

CHARLES FRALEY resides at 922 Ninth street, The Dalles. He was born on April 29, 1849, in Iowa, the son of Daniel A. and Jincey C. (Goslin) Fraley, natives of Ohio and Indiana, respectively. The father's ancestors were prominent American people in colonial days, and he was brought up on the farm. He died at Rosco, Missouri, on November 20, 1887. The mother's ancestors were also settlers on American soil long before there was a United States, and she died at Rosco, Missouri, on February 6, 1872. Our subject was reared principally in Indiana, Montgomery county, where he was taken when six years of age. The graded schools of Linden furnished his educational training and he remained with his father until twenty-two years of age, then he began farming for himself continuing in the same until 1889, when he came to Oregon. Wasco county appealed to him more strongly than any other place and he selected land near Kingsley, securing a half section, half of which he still owns, the balance having been deeded to his son. During the winters he resides in his home in town, but spends most of the summers on the farm, having been prospered in his labors since coming here and having secured a sufficient fortune to warrant his retiring from the arduous labors of life, and it is pleasant that he is enabled to enjoy the fruits of his toil.

On March 31, 1871, at Rosco, Missouri, Mr. Fraley married Miss Margaret J. Pugh, a native of Columbus, Ohio. Her father, Andrew J. Pugh, was also born in Ohio, being descended from Welsh parents. His father, the grandfather of our subject, was born in Wales. The mother was Christina Wolf, a native of Ohio and from a Virginia family. The parents of our subject are now both deceased. Mr. Fraley has two brothers, Horace G. and Oliver M., and two sisters, Jincy C. Leslie, and Lizzie Lasley. Mrs. Fraley has three brothers, James M., Archibald and Jacob, and two sisters, Frances Hobkins and Martha Evick.

Politically, we find Mr. Fraley allied with the Republican party where he is considered a staunch wheel horse. He is a member of the A.F. & A.M. To our subject and his wife seven children have been born: Athel V., who owns a ranch adjoining our subject's and is a partner with him; John, on the home place; Nettie, wife of Ernest Mayhew, at Victor, Oregon; and Nannie, Ellen, May and Stella at home.