Edgar E. Hendee. The reputation of the eminent railway and manufacturing corporation lawyers of the country is not made in a day, unusual ability in this broad field demanding not only natural abilities, but the most thorough preparation and strenuous, continuous and intense application and industry. Broad education and extensive knowledge of business, commercial and industrial principles and conditions are requisites for success. Commencing practice about thirty-five years ago, Edgar E. Hendee has steadily advanced to the front in reputation and the legitimate rewards of such a standing, and is today numbered among the leading corporation lawyers of San Diego.

Mr. Hendee was born March 6, 1861, at Warsaw, Indiana, a son of Caleb and Abigail Hendee, natives of New York, and of Scotch and French descent. The parents were early residents of Warsaw, located in the northern part of Indiana, and Caleb Hendee was the first boot and shoe merchant of that town, where he passed a quiet and uneventful business career, and where he and his worthy wife were held in the highest esteem. After attending the public schools of Warsaw, Edgar E. Hendee pursued a course at DePew University, Greencastle, Indiana, from which he was duly graduated with the class of 1883, receiving the degrees of Bachelor of Philosophy and Master of Arts. Subsequently he prepared himself for the law, and after being admitted to the bar of Indiana began practice at Anderson, where he built up a large and representative clientele. Mr. Hendee changed his residence to California in 1913, and here formed a partnership with Elmer E. Rodabaugh, the firm of

Hendee & Rodabaugh; being recognized as one of the most formidable combinations in the city. Offices are maintained in the Central Mortgage Building. Mr. Hendee is counsel for many manufacturing and railroad corporations, and is a prodigious worker, his large practice having been principally in the fields of corporation, interstate commerce and constitutional law. He has represented one side or the other of many of the great cases that have come before the courts of this state during recent years, and his successes have been so numerous as to make his standing firmly established. In addition to a large and profitable practice he has valuable copper, gold and oil interests and holdings. During the World war he rendered valuable service through the use of his marked oratorical gifts in the capacity of "Four-Minute Man," and in other ways aided the various causes and movements. A republican always, he has taken the stump in every campaign since and including 1880, and from 1903 to 1907 was a member of the Indiana State Senate. As a fraternalist he holds membership in San Diego Lodge No. 28, Knights of Pythias, of which he is a past chancellor, and was also grand tribunal, Knights of Pythias, Indiana, and is a past dictator of Anderson Lodge No.1, L.O.O.M. He also belongs to the University Club, San Diego. With his family he is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of San Diego.

Mr. Hendee married at Warsaw. Indiana, April 6, 1886, Mattie O. Thayer, daughter of Senator J. D. Thayer of Warsaw, Indiana, who owned and operated a chain of elevators over Northern Indiana. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Hendee: June Marie, who married Samuel L. Hollopeter, of Columbus, Ohio, and has a daughter, Sara Marie, born in 1913; and John C., in the export advertising business at Chicago, Illinois.