

LEWIS P. BOLTON was born in Cedar county, Iowa, on October 17, 1855, and now resides about four miles east from Boyd, in Wasco county. He is one of the leading farmers of the county, is also interested in stock raising and is known as one of the substantial and capable men of the section. His parents, Charles H. and Louisa (Bolton) Bolton, were born in Virginia and the father now lives at Macedonia, Iowa. The mother died in Pottawattamie county, Iowa, in October, 1886. Our subject was reared in Cedar county until seventeen, then went with the family to Pottawattamie county, where he remained until 1886. In these two places he gained his education and at the date last mentioned put into execution the desire long cherished, to see the west. We find him shortly after in Wasco county where he resides and in this county and southern Washington he remained until 1883, when he returned to Iowa. Three years later he came back to Oregon and since that time, he has remained in this county. For several years after returning he rented land and in the spring of 1898 bought three fourths of a section near his present home. He continued to hold that land until 1903, when he sold it and purchased the estate upon which he resides now. It consists of nine hundred and sixty acres, half of which is tillable. He owns another half section nearby, making two entire sections of land. He raises grain on about four hundred acres annually and is a prosperous, well-to-do farmer. He handles some cattle and horses and has his place well supplied with all implements and improvements necessary for a good farm.

On April 13, 1885, at Council Bluffs, Iowa, Mr. Bolton married Miss Adda L. Bolton, who was born near Boyd, in September 25, 1859. Her parents, Absolam and Oliva Bolton, are mentioned elsewhere in this work. Mr. Bolton has one brother, George A. and one sister, Mrs. Cora Pettit. Seven children have been born to this marriage Esta, aged eighteen at school in Tipton, Iowa; Roy, aged seventeen; Erma, fifteen; Clyde, thirteen; Gail, eleven; Elma, eight; and Clair, four.

Mr. Bolton is a well informed Republican and is often at the county conventions; takes keen interest in school matters and labors for the success of his party. He and his wife are both members of the Advent Christian church and are people governed by sound principles and unswerving integrity.

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