

EDMUNDSON, CLARREL V

Clarrel V. EDMUNDSON, a well-known and substantial young farmer and land owner of Penn township, director of the Farmers' Federation of that township, formerly and for years a teacher in the schools of this county and the proprietor of a well-kept farm on rural mail route No. 4 out of Bryant, is a native son of Jay county and has lived here all his life. Mr. EDMUNDSON was born on a farm in Penn township on December 16, 1883, and is a son of William and Elizabeth S. (PAXSON) EDMUNDSON, both members of old families in this county, and further and fitting mention of whom is made elsewhere in this volume, together with further details regarding the pioneer EDMUNDSON and PAXSON families hereabout. Reared on the home farm in Penn township, Clarrel V. EDMUNDSON was graduated from the Pennville high school in 1903 and then began teaching school, a vocation he followed for thirteen years, teaching in the schools of his home township during the winters and farming during the summers. During this time he took a supplemental course one year in the University of Indiana at Bloomington. In 1917 Mr. EDMUNDSON retired from the school room and has since been giving- his undivided attention to his farm of eighty acres in Penn township. He has improved this farm in up-to-date fashion and has there a very comfortable home. In addition to his general farming, Mr. EDMUNDSON gives considerable attention to the raising of livestock and is doing well in his operations. He is a Republican and a Freemason, a member of the local lodge, F. and A. M., at Pennville. He long has taken an interest in local agricultural cooperative movements and is a present director of the Penn Township Farmers Federation, elected for a term of five years. In 1912 Clarrel V. EDMUNDSON was united in marriage to Valdella ROMANS, and to this union five children have been born, William, Miriam, Robert, Jesse and Nell Jean. Mrs. EDMUNDSON also was born in Penn township and is a daughter of Jesse and Sarah (BOUSE) ROMANS, the latter of whom was born in Fayette county, Ohio, her parents later becoming residents of Indiana, where she was married. The late Jesse ROMANS was born in Penn township, this county, and was a farmer all his life. He also for some time operated a tile factory at Fiat and was one of the best known men in that neighborhood. His death occurred in 1903. He and his wife had three children, two of whom Mrs. EDMUNDSON and her sister, Emma Mae, grew to maturity.

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