

Condensed Report of FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Hood River, Oregon

At the close of business December 31, 1925

RESOURCES	
Cash on Hand and Due from Banks	\$ 202,995.54
United States Bonds	108,850.00
Other Bonds and Securities	224,903.63
Loans and Discounts	568,482.13
Bank Building and Fixtures	51,000.00
Other Real Estate	16,000.00
	\$1,172,231.30
LIABILITIES	
Deposits	\$1,038,079.28
Capital Stock	100,000.00
Earned Surplus and Profits	34,152.02
	\$1,172,231.30

Statement of the Condition of the Butler Banking Company, of Hood River, Ore.

at the close of business, December 31, 1926

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$577,065.07
Bonds and Warrants	236,188.77
Savings Department Loans	228,248.94
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	5,250.00
Furniture and Fixtures	17,393.85
Banking Premises	86,743.16
Other Real Estate	10,490.67
Cash on Hand and in Reserve Banks	307,845.34
Total	\$1,470,225.50
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$125,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	58,794.66
Deposits	1,232,405.13
Foreign Drafts Sold	54,025.71
Total	\$1,470,225.50

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BUTLERS BUY CITY BONDS

CITY FAVORS LOWER BRIDGE ROAD

Bonds, Streets, Market Road, Water, Reports and Petitions Constituted Busy Council Session

That Hood River city bonds are in keen demand developed Monday night at the regular meeting of the city council. Five bids were opened, offering to purchase an issue of 10-year-6% improvement bonds of \$5,000.00, dated October 12, 1925. Butler Bank and Co. secured the bonds, their bid being \$102.75 and accrued interest. Other bids were: First National Bank, \$102.19; Lumbermen's Trust Co., Portland, \$101; K. L. B. Bank, Hood River, \$102.41; and McGuire & Son, of Portland, \$102.00. The number of bids for so small an issue speaks very highly of Hood River's municipal credit. Monday night was a busy one for the city council, many matters being attended to. A petition came in to have something done with the water standing on Hull street. The city will reduce the amount of water or perhaps the section may be declared a lake resort and pleasure boats installed.

A communication from Dr. Stricker, of the state health board, was read, and the council voted to place our city in the first class as to health conditions.

Various reports were received, among them an interesting one from the fire marshal. During December only two alarms were turned in and in neither instance was the damage more than a few dollars. A noticeable feature was that although conditions were favorable, not a single fire was reported to mar the Christmas holidays. A committee of West Side orchardists with S. G. Oxborrow as spokesman, visited the council, requesting an expression from the body in regards to the proposed West Side market road through the Paradise acreage. The matter was discussed at some length, and it was decided that the street committee secure further rights-of-way prices and the council meet with the county court in an endeavor to get together on the proposition.

A committee from the Heights came before the alderman asking police protection for their section. They cited instances of robberies and attempted robberies, stating that they felt they were sadly in need of police action at night. The council instructed the police committee to give the matter attention and endeavor to give the Heights section some manner of night protection. E. A. Sparks, Ray Samuel and E. L. Van Cleve presented the request.

Councilman Young stated that the old fire bell tower was becoming a menace inasmuch as it was frequently broken by automobiles and suggested that the bell be transferred to the city hall. He declared that the lot should be cleaned up and used for the city equipment which is scattered. The suggestion seemed to meet with approval and the matter was referred to the proper committee for action.

It was unanimously voted that the city go on record as favoring the bridge road going under the O. W. R. & N. bridge, and that the council be apprised of this fact and requested to consider this road.

W. L. Clark, city engineer and water supervisor, tendered his resignation, but the councilmen voted not to accept the resignation. They also voted to buy the lighting apparatus used on the community Christmas tree, the belief being expressed that another tree would be in evidence next Christmas time.

MORTENSEN WINS, JONES LOSES BOUT

One of the most interesting wrestling cards ever staged here was put on at the K. of P. hall Saturday night. Despite the fact that 150 tickets were refunded to Japanese a good crowd was present and it was a long night. It was about the most enthusiastic crowd imaginable. The match was to have been of three events, any one of them headliners, but almost at the last moment Prof. Takahashi, champion Jiu Jitsu wrestler, withdrew. "Sorry, unable to come. Pardon me." He was matched with John McKenzie, of Oakland, and had agreed to explain jiu jitsu wrestling to the fans. The Japanese contingency is not at all pleased with the professor's reneging and have written him urging an early match here. It is expected that he will be seen here soon.

Henry Jones, of Provo, Utah, welter-weight world champion, was knocked out by Lester when he agreed to throw any three men of his class within an hour. Jones is a good man, and Friday night had defeated Robin Reed at Albany. However, Al Brown, of Texas, who met him, first was made of India rubber, and it took Jones 43 minutes to put him on the mat. Jones got several dandy holds, but Brown appeared not to have a bone in his body and would wriggle out. Jones finally got him with a toe hold. Both men were fast workers. George Lester was second on the mat and Jones went after him with a determination, but Lester was a surprise to everyone, showing more strength than it was thought he possessed. He was not aggressive, as was Jones, but he sure had the staying power and was still unbeaten at the end of the hour limit.

Young Lester is a former boxer and gives promise as a future wrestler, with further training. This three-man bout was promoted by Art La Chapelle, former welterweight champion of Canada, who was to have been third man, but owing to Lester's staying qualities is still looking for a bout.

The big event was the match between Hood River's Durable Dane, Fred Mortensen, and Bill Thornton, of Vancouver, light heavyweight champion of Canada. Thornton is a clean wrestler, and it was a pleasure to see him work with Mortensen, who has the reputation of being one of the cleanest sports on the Pacific coast. Mortensen surprised even his most enthusiastic backers, coming through with quick action and good holds. Thornton was equally

clever and gave Mortensen some real work with some of his holds. Noticeable, however, was the fact that Thornton's toes were as touchy as Mortensen's, so toe holds were not frequent.

The Dane is strong on head scissors and double wrist locks, and he put the Canuck on the mat for the first fall in 28 minutes with these holds. After the usual 10-minute rest both men returned to the mat apparently refreshed and the match was speedy for just 10 minutes when Mortensen got another head scissors with a double wrist lock and Thornton took the mat for the second time, ending one of the best matches ever seen here.

Virgil Hamlin, Portland promoter, was present for the card, and expressed surprise at the size of the crowd for a community of our class and for the enthusiasm displayed. At the close of the match Mortensen expressed a desire to have the Russian lion, Karsick, who has just recently taken the belt from Ted Thye, meet him here. Mr. Hamlin made the statement that Mortensen's showing Saturday night entitled him to a match with Karsick and that he would endeavor to bring the Russian here as soon as possible. Such a match will be very welcome to local sports, who are becoming much interested in wrestling, owing to the topnotchers and generally clean sportsmen brought here by Mortensen and his associates.

Young Peters, of Salt Lake, who refereed the bouts, was very alert and everyone was pleased with his decisions. He was always fair and sure in his decisions.

GENERAL FUND GETS SURPLUS BOOSE FINES

The sum of \$1,892.25 from the prohibition fund and \$258.72 from the sale of cars was turned into the general fund of the county treasury January 1. The law requires that half of the fines received from violators of the prohibition law be turned into the state treasury from each county until the sum of \$50,000 is received. After that time the law allows all over \$2,000 collected from the county to remain in the general fund of the county. There was on hand December 31, \$3,892.25. Last October the state had collected the limit of \$50,000 from the counties of the state.

Reports made to District Attorney Baker by the state prohibition officer show that Hood River county has been more active in enforcing the prohibition law than most of the other counties. While the population of Hood River county ranks about 25, the money turned into the state treasury by the county ranks about one-seventh in comparison with other counties of the state. Some of the counties with the largest population show surprising inactivity in the past.

The prohibition fund of the state is used solely to defray expenses of prosecutions and by the district attorneys and sheriffs in obtaining evidence of liquor violations.

HOOD RIVER VALLEY 73 YEARS AGO

(By Mrs. Della M. Cook)

Wm. Catesby Laughlin was born in Kentucky, December 24, 1814, of Scotch descent. April 8th, 1840, he was married to Mary Jane Yeargin at the residence of her parents in Illinois. They first home was in a little log cabin in Gilliam township, six miles from Quincy. A few months later they moved to Scotland county, Missouri, all their worldly possessions being brought in a two-wheeled cart drawn by a yoke of oxen.

Several years of hard work in pioneering were followed by prosperous times, a new house was built and many comforts added. Three children were born to them in this home; Elizabeth, James and Frank.

The parents became interested in the west and April 20, 1850, started across the plains. Betty was nine and James seven at that time and both took a lively interest in all that was going on and helped in many ways as well disposed children always do. When more than half way across the plains, and provisions were running low, Mr. Laughlin had an opportunity to purchase a fresh milk cow, an investment which insured the health of the children, especially of Baby Frank.

The family arrived at Fort Dalles October 4 and prepared to embark on the waiting barges for the Willamette valley, but the barges were already loaded beyond the point of safety, so it was decided to spend the winter at the fort.

Some good land was found near the place now known as Crater Point, and here Mr. Laughlin began to build a cabin only to find that the land was within the military reservation and had to be abandoned. Mr. Laughlin then took a contract of making shingles on Mill creek, the family living in their tent near by. When this contract was finished they moved down the creek, locating near the tent of the Herberts, a family that had crossed the plains with them. These two families were the only families lying at the fort that winter. Mr. Laughlin found work as a carpenter in the sawmill, a few cows were bought, which Betty and James took charge of, herding and feeding them, while Mrs. Laughlin made and sold leather gloves and money belts, also butter from the cows.

Ambrose Herbert, 14 years of age, was taken with pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Laughlin aided his parents in caring for the sick boy and when he died they did all that human hands could do to relieve their sorrow. Ambrose Herbert was the first white person buried in the cemetery at the Dalles.

In April, 1851, Lieutenant Woods offered the Laughlins the use of the mess house, the furniture and a certain sum per month. If Mrs. Laughlin would board himself, Mr. Gibson, the butler, and Charlie Jabine, his clerk. This offer was accepted and the Laughlin family remained there until October, 1852.

Mr. Laughlin, with Frank Camp for partner, started a trading post at Ten Mile Creek, where they sold beef, flour, dried fruits, pies, cakes, pickles.

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COURT ACTS ON BRIDGE ROAD

BIG DELEGATION ASKS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION ON ROAD TO BRIDGE

Club Starts Movement for Immediate Action on Road to Bridge Which Gets Results

The emergency call sent out by the Chamber of Commerce and publicity given by the newspapers of the meeting of the Lunch Club last Tuesday on the bridge road matter, drew out one of the largest crowds at a lunch club meeting this week in the history of the organization. The dining room of the Hotel Waukoma was crowded, so that extra tables had to be placed to accommodate the guests.

The meeting was turned over to G. T. Baker, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Baker briefly reviewed the bridge road matter and stated that the county court had passed a resolution that a road would be completed to connect with the bridge by the time the bridge was finished. A committee was appointed to see that the work was done, the committee being composed of city business men and representatives of the granges. That committee had called upon the court several times, and had asked to make the road a market road, and was in favor of improving the present road under railroad tracks. But little satisfaction was given the committee. Mr. Baker stated that the railroad was in favor of the road going under the tracks instead of an overhead crossing.

Mr. Blanchard was called upon and stated that he had nothing further to say than what he had remarked last week. He hoped that a large number would turn out at the meeting of the county court Wednesday and ask that the present road be selected and made a market road. Also that a protest be made against an overhead crossing, as proposed hearing by the Public Service Commission. That body is delicate in its movements and the delay such a hearing would cause would probably mean another session before the road could be built.

E. E. Scott said he indicated what had been said and hoped that a large attendance at the court meeting the next day would make an impression upon the county court.

E. F. Batten stated that as a member of the committee he had waited upon the court and the only response was to have the matter taken under advisement. He wanted a big delegation to attend the meeting Wednesday and ask for a show down. That if the present court would make a decision on someone else who would, Mr. Batten said that the county was now in a position where the county was to make a decision on the bridge road.

H. G. Ball made remarks endorsing what had been said, and said that nothing was being done about the road and immediate action should be taken. Mayor Bennett stated that the city council Monday night passed a resolution in favor of the crossing under the railroad tracks.

E. A. Olmsted moved that the Chamber of Commerce appear as a committee of the whole before the county court and demand immediate action. It was unanimously carried. Committees from the granges were also requested to meet with the Chamber of Commerce.

Everyone present seemed to be of one mind in the matter, that the present road be improved, and against an overhead crossing, so there was no difference of opinion to be argued and the meeting adjourned with a determination to bring as strong a movement as possible on the court the next day.

When the county court was called to order yesterday morning, the room was filled to overflowing with representatives from the city and county, following up the meeting of the previous day.

C. T. Baker stated the proposition to the court which was up for consideration, and urgently requested a decision.

H. L. Shoemaker was appointed spokesman for the delegation. He said he had acted in other matters before the court, and always found the county court stood for the best interests of the people and tried to make the money go as far as possible. He said that it took a good deal of public sentiment to satisfy the court, but in this case it seemed to be unanimously in favor of improving the present bridge road. He felt that in justice to the committee and the public a decision should be made. He hoped that the court would take it in the friendly spirit in which it was made.

Truman Butler said that the bridge road had been before the court for some time. A resolution was on record that the court would have a road completed when the bridge was built. The bridge has been built for a year and it was time to do something. He was in favor of the present road being improved.

H. G. Ball said that the road had been under discussion for some time, and there was but little opposition to the plan. The city pays its share of the taxes and has a perfect right to be heard, he declared, as it is only asking for \$7,500 this year from the road fund.

Mr. Forsten said that a wrong impression had been given. There was no unanimous opinion about the market road program. The West Side has not taken any action and has not been consulted. He wished to make it clear that he was not opposed to the bridge road, but did not favor tying up market road funds for a period so the West Side would be shut out of money which had been promised them for road purposes. While they had a good grade in the country they were unable to get into the city except over steep grades which limited their loads both coming and going. They were faced with a situation in the city limits that gave them no assurance of improving the grade through the Paradise acreage. He was opposed to tying up all the funds on the market road program to the West Side would have to wait years.

J. J. Krumpalcher made a plea for improvement of the river road from Tucker's bridge to the Prather place and wanted it placed on the market road program. He considered it more

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