

AUGUSTUS HIXSON, who is owner and operator of the Antelope livery stable at Antelope, Oregon, was born in Clinton county, Ohio, on August 10, 1867. His parents, Albert and Elizabeth (Lane) Hixson, were natives of Ohio and Indiana, respectively. The father's parents were born in Ohio also and followed farming and stock raising. He died in Illinois when our subject was six years old. The mother, after her first husband's death, married Isaac Robinson, who died two years later. Then she married Wilham Borthwick and they now reside on a farm in Pike county, Illinois. Our subject began life for himself early, being but thirteen years of age when he went out to work. He was thus employed until twenty, then rented land for himself in Illinois. Eleven years later, he came to this country and took a homestead two miles south from Antelope, that being in January, 1899. In August, 1900, he bought out William Ashby's stable in Antelope and since has given his personal attention to the same. He still owns his farm, which is devoted largely to the production of hay. Mr. Hixson owns twenty head of horses and in addition to doing general livery business, operates the stage from Shaniko to Antelope. He is a careful and skillful horseman and is doing a good business.

In 1888, Mr. Hixson married Nellie Spencer, in Pike county, Illinois. Mrs. Hixson was born in Indiana, the daughter of John and Emily (Biggs) Spencer, natives of Indiana and Ohio, respectively, and now residing in Wasco county, Oregon. Our subject has two brothers, Charles and Isaac, who are farmers near Antelope and two half brothers, Fred Robinson, a farmer in Illinois and Omar Borthwick, living near Antelope. Mrs. Hixson has two brothers, Ralph, in Antelope, and William in Oklahoma territory. She also has four sisters; Inez, wife of Bert Fox, in Kansas; Mamie, wife of Charles Hixson, of Antelope; Leona, the wife of Harry Coleman; and Lela, single, with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Hixson have six children, Albert, Fern, Iva, Augustus, Arthur, and Nellie. Our subject's father served several years in the Civil war. Mr. Hixson is a member of the I.O.O.F., of which he is past grand of his home lodge and a lodge in Illinois. He has also been delegate to the grand lodge of the Rebekahs and his wife is noble grand of that order at the present time, both being members. He belongs to the A.O.U.W. and is past M.W. of the order, having also been a delegate to the grand lodge. Politically, he is a staunch Democrat, though not especially active. Mrs. Hixson was delegate to the grand lodge of the degree of honor in 1904. He and his wife are members of the Methodist church.