

Elgin, Oregon

Where the Apple is King and the People are Happy

THE FULL-JEWELLED AND CONSTANTLY RUNNING CITY

Among the energetic citizens of Elgin is S. S. Hooper of the firm of Hooper Brothers. Mr. Hooper came out from Girard, Kansas, a few years ago, and by the way Girard is the old stamping ground of Mr. Plaas, who knows what Kansas is as compared with the Grande Ronde valley. Mr. Hooper is manager of the butcher

men have spent any money on repairs to buildings or rearrangement. All four are running until the people decide the number that shall exist.

Another Kansas Man.

R. D. Zweifel, another Kansas man, is in the hardware business. He has a good stock and can quote early history of Kansas which is always en-

now looking after his real estate investments, the influence of his presence in the community is plainly to be seen. He has been one of the pillars of Elgin, having been directly interested in most of the progressive moves made by that city for the last decade. He is unlike many of the Grande Ronde people, for he believes



A Threshing Scene Near Elgin.

business in Elgin and caters to the people in the proper manner.

Lou Stoop, Wholesaler.

When anyone wants to sell a large quantity of produce they hunt up Lou Stoop and ascertain how much he will give before putting their products on the market. Lou has been shipping potatoes and apples all fall and still is expecting to handle more. He has a wholesale liquor store in Elgin also, but the most of his time is tak-

ing pertaining to his customers. Mr. Zweifel is a good citizen of Elgin and his name is always among the first for public improvements of any kind. Connected with the hardware store he has a line of house furnishings which he sells to the people of that large area of country.

Hug Brothers, a Big Firm.

A large general store is that conducted by Hug Brothers. There are lots of Hugs in Elgin's neck o' the

in staying where he made his money. He believes there are few places where people can make money faster and with as little labor as in this valley.

Matt Weiss, proprietor of a packing establishment, carries a good line of meats and has a line of patronage that shows him a handsome profit each year. He says, "no moves for me, for if I should travel for a year hunting for a location I would come right back to Elgin and start in business."

George O. James, the harness man, is always in demand by the ranchers and lumbermen. His handmade goods go far and near where the quality of harness is given consideration. It takes good harness to pull the heavy loads of produce that come out of that valley and the harness made by James has shown it will stand the test.

Miles and Wilson and Halgarth and Kelham attend to the tonsorial wants of Elgin and they do it in the most approved manner. These barber shops need no visit from the state inspector for they are perfectly sanitary all of the time.

The City cigar store is an institution that catches the men of the town and is headquarters for the class of goods that smokers like.

A hardware firm of considerable size is that of H. E. Graham and J. O. Baker. They carry a very large line and the volume of their business is steadily increasing.

But you must meet Mack when you go to the apple town. Mack runs a drug store that is in every way equal to the larger city stores. He is just plain Mack to everyone and nobody has ever called him by his first name. In fact most people forget to say mister for he is one of those congenial kind of personalities whom you feel like you have always been acquainted

with handling produce. woods, and they are all progressive citizens. The Hug store carries one of those complete lines found in the smaller cities and no want is permitted to go unserved. The managers of the store pin their faith and hope in Elgin. They have done business with the people there for many years and with the bright prospects for the future.

Dan Sommers, Retired.

While Dan Somers, former merchant, has retired and spends his time



Look at This Fruit. It Grew Around Elgin.

en up with handling produce.

The "Wet" Situation.

Since Union county went wet four saloons have been running in Elgin. They are run by Henry Bader, the old pioneer, Mike Nelson, Cy Powell and A. O. Young. But until next month the saloon business will not be adjusted in the apple city because it is the intention to vote one saloon for every 750 population. This will permit but two places to run and for that reason none of the present saloon



Next to the Largest Load of Lumber Ever Loaded in the World. This was Loaded At Elgin.

with ten minutes after you first meet him.

Slough Never Tires.

The Slough Investment company, which is propelled through rain and storm by one man, Slough, is the hub of the trading wheel at Elgin. Slough is another Girard, Kansas, boy and was raised on old man Wasser's Girard Press, having learned his letters from the head of that paper. He came west a few years ago because he could not stand the climate of the middle west. After being here a few days he

Farmers Union is Strong.

There are several large warehouses in Elgin but the one of greatest proportions is that owned and operated by the Farmers' Union, with August Hug as manager. The Commercial club of Elgin is responsible for the farmers' organization there and every merchant is a strong advocate of the Union and its principles. The warehouse has saved the producer large sums of money since its inauguration and there is no disposition to retrace

A. N. Rasmussen of the firm of Rasmussen Brothers is one of the substantial institutions. They run a blacksmith and wagon shop and do a great deal of work. The kind of work needed in a country like this taxes the expert blacksmith but this firm keeps the right kind of workmen and turns out a class of work that is highly satisfactory.

The Electric Cleaning and Pressing Works is run by J. B. Holland, who is a permanent fixture in Elgin. Tailors come and go but Holland sticks on the



A Few of Elgin's Handsome Homes.

saw a chance to make some money on a trade. Possessed of the David Har- em instinct he began trading and has kept it up ever since. It is really refreshing to hear Slough unfold the

a step taken by the farmers.

Commercial Club Active.

Without a Commercial Club Elgin people would feel lost. While it does not meet very often and there is some

work all the time. As a result the people have confidence in him and he is building up a large business.

L. Parks is the jeweler and optician for the city and he is flooded with



A Few Ones Raised by Sam Brooks Near Elgin.

story of Grande Ronde resources. He is so strong in his faith in this valley that he almost hypnotizes the prospective buyer and makes him see this... as they really will be shortly in this valley.

elements of it that resemble other commercial clubs, the fact remains that it keeps constantly pegging away answering letters and doing a little advertising, all of which is bringing steady results.

J. B. Johnston runs what is known as the "Men's Shop" where all kinds of wearing apparel for men is sold. He has a good business and is convinced that a special line of this kind is a successful business undertaking.

work all the time. He makes good on every job from the largest to the smallest. He has been there 19 years and is one of the foremost men of the community.

H. W. Buell runs a second hand store that receives a good patronage and he is always watchful to take care of his trade.

While the mention that the Evening Observer has given Elgin scarcely scratches the surface of this enterprising community, yet it serves to let the readers know that Elgin is decidedly on the map. For further information it would be well to address the commercial club, and if anyone has an intention of investing in fruit lands or business ventures they should by all means hear Elgin's discussion of the situation and offering she has to make.



Prof. Bailey, the Man Who Believes in the Athletics Known as Woodchopping.

Piles Cured at Home-by New Absorption Method.

If you suffer from bleeding, itching, blind or protruding piles, send me your address, and I will tell you how to cure yourself at home by the new absorption treatment; and will also send some of this home treatment free for trial, with references from your own locality if requested. Immediate relief and permanent cure assured. Send no money, but tell others of this offer. Write today to Mrs. M. Summers, Box P, Notre Dame, Ind.