

## **MILLS, HANSON F.**

HANSON F. MILLS, clerk of the Jay Circuit Court and formerly and for years a well-known member of Jay county's excellent teaching corps, is a native son of Jay county and has lived here all his life. Mr. MILLS was born on a farm in Jefferson township on April 22, 1887, and is a son of Ardon and Ella (BRUBAKER) MILLS, both of whom also were born in Jay county, members of pioneer families here, and who were the parents of eleven children, nine of whom are still living. Ardon MILLS is a substantial farmer in Jefferson township and for years has been widely known hereabout as a livestock buyer. Reared on the home farm in Jefferson township, Hanson F. MILLS supplemented the schooling received in the local schools of that neighborhood by attendance at the normal school at Marion and the Tri-State College at Angola. At the age of eighteen years he began teaching school and was thus engaged for twelve years, or until his election in the fall of 1918 to the office of clerk of the Jay Circuit Court, which important official position he now occupies. Mr. MILLS is a Republican and from the days of his youth has taken an active and earnest interest in local civic affairs, long having been regarded as one of the leaders in the junior ranks of that party in this county. He is a member of the Portland lodge of the Knights of Pythias and he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. MILLS married Cleo Ada HARTLEY, daughter of Enoch and Anna HARTLEY, and to this union one child has been born, a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth. Mr. and Mrs. MILLS have a pleasant home at Portland and take an interested part in the city's general social activities.

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