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The post office was established January 1, 1880, with **H. Iverson** as postmaster; the two offices, Wren and Resser, were discontinued, and merged into the office at Watson.

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Helger Iverson was born in Norway, April 17, 1855. At nine years of age he came with parents to Fillmore County Minnesota; in 1869, he came to Tunsburg and followed farming until 1879, when in company with his brother, he began merchandise business. September 2, 1880 he married Ingeborg Hagenstad; they have one boy, Henry Ingeman.

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HELGER T. IVERSON

Helger T. Iverson, who is one of the solid and reliable business men of Watson, Minnesota, was born in Gran Hadeland, Norway, in 1855. His father was a tailor in Norway. He came to America with his family in 1864, and settled in Fillmore county, Minnesota, where he located on a farm. In 1869 he left this farm, and removed with his family to a location in Chippewa county, where he had a farm of unbroken prairie. They made the journey from Fillmore county by ox teams, and were three weeks on the road. They had numerous hardships to face, and for the first year on the place they lived in a dugout.

Helger T. Iverson remained with his parents until 1879, helping open the farm and getting things into shape before he struck out. In 1879, however, he left them and coming to Watson, was the first business man to buy a lot in the new town, and put up a business block, where he opened the first store in Watson. This he did in partnership with his brother, Hans Iverson.

Helger T. Iverson carried on business here until 1898, when he sold it, and for six years was working for others. In the fall of 1903 he again resumed business. He was married in 1880, and as a family of six children: Henry I., Alfred O., Bennie T., Helmine H., Chester M., and Clara C. His wife's maiden name was Engeborg Hagenstad. She died in 1899. Mr. Iverson is a strong Republican, and has held various township and village offices. He helped incorporate the village of Watson, and has watched it grow from its very beginning.

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