

Burt Mangold, D. D. S.

The dental surgeons of Adams County are represented perhaps by as fine a body of men as can be gathered anywhere in the profession in the country. They have taken the exhaustive course which has reduced the care, preservation and restoration of teeth, and the treatment of the various disorders attendant upon them, to an exact science. Among those who have built up a large practice and firmly established themselves in the confidence of the people of the community is Burt Mangold, D. D. S., who since 1905 has been successfully engaged in the practice of his profession at Decatur.

Doctor Mangold is a product of Decatur, having been born in that city August 18, 1883, a son of Noah and Rachael (Weldy) Mangold. His maternal grandfather, Daniel Weldy, was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, and at an early date came with his wife to Adams County, Indiana, locating on a farm in Kirkland Township, where they passed the remaining years of their lives. Mrs. Weldy died many years ago, but Mr. Weldy survived until September 15, 1915, having attained the remarkable age of ninety-two years. He was a democrat in politics, was prominent in his community, and at one time served in the capacity of county commissioner. Fraternally, he was connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Noah Mangold was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, April 22, 1853, and as a lad of ten years came to Adams County, Indiana, with his parents, Abraham Mangold and wife. The family made a settlement in Preble Township, where, on a farm the grandparents passed the remainder of their lives, dying when past eighty years of age. They were members of the German Reformed Church, and Mr. Mangold, who was well known and influential in his community, was justice of the peace during a long period. After their marriage, Noah Mangold and his wife located at Decatur, where Mr. Mangold engaged in the butter and egg business. Subsequently he was in the hardware business, then became a dealer in horses, was for forty years county auditor of Adams County, and then became proprietor of a racket store. For the past six years he has represented the National Mill Supply Company of Fort Wayne, but makes his headquarters and home at Decatur. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mangold are well and favorably known here and have numerous friends who have been attracted to them by their many excellencies of heart and mind. Mr. Mangold is a democrat and has been quite active in local politics. Mrs. Mangold belongs to the Christian Church. They are the parents of the following children: Burt; Arthur, a member of the firm of Mangold & Baker, grocers of Decatur, is married and has a daughter, Helen; Ireta, who died at the age of six years; and Glen, a graduate of the Decatur High School, class of 1914, is cashier of the Fisher-Harris Grocery.

Burt Mangold grew up at Decatur, where he attended the grammar and high schools, and, having early made his choice of profession, was graduated from the Indiana Dental College, Indianapolis, in 1905, before he was twenty-two years of age. Returning at once to Decatur, he began his practice, and now has a large and representative practice. He is a most excellent practitioner, skilled, conscientious and progressive, and from the very first has prospered. He has gained the full confidence of the people, not only as a professional man, but as a good citizen. Keeping fully abreast of his profession, he belongs to the Indiana State Dental Association, and the Northern Indiana Dental Society, and also holds membership in the National Preparedness League, a charitable organization, as a member of which he does dental work for the needy soldiers without charge. Fraternally, he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Modern Woodmen of America, The American Yeomen, the Knights of Maccabees, the Tribe of Ben Hur and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a democrat, but his profession has demanded his time and he has found no leisure of participation in politics. In all progressive movement he has taken a creditable part and his good citizenship has never been doubted. Doctor Mangold and his wife are members of the Christian Church, in which he is serving as a member of the board of trustees and financial secretary.

Doctor Mangold was married at Monroe, Adams County, to Miss Nora Andrews, who was born in Washington Township, Adams County, June 11, 1887. She grew up and was educated there and later at Marion, and prior to her marriage was a teacher for several years. Doctor and Mrs. Mangold have no children.