

Charles L. Allen,

Charles L. Allen, editor and proprietor of the "Hope Pioneer" was born in the suburbs of Indianapolis, Marion Co., Indiana, on June 21, 1865. His grandfather, Joseph Allen, came from England and settled in Virginia, then to Columbus Ohio, and finally located on land south of Indianapolis, Indiana. There were but 2 log cabins in the vicinity at that time and he was a pioneer in the days of Daniel Boone - He died in 1878.

Chas. L. Allen was the only child born to William and Mary (Constable) Allen. At 12 years he started for himself with \$2⁰⁰ in his pocket, and worked at odd jobs in Des Moines, Iowa, then learned telegraphy under his uncle at Panora, Iowa. He went to Dakota, in Sept, 1883, and worked a farm labor, and the following year accepted a position as operator for the N. P. Ry at Cooperstown, and in 1886 entered the printing office of the "Griggs County Courier". He established his first newspaper, the "Tower City Journal", in Oct. 1890, and 2 years later built the first building in Enderlin N.D. and edited the "Enderlin Journal". He bought the Hope Pioneer in June 1895. He built his present printing office and a house 3 yrs later.

The "Hope Pioneer" was established in 1882, by the Red River Land Co, and that building, together with the hotel "Hope House", and a general store at one time constituted the business portion of Hope N.D.

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He bought 2 section adjoining the town on the east.

Mr. Allen married in 1893 to Miss Emma C. Loomis, born in Prairie du Chene, Miss. He is a member of Knights of Pythias; W. O. K. K.; and I. O. O. F.

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