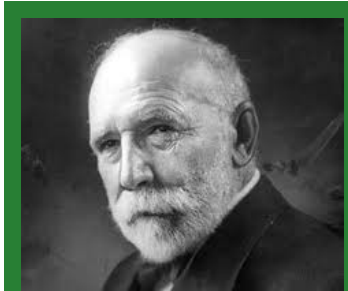
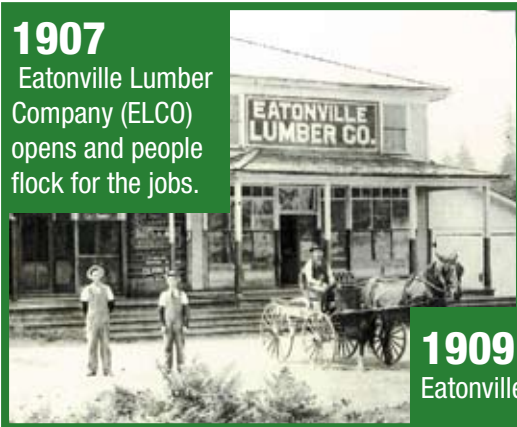


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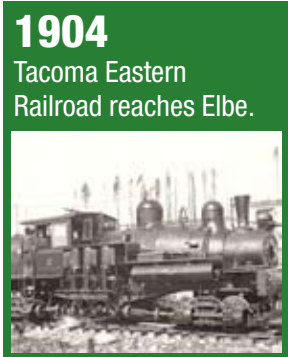
1889
T.C. Van Eaton homesteads 160 acres, including the city limits of Eatonville



1900
Frederick Weyerhaeuser buys 900,000 acres from Northern Pacific land grants at \$6 an acre. James Hill, owner of Great Northern Railroad will ship the wood cheap.



1907
Eatonville Lumber Company (ELCO) opens and people flock for the jobs.



1904
Tacoma Eastern Railroad reaches Elbe.



1909
Eatonville incorporates. It's an official town.
Dr. A.W. Bridge comes riding into town. He will transform medical care for loggers.



T.S. Galbraith is hired to manage Eatonville Lumber Company.



1922
Elbe Lumber & Shingle Mill, at the height of production burns down. Arson suspected.



1930
John Galbraith takes over Eatonville Lumber Company from his father T.S. Galbraith.

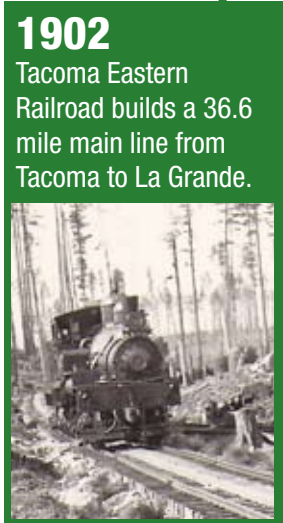


1942
US enters WWII and Japanese families are interned. Many of the men are lumber workers.

1944
Pacific National Mill in National, Wash., closes.



1894
Muck Creek Mill, outside Eatonville, is one of the first mills in Eastern Pierce County area.



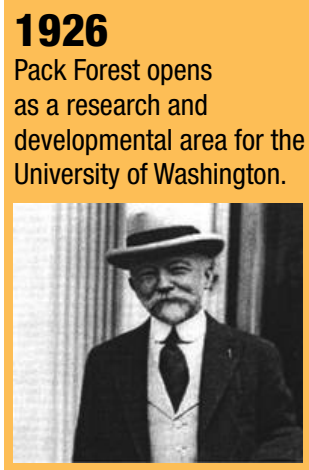
1902
Tacoma Eastern Railroad builds a 36.6 mile main line from Tacoma to La Grande.



1905
The North Coast Timber Company mill starts operation in Alder, Wash.
The Tacoma Eastern Railroad reaches National, Wash.
National Logging Company and Sawmill begins operation.



1911
The Alder mill shuts down.
1912
Alder mill burns down.
The Pacific National Sawmill and most of the town of National burn.



1926
Pack Forest opens as a research and developmental area for the University of Washington.



1932
At the height of the Depression, the ELCO sawmill is destroyed by fire.

1936
ELCO re-opens. Town throws party!

1943
Karlen Davis Company takes over operation of ELCO.

1953
ELCO closes and people are scared the town will close with it.
Operation Bootstrap, a project to revitalize Eatonville and the surrounding community, is led by the University of Washington. Townspeople embrace it.

