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HIRAM C. DODDS, M.D., physician and surgeon, Dufur, Wasco county, Oregon, was born in Lapeer county, Michigan, at North Branch Postoffice, July 18, 1867. His parents were Archibald and Maria (Baker) Dodds, the father a native of Scotland and the mother of New York in the early '50's Archibald Dodds came to the United States and located in Michigan, having previously lived a short period in Ohio. He died in 1888. The mother still lives at North Branch, Michigan.

Hiram C. Dodds, our subject, was reared in Michigan, receiving the elements of an excellent education in the public schools, and graduating with honors from the high school at North Branch. Then he taught school two years in Lapeer county and subsequently he was matriculated in the State Normal School at Ypsilanti, Michigan. In 1893 he commenced the study of medicine, entering the Detroit College of Medicine, the oldest and most famous medical institution in Michigan. Dr. Dodds was graduated in May, 1897, and began practice in Honey Creek, Wisconsin, where he continued one year, going thence to Dufur, in 1898, where he has since resided and where his practice has been eminently successful. Dr. Dodds has three brothers, Robert, Albert and Edwin, Michigan farmers, living near North Branch, and one sister, Alice M., a school teacher in Michigan, and a graduate of the state normal school at Ypsilanti.

November 10, 1898, at The Dalles, Dr. Dodds was united in marriage to Elena M. Henry, born in East Troy, Wisconsin, the daughter of William Henry, a native of Germany, now living in Wisconsin. She has four brothers and one sister: Charles, of Townsend, Montana; Frank, a merchant in Colby, Wisconsin; William, of East Troy, Wisconsin; John, of Milwaukee; and Louise, wife of George H. Babcock, a farmer and stockman of Honey Creek, Wisconsin. Dr. and Mrs. Dodds have two children, Mildred E. and an infant unnamed.

Our subject is a member of Ridgely Lodge, No. 71, I.O.O.F., and Nicholson encampment, Dufur, the W.O.W., and K.O.T.M., Silver Creek Tent, No. 15, Michigan. Mrs. Dodds is a member of the Rebekahs, and the Women of Woodcraft. During the Civil war the father of our subject, Archibald Dodds, served thirteen months in Company K., Twelfth Michigan Volunteer Infantry.

Dr. Dodds is the only physician in Dufur, and he has an extensive practice throughout Wasco and adjoining counties. He is a broad-minded and progressive citizen, and has the confidence of the entire community in which he resides. He is interested in the Dufur Drug Company and is mayor of Dufur. For several years he was a member of the city council.

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