

CHARLES BERNARD is one of the wealthy farmers and stockmen of Wasco county and resides about four miles out from The Dalles at the forks of Eight Mile and Ten Mile creeks. He was born in France, on January 5, 1866, the son of Charles and Josephus (Rons) Bernard, both natives of France. The former died in 1889 and the latter in 1881. The father followed carpentering and farming. Our subject was brought up in his native country and there received his education. In the spring of 1883, he came to Los Angeles, California, via New York and there began herding sheep, continuing until 1886, when he went to Kern county, California, and did the same business. After that, we find him two years in Reno, Nevada, herding sheep and then he began sheep raising for himself. A year later, he sold out there and came to Crook county, Oregon, and embarked in the sheep industry which he continued steadily until the time he came to Wasco county and purchased a farm where he now resides. The deal was closed for this property in 1902. It consists of two thousand six hundred acres, three hundred of which are choice tillable land. The balance is used for pasture and gardening. Mr. Bernard has something over two thousand head of sheep in Crook county now where he also owns eight hundred acres of land. He has one place well improved and handles from sixty to one hundred head of cattle and is one of the most successful stockmen of the country.

At Prineville, Oregon, on October 1, 1891, Mr. Bernard married Miss Rosa Delore, who was born at Wapinitia, Wasco county, Oregon. Her father, Peter Delore, was born in Oregon. His father came from Canada to this country in very early day and was a trapper and hunter for the Hudson Bay Company. He was one of the first settlers in the Willamette valley and there remained until his death. Mrs. Bernard's father married Miss Coyce, who died at Wapinitia when this daughter was four years of age. The father still lives in Grant county and although about ninety years of age, he is still vigorous and hearty. During the early days, he was prominent in the Indian wars and was a noted trapper and hunter. Mr. Bernard has the following named brothers and sisters, Joseph, Peter, August, Baptiste, Alexander, Bazil, and Mrs. Mary Senecal. To our subject and his wife the following children have been born, Andrew, Henry, Naomi, and Ivy.Z

Mr. Bernard is a member of the I.O.O.F., the W.W. and the Order of Washington. He is an active Republican and at the present time is school director in his district. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard are members of the Roman Catholic church and are good substantial people. He is a man of marked thrift and energy and has shown his ability in the accumulation of the vast property that he now owns.