

CURRENT, RUSSELL

Russell CURRENT, one of the best known farmers of Richland township, residing on his well-kept place just on the outskirts of Redkey, is a native son of Jay county and has lived here all his life. Mr. CURRENT was born on a farm in Richland township on September 13, 1879, and is a son of William and Emmaline (BELL) CURRENT, both members of pioneer families here. William CURRENT also was born in Richland township and there he spent all his life, becoming one of the substantial and influential farmers of that section. He completed his schooling in old Liber College and after his marriage established his home on a farm in Richland township in the immediate vicinity of the place of his birth, and in time became the owner of an excellent farm of 270 acres. He and his wife were the parents of six children, those besides the subject of this sketch being Jesse F., George, Watson, Agnes and Cora. Reared on the home farm in Richland township, Russell CURRENT received his schooling in the excellent schools of that neighborhood and since the days of his boyhood has devoted himself to farming and the raising of livestock, in which vocation he has done well. He continued farming on the old home place until in 1900, when he took charge of a 120-acre farm owned by his mother on the outskirts of Redkey. Two years later he married and established his home there and has ever since made that his place of residence. Since taking over this farm Mr. CURRENT has made many substantial and modern improvements on the place and his farm plant is recognized as one of the best in the neighborhood. It was in 1902 that Russell CURRENT was united in marriage to Etha ANDREWS, who was born in Wayne county, this state and to this union four children have been born, Clyde, Mary, Willard and Mildred. Mr. and Mrs. CURRENT are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and are Republicans. Mr. CURRENT is a member of the local lodge of the Woodmen at Redkey. SOURCE: Milton T. Jay, M.D., History of Jay County Indiana, Historical Publishing Co., Indpls. 1922, Vol. II, pp.184-185. Transcribed by Eloine Chesnut