

### CASHIER OF BANK AT HOME IS SUICIDE

Clyde Brock Ends Life Soon After Promotion From Heppner Bank.

### ACCOUNTS FOUND CORRECT

Discouragement Over Change From Larger to Smaller Town Is Believed to Have Been Cause. One Shot Ends Life.

IONE, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—Clyde Brock, cashier of the Bank of Ione, committed suicide at about 12:35 this afternoon. A .38-caliber revolver was used, the bullet entering the head above the right ear and coming out on the left side near the top of the skull. No motive is assigned except worry over the change of position from assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Heppner to cashier of the Bank of Ione. He succeeded E. A. Claiborne, acting cashier.

E. E. Cronan, the president, was with Mr. Brock about noon and prevailed on him to go to lunch and, receiving a refusal, left for his dinner. Upon his return 25 minutes later he found Mr. Brock breathing his last in the rear room of the bank.

That there was absolutely no possibility of Mr. Brock's suicide being due to financial irregularities was the statement tonight by Mr. Cronan.

### Business Reputation Good.

"I have known Mr. Brock for a long time," said Mr. Cronan. "I had implicit confidence in him and know there could have been nothing wrong. He was a man of spotless character and his record in business and in private life was ideal. He came here only recently to take the cashiership of the bank October 1. It was a promotion from his former position as assistant cashier at the Heppner bank.

"On leaving the bank at Heppner and winding up the affairs there, his accounts underwent a thorough accounting and were found to be absolutely accurate. That sets aside all possibility of there having been any financial irregularities as he had only been with our bank for two days."

### Change Causes Discontent.

"There seems to be no doubt, however, as to what caused his suicide. On coming to Ione, although the change was a promotion, he heard from many persons that he had made a mistake in leaving Heppner, the larger town, for work in a smaller town. He seemed to brood about this. I had noticed for the last two or three days that he seemed discontented. Today I heard him say that there was a future at Ione, as well as Heppner. He wouldn't be cheered, though. Today I begged him to go to luncheon with me, but he insisted that he couldn't eat a morsel and said he was feeling too blue. Twenty-five minutes later I returned and found him dying."

Mr. Brock had left Heppner this morning on the entry of the bank to do a little checking on the books of the bank before opening hours tomorrow. He seemed to worry over displacing the former cashier and was to have taken over the entire charge of the bank, relieving Mr. Cronan of many of the heavy duties of the institution, so he could attend to Portland business.

A coroner's jury found a verdict of suicide. The inquest was held by Dr. C. C. Chick, coroner. Some papers and \$18.54 were found on the body.

Mr. Brock's wife and two children at Heppner and his mother at Salem. He was with the Capital National Bank of Salem, Or., for four and a half years and for a year with the First National Bank of Heppner. He was assistant cashier eight years of this time.

### SUICIDE IS SHOCK TO SALEM

Clyde Brock Well Thought of in Long Residence at Capital.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—Clyde Brock, who committed suicide at Ione, Or., is well known in Salem, where he attended school and later, where he was head bookkeeper for six years and cashier of the Capital National Bank. He was 38 years old and a native of Kansas. An invalid mother, Mrs. Nancy Brock, resides in this city and is a brother, Arthur Brock, is a linotype operator on the Evening Telegram, Portland. His father, Cassius Brock, died in Salem three years ago. He is survived by a widow and two daughters.

Mr. Brock left Salem 15 years ago for Heppner. In 1911 he was assistant cashier in the First National Bank until recently, when he resigned to accept the cashiership of the Bank of Ione. During his residence here Mr. Brock was known as a man of quietude and integrity and the news that he had ended his life came as a shock.

### AFFAIRS AT HEPPNER GOOD

Brock's Mind Was Unhinged.

HEPPNER, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—T. J. Mahoney, cashier of the First National Bank of Heppner, where Clyde Brock was assistant cashier for eight years prior to his suicide, said tonight that he had no knowledge of Brock's financial affairs were in good shape.

"The only way I can account for his suicide is on a theory of temporary insanity," said Mr. Mahoney. "He returned here voluntarily September 2 to take the position of cashier at Ione, and sold his residence property here. Everything was in perfect shape in his accounts here."

Mr. Brock left here this morning for Ione and seemed depressed. Many of his former associates had told him he was making a mistake in leaving Heppner for a smaller town and he seemed worried with the idea.

### \$1000 FAIR RECEIPTS GONE

Two Agents at Gates Are Suspects in Losses at Salem.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—Losses in gate receipts which W. A. Jones, secretary of the State Fair Board, fears will equal \$1000, were discovered tonight by fair officials in checking over the money taken in last week at the State Fair, and two prominent Salem young men, who were among those selling and taking tickets at the gate, are declared to have confessed to the thefts.

Fair officials refused to divulge the names of the suspected employees, but declared they will lodge formal complaint against them tomorrow. Similar losses last year are reported by officials.

### QUEEN TO RULE OVER BRIDGE CARNIVAL IS ELECTED AT NORTH BEND.



NORTH BEND, Or., Oct. 3.—Miss Goldie Riggs has been elected queen of the bridge carnival, which will be held here October 7, 8 and 9, to celebrate the completion of the Willamette Pacific's \$1,000,000 span across Coos Bay. The royal ruler will be attended by six princesses, who were the next highest candidates for queen.

### MISS GOLDIE RIGGS.

An extensive programme of races of various kinds and other sports has been arranged, and large crowds are expected to attend the celebration.

### FAIR RECEIPTS BIG

Income at Salem Is Expected to Exceed Other Years.

\$21,232 IS TAKEN AT GATE

Funds From Other Sources Are Not Yet Included, but 1913 Record Is Believed Surpassed, Despite Some Bad Days.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—With the exception of the fair two years ago, the Oregon State Fair this year led all in the amount of money taken in at the gate, the total being \$21,232 for the six days. This sum does not include money received from the sale of campers' tickets, concessioners, exhibitors, helpers' tickets, automobiles, team tags, or tickets sold prior to the opening date. When the money from these sources is finally included it is believed that the fair's receipts will equal if not exceed those of two years ago.

Grandstand receipts this year were \$2814.76. In 1913 the gate receipts totaled \$28,104. Wet weather during the last two days of the fair this year undoubtedly prevented the attendance from surpassing that of past fairs, according to W. A. Jones, secretary of the fair board.

Auto increase is striking. One of the striking features of the fair this year was the large number of automobiles which were driven to the grounds. Salem and Portland days, the two largest days of the fair, showed a total of 7000 machines parked along the race course and driveways. The rapid development of the automobile industry was shown here in the great increase of cars in Oregon over two years ago. Two years ago the number of automobiles in Oregon was but half of those here last week.

With the fair's closing, exhibitors today began packing exhibits and loading them in trucks to return home. The livestock show this year was declared far better than in the past. So numerous were the exhibitors that in charge had difficulty in finding space to accommodate all the animals shown. As a result of the crowded condition which prevailed the decision was made to increase quarters next year. Livestock men generally are united to induce the state to develop funds to build a coliseum which will provide space for all who wish to exhibit stock.

Dairying interest Stimulated. Development of the dairying industry in the state is sure to follow the fair this year. The Jersey owners of the state had more than 200 thoroughbred animals in the competition. This year declared to be the largest Jersey herd exhibited at any fair in the country. The Jersey men at the fair have decided to work for inclusion of dairying in the state constitution. C. N. McArthur, representative in Congress from the Third District, who is the owner of a large Jersey herd, has decided to increase its membership.

The laying of pavement along the main driveways on the grounds aided greatly in keeping down the mud that past fairs had proved so much inconvenient. Hard surface was laid from the Southern Pacific station to the main entrance to the fair grounds, and thence inside to the main points of interest. Next year the fair board expects to lay more pavement.

### POLICY SUITS IS THREAT

MR. WELLS ASKS COURT TO ALLOW "FIRE RELIEF" ACTIONS.

Receiver Proposes Legal Steps to Collect Assessments for Defunct Insurance Concern.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—Policyholders in the Horticultural Fire Relief of Oregon who have not paid the assessments levied against them by State Commissioner Wells, as receiver for the company, face the prospect of suits as the result of a petition filed here in the Circuit Court yesterday. Receiver Wells is asking for permission to institute suits, and it is expected that Circuit Judge Galloway will grant the request this week.

The company in December, prior to its failure, notified the members of an assessment and the receiver since then has twice mailed assessment notices to members, but the response, it is declared, has been poor.

It appears," said Mr. Wells today, "that each member, in accepting a policy, agreed to a further assessment if a necessity should exist, and that necessity now arises, inasmuch as the company is faced by unpaid fire claims to its members. The by-laws of these policies specifically state that members must pay their assessments before they can surrender their membership and be relieved of further liability."

Receiver Wells also has filed a petition requesting the court's permission to begin action against several agents of the Horticultural Fire Relief for amounts that they have failed to send in. It appears that no settlement can be made with these agents without the aid of the courts.

Queensland is estimated to have 40,000,000 acres of forests as yet unexplored and unreserved.

### GUSHER DEDICATED; FARMERS REJOICE

Morrow County People Flock to See Rice Well, Which Promises Enrichment.

### LAND VALUES ENHANCED

William McMurray Opens Exercises; "Farmer" Smith Tells What Benefits Will Accrue From Assurance of Water in Plenty.

LEXINGTON, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—Morrow County farm land jumped \$100 an acre today when 300 farmers, their wives and children, traveled across country for a radius of from 40 to 80 miles to help celebrate the dedication of an artesian water gusher on the farm of E. B. Rice, 10 miles from Lexington, Or.

Ten years ago Rice, aged 28, came to Morrow County from Missouri, took up a quarter section of homestead land. Four years later he purchased an adjoining section from the Government at \$1.25 an acre, and since then has purchased 854 acres at \$16 an acre. Two weeks ago he was offered \$15 an acre for his property, but today he wouldn't sell his 1174 acres for \$115 an acre, because water was struck at a depth of 600 feet September 24.

All of Morrow County is rejoicing with Rice tonight, as water for Rice means water for Morrow County.

William McMurray, general passenger agent for the O.-W. R. & N., opened the dedication exercises, introducing Farmer L. Starnbury, general freight agent of the road.

W. D. Newlon, designated sagebrush water king of Morrow County, because he found the water, made the closing address, thanking the Morrow County residents for the faith they placed in him for the past two years.

James Miller, traveling passenger agent of the O.-W. R. & N., was also a prominent participant in the celebration.

### CHIEF 'FROSH' KIDNAPED

OREGON "U. BABES," WITHOUT LEADER, LOSE CLASS MIX.

Sophomores Make Another Coup by Sending Freshman President Off Into Wilds for Day.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—"Where is your president?" was the question, printed in huge black letters on a large canvas sandwich, which a member of the sophomore class triumphantly carried as his mates serpenitined over Kincaid Field yesterday prior to the annual undeciesed mix.

"Where is the 'frosh' president?" The inquiry spread like fire through the stands and bleachers.

No one seemed prepared to answer. A few minutes later 150 green-clad freshmen lock-stepped into the arena. Their leader was missing, and in his place shuffed an unruly lot who grinned sheepishly. His expression seemed to picture the sentiments of the entire class.

There was something wrong. Now, where was the "frosh" president?" The answer: Securely missing—at 5:30, to be accurate—four sophomores crept to a fraternity house sleeping porch, quietly removed Ray Burns, of Coquille, the president returned last night, into a waiting machine and the party of five hummed out of Eugene and far into the country.

"We are going pheasant shooting," was the answer Burns received when he demanded explanations. And so they did. It was a long hunt; the party returned last night, and underclass mix was history and the sophomores had made another coup.

"The 'babes' were without a commander; they lost the mix."

### CITY PROBERS SELECTED

MAYOR NAMES COMMITTEE TO RE-VISE OREGON CITY FINANCES.

Manager Plan Favored by Several to Straighten Out Tangle, but All Methods to Be Studied.

OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—The committee of nine to evolve a plan to put Oregon City on a business basis, authorized at a taxpayers' meeting Friday night, will be composed of E. C. Caulfield, cashier of the Bank of Oregon City; C. H. Dye, former legislator; attorney; E. R. Brown, editor Courier; M. E. Latourette, vice-president of the Commercial Club; the Board of Commissioners; and the South Fork Water Commission and president of the Clackamas County Automobile Club; E. E. Brodie, editor of the Enterprise; J. O. Staats, student of municipal government, deputy assessor and former deputy sheriff; T. W. Sullivan, president of the Commercial Club; L. Ship, attorney for South Fork Water Commission, and E. T. Beverlin, merchant. The committee was appointed last night by Mayor Jones.

The committee will meet and organize at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night. Mayor Jones said last night that he endeavored to make the committee as representative as possible.

The duties of the committee are vague in a general way, the organization is to form a plan to put the city on a business basis. Whether this means a new charter, amendments to the present charter or only such changes as are possible without an amendment is entirely with the committee. The Mayor said that the committee would report to a mass meeting of taxpayers.

Several on the committee are known to favor a business manager, a plan advocated by Don C. Sowers, of the University of Oregon, who spoke at the Commercial Club parlors Friday night.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—Sentiment grows in the rural sections of this county for country high schools. Last year the two school districts of the upper valley combined and formed County High School No. 1. The patrons of the Odell School district recently established a high school there. At present the classes of the high school grades are being conducted, but plans are under way for the purchase of additional lots and the construction of a high school building.

On October 15 an election will be held in the Odell district for the purpose of voting on a bond issue of \$5000, the funds to be used in erecting the proposed building.

Commercial Club to Reorganize. CORVALLIS, Or., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—The Corvallis Commercial Club has started a campaign to reorganize under the plan adopted by the Portland Chamber of Commerce and Salem Commercial Club. H. V. Chase, who reorganized the Portland and Salem clubs, is here to take charge of the reorganization.

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