

MR. W. A. ELLIS

Bellingham, Washington



Mr. W. A. Ellis was born in Owensboro, Kentucky, in 1875, where he received his education in the public schools. Later his parents moved to Denver, Colorado, where he continued his schooling and was graduated from the high school at an early age. On reaching his majority he moved to Lawrence Kansas, where he joined the United States Army, and was assigned to the 23rd Emune, which saw actual service in the Spanish American war. He served sixteen months and twenty days, and was honorably discharged on account of disability, during an engagement having the misfortune to lose a leg, in the battle of Jaunita. He spent seven years in Colorado Springs, and five years in Phoenix, Arizona, where he conducted a cigar stand. He moved to Douglas, Arizona, remained for five years and removed to Salt Lake City and became manager of the Bayview Hotel. Moving to the Northwest, he visited Spokane, Washington, later going to Victoria, B. C., where he entered into business and remained two years. Coming to Seattle he was selected as foreman over a crew of one hundred men to work in a cannery in Alaska. In 1915 he located in Bellingham, Washington, where he now resides. He is a charter member of Mt. Baker Lodge No. 12, F. & A. M., Bellingham, Washington; Benni Hassan Temple No. 64, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Toussant l'Overture; Consistory Seattle, Washington. Owns his home and has a seven-acre ranch, married and resides with his family at 1410 F Street, Bellingham, Washington.