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HIGH COUNTRY BANCORP INC
Form 15-12G
February 12, 2004

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 15

CERTIFICATION AND NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION
12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 OR
SUSPENSION OF DUTY TO FILE REPORTS UNDER SECTIONS 13 AND
15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

Commission File Number 0-23409

HIGH COUNTRY BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

7360 WEST US HIGHWAY 50, SALIDA, COLORADO 81201 (719) 539-2516

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area
code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE

(Title of each class of securities covered by this Form)

NONE

(Title of all other classes of securities for which a duty to file
reports under section 13(a) or 15(d) remains)

Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the appropriate rule provision(s)
relied upon to terminate or suspend the duty to file reports:

Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(i)	/X/	Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(i)	/ /
Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(ii)	/ /	Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(ii)	/ /
Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(i)	/ /	Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(i)	/ /
Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(ii)	/ /	Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(ii)	/ /
		Rule 15d-6	/ /

Approximate number of holders of record as of the certification or notice date:
297

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (High
Country Bancorp, Inc.) has caused this certification/notice to be signed on
behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Date: February 12, 2004

By: /s/ Larry D. Smith

Larry D. Smith
President and Chief Executive Officer

Instruction: This form is required by Rules 12g-4, 12h-3 and 15d-6 of the
General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The
registrant shall file with the Commission three copies of Form 15, one of which
shall be manually signed. It may be signed by an officer of the registrant, by
counsel or by any other duly authorized person. The name and title of the person

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signing the form shall be typed or printed under the signature.