

subject of this sketch; Ingeborg, deceased; and Carrie, the youngest. The eldest daughter came to America alone, but the three younger children came with their parents in 1883. To Mr. and Mrs. Hillestad ten children have been born, namely: Oscar, Albert (deceased), Tilda, Henry, John, Sarah, Edwin, Carl, William and Ida (deceased).

Politically, Mr. Hillestad is an "Independent." He has served as township supervisor and was township assessor for a period of fifteen years. As a public servant he has performed his duties ably and acceptably. He and his family are members of the Lutheran church.

EUGENE J. HERRINGER.

Eugene J. Herringer, abstractor and real-estate dealer, of Ada, former auditor of Norman county, former mayor and former clerk of Ada and one of the best-known and most progressive citizens of that city, is a native of Canada, but has been a resident of Ada since he was eighteen years of age.

Upon completing his schooling in the public schools of his native province of Ontario, Eugene J. Herringer came to Minnesota and in May, 1882, located at Ada, where he ever since has resided. Upon his arrival there he secured employment as a member of Norman county's excellent teaching corps and for eight years spent his winters teaching school, the summers being employed at various forms of clerical labor. He then was engaged in the office of the auditor of Norman county and served as deputy county auditor for six years, at the end of which time he was elected county auditor. In the succeeding election he was re-elected to that office thus served for eight years as auditor of the county. Upon the completion of his term of public service Mr. Herringer engaged in the abstracting business as a partner in the Norman County Abstract Company and about 1908 became sole proprietor of the business of that company, which he since has conducted alone, at the same time giving his attention to his flourishing real-estate business, long having been recognized as one of the leading realty dealers in this part of the state.

In addition to his considerable term of service in the court house, Mr. Herringer also has performed valuable service in behalf of the city of Ada. For five years he served as clerk of that city and he also has served a term as mayor of the city, in all his public acts doing all in his power to advance the growing interests of his home city.



EUGENE J. HERRINGER.