

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE United States National Bank

OF LA GRANDE, OREGON,
At the Close of Business April 18, 1912.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$301,573.69
Overdrafts	None
U. S. Bonds to Secure Circulation	25,000.00
Porto Rico Bonds sec. Postal Dep.	5,000.00
Premium on U. S. Bonds	491.14
Bonds and City and County Warrants	16,490.58
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	28,396.40
Redemption fund 5 per cent of circulation	1,250.00
Cash and due from Banks	152,480.78
	\$530,652.59
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	12,101.62
Circulation	25,000.00
Due to Banks	11,730.76
Certified Checks	100.00
Deposits	381,710.21
	\$530,652.59

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—N. K. West, Wm. Miller, T. J. Scroggin, H. E. Coolidge, A. T. Hill, C. T. Bacon, J. F. Conley, J. L. Caviness, Judge J. C. Henry.

Having adequate equipment and exceptional facilities for handling business in every department of banking we confidently invite the accounts of corporations, firms and individuals to whom we are prepared to extend every courtesy and accommodation consistent with correct and progressive banking methods.

CIPHER MESSAGES.

Rules That Will Help an Amateur to Read the Riddles.

Writing in cipher, where letters or figures or characters, grotesque or otherwise, are used to form the words, while it may look formidable to the uninitiated is really not difficult to solve if one will tackle it with care and patience.

The proper way to set about reading an unknown cipher is to find the letter or figure that occurs oftenest. This is sure to be "e," as "e" is by far the commonest letter in the language. The second commonest is "t," and if you find a three letter or three figure batch often of which the last is "e" and the first "t" the middle letter or figure is sure to stand for "h." Any letter or figure standing alone must, on clear reasoning, be "i" or "o" or "a."

The second commonest three letter word in a message of any length is sure to be "and," which gives you three more letters for addition to the alphabet.

Remembering that the commonest doubles are "ee," "oo" and "ff" (in the order given) and the commonest two letter words are "he," "by," "or," "as," "at" and "an" (in the order given), a person should be able to solve almost any cipher message.

FORCED HIM TO SING.

An Occasion When Abell Made Up His Mind in a Hurry.

It is probable that on no occasion has any other musician had to practice his art under more disagreeable circumstances than that in which Abell, a singer of the seventeenth century, once found himself.

It appears that while Abell was rambling through Poland he was sent for to go to court, and after evading the request by excuses for a short time he was commanded to attend. At the palace Abell was placed in a chair in the center of a spacious hall and suddenly drawn up to a great height. The king, with his attendants, appeared in a gallery opposite him as he sat thunderstruck in his suspended chair. At the same instant several bears entered the hall with their keepers.

As the singer gazed in horror at these ferocious creatures the king calmly inquired whether he preferred to sing or be let down among the bears. The singer's choice, of course, was quickly made, and he afterward declared that in spite of his terror he never sang better in his life, although he admitted he might have introduced a few more "shakes" than usual in his songs.—New York Press.

MARKET REPORTS

Butter—Fancy creamery 30 cents 1 lb. roll; 2 lb. roll 60 cents.
Ranch butter, 50c 2 lb. roll.
Ranch eggs—20c.

Fed and Grain.

Alfalfa Hay—\$13.00 (retail).
Timothy—\$16.00.
Grain Hay—\$13.00.
Bluestem—\$1.75.
Patent—\$1.35.
10s Corn Meal—35c per sack.
Bran and Shorts—\$1.35 and \$1.45
Oats—\$2.00 per cwt.
Rolled Barley—\$1.85 per cwt.
Cattle, Hogs and Fowl.

Cows—4c
Steers—\$5.00 to \$5.75.
Sheep—4c.
Light hogs—\$7.00
Heavy hogs—\$6.00.
Chickens—Hens, 13c; old roosters 11c.

Ducks—Live weight, 12 1/2c.
Geese; live weight 10c.

Fruits.

Home grown apples—\$1.00 to \$1.50 per box. Grade establishes price.
Oranges 40c to 50c.
Bananas—40c per doz.

Vegetables and Miscellaneous.
Potatoes—Per cwt., \$1.75.
New potatoes—10c lb.
Spinach—6c lb., 4 lbs. for 25c.
Hot house green onions—5c bunch 3 for 10c.

Celery—Per bunch 15c, two for 25c.
Beans—White, 8 1-2c; Lima, 10 cents
Rhubarb—10c.
Onions—\$3.00 per cwt

Old cabbage—4c, new 5c.
Sugar—Cane, cash price \$6.45; 30 days' time, \$6.85 per cwt.; beet sugar, cash price, \$6.25; 30 days' time \$6.75

Hot house cucumbers—25c.
Green Peas—15c.
Green asparagus—15c; 2lbs. 25c.

BIDS WANTED

Sealed bids will be received until Thursday, May 23d at 6 o'clock p. m. by the undersigned, assistant secretary of the Union County Fair Association, for the construction of a grand stand according to the plans and specifications on file in my office Monday. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids

A. B. CERRY
Asst. Secretary

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