

## LAWRENCE T. HARRIS

Lawrence Thomas Harris is a native son of Oregon, having been born in Albany, Linn County, on the 13th of September, 1873, and is a son of Dr. Thomas W. Harris and Laura Catron Harris. (Dr. Harris was born in Putnam County, Indiana, December 27, 1849, and was a son of Rev. John M. and Jane (Wilson) Harris).

Lawrence Thomas Harris received his elementary education in the public schools of Eugene and then entered the University of Oregon, where he was graduated in 1893 with the degree of B. A., and received his M. A. degree in 1896. He attended the law school of the University of Michigan, where he was graduated in 1896 with the degree of LL.B. He was admitted to practice in the courts of Oregon in 1896 and since that time has been continuously engaged in the practice of law, or has been rendering service on the bench.

He was elected to the house of representatives of the Oregon Legislative Assembly in 1901 and again in 1903, and served as speaker of the house in 1903. In 1905 he was appointed circuit judge for the second judicial district comprising the counties of Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Benton and Lincoln. In 1906 he was elected without opposition to succeed himself, having been nominated by both the republican and democratic parties, and in 1912 was reelected without opposition, having again been nominated by both the republican and democratic parties. In 1914 he was elected Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Oregon and reelected in 1920, and filled that position from January 4, 1915, until January 15, 1924, at which latter date he resigned to resume the practice of law.

On April 28, 1904, he was married to Jennie B. Beatie, of Oregon City, Oregon. He is now a member of the law firm of Harris, Bryson and East with offices in Eugene, Oregon.