

Alton--A Town Grew Where Valleys Met



Spokane S. B. Cooper at the bar, Alton night.



Features of part of Alton, showing railroad bridge, with levee and river in background.



Cooper's view at Alton in day-time.



Ed. Howe, Inc. Co., at Alton, in day-time.



The W. L. Bellows house in view of Alton's town.



Gene Moore Court has roof, after setting.



One of the many fine Commerce bank buildings.

COMMUNITY SITE A NATURAL FOR PEOPLE AND RAILROADS

By ERIC ROSSBERGER

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Alton school, built 1883, has seen its day.



Division of industries has about 100 acres.



Part of Alton's business district is located on highway.



One and Gene Commercial bank one of Alton's best kept buildings.

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