

THE OBSERVER

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JOHNNIE THORSEN.

Today Union county citizens are paying their respect to the earthly remains of Johnnie Thorsen, a highly respected citizen whose untimely death came Sunday afternoon following a hard struggle that he made to live.

In the loss of this good citizen this county as a whole, and the town of Elgin, his home, loses a lifter and not a leaner; loses a man worth while in every respect—a man who had a tender heart for his fellows, who had a fund of wisdom that only experience in the rugged world can gain.

As a banker he held the confidence of everyone. His bank was always in order, financially speaking, and his intense honor and deep caution caused a feeling of safety toward him by the general public.

The deceased was not a native of America, having come here from Scandinavia, but he loved his adopted country with a fervent patriotism that never faltered. To him America was the land of the free and the home of the brave in every sense that term could be applied.

While there was nothing spectacular about the life of Johnnie Thorsen there was that solidity, that sternness of purpose and desire to do the right thing all the time that draws men to the foreground and builds for them the temple of friendship and esteem in the hearts of their associates that they are justly entitled to.

Union county deeply mourns the loss of this good man. He was a pillar to lean upon, a counsellor of wisdom and safety.

The life insurance companies are looking after their business carefully. They have ordered cancellation on all policies of people who sail for Europe.

GOOD ROADS. (Continued from Page 1.)

be serial in form, payable as per attached schedule.

Schedule of interest and principal to retire a serial loan of \$400,000 at 5 per cent with annual repayments of \$20,000.

Table with 5 columns: Years, Prin'l, Interest, Prin'l, Total. Rows 1-20 showing repayment schedule.

With an assessed valuation of \$20,000,000 a levy of two mills would be necessary the first year.

This would mean that on each \$1000 of assessed valuation a levy of \$2.00 would be made the first year.

On land assessed at \$50.00 per acre (of which there is not much in Union County), a levy of ten cents per acre would be required the first year; ten dollars on one hundred acres.

The levy would gradually decrease until in the tenth year it would be one and a half mills or \$1.50 per thousand, seven and one half cents an acre on fifty dollar land, and in the twentieth year one mill; one dollar on each thousand of assessed valuation or five cents an acre on fifty dollar land.

This calculation is based upon the continuance of the assessed valuation and real values of the present. During the next 20 years however, the valuation is sure to increase enormously and the levy will decrease correspondingly.

In the discussion of this matter so far by those who have been working on it the composite opinion is in favor of gravel roads of which at least eighty-five miles could be built with \$400,000. In this computation allowance is made for proper engineering and supervision. We therefore recommend that gravel be adopted as the material for road construction.

This would provide winter roads connecting all the principal points in the county including North Powder and a road into Cricket flat from Elgin.

We quote as follows from a bulletin issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture:

"A typical method of mismanagement is to distribute the funds equally on all the roads in the county or district issuing bonds. Obviously no permanent results could be obtained from such a distribution.

"The location of the roads to be improved should not be determined by argument, but upon sound economic principles.

In planning the highway system, or the main market roads, it will be found necessary to omit many roads the improvement of which is greatly desired by abutting land owners.

It is a fact that such property holders must pay a tax for the bond issue is only an apparent injustice, for if



Oh! So Pretty and Dainty Our New Wash Dresses

now being displayed are the height of "chic" perfection in style.

They are simple, they are beautiful, they are appealing and charming—and, best of all, they are most pleasingly low priced, at \$4.00 to \$17.50.

We Now Have For You

on display in our ready-to-wear department, the newest summer styles and novelties—skirts, waists, middies, dresses, muslin underwear, caps, bathing suits, etc. Where other stores are advertising special sales, this store continues to be very busy. Why? Because here not one single garment has been carried over from a previous season, always assuring you of the latest styles. Another reason is that the prices are always most moderate at all times.

Every Ladies' Suit and Coat At a Big Sacrifice

None reserved. Every one new this season; all at big generous reductions.

- Reg. \$12.50 values at \$9.40
Reg. \$15.00 values at \$11.25
Reg. \$17.50 values at \$13.15
Reg. \$20.00 values at \$15.00
Reg. \$22.50 values at \$16.90
Reg. \$25.00 values at \$18.75

Special Sale of Silks

69c yard

One lot of the pretties summer silks—the very silks most in demand—taffetas, foulards, messalines in plain and fancies—26 and 27 1/2 inches wide. Included is a new shipment just received. There is a big assortment of all kinds of patterns and colors for either dresses, waists or trimmings. The regular values are 75c to \$1.00. Special 69c. See window display.

Beyond Compare our New Boys Wash Suits

Our new boys' wash suits are without a doubt the most attractive lot we've ever shown plus the usual wide variety. New Oliver Twists, Middy, Vestee Dutch styles, Dombey and Russian styles. Styles to fit every boy from 2 to 8 years. Our prices are lowest 75c \$1.00 \$1.25 \$1.50 \$2.00. Boys' new Palm Beach suits, sizes 5 to 11 years. Prices \$5.00 and \$6.00 Boys' summer hats 50c to \$1.50



Every Kind of Women's New Neckwear Just Received See Window Display Price 25c and 50c

Our neckwear is always most popular with the women of La Grande—every new lot only lasts a short time—and no wonder, when we sell such pretty neckwear styles at only 25c and 50c, and also, the styles are always the latest, right direct from New York. The assortment just received yesterday has a big variety of separate colors, collar and cuff sets, vestees, etc. Prominently featured are some very new effects in Colonial and Puritan styles; all priced 25c and 50c. The kind that other stores sell for 65c and 75c



For the Elk's Dedication! For the Motorace MEN'S NEW SUITS

The Largest Assortment in Eastern Ore.

This store is exclusive La Grande agents for "Society Brand" "Benjamin" "Hirsch Wickwire" and "Fidelity" suits, four of the country's most famous makes.

\$15, \$20, \$22.50, \$25

Suits for men of all tastes—New English Models—Double Breasted Styles—Conservative Suits—New Box Back Styles—Models for men of mature years and young men.

Manhattan Shirts Here is a wide variety in soft and stiff cuffs priced \$1.50 to \$2.00. Soft summer shirts in new patterns, detachable or attached military collars 75c to \$1.60
Newest Straws All the new braides and shapes are here at \$1.50 to \$3.00. New panamas \$5.00 and \$6.00 Gordon hats \$3.00. Stetson hats \$4.00

Extra Extra N.W. West & Co. THE QUALITY STORE For the Auto Parade

New wash fabrics just come—fancy printed seeded voiles, new polka dot lawn, new black and white voile. See them. Decorate your auto and win the prize. Fancy bunting and flags here of all kinds. Flags that won't fade or run. Moderate prices.

the highway system is well planned the entire county will feel the benefits of the improvement. "As a rule, main market roads reach the majority of producing areas and when they are improved all land values tend to increase. "The primary object of the county highway bond issue is to build county roads and not to improve city streets, although a high percentage of the assessed valuation may be city property. (City and town property is taxed the same as farm lands.) "The improvement of market roads results in improved marketing conditions which benefit the city." Respectfully submitted, M. K. HALL, C. S. DUNN, A. V. ANDREWS, L. D. HOWLAND. Road Committee of Commercial club

Card of Thanks. For the sympathetic help and comfort in the long, weary day of affliction and in the bitter hour of separation, and for the tokens of affection and loving interest in our departed one, opportunity permits us to make reply only in words of thanks and gratitude which we with one accord heartily and gladly do. MR. W. S. LANDRY AND BOYS, MRS. M. D. PURCELL, MRS. L. C. BRADY, MR. O. D. PURCELL, MRS. JOHN M'DONALD. Adv. 6-15-1tp.

CHINESE TRIAL. (Continued from Page 10) tion of the defendants, and her witnesses say Billie Eng was in the Lem Yuan store on Fourth street near the scene of the shooting, from 7:30 until the moment the alarm was given and didn't leave in that time. These two were Lem Yuan himself, who owns the store, and Mon Yet, chief cook at the Model restaurant. Their testimony is therefore in direct contradiction of the four who swore Wong Kouch came to another store and gave the alarm saying Eng and Fong had done the work. Judge Perkey, of Boise, a former United States senator who was appointed to fill an unexpired term not long ago, and who is now practicing law at Boise, testified that Charles Fong had been his domestic servant for three years. He said the reputation of the defendant was good at that time. Mrs. J. C. Goodman of Spokane, where she is superintendent of a Chinese mission, affirmed that Billie Eng had been in school there a year and said his reputation was good while there. Homestead Relinquishment for Trade We have 52c acres located in Idaho in dry farming district that equals the Palouse for wheat. 200 acres of this under once-balance fine pasture land, fine mountain stream running

through the place. Buildings new and extra good. Extra good location for stock raising. Must be seen to be appreciated. Will take good La Grande property and must be turned at once. SECURITY LAND & SAVINGS CO. La Grande National Bank Building. 6-15-6-t Card of Thanks We wish to thank the many friends and the Eagles lodge for their kindness and heartfelt sympathy shown over the death of our husband and father. MRS. JOHN MAHAFFEY MISS NELL MAHAFFEY Adv.-6-15-1tp LOST—Blue gray filley about four years old, branded 7-K, connected, weighs about ten hundred pounds. Will pay reward for recovery. Notify W. O. Johnson, Hilgard, Oregon.—Adv. 6-15-4tp. FOR SALE OR TRADE—An improved choice lot in a desirable residence district in Oakland, California. Call at 1506 Monroe or Phone Black 3362.—Adv. 6-15-1f. Race Begins at 1:30 The thing for the public to remember is that automobiles must be within the course at 1:30. Otherwise they must walk to the scoreboard district, a distance of a quarter of a mile or more. Lunch will be served on the ground for those who don't get dinner at home.

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