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ALBERT WHITEHEAD is proprietor of the popular and well patronized cigar store in Hood River. He was born in Canton, Illinois, on June 1, 1870, the son of Savill and Hannah (Ogden) Whitehead, natives of Oldham, Lancashire, England. The father came to the United States in 1850 and settled in Canton, Illinois, where he followed his trade as mechanic. During the Civil War he was assistant engineer in the United States Navy. He died at Canton, Illinois, in 1898, aged seventy-four. The mother still lives at Canton, Illinois. Our subject studied in the public schools until twelve years of age then entered the employ of Parlin and Orendorff, Plow Company. One year later, he began to learn the cigar maker's trade and attended, the commercial college in the evenings. For about fourteen years, he continued cigar making, then spent one year in market gardening. He also traveled on the road for a produce house for some time. In February, 1900, he came to Hood River and entered the employ of the Davidson Fruit Company. Then he opened a cigar store and restaurant. A month later he sold the restaurant and kept the cigar store which he has handled since. Mr. Whitehead is a genial and generous man who has hosts of friends and stands well in the community.

In March, 1897, at Canton, Illinois, Mr. Whitehead married Miss Amanda B. Davidson, a native of Ohio and sister of Horatio F. Davidson, president of the Davidson Fruit Company, named elsewhere. Mr. Whitehead has two brothers: Joseph E., at Colorado Springs; and Elmer E., at Fairview, Illinois, editor of the Fairview Bee; and two sisters: Mary, the wife of B.R. Bogle, a real estate man of Chicago, and Ida M., the wife of Charles Chaffee, a railroad contractor in Canton, Illinois. One child has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead, Mariwhitmer.

Mr. Whitehead is a member of the K.P. and the United Artisans.

Recently Mr. Whitehead sold his cigar store and has become a member of the Davidson Fruit Company, being vice president of the same.



