

MELVIN SIGMAN, one of the industrious young men of Wasco county, who devotes his energies to tilling the soil, is also one of the popular and genial dwellers near Dufur. He is owner of the old Sigman estate, which lies about two miles up Fifteenmile creek from the town of Dufur and this he purchased from his father, who is mentioned elsewhere in this work. He was born in Illinois, on May 17, 1871, and there he remained for the first fourteen years of his life. Then he came with his parents to Oregon, and here he completed the education begun in the Prairie State. He remained with his father and learned well the industries of stock raising and farming. In 1901, he purchased the estate mentioned and since that time has been handling it for himself. In addition to this, he rents a farm from William T. Vanderpool and the two are producing fine crops of grain. Mr. Sigman's plan is to summer fallow one farm and raise grain on the other, alternating each season. In this manner, he secures the best results and his yields are up to the best in the country. His places are kept in order and an air of thrift and industry pervades everything.

At the residence of the bride's father, on December 18, 1897, Mr. Sigman married Miss Eva M. Vanderpool, whose parents and brothers and sisters are given space elsewhere in this work. To this marriage one child has been born, George R. Mr. Sigman is a member of the United Artisans and in political matters is allied with the Republicans. He is a bright and popular young man, and he and his wife have the good will and esteem of all who know them. They both come from good families, well known in this county and all have labored wisely and well in the development and advancement of Wasco county.

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