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**BINFORD.**

Binford is one of the best trading points on the Cooperstown branch. The merchants and business men generally are wide-awake and are out after their share of the trade, and are getting it. The country surrounding Binford is one of the choicest sections of North Dakota and is settled by a thrifty, hardy class of people who are industrious, which adds to the material advancement of the town itself. The products shipped from this town in 1904 tell their own story, as follows:

Wheat, bushels	380,000
Flax, "	160,000
Wool, pounds	60,000
Sheep, head	1,500
Cattle, "	110
Eggs, dozens	5,160
Butter, pounds	8,732
Gravel, carloads	12

The population of Binford has increased from 80 people in 1900 to 207 at the present time, and numerous business houses and industries have been established. Among the new business concerns is a lumber yard, an elevator, hardware store, livery barn, and a public dipping tank. Seven new residence buildings have been erected during the present year and more will be completed before cold weather, including a new church.

Binford is represented by the following business concerns: Five elevators, one bank, two lumber yards, two coal yards, four implement dealers, two hotels, two livery stables, three general stores, two hardware stores, two furniture dealers, one meat market, one blacksmith shop, one doctor, one restaurant, one barber shop, one drug store, one millinery store, one real estate firm, a weekly newspaper, billiard hall, one dray line, one hollow concrete block factory.

Binford would be a good place in which to establish a creamery, and also a tile factory, an abundance of fine clay being found in the immediate vicinity of the town.

**BINFORD BUSINESS MEN.**

**CRANE-JOHNSON CO.**

A lumber yard possessing superior facilities for supplying contractors and property owners with every requirement in the building line is the branch yard of the Crane-Johnson Co. at Binford. This yard was established here some six months ago and by fair and square dealing with patrons they have built up a large and growing trade. They possess every advantage of buying in large quantities and are prepared to fill all orders, large or small in a prompt and satisfactory manner. Their stock is very complete and embraces lumber of all lengths and widths, lath, shingles, doors, windows, sash, blinds, lime, cement and coal and wood. This yard has long been known for their fair and honorable dealing and are deserving of the large trade enjoyed. Once a customer of this yard always a patron, for their constant aim is to please and accommodate all who deal with them. Mr. Ole S. Helgeand is the local manager of the yard. He is a gentleman with years of experience in the lumber trade and understands every detail of the business from A to Z.

**ALFSON BROS. & LEWIS.**

Any review of the business houses of Binford without due mention of the firm of Alfson Bros. & Lewis would be incomplete. This progressive firm commenced business here some two years ago and by fair dealings they have built up an extensive trade. Their stock is large and very complete, embracing shelf and heavy hardware, stoves, ranges, sporting goods, tinware, cutlery, tools and everything in the line of implements used in planting, cultivating, harvesting and threshing crops, as well as wagons and buggies. They will put in a first-class tinshop in the near future and turn out on short notice large quantities of sheet metal work, roofing, spouting, heating plants and general repair work. The magnitude of the stock carried, the volume of patronage enjoyed and their general reputation for integrity and reliability easily places this firm among the leading establishments in Griggs county. They deal in live stock and are in the market at all times to pay the highest market price in cash. The firm is composed of A. and H. Alfson and F. G. Lewis, three of Binford's leading and representative business men. This store can be recommended to the favorable consideration of the general public.

**KNAPP & BUCHHEIT.**

A business house of the first rank located at Binford is the well-known firm of Knapp & Buchheit. This firm has been in business here for the past two years and by fair and honorable dealing with customers they have built up a large and growing trade. Their stock is large and very complete including dry goods, notions, ladies and gents furnishing goods, clothing and everything new, fine or fashionable in footwear. They also handle a full line of staple and fancy groceries, fruits, flour, feed, produce and provisions. They also carry a full line of furniture and housefurnishing goods of every description and their prices are as low as goods of the first grade can be sold for. All goods are sold upon merit and are guaranteed to prove as represented. Mr. Joseph Buchheit, the active member of the firm is a gentleman of wide experience in the mercantile business and is in close touch with the best markets and

gives his customers the benefit of his knowledge and experience in good goods at the lowest possible prices. Mr. Buchheit is a business man of high standing and an enterprising and pushing citizen, always to the front when the best interests of Binford are at stake.

**THE PHENIX PHARMACY.**

Medical skill is effective only where there is present the cooperation of pronounced pharmaceutical skill. Hence the importance of a first-class pharmacy in any town or community. Binford is blessed with such an establishment in the Phenix Pharmacy. This pharmacy was established last March by Geo. Lockett & Co. and they carry a large and complete line of pure drugs and chemicals, toilet articles, sundries and the many things usually found in a first-class drug store. A well-selected stock of jewelry is carried and sold at reasonable prices. They pay special attention to the prescription department and exercise the most discriminating intelligence and skill in compounding prescriptions. The firm is composed of Geo. Lockett and Frank M. Wolf, who are thoroughly versed in this branch of business. They are liberal, enterprising and progressive and fully deserve the extensive business enjoyed.

**WEST HOTEL.**

Good hotel accommodations add as much to the advantages as anyone thing. Is there a good hotel in town is one of the first questions a stranger will ask on reaching a city. Answering this question in behalf of Binford we say yes, the West Hotel is run in first-class shape and caters to the traveling public. They have nice clean rooms, comfortable beds and the table is supplied with the best the market affords. Mr. Hans Alm has just taken charge of this popular hotel and has made every preparation to accommodate the traveling public. Mr. Alm is an experienced hotel man and gives his personal attention to the details of the business and spares no pains to make the stay of guests pleasant while at the West Hotel. It is located just across the street from the depot.

**GULL RIVER LUMBER CO.**

A well equipped lumber yard, where the magnitude and variety of the stock represents with fidelity every need of construction, is found at the Binford yard of the Gull River Lumber Co. This yard was established here some six years ago and by fair and honorable dealing with customers they have built up a large and flourishing business. Their stock is large and very complete embracing everything used in the building line which is sold at rock-bottom prices. Estimates are furnished on request, based on superior facilities, enjoyed by quantity and quality buying, and by the policy of quoting prices that must and do stand the test of the most aggressive competition. This firm has gained a reputation for integrity and reliability in all business transactions and as a result they take rank among the most reliable institutions of the county. In addition to their large stock of lumber and building material they also handle coal and are prepared to fill all orders, large or small, in a prompt and satisfactory manner. Mr. E. M. Jackson is the local manager of the yard, and has been located here since the establishment of the yard. He is a gentleman of wide experience in the business and has made many friends in this section.

**W. A. GRATIAS.**

One of the foremost business men of Binford is Mr. W. A. Gratias, the well known hardware and farm implement dealer. Mr. Gratias commenced busi-

ness here about a year and a half ago and by fair and square dealing with customers he has built up a most satisfactory trade. He handles a full and complete line of shelf and heavy hardware, stoves, ranges, paints, oils, tinware, farm implements and machinery, wood and feed. He also has the popular five, ten and fifteen cent counters that have proven so popular in supplying the householder with so many useful articles at reasonable prices. Mr. Gratias also deals in live stock and pays the highest market price at all times. He is one of the representative business men of this county, a liberal, enterprising and progressive citizen and always does his full part to advance the best interests of Binford at all times.

**FIRST STATE BANK OF BINFORD.**

The financial advantages of this county are furnished by several sound substantial institutions doing business under state and national charters. Among these one that has gained a substantial position in favor and approval of the business and general public is the First State Bank of Binford. This bank was organized in 1902 and has a capital stock of \$12,000 while their books show \$30,00 to the credit of depositors. They cover all departments of general banking, buy and sell exchange, receive deposits, make loans and discounts in accordance with established usages and have a collection department efficiently organized for the business public. This bank is careful and conservative, the policy being guided by some of our most substantial citizens. This bank makes a specialty of first mortgage farm loans at the lowest prevailing rates. They have money on hand and there is no delay or red tape when doing business with them, but the cash is paid over as soon as security and title is found satisfactory. The personnel of this bank is a sufficient guarantee of reliability and straightforward business methods. The official roster is as follows: Chas. Burseth, president; A. Garborg, vice president; and O. G. Arneson, cashier.

**GREENLAND, PRITZ & CO.**

One of the leading business houses of bustling Binford is the firm of Greenland, Pritz & Co. The firm is composed of Oscar Greenland, Otto Pritz and Lewis Berg, all well known business men of this county. They have been in business here for the past six years and by applying the golden rule to trade principles they have built up a most satisfactory trade. Their stock consists of a full and complete line of shelf and heavy hardware, stoves, ranges, tinware, cutlery, guns, ammunition, mechanics tools and a large stock of farm implements and machinery of all kinds, including wagons and buggies of the best makes. They also do plumbing in all its branches and make a specialty of hot water and steam heating plants. All goods sold by this firm are sold under an express guarantee that they will prove as represented, and at prices as low as the highest grade of goods can be sold for. This firm can be safely recommended to the favorable consideration of the buying public. The members of this firm are liberal, enterprising and progressive business men and citizens of high standing.

**O. S. GUNDERSON & CO.**

In reviewing the business interests of Griggs county we feel called upon to make favorable mention of the firm of O. S. Gunderson & Co., the well known merchants of Binford. This company commenced business some three years ago in a modest way, and by applying the golden rule to trade principles they have built up a large and flourishing

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