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Robert O. Crist, M. D. **Dr. Robert O. Crist**, of Boswell, was born September 16, 1878, at Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, and is the son of the **Rev. G. W. Crist**, who was born April 17, 1848, in Perry County, Pennsylvania. He received his literary education and the training for his profession as a minister of the Lutheran Church at Gettysburg College and Theological Seminary. From 1888 to 1895 he had charge of the Jennerstown congregation, including Mount Zion, St. James and Stanton's Mills. **Rev. Crist** married **Anna B. Orr**, born February 10, 1851, in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania, granddaughter of **Hugh Alexander**, a representative of an old Virginia family, who came to Pennsylvania about 1790 and settled in Clearfield County.

Dr. Robert O. Crist, son of **G. W.** and **Anna B. (Orr) Crist**, laid the foundation of his education in the common schools and spring normal schools of Somerset County, afterward attending the Millersville State Normal School. He received his medical education in the University of Maryland. During the Spanish-American war he enlisted in the army as a member of the hospital corps department and served ten months, being mustered out February 28, 1899. In 1903 he returned to Somerset County and settled at Boswell, where he has since been engaged in the active practice of his profession.

Dr. Crist married. May 14, 1903, at Ridgely, Maryland, **Bessie McDougall Sinclair**, who received her education in the high schools and the Peabody Institute of Baltimore, subsequently studying at the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston. **Mrs., Crist's** parents are residents of Winnipeg, Canada.

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