

SERAPHINE NACE, who resides about three miles southeast from Kingsley, was born in Wisconsin, on February 17, 1866. His father, Joseph Nace, was born in Belgium, June 29, 1829, and died October 31, 1904, on his farm in Marion county, Oregon. He married Miss Florence Garraux, who was born in France. She is still living and is at the home in Marion county. She and her husband both were brought to Wisconsin when children, by their parents, who were pioneers of the Green Bay country. There they hewed out homes in the forest and there these children were married. The mother's father died there and her mother came on to the Willamette valley where she died. Our subject came to the valley with his parents in 1876 and there attended school until his education was completed. He continued on the farm with his father until 1887, then he worked for other farmers there until 1896. Then he came to Wasco county and here he filed on a homestead and then worked for A.A. Bonney. He gradually improved his land and has gathered a good stock of cattle and horses about him, also adding to his estate betimes until he has five hundred and twenty acres. He cultivates three hundred acres, and has forty fine cattle. At the head of the herd is a choice thoroughbred bull, three-fourths Hereford and one fourth Shorthorn. Of horses, he owns about forty, all good animals. Mr. Nace is a dealer in horses as well as a breeder and handles many head each year. He has been prosperous in his labors, owing to his energy, industry and skill, and is one of the good, substantial citizens of this part of the county. Mr. Nace has the following named brothers and sisters; Adolph, on a farm near by; Bernard, Joseph, Polyte, and Albert, in the Willamette valley; Carrie, the wife of John Fisher, in Salem; Reagin, married to Benjamin Brown, at Woodburn, Oregon; Cynda, the wife of John Stuart, in Marion county, farming; Mary, the wife of Ellis Stevens, in Marion county; and Maggie, the wife of Albert Klane, also in Marion county.

Thus far on life's journey, Mr. Nace has seen fit to travel as a bachelor, preferring the quiet enjoyments and freedom of that life to the cares and responsibilities of matrimonial existence.

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