

MR. THOMAS W. WOODS

Tacoma, Washington

Mr. Thomas W. Woods is known in the hotel world as an efficient head-waiter, throughout his entire life he has been connected with that line of work. His early training taught him to master the fine art of pleasing the public and to handle men who were under his charge. He was born in Chatanooga, Tennessee, in 1873, received his education in the public schools of his native city. Reaching his majority he engaged in the usual line of work that was open to men of our group; that of hoteling; the same he has followed to the present time. His first employment was with the Reed Hotel of Chatanooga, Tennessee. One year was passed in Cincinnati, Ohio, nine years in Birmingham, Alabama, as head-waiter at the Florence Hotel. Migrating to California he was engaged to take charge of the dining room of the California Hotel, where he remained for a number of years. Removing to the State of Washington his first employment was with the Rainier-Grand Hotel, then with the Washington Hotel and the Butler Annex. In 1910 he adopted Tacoma as his future home. For the past sixteen years he has been in charge of the dining room at the Golf and Country Club. He is a member of Mt. Tacoma Lodge No. 41, I. B. P. O. E. of W., Tacoma, Washington.



Mr. Woods' life has never been self-centered, while he has attempted important things and has accomplished what he has attempted; success has never represented another's loss, but results from efforts intelligently applied. He is a man of well balanced mind, even temper and constructive habits, and possesses enterprise of the kind that leads to accomplishments.