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**UNITED STATES** 

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 1, 2019

### PEOPLES BANCORP INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 000-16772 31-0987416 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) Number) Identification Number)

138 Putnam Street, PO Box 738

Marietta, Ohio 45750-0738 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (740) 373-3155

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- oWritten communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

o Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

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Item 8.01 Other Events Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 1, 2019, Peoples Bancorp Inc. ("Peoples"), parent company of Peoples Bank, issued a press release announcing that it has received all necessary regulatory approvals for the merger between Peoples and First Prestonsburg Bancshares Inc. ("First Prestonsburg") and for the merger between Peoples Bank and First Prestonsburg's wholly owned subsidiary, First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Inc. ("First Commonwealth"). On February 12, 2019, the shareholders of First Prestonsburg approved the merger with Peoples through the adoption of the previously announced definitive merger agreement, pursuant to which First Prestonsburg will merge with and into Peoples, and First Commonwealth will subsequently merge with and into Peoples Bank. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits a) - c)
Not applicable.

d) Exhibits See Index to Exhibits below.

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

### PEOPLES BANCORP INC.

Date: March 1, 2019 By:/s/JOHN C. ROGERS

John C. Rogers

**Executive Vice President** 

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS** 

Exhibit Description Number

Peoples

Bancorp Inc.

Receives

Regulatory

Approval of its Merger

with First

Prestonsburg

Bancshares

Inc.