

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE  
**First State Bank**

At Eagle Point, in the State of Oregon at close of business December 31, 1923.

RESOURCES

- Loans and discounts, including redemptions shown in items 29 and 30, if any \$39,708.13
- Overdrafts secured and unsecured 37.47
- U. S. government securities owned, including those shown in items 30 and 35, if any 6,650.00
- Other bonds, warrants and securities, including foreign government, state, municipal, corporation, etc., including those shown in items 30 and 35, if any 5,908.70
- Stocks, securities, claims, liens, judgments, etc. 540.00
- Banking house, \$4896.51; furniture and fixtures, \$1800 6,496.51
- Real estate owned other than banking house 848.75
- (a) Cash on hand in vault and due from banks, bankers and trust companies designated and approved reserve agents of this bank 38,073.79
- (b) Total cash and due from banks, items 8, 9, 10, and 11 138,073.79

Total \$98,263.36

LIABILITIES

- Capital stock paid in \$15,000.00
- Surplus fund 3,300.00
- Undivided profits 485.69
- Demand Deposits, other than banks, subject to reserve:
  - Individual deposits subject to check, including deposits due the State of Oregon, county, cities or other public funds 65,658.16
  - Demand certificates of deposit outstanding 235.16
  - Cashier's checks of this bank outstanding payable on demand 340.47
- Total of demand deposits, other than bank deposits, subject to reserve, items 23, 24, 25 \$66,233.73
- Time and Savings Deposits, subject to reserve and payable on demand or subject to notice 13,263.94
- Time certificates of deposit outstanding 13,263.94

Total \$98,263.36

State of Oregon, County of Jackson, ss.  
I, H. E. Campbell, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
H. E. CAMPBELL, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, 1924.  
R. P. COWGILL, Notary Public.  
My commission expires August 7th, 1926.  
Correct—Attest: J. F. Brown, W. H. Brown, Directors.

### OVER 8 PER CENT OF FARMERS HAVE LOST THEIR FARMS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—More than 8 1/2 per cent of the farmers who owned land in 1920 and more than 7 per cent of the tenant farmers in 15 corn and wheat producing states have lost their property with or without legal process, due to purchase during the boom period, unwise investments or other causes.

This estimate, based by the department of agriculture on replies to a special inquiry to 2400 farmers in the upper Mississippi valley, indicated it was announced today, that out of a total of 2,289,000 owner and tenant farmers in the sections considered, more than 108,000 lost their farms or other property through foreclosure or bankruptcy; more than 122,000 lost theirs without legal proceedings and nearly 273,000 retained their property only because of the leniency of creditors.

The losses, the department found, were relatively more numerous in Montana, North Dakota, Colorado and South Dakota than in the east north central states.

### FARMERS TO AID LABOR AND FIGHT MELLON TAX PLAN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Renewed support to organized labor in the political and economic fields was pledged by representatives of farmers' organizations in many sections of the country at the closing meeting today of a several days session here.

Resolutions were adopted urging prompt repeal of the Each-Connally law, and freight rate reductions on farm products without cutting wages of railway employees while opposition was voiced to the plan of the Mellon tax bill for lowering sur-taxes on large incomes. Immediate enactment by congress of the Norris-Sinclair bill to create a government marketing corporation for farm products also was asked.

Other resolutions urged that Muscle Shoals be developed "by the federal government for the benefit of the entire people," that an investigation be made of the department of agriculture's method of staling and reporting crops; that high tariff duties on manufactured necessities of life be repealed or reduced; that the house rules be modified to allow discharge of committees on petition of ten per cent of the members; and that the administration of the packer and stockyard act be transferred from the department of agriculture to the federal trade commission.

Immediate relief for wheat farmers in the spring wheat states is being urged on congress and government officials by a delegation from Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota.

### PRIZE IS OFFERED BY R. A. BOOTH FOR BEST CIRCUIT RIDER POEM

PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—There were no more self-sacrificing nor earnest men than the circuit riders of the Pacific northwest. These rustic pastors served a country that has become an empire, and laid the cultural foundations of three states, but it would seem that their very names have been buried with them. Oregon, Washington and Idaho were settled by sturdy, home loving people, not by adventurers or gold-seekers. Such people founded homes for their families, lived righteously and called their ministers to their aid.

In all this vast area towns were few and small, and not every town had its church. The Circuit Rider would start from his home at stated times, and on horseback, by canoe or even on foot, make his roadless way to the settlements, landings, and scattered houses of the outposts of civilization. He carried primarily religion, together with advice, admonition and often the law and physician's services.

Through the wet forests of the coast to the arid plains of the east, these men were welcomed or dreaded as their hosts were just or unjust. Many a prominent man of today owes his prominence to the help of these pioneer clergymen.

The father of Mr. R. A. Booth of Salem, was a circuit rider. Mr. Booth has commissioned A. Phinister Procter to make a bronze statue of an equine circuit rider, in memory of his parent and the other pioneer missionaries. The governor has accepted the offer on the part of the state and assigned the statue a place in the capitol grounds at Salem. The dedication date will be set soon.

Mr. Booth has offered a prize of \$100 for the best poem on the subject of the circuit rider. The competition rules have been drawn and limit the contest to the residents of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The rules are as follows:

- The contest is instituted by Mr. R. A. Booth of Eugene, Oregon, in honor of those valiant, God-fearing, self-sacrificing men, the circuit riders who in Mr. Booth's own language "became the friends, counselors and evangelists of the pioneers on every American frontier and who so largely directed the thought of our citizenry and shaped the course of our civilization, and who in their last and possibly their best work, helped to determine the boundaries of the Oregon country."
- The contest shall be limited to contestants residing in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.
- The poems submitted must be 32 lines or less. The prize winning poem is to be the property of Mr. Booth.
- Contestants may use any form of verse (subject only to established criteria.)
- Manuscripts must be typewritten and signed by non de plume, and accompanied by sealed envelope bearing non de plume on outside, and enclosing real name and address of contestant. Manuscripts must be submitted in triplicate, one copy for each of the judges. As no poems will be returned, contestants should also keep a copy for their own files.
- Contest closes on February 1, 1924.
- Judges will be selected by the presidents of University of Oregon, University of Washington, and the University of Idaho.
- Manuscripts must be sent in sealed and plainly marked envelope to the Circuit Rider Poetry Contest, care the Poets' Corner, the J. K. Gill company, Portland, Oregon.

Committee in charge of contest—Wallace McCamant, J. E. Wheeler, John T. Hotchkiss, chairman, care J. K. Gill Co., Portland, Ore.

### S. P. TO BLOW UP BIG MOUNTAIN IN UTAH

OGDEN, Utah, Jan. 10.—About 200,000 pounds of dynamite is to be exploded by the Southern Pacific railroad about January 25 at Lake Side, Utah, to blast from a mountain 700-000 cubic feet of rock to be used in ballasting the Ogden-Lucien cut-off across the Great Salt Lake to the west of here, according to announcement. About 300,000 feet of tunnel work is being done preliminarily to the blast.

### TROTSKY ILL, WILL TAKE A REST CURE

MOSCOW, Jan. 10.—(By the Associated Press)—Acting upon the advice of his physicians, Leon Trotsky, soviet war commissar, has left Moscow for a two month's leave, according to the war office.

Unofficially, it is said the commissar has gone to the Black sea coast. Announcement was made that Premier Lenine was improving so rapidly that he will be able to participate in governmental affairs within a few months.

### RETURN GIRL CHECK ARTIST TO PENDLETON

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 10.—Word has been received here from the police department of Portland that Regina Safely, who, it is alleged passed about \$70 worth of worthless checks here Saturday is being held there. Miss Safely is also wanted in Seattle, but since the Pendleton authorities are anxious to prosecute her she will probably be brought here by Sheriff Houser now at Salem with prisoners.

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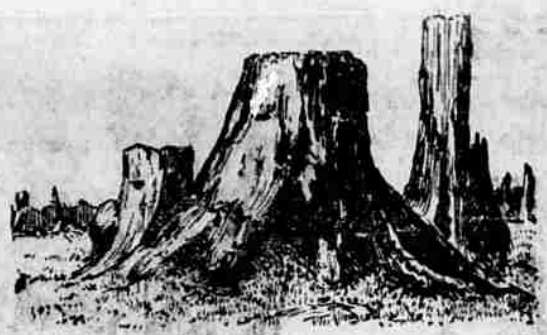
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**Escaped Convicts Captured.**  
RINGMAN, Ariz., Jan. 10.—After a chase of many miles through rugged canyon country along the border of the Colorado river, Jimmy Clark and Robert Cole, escaped from the Nevada penitentiary, were captured today twenty miles south of Searchlight, Nev., according to word received here.

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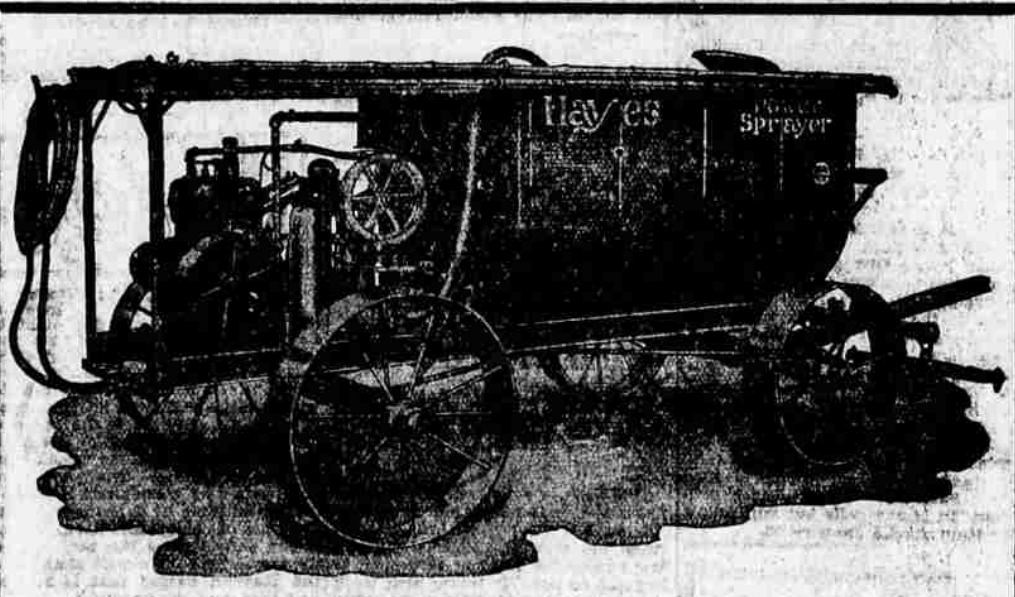
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A recent editorial in the Country Gentleman said: "A thoroughly good tree or bush is worth whatever you have to pay for it: the first bush, or the first quart will pay for it. A poor or undependable plant is worthless at any price."

The California State Commission of Horticulture in Monthly Bulletin, Vol. 7, No. 5, says: "In buying trees it is well first of all to know the nurseryman with whom one is dealing. The man who buys cheap trees is trying the best possible foundation for a cheap orchard, as cheap trees, in practically every case, are inferior trees."

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