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CAREY H. JENKINS, D.M.D., is one of the younger professional men of Hood River, who has achieved a worthy success and bids fair to be one of the leading dentists of the entire northwest. He is a careful and conscientious student, tireless in his research and thorough in every detail of his important profession. His endowments by nature have especially fitted him for this line of work and the careful and extended training in the best institutions of the west have so fortified him that he is master of dentistry and dental surgery in a high degree.

Carey B. Jenkins was born in The Dalles, Oregon, on October 2, 1874, the son of James H. and Hattie (Bolton) Jenkins, natives of Missouri and Iowa, respectively. The father was a heavy stockman and died at Columbus, Washington, when our subject was thirteen. The mother came with her parents across the plains in 1849 and was married in The Dalles. Her family settled on Fifteenmile creek when The Dalles was but a post for government soldiers and Grant and Sherman were there. Carey's father first came to California in the forties with his parents. His grandfather was engaged in mining and in the fifties they moved to southern Oregon.

Later they came to Klickitat county, Washington, being pioneers there and our subject's father's father bought the old block house on Spring creek. His mother died when he was twelve years old and later he went to live with an uncle, Simeon Bolton, now clerk of Wasco county. Carey H. Jenkins was educated in the schools of Klickitat county and then entered the Portland University, completing a three years' course. He entered the North Pacific Dental College in October, 1898, graduated in 1901, and commenced practice in Portland. In November, 1901, he came to Hood River and since then has secured a fine practice and has made a success in which he may well take pride.

At The Dalles, on October 10, 1899, Mr. Jenkins married Miss Ethel Riddell, who was born near Corvallis, Oregon. Her father, George H. Riddell, was born in Brooklyn and came west around the Horn, in 1852. He settled in Salem and spent the greater part of his life as a contractor and builder. According to the family record, Mr. Riddell's ancestors came from Scotland to Holland in 1608, and the next year migrated to the New World, settling where Brooklyn now stands. The Brewers were, also, in the company. George H. Riddell's great-great-grandfather, on his mother's side, was a Brewer and married a daughter of Anaca Jens. Angeline (Hamilton) Riddell, Mrs. Jenkins' mother, was born in 1847, while her parents were crossing the plains. Her people were southerners and her father held slaves before the war. Dr. Jenkins has one brother, Coke, and one sister, Josephine. Mrs. Jenkins has three brothers, Hayward, Clyde and Xenophen, and three sisters, Grace Parish, Maybel, and Bessie. To Dr. and Mrs. Jenkins two children have been born, Boyd, aged three, and Louise, one year old. Dr. Jenkins is a member of the K.P., and is very popular in fraternal circles. He and his wife belong to the United Presbyterian church. Politically, he is a stanch Republican, but not active.

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