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MAYNARD A. FRISINGER.

Maynard A. Frisinger is a member of the younger generation of successful men of Adams county, but although comparatively young in years, he has attained an enviable prominence among his fellow men. He is a native of Adams county and was born in Saint Mary's township, December 22, 1883. He is a son of John M. and Mary (Peterson) Frisinger. His father is a native of Adams county and his mother was born in Saint Mary's township. The elder Frisingers became the parents of seven children, six of whom are living. These children living are: Maynard A., Fannie, Fremont, Mary, Ruth and Richard. From this list it will be seen that Maynard is the eldest of his parents' living children.

The early life of Maynard Frisinger was spent at his father's home. He received an excellent education in the common schools of Decatur and then supplemented this preliminary education with a thorough course in the Decatur high school. He graduated from this institution in 1902. Following his graduation from the high school he began at once his business life. He secured a position as a clerk in the Decatur post office and served in this capacity under Albert Brittson for the following four years. During his career as a clerk in the Decatur post office he became familiar with all of the various departments of the work of the office. He made many friends during his employment under the administration of Mr. Brittson and when he aspired to succeed his chief and assume the executive charge of the office he found many supporters, who earnestly and eagerly pleaded his claims for consideration. At the expiration of the term of office of Mr. Brittson he was selected as his successor and assumed his duties as postmaster of Decatur July 1, 1906. Since his incumbency he has shown himself to be a painstaking and efficient official and has won merited commendation.

Mr. Frisinger is a public-spirited man and takes an active interest in the affairs of Decatur. He is an enthusiastic member of his party and is an earnest worker for its success in his city, county and district. He is a member of the Decatur Lodge of Elks and of the Order of Ben-Hur.

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MAYNARD A. FRISINGER. Clear-headed and far-seeing, and possessing much ability and good judgment, Maynard A. Frisinger of Decatur holds a position of note among the successful business men of his community, being associated with his father, a widely known horse breeder, and an extensive dealer in hay. A native of Adams

County, he was born December 22, 1883, in St. Mary Township, a son of John M. and Mary J. (Peterson) Frisinger.

Having completed his early education in the Decatur High School, Mr. Frisinger was for four years a clerk in the Decatur post office. Then, in 1906, having rendered satisfactory service in that position, he was appointed by President Roosevelt postmaster at Decatur, and assumed the position on July 1 of that year. He had the distinction of being the youngest man ever appointed postmaster of a second class post office in the state, if not in the country. As a postmaster, he was very successful and popular, serving acceptably until July 1, 1910, and in the time making many friends. Mr. Frisinger then spent two years on his father's stock farm, being engaged in the raising of full-blooded stock. Since March, 1913, he has resided in Decatur, being associated in business with his father, who built up a wide reputation as an importer of Norman, Percheron and Belgian horses, and is now carrying on a remunerative business as a dealer in hay.

Mr. Frisinger married in St. Mary Township, Alma Dailey, who was born May 10, 1887 in Adams County and was brought up in St. Mary Township, and educated in the Decatur High School. Her father, James T. Dailey, Jr., was a son of James T. Dailey, Sr., whose father was drowned when coming across Baffin's Bay, en route from Ireland to America.

James T. Dailey, Sr., married in Ohio, Mary Johnson, a native of that state, and soon after that important event came with his bride to Adams County, Indiana, locating in St. Mary Township, where he became an extensive landholder, and a most successful stock breeder, raiser, and dealer. He died on his home farm in April, 1863, and his widow survived him a number of years, passing away in 1884. She was the mother of eleven children, two of whom, James T., Jr., and Esaias, were posthumous children. Of her large family, four sons and three daughters are still living, all but one of them being married and having families. Mrs. Frisinger's parents, James T., Jr., and Hannah (Smith) Dailey, are living on their well improved and productive farm of 100 acres in St. Mary Township. Both are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. They are the parents of two children, namely: Mrs. Frisinger; and Bernice, wife of Simeon Burke of Decatur, who has one son, George Thomas Burke.

Mr. and Mrs. Frisinger have three children, namely: Margaret, born August 11, 1908; Robert, born November 13, 1909; and Mary E., born October 2, 1914. Mr. and Mrs. Frisinger belong to the Presbyterian Church. Politically Mr. Frisinger is a republican, and fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.