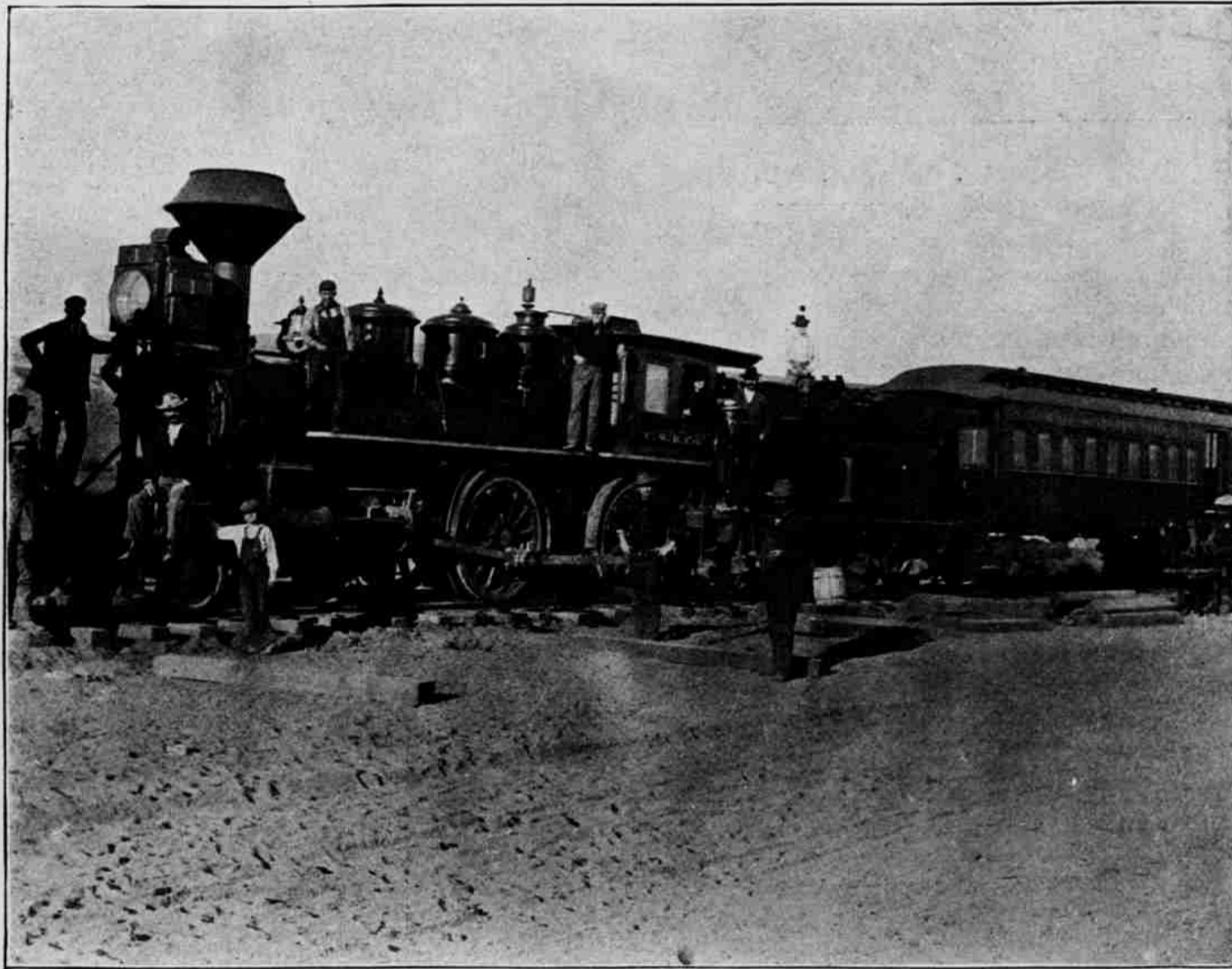


SHERMAN COUNTY BANK.



COLUMBIA COMMERCIAL CO.



FIRST COLUMBIA SOUTHERN TRAIN INTO WASCO.

THE COLUMBIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Was incorporated March 4th, 1897, for the purpose of constructing and operating a railroad from Biggs to Prineville, traversing the rich wheat fields of Sherman county, and the stock and wool districts in Wasco and Crook counties. Surveying was commenced on the 23rd of March, and construction on June, 19th, and by October 6th it was completed to Wasco.

The line as constructed is first-class and standard gauge, being laid with 56lb. rails, and 7x8 ties, the ties being laid 3000 to the mile, and the equipment of the line in every respect is complete.

At Biggs connection is made with the O. R. & N. Co., with which a general interchange of traffic is made. Since completion of the line to Wasco, it has been taxed to the utmost in handling the traffic tributary to it, which consists principally of wheat and lumber, coal, wood, machinery and merchandise, wheat being sent out and the balance being brought in.

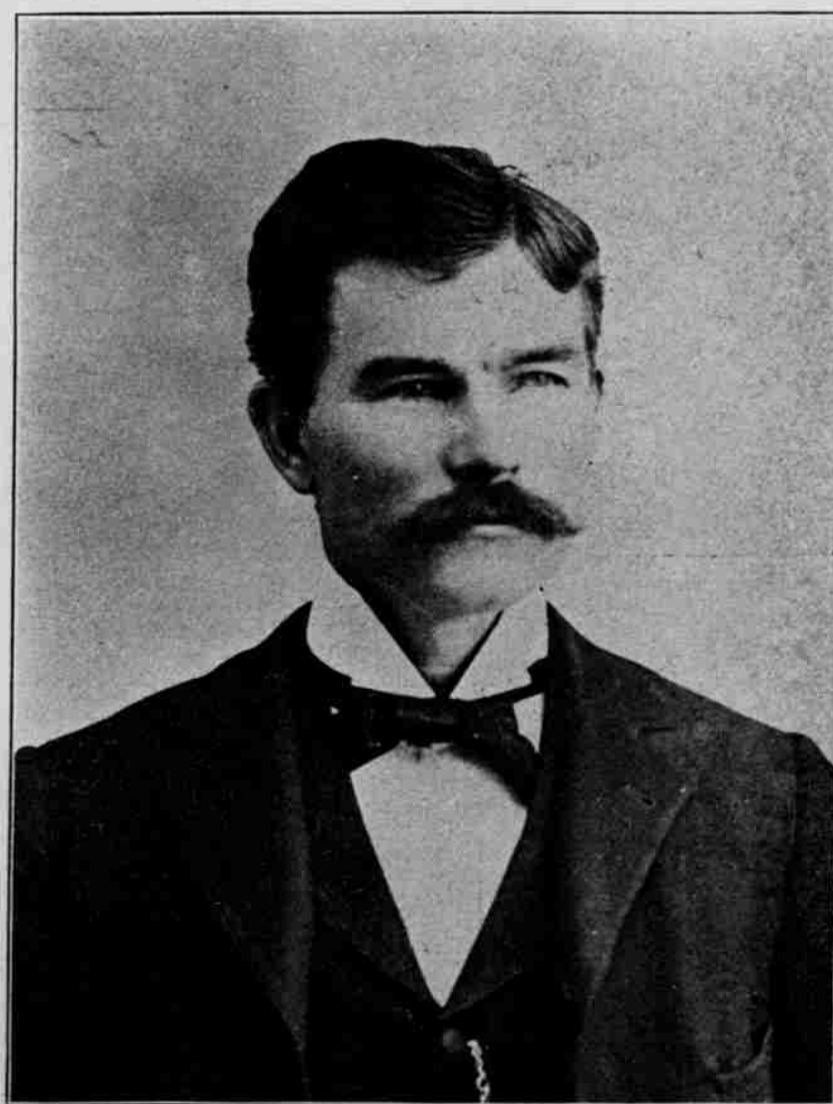
Their corps of surveyors are in the field, and the early completion of the road can be looked for.

The incorporators were: E. E. Lytle, J. M. Murchie and D. C. O'Reilly. E. E. Lytle, the president of the road, is a railroad man of almost twenty years experience, commencing in 1879 with the Pennsylvania R. R. as telegraph operator; in 1881 he became the passenger agent of the same road at Tyrone, Pa., which position he held until 1889. He then accepted a position with the Union Pacific as agent at The Dalles, and acted for the O. R. & N. Co. in a like capacity, until Sept. 11, 1897.

D. C. O'Reilly, the general manager of the Columbia Southern Railway, entered railroad service in 1881, as messenger in the telegraph and general freight office of the Union Pacific Railroad, since which he has been consecutively clerk of the general freight department of the same road; 1889 to 1891, chief clerk of same department; 1891 to 1893 traveling freight agent; 1893 to July 4, 1894, assistant to general western freight agent same road at Portland, Or.; July 4, 1894 to October 1, 1897 assistant general freight agent Oregon Railway & Navigation Company.

UNION LUMBER COMPANY

Was incorporated September 6, 1897, by John Medler, A. D. McDonald, John McPherson and Lucius Clark. They have extensive yards at Wasco and Biggs, and carry lumber, wood, coal, building material, builders' hardware and farm machinery, and their facilities are such that they can save money to any intending purchaser in those lines. They are



L. CLARK.

successors to the already well established business of L. Clark, he being one of the incorporators and general manager.

Mr. Clark was born in Peoria county, Ill., in 1860, and is self educated. At the age of 17 he went to Kansas, but only remained there two years. He then started for the Coast, locating at Columbus, Wash, following railroading for two years. Then starting in the lumber business, he has by energy and fair dealing built it up to its present proportions. Married Miss Ada L. Berrian September 6, 1883, and has four children.

THE SHERMAN COUNTY BANK.

This vigorous banking institution was organized December, 12, 1891, and has achieved an excellent reputation in the commercial world. The careful conservative management which its affairs have received is evidenced by the steady expansion of its business. Among the original stockholders were W. M. Barnett, V. C. Brock, John Medler, Levi Armsworthy and C. J. Bright, John Medler being president, and V. C. Brock cashier. They do a general banking business, making collections, selling exchange on all the leading Eastern cities, as well as San Francisco and Portland.

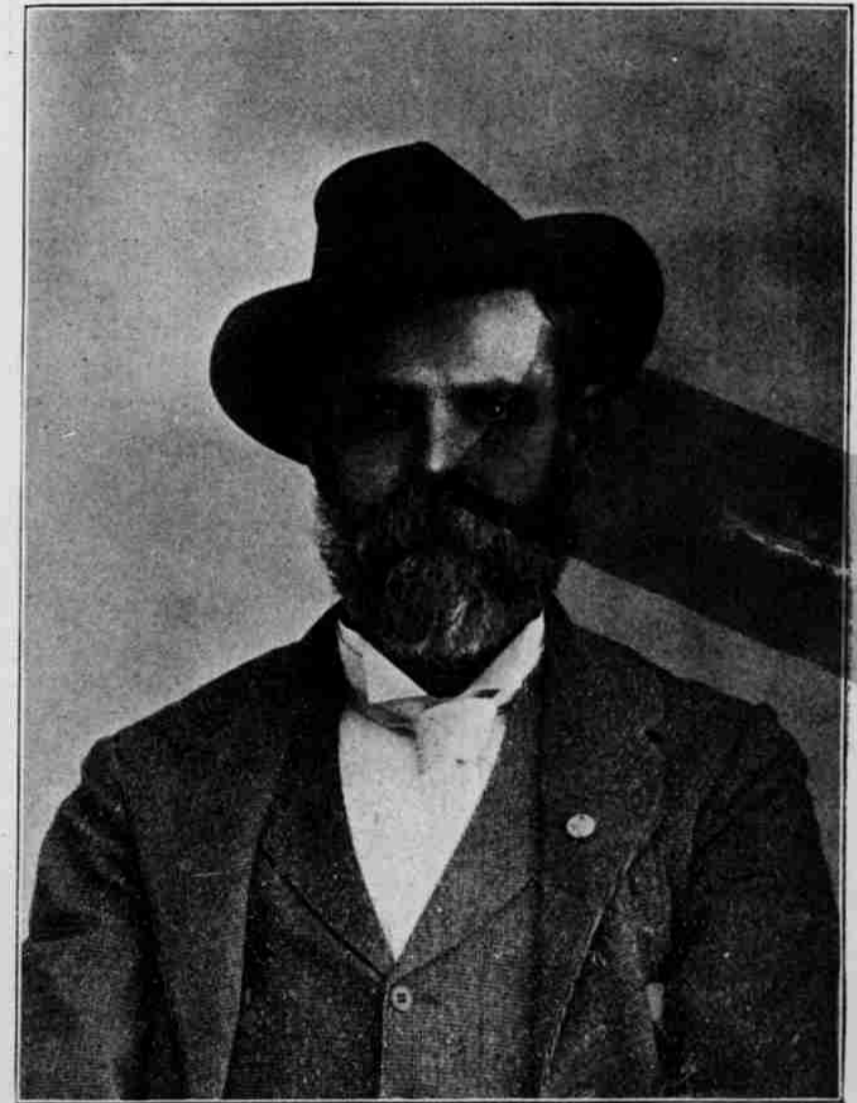
The officers and employees of the bank, by their courteous and affable, yet firm business treatment of their patrons and the business public, have won for the institution the esteem and confidence of the commercial world at home and abroad.

COLUMBIA COMMERCIAL COMPANY.

The Columbia Commercial Co. was incorporated in 1894, with W. H. Moore, president; C. R. Bone, vice president; and E. O. McCoy, secretary and treasurer, succeeding McCoy & Bone. They have warehouses at Wasco, Des Chutes, Biggs and Rufus, Oregon and Columbus, Washington, buying grain in Sherman, Morrow, Gilliam and Klickitat counties. They also advance money on consignments, and have unlimited storage facilities.

Mr. E. O. McCoy, the active manager, is a native son, being born in Benton county in 1858. At an early age he moved with his parents to Eastern Oregon, in Umatilla county, near Walla Walla, Washington, where he attended school, and had the advantages of a business education. Came to Sherman county in 1883, being one of the first to take up land for farming purposes, and to-day he owns 3050 acres of agricultural land.

He was married to Miss Christine McDonald, of The Dalles, in 1884, and has three children. Mr. McCoy is not only devoted to his wife and children, but thoroughly enjoys the comforts of home, as evidenced by the erection of the palatial residence he has lately built of the Swiss colonial style: by many it is considered the most beautiful residence in The Dalles.



DR. JESSE EDGINGTON.

The regular school of medicine has not among its followers a more faithful and conscientious supporter than Dr. Jesse Edgington. For many years he has been in the front ranks of progress for which the science claiming him as a devotee has been noted. Born in the Empire state in 1849, at an early age he accompanied his parents to Indiana, where he received a liberal and thorough education. In 1875 he took up the study of medicine under Dr. Wesley Wilson, one of the best known practitioners in Warrick county, Indiana, also attending the Indiana Medical College of Indianapolis. Then taking two courses in the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville, he graduated from that institution in 1878.

Returning to his home in Warrick county, Indiana, he entered into active practice, and met with gratifying success. Catching the "Western" fever in 1888, he, with his wife and family, started for the Pacific Coast, locating finally in one of the garden spots of the Inland Empire.

Since coming to Sherman county he has taken a very active interest in its growth and welfare, lending aid to every enterprise of public interest. He has lately endeavored to give up his country practice to the younger practitioners of the county, devoting himself to his clientele in the city. He lately returned from Chicago, where he took a post-graduate course in the Polyclinic School of Medicine.

Married to Miss Annie Hartley, of Warrick county, Ind., in 1878, he has five children, two boys and three girls, and his charming home, of which we give an illustration, is the center of a large and warm circle of friends.

Dr. Edgington affiliates with Woodmen, Knights of Pythias and Masonic orders, holding the position of W. M. in the latter for a year.

DR. OLIVE HARTLEY.

"Seek not to walk by borrowed light,
But keep unto thy own;
Do what thou doest with thy might,
And trust thyself alone!"

These words written by one of her own sex, may well serve to illustrate the pathway Dr. Hartley has trodden; the faith she has had, and still maintains in her own inherent abilities; the forcible manner in which she carries her ideas to a successful issue, and the calm confidence which she at all times possesses, even though it may be veiled under the ladylike demeanor which forms one of her principal charms.

Born in 1871 in Clinton county, Ill., she remained there until four years of age, then moving to Southern Indiana with her parents. She in due course of time attended the public schools. After graduating she attended the State Normal at Terra Haute during the summer months for a