

The annual interest on Japan's national debt now amounts to \$75,000,000. Japan will meet it. The job will be much easier than it was to lick Russia.

Fourteen women with paint brush and bucket in hand recently lined up in front of the parsonage fence at Gresham, and in four hours they put on a new coat of white paint, doing the work in a very satisfactory manner. The ladies were members of the aid society and there was no money in the treasury to hire the work done with. It is said that the men of Gresham were very willing to let the women do the work.

Many homesteads have been canceled lately in Eastern Oregon. In the vicinity of Ukiab, seven in a body were thrown out at one swoop. Under present conditions, the homestead law is a difficult problem, not only for the government to maintain, but for the actual settler to comply with. The day when a man could go out and file upon a good farm has passed away long since, and today it is almost impossible to comply with the real intent of a law that was passed to contend with conditions that are not here. Continuous residence and making a living upon latter day homesteads are two important questions that absolutely refuse to harmonize. The law says that the settler shall do one, the other, the settler must do. The department wonders why a man would want a claim that he could not go out and make a living on. While there is some logic in this, still it is true that these claims represent value that would be a great help to many a poor man—the class of people that the government wants to help. The law needs to be modified. The question is one that should be made a special study of by our Western representatives.

Oliver Pierson Suicides.

Oliver Pierson, a pioneer of Morrow county, was found dead in the water closet back of the Hotel Ione at about 5 o'clock Wednesday evening. He had cut his throat from ear to ear with a small pearl handled pocket knife.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict that the deceased met death caused by a knife wound on the throat inflicted by his own hands.

Mr. Pierson was an old-time settler and favorably known citizen of Morrow county, having lived here some 25 years. He sold his ranch in the Eight-Mile country several years ago and has been in Sweden, his native country, until his return a few weeks ago. He came to Ione from Lexington on the morning train and had been talking to L. Jordan about buying the Ione Livery stable not half an hour before he was seen to go out the back door of the hotel, which was the last seen of him until found.—Ione Proclaimer.

Racing at Ione.

The racing at Ione last Thursday, Friday and Saturday resulted in several speed contests. The time was slow owing to a very bad track. Quite a string of local horses were there.

Following are the events: Thursday—One-fourth mile dash between Briery's B. C. Green and Sperry's Eldred. Won by Eldred. Three hundred yards, Sperry's Mamie first; Robison's Maggie Moore second; Parker's Topsy third. Match race of three

a done-half furlongs between Mr. Atee's Cleopatra and Sperry's Ione, won by Ione.

Friday—Handicap, three-eighths of a mile, B. C. Green first; Ione second; Cleopatra third.

Saturday—Match race, quarter of a mile between B. C. Green and Eldred, dead heat.

On the last race the betting was quite heavy, however, the money was drawn owing to the tie. Quite a number of Heppner people attended the races.

Brosman-Currin.

Hugh Currin and Miss Katie Brosman, both of Heppner, were married last evening at the Catholic parsonage, Rev. Father Trivelli officiating. Only a few intimate friends and relatives attended.

The groom is a son of George Currin, a prominent sheepman of Morrow county, and is also a cousin of Dr. Amy Currin, of Pendleton. The bride is a sister of Miss Mary Brosman, who is a student at St. Joseph's academy. Mr. and Mrs. Currin will make their home at Heppner.—Pendleton E. O.

I. O. O. F.

Cayuse Encampment was certainly a lively organization last Monday evening. By special dispensation 10 candidates were given all of the work. There was a banquet given by the Rebekahs that was certainly enjoyed. Visiting brethren were present from Ione, Lexington and Hardman. Richard Scott, of Portland, prominent in I. O. O. F. circles, was present and helped in the exercises of the evening.

Real Estate Transfers.

H. Heppner estate to Geo. Conser, lot 4, blk. 3, Shipley's add. to Heppner, \$25.

State of Oregon to a Neppoch, 640 acres, sec. 36, t. 6 s., r. 29 e. \$800.

Geo. Conser and wife to Henry Blackman, lot 4, blk. 3, Shipley's add. to Heppner.

Jane Penland to Charles H. Breshears two lots in Lexington. \$50.

State of Oregon to J. A. Woolery, 480 acres, n½ sec. 16, t. 1 n., r. 24 e. \$360.

State of Oregon to Hynd Bros., 80 acres, s½ ne¼ sec. 36, t. 1 n., r. 26 e. \$160.

E. G. Sperry and wife to Louisa Sperry, lots in Ione. \$450.

Jane Penland to Joseph Burgoyne, parcel of land. \$75.

J. R. Nunnemaker to Ida Bleakman, lot in Hardman. \$400.

Gilbert Coats, et ux, to Howard W. Anderson, e½ and sw¼ sec. 25 nw¼ sec. 36 t. 3 s., r. 24 e. \$10,240

Geo. W. Thompson and wife to N. S. Whetstone, e½ e¼ sw¼ and sw¼ sw¼ sec. 16, w½ nw¼ and w½ sw¼ sec. 21, t. 2 s., r. 27 e. \$2400.

Ollie Casady and husband to W. R. Cochran, lot in Ione. \$75.

E. G. Sperry and wife to A. A. Finley, lot in Ione. \$10.

James Donnelly to S. E. Van Vactor, lot in Heppner. \$250.

Joseph B. Adams and wife to John A. Adams, undivided one-half interest parcel land in Hardman. \$100.

Wm. C. Sperry to Susan O. Sperry, lots in Ione. \$500.

R. Dell Allstott and wife to R. E. Allstott, s½ ne¼ and nw¼ se q. sec. 23, t. 3 s., r. 24 e. \$25.

John W. Allstott and wife to R. E. Allstott, s hf nw q r n hf sw q sec 23, t 3 s, r 24 e. \$3200.

Charles W. Barr and wife to Samuel Walker, sw q r sec 16, t 2 n, r 24 e. \$2500.

Wm. McNab and wife to Joseph Ornduff, 800 acres. \$15,000.

Oregon Land & Water Co. to Frank Roseboom two lots in Irrigon, \$100.

Chas. J. McKee to A. K. Higge, sw q r sec 23, t 1 n, r 25 e. \$2500.

Oregon Land & Water Co. to Alfred R. Kelley, two lots in Irrigon. \$166.

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The Hicks Almanac For 1905.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks Almanac will not be published for 1906, but his Monthly Journal, Word and Works, has been changed into a large and costly Magazine, and it will contain his storm and weather forecasts and other astronomical features complete. The November number, now ready, contains the forecasts from January to June, 1906. The January number, ready December 20th, will contain the forecasts from July to December, 1906. The price of this splendid Magazine is one dollar a year. See it and you will have it. The November and January numbers containing the Rev. Irl R. Hicks forecasts for the whole year, and more complete than ever, can be had by sending at once 25 cents to Word and Works Publishing Company, 2201 Locust Street, St. Louis, Mo.

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The Grace Johnson Company, which comes to the Roberts Opera House for a week's engagement, commencing Monday, Nov. 27, is a company of recognized ability and produces the latest comedies and melo drama successes of the season. The opening play, "An Artist's Wife," is a foreign melo drama in four acts, intermingled with pathos and laughter. The Grace Johnson Company comes to us well recommended from neighboring cities. Refined vaudeville specialties are introduced between acts, making a continuous performance. The company carries a quartette of excellent singers, special scenery and costumes are used in every production. Seats will be on sale at the drug store.

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