhere to this name and do their trading under it.

Mr. Morgan has been very successful in business and has also risen to prominence in the public life of the community. He served six years as city clerk of Shelbina, giving the duties of the office careful attention and satisfying all classes of the people by his administration of it. In politics he is a pronounced and unwavering Democrat, active and zealous in the service of his party and enjoying the full confidence of its leaders and also of the rank and file. His church affiliation is with the Baptists, and fraternally he is a member of the Masonic order.

#### DAVID MORGAN, JR.

This gentleman is a worthy follower of his well known and highly esteemed father, the late David Morgan, of Shelbina, a brief account of whose useful life will be found elsewhere in this work. The younger David Morgan, who is the immediate subject of these paragraphs, was born at Shelbina on April 24, 1871. He grew to manhood in his father's home and was educated in the public schools of the village of his nativity and at Shelbina Collegiate Institute. After leaving the institute he pursued a special course of business training at the Southwestern Business College of Wichita, Kansas.

When he was twenty-two years of age he took up his residence in Monroe county, this state, where for nine years he was actively and prosperously engaged in farming. He then moved to Shelbina and began operations as a real estate dealer, a line of business in which he is still engaged. He is also interested in the manufacture of concrete blocks for building, paving and other work of construction. In all his undertakings he has been eminently successful, rising to the first rank among the business men of Shelbina and winning a wide and lasting popularity as a citizen.

Like his father and brothers, Mr. Morgan adheres to the Democratic party in politics and gives it his earnest support at all times. He is a member of the Christian church and belongs to the Order of Knights of Pythias. On January 23, 1893, he was married to Miss Clara Pearl Sears, a native of Monroe county, in this state. They have had seven children, all of whom are living. They are

Lucille Marie, Gladys Pearl, David Sears, Thelma Nadine, Joseph William Chilton, John Lyell and Anna Marian. The father is a very active man in behalf of the welfare of the community and warmly supports every enterprise for its promotion.

#### JAMES H. MORGAN.

Worthy son of a worthy sire, and true to the teaching and examples given him at the parental fireside, James H. Morgan is justly accounted one of the leading business men and best citizens of Shelbina. He was born in that town on September 24, 1862, a son of the late David Morgan and brother of John R. Morgan, in a sketch of whom on another page of this volume a brief account of the father's life is given.

James H. Morgan grew to manhood and obtained his education in Shelbina, and after leaving school learned his trade as a blacksmith under the tuition of his father. In 1885 he and his brother William entered into partnership with their father under the firm name of David Morgan & Sons, and together they conducted a flourishing business in manufacturing wagons and dealing in road vehicles of various kinds and farming implements of all kinds. The sons are still carrying on the business under the old firm name, and their enterprise is one of the leaders of the kind in this part of the state. Their operations are extensive and profitable, and they give the business their whole attention, using every means at their command to expand their trade and fully satisfy their patrons.

Mr. Morgan takes an active and intelli-

gent interest in public affairs, ardently supporting the principles and candidates of the Democratic party. He is an Odd Fellow in fraternal relations, and a very active and useful man in promoting all that makes for the betterment of the community, or contributes to the comfort or convenience of its people. He was married in Monroe county on September 11, 1894, to Miss Jennie Threlkeld, who was born and reared in this state. They have two children, their sons Harold and Clarence. Their home is a center of social culture and generous and graceful hospitality.

#### WADE HAMPTON JONES.

This prominent and successful citizen and business man of Shelbina is a native of Missouri, and in several towns in the state has exemplified the lofty attributes of citizenship for which its people are noted. He was born at Humphreys, in Sullivan county, on November 7, 1879, and is a son of Augustin and Rachel T. (Haley) Jones, both born and reared in this state. His grandfather, Gabriel Jones, was born in Virginia, and in 1831 came to Monroe county, Missouri, securing a farm near Clinton, where he was extensively engaged in farming and tobacco growing. During the war he recruited a company in Sullivan county, where he moved in 1840, for the Union army, but did not enter the service himself. He died in 1883 in Sullivan county.

The father of Wade H. Jones was for three years a merchant at Humphreys, and later gave his attention to farming and raising live stock on a large scale. He is now retired from active pursuits and living in peace and the enjoyment