

F. HOWARD ISENBURG, the present popular and efficient principal of the Cascade Locks school, was born in Huntington county, Pennsylvania, on July 25, 1874, the son of Miles P. and Tillie A. (Jones) Isenberg, natives of Pennsylvania, and mentioned elsewhere in this volume. When Howard was an infant, the family came to Iowa, settling in Grinnell county, thence they went to Hastings, Nebraska, and a short time later, settled in Kansas. After that, the father entered the employ of the government, and came to the Hood River in 1892. Our subject had attended public school in the various places where he had lived and began teaching near Boyd. He also taught at many other places throughout this portion of the state and studied at the same time, He was a member of the Oregon State Militia Hospital Corps and was called to go to the Philippines while teaching. He went with the Second Oregon, and when he arrived at Cavite he was transferred to the regular army First Corps, reporting to Major Herbert W. Cardwell. He acted as clerk of this office and then was made acting hospital steward until his discharge. During action he was orderly to John Lawton, and when he came home he was noncommissioned officer on the staff of Colonel Victor Duboce. He was mustered out at Presidio on September 13, 1899. Then he returned home, entering the university at Portland. After that, he again began teaching and on January 2, 1901, took the position that he now occupies, having held the same continuously since. He has shown himself to be a capable and faithful educator and his work is among the best in the state.

On April 28, 1901, Mr. Isenberg married Miss Zelda F. Steel, a native of Michigan, the wedding occurring in Cascade Locks. Her father, Frank W. Steel, was a native of Penn-sylvania and died at Cascade Locks on January 12, 1904. He was a veteran of the Civil war having been in the naval department during the entire struggle. By trade, he was an engineer. He married Miss Margaret Downey, a native of Ireland, who came to the United States when eight years of age. She died at Macosta, Michigan, in 1894. Mrs. Isenberg has three brothers, Frank W., George R., and James, and four sisters, Hannah Simpson, Lydia, Eunice, and Nellie. Mr. Isenberg is a member of the K.P., while he and his wife belong to the Rathbone Sisters. She is also a member of the circle of the W.W. Mr. Isenberg was a delegate to the last three Republican county conventions and secretary of the last two. He is prominent and influential in politics and has always taken a keen interest in the affairs of the county and state. For the past four years, during vacation, he has acted as bookkeeper for the Hood River Fruit Growers' Union. He is a man of ability and integrity and stands especially well in this county.

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