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**COUNTY WARRANTS ARE CALLED BY TREASURER**

County Official Taylor Finds He Can Divide Cash With Holders of Warrants

There are funds in the Treasury to pay all warrants registered prior to July 15th, 1904. Interest will cease from this date. Nov. 29, 1907.  
J. T. TAYLOR,  
County Treasurer

**Many Mining Matters**

Frank James et al., have filed notice of the location of the quartz claims, "Mabel," "Hazel" and "Daisy" located in the Galice mining district.

Thom's Lannon has located a water ditch, tapping the waters of the Waldo Gulch Creek. A placer location claim, "Nugget," has been located in the Williams Creek mining district by E. S. Jackson et al.

O. S. Goodnow has filed his affidavit, showing that he has done \$400 worth of assessment work for the year 1907 on the "Yuba," "Rosebud" and "Virgil" claims in the Briggs Creek mining district.

E. M. Albright, the well known Josephine county mining man has returned from his extended trip to New Mexico and Arizona, where he was formerly engaged in this kind of work. He thinks Josephine county mines are going to be much talked about in the near future.

E. H. Gething, who has a nice place four miles out on the Murphy road also has some fine lode claims, located in the Applegate district, two miles west of Provoit. These are the "New Years Gift" and "Keystone." The ore has assayed from 40 cents in the fillings to \$10 in the main vein, the latter being six feet wide and he has a 75 foot tunnel completed about 60 feet down and is now doing some cross-cutting. He is after a big shoot, which he thinks comes through the pocket. The lead does not show on the surface, but there is a very fine lot of white crystallized lime, which mining men recognize as a very fine indication. This claim is in the same belt in which the promising property belonging to Dr. Flanagan and Dickson & Hall, and in which the famous "Goloonda" mine is situated. There has been much money taken out of this belt, in former days and the present prospects are most excellent. That there is gold there is indicated by the significant fact that in other days old Mr. Knox had placers, from which he realized from \$12,000 to \$15,000 and one pocket, the "Dancy," produced no less than \$3000, itself. Other parties made good findings and Mr. Gething feels confident that he is going to have fully as good success.

George Vining has commenced work on the "Eureka," mining claim, located in the Applegate district. It is said to be a relocation of the old "Dolphin," which was such a promising property in former days and the indications now are extremely promising.

Work on the famous "Greenback" mine, on Grave Creek, will soon be started in earnest by the lessees. Five of the 40 stamp mills will be operated at once and others later on, as the demand increases. The development work done on this property during the past few months has made a very nice showing and so good are the indications that the operators fully expect to see the other stamps needed soon. In this immediate vicinity are some 20 very promising claims which are to be developed, the assessment work showing conclusively that they were of more than ordinary value. The prospects are that, now that the Nevada boom has blown over, much attention will be paid this immediate vicinity by the outside mining world. There has been over \$1,000,000 taken out of the "Greenback" and the men were at a depth of some 1200 feet when for some unaccountable reason the mine was shut down very suddenly last year. Rumor had it that this was done for the purpose of enabling the owners to purchase nearby properties. Other reasons were also assigned, but it was never stated by the management just why the mine was closed. New ore bodies have been found in this region and the tributary placer fields of Coyote Creek, Wolf Creek and Grave Creek are another excellent indication that this is a very rich mining belt.

F. Wm. Russ, president and superintendent of the Josephine-Klamath Development Co., which has headquarters at both Portland and Brownstown and which operates on a large scale a group of eight very fine and promising lode properties in the Althouse district, has been at the county seat, looking after some important business matters, the past week. Mr. Russ informed the Courier that the indications were very good for an excellent season's run. Although his company may not proceed farther with some of its work of constructing flumes, owing to the fact that now the lumber is too wet to handle very satisfactorily. His company already has 14,000 feet of lumber in flumes. He has been demonstrating that that is a rich district by working a small piece of ground, about 14 by 125 feet, which was supposed to have been worked out some 35 years ago. In six weeks time he took out \$276 and nice

**Rogue River Fruit Notes**

Profitable Pointers Regarding the Industry Gathered From Various Sources in This Favored Section of Oregon.

The fruit growers who reside in the section tributary to Grants Pass have come to the conclusion that they received more remuneration from the home consumers than they got from the New Yorkers or people in the other large markets of the country. Here they have found a ready sale and they did not have to wait very long to secure their pay. But it will likely be altogether different next season, when the carloads of the luscious beauties are forwarded from this locality.

A tree taken from the nursery should be handled just as carefully as a cabbage plant, should be moved to the orchard with the least possible exposure, and carefully set. In nine cases out of 10, where a tree gives poor results, the fault can be traced back to the careless handling before planting.

Prof. R. R. Turner, who is superintendent of the city schools of Grants Pass, recently purchased 10 acres of choice orchard land, west of the city, on Rogue River avenue and now he has engaged Chas. Kingwell, the well known horticulturist, and a force of men to plant the land to pears, one-half to be Comice and the rest to Bartlett. They are to be set out hexagonal shape. This system gives five per cent. more trees to the acre, with the additional fact that they are all equally distant from each other and present a very attractive appearance. Prof. Turner is taking a lively interest in the undertaking and he will undoubtedly succeed in having one of the prettiest orchards to be found anywhere. He will thoroughly cultivate and spray and spare pains or expense in bringing about the best possible results. The piece of ground he has been fortunate in securing is perfectly level and it is the rich, loamy soil. Having made a heavy investment he is more than likely to see that this newly acquired property is kept to the best of shape. In the course of 10 year's time he will probably be shipping his own fruits to the big markets in car load lots and when it is taken into consideration that one car of Comice pears from Rogue River this season brought the magnificent sum of \$1632.91 in the New York market, while the lowest was \$270 for Rogue River Bartlett, it will be seen that he evidently has an eye to the financial returns which will certainly come from his efforts along this line.

The latest of the fruit pests to make its appearance on the Pacific Coast is known as the "bad moth" and is said to have originated in Japan. A report from San Francisco says that the fruit authorities of that city were recently compelled to condemn 600

sized nuggets have been found, ranging from \$1.50 to \$5 each.

Had it not been for the recent financial stringency, general manager, W. J. Morby was fully expecting to start up the "Granite Hill Mine" as it is, he now contemplates beginning operations early in the new year. This mine has a very fine equipment consisting of electric turbine, a big stationary pump and a sinking pump, with which to pump out the large amount of water which flowed into the property. At first it came at the rate of about 3000 gallons per minute, but later dropped to about 250 per minute. This plant has perhaps one of the finest hoists in the state, worth fully \$20,000 and capable of going 2000 feet deep.

C. L. Mangum, the well known mining man has just made a trip to the Galice district, which he reports as being very promising. He predicts great things for that camp and that too, for the very near future. He found lots of good, solid work being done on the fine properties.

**NEW HOPE**

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Leith and daughter, Miss Bessie, Mrs. Gilmore and niece, Miss Mitchell, of Murphy were the guests of Mrs. Daniels of this place Sunday.

Oh no, "Uncle Eben" I won't use "Red Cloud's" anatomy for a football because its too soft.

Mrs. Eva Burrows visited with her mother, Mrs. Stringer, Sunday.

Miss Lindsay of Grants Pass visited with Mrs. Messenger of our city Sunday as also Mrs. Wymant and daughter and Mrs. Walter and son.

We are having some cold weather at this writing.

boxes of apples shipped there from the State of Washington, it being discovered on their arrival that they were badly infected by the pest. The apples in question were grown on Orcas Island, which is just off the coast a little distance from Seattle. Some months ago the bad moth made its appearance in British Columbia, having been brought there supposedly from Japan. When the moth was detected on this continent measures were taken to prevent the spread of the pest, and it was not known that it had reached the states until evidence of its ravages were discovered in San Francisco in the fruit sent there from Orcas Island. Front street fruit men say that so far as they know the pest has not yet been seen anywhere in this state, but they incline to the belief that it is but a matter of time, despite all precautions, when the nuisance will appear in Oregon. But when it does come it will be vigorously fought.

Tomorrow afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock the members of the Grants Pass Fruit Growers' Association will hold an important meeting, when new officers for the ensuing year will be selected. This organization is but in its infancy and yet already the good effects of the fruitgrowers pulling together in unison are being felt and much good will come to those who thus stand together. "I propose to stay by the Association, even though I am the only man to ship with it," said one of the largest fruit growers in the Valley, in speaking of the organization. If this feeling is prevalent to any very large extent among the members, the ultimate success of the undertaking is assured, for there can be no question that the growers here, as in other older and more noted fruit centers, can succeed in bringing up the standard and raise the prices by this united effort. Everything has to have a beginning and this is the trying period for the Fruit Growers' Association. If the members can manage to weather the obstacles which have been confronting them this year and go at it in earnest again, they may feel confident of at last gaining their point.

An entirely new kind of grape is being developed at the Government experimental station near Lodi, Cal., and Professor H. C. Husmann is of the opinion that it will result in a grape that will excel the famous Flame Tokay, which has given Lodi so much fame. The new variety is somewhat similar to the Tokay in texture and color, but is impervious to rain, is much firmer and can be shipped longer distances without damage. It appears to be a cross between a Tokay and Fererra and is of an improved flavor. If properly developed it is expected to become a most profitable variety.

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**Handshakes.**

Says Sydney Smith: "On meeting a young lady who had just entered the garden and shaking hands with her 'I must,' I said, 'give you a lesson in shaking hands, I see. There is nothing more characteristic than shakes of the hand. I have classified them. Lister, when he was here, illustrated some of them. Ask Mrs. Sydney to show you his sketches of them when you go in."

"There is the high official—the bold erect and a rapid, short shake near the chin. There is the mortmain—the old hand introduced into your palm and hardly conscious of its contiguity; the digital—one finger held out, much used by the high clergy. There is the shaken rustics, where your hand is seized in an iron grasp, betokening rude health, warm heart and distance from the metropolis, but producing a strong sense of relief on your part when you find your hand released and your fingers unbroken.

"The next to this is the retentive shake—one which, beginning with vigor, pauses, as it were, to take breath, but without relinquishing its prey, and before you are aware begins again, till you feel anxious as to the result and have no shake left in you. There are other varieties, but this is enough for one lesson."

**Holding His Own.**

Scattered through the pine clad mountains of California live some grizzly old miners whose dry wit is often amusing. After many years' absence a certain gentleman returned to the little mountain town that had been his birthplace. The first person he met was an old miner who had known him as a boy.

"Howdy, Tom?" he said as he shook hands. "How've you been getting along all these years?"

The old fellow shifted his quid of tobacco, spat into the dust, then said in the habitual drawl, "Waal, I didn't have a darn cent when I come here forty year ago, an' I'm holdin' my own."—Judge Library.

Mamma (at dinner)—You mustn't stare at Mr. Smith so, Ethel.

Little Ethel—I'm waiting to see him take a drink, mamma.

Mamma—Why, dear?

Little Ethel—'Cause papa says he drinks like a fish, and I never saw a fish drink.