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**DONALD SAVAGE WINS CALHOUN'S GOLD NUGGET.**

Sunday's Daily.

It was a merry good-natured jostling crowd that filled the Geo. S. Calhoun company's store last evening to finally see Donald Savage of 616 E street, Grants Pass, capture that handsome gold nugget the firm advertised to give to the nearest guesser to the weight of the yellow chunk of precious metal. The nugget weighed \$18.93%. Donald Savage and John Antonion, the latter also of Grants Pass, made a tie guess, both coming within one-quarter of a cent of its value. Each man guessed \$18.94; but as Savage was a guesser ahead of Antonion in the contest by some days, he was entitled, under the rules, to the treasure. The next three closest guessers were also experts at estimating the worth of the nugget, and all tied. They were G. E. Strong, John Netzen and one whose name could not be deciphered on the card, and each guessed \$18.93, just three-quarters of a cent off.

The committee on weight was composed of Samuel H. Baker, of the Josephine County bank; R. K. Hackett, of the First National, and L. A. Launer, of the Grants Pass Banking and Trust company.

Committee on count was composed of W. R. Brower, William Fallin and O. Knipps.

The contest last night is an annual popular event at Calhoun's popular home for good clothes, and always creates widespread interest over the city and county.

Mr. Calhoun last night was highly pleased with this golden climax of his big sale, and as he is a mining man himself, who does not fear to buck his good money against Dame Fortune in the hills, he is always glad to be the means of furnishing interest and pleasure for the mining population, first, because he believes such a contest will aid in stimulating the search for gold; second, because he enjoys a large patronage from among mining men. In addition to the foregoing reasons, says Mr. Calhoun, such a contest is good advertising, and he believes in being a liberal advertiser, and he practices what he preaches. The results are summed in two words, "good business."

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**R. E. KROH SAYS MANY BUYERS WILL COME HERE.**

A personal letter to a member of The Courier staff from our townsman, R. E. Kroh, gives some information in regard to Florida. The letter is dated at Lakeland, where the writer is wintering. He says that it is a fine country for a winter-outing and there is a land boom on, but that southern Oregon and Grants Pass look good to him. He hopes things are going nicely here and mentions that he notes The Courier is boosting for good roads and a bond issue for that purpose and exclaims: "Good, that is what we need in Josephine county."

It is learned through George Kroh, who has received a letter from his father lately, that he had closed deals for \$7000 worth of Tokay Heights property. He informs his son that he does not expect to return to Grants Pass before March 1.

It is also mentioned in this letter that quite a number of those to whom Mr. Kroh sold acre property will come here during the summer or fall to look after their holdings.

The Daily Courier goes regularly to its friend at Lakeland, Florida, who says it seems to him like getting a letter from home every day.

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**MOVE UNDER WAY TO FORM LOCAL UNIONS OF THE FRUIT GROWERS**

**Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association Makes Proposition to Grants Pass People**

**LETTER TO COURIER.**

H. E. Gale of Grants Pass writes as follows of the proposed change in handling fruit:

To the Editor of The Courier:

Sir: There are really three distinct and definite departments of the fruit business, growing, handling and selling. The associations formed for the purpose of handling fruit are a necessary link in the chain. After the fruit is grown the next step is to have it prepared in a right way for market if satisfactory results are to be obtained in a way of money returns. The next step, of course, is the selling, which is also a highly specialized business, and which can only operate to the best advantage when it has fruit to sell that is packed and shipped after the most approved methods.

The Rogue River Fruit & Produce association was organized with the idea that it was to become a selling agency, as well as a fruit handling business for the Rogue River valley. We did not believe in April 1910 that it would be so long in years before we had a sufficient quantity of fruit to enable us to establish an adequate selling machine. When organized and all the different shipping points in the valley were brought together in one corporation, it was with the expressed idea that it was for the purpose of selling our fruit.

It is now apparent to most of the growers that the cost of maintaining a large selling machine is prohibitive; that if we have facilities for distributing our fruit over the world we must, for the present, at least, unite with other sections in the ownership of such a machine. This makes necessary the systematic and businesslike supervision and handling of our fruit that it may reach the consumer through the channel of a selling agency. In order to properly prepare this product for the market there must be adequate supervision of thousands of minute details connected with grades, packing, assembling and shipping as well as collections, etc. When these details are multiplied indefinitely satisfactory results in grades, packing, etc., are impossible; in other words, as the California orange growers have found in their experience—the businesslike way to handle fruits is in small units where the important details can be looked after properly.

The idea of district organization is not new, as it has been thoroughly worked out in California, also in the Yakima valley and Grand Ronde valley, and is being taken up and worked out in all the sections of the northwest where organization has begun. The principle involved is that of local self-government, local supervision of the many details by each local unit of the district, and the combining of the local units in the district organization to supervise the matter of grades, control of a selling agency, buying all supplies needed by all, and other matters common to all the units.

The plan suggested for Rogue River valley is that the Grants Pass organization resume its business by the Grants Pass stockholders of the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association taking over the property in Grants Pass and selling their stock in the association, which they now hold, to the association itself, and that Grants Pass, Medford and Ashland unite in forming a district organization to be known by some name such as the "Rogue River District Exchange." Later, when other shipping points have attained sufficient tonnage, then more local units will be formed after this manner. In the meantime the parent organization, the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association, will be used to hold the valley together, and maintain the standard at points not yet ready for the formation of a local unit.

It is hoped by this business plan of handling to keep growers more in touch with their own local affairs to enable them to pack and ship their fruit more economically if they can, and at the same time keep up the standard of Rogue River valley

**A RESOLUTION.**

The directors of the Rogue River Fruit and Produce association, C. A. Wood secretary, have passed the following resolutions:

To Whom It May Concern:

Whereas, It appears advisable to the board of directors of the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association, as based upon the experience of the past, that the interests of the fruit industry of this district would be better served by the establishment of local unions each to be a part of a district organization, which shall be composed of the whole district, therefore be it

Resolved, That it is hereby recommended to the stockholders of the Rogue River Fruit association in Grants Pass and vicinity, that they sell their stock in the said association at par to the said association, whereupon the said Rogue River Fruit & Produce association will sell to the said stockholders of Grants Pass and vicinity, the building, equipment, material, lease, and all other holdings of the said association in Grants Pass at a price to be agreed upon by representatives of said association and said stockholders, and would recommend speedy action, that the same may be acted upon at the annual meeting of the said Rogue River Fruit & Produce association on February 13, 1912.

Be it further resolved, that the board of directors approving of a general plan of district organization for the Rogue River Valley for the purpose of establishing and maintaining grades and owing and operating a selling agency in combination with others, and for mutual buying of materials, recommend to the Ashland Fruit & Produce association, that it appoint representatives to meet with representatives from Medford and Grants Pass and formulate a plan for a district organization.

**South Dakota Visitor Here—**

Philip Lawrence of Huron, South Dakota, former assistant secretary of state, is in Grants Pass hobnobbing with his old-time friend, Justice James Holman. Mr. Lawrence and Judge Holman had not seen each other, until last night, for 22 years. They were roommates in a Wisconsin town in 1865, then were neighbors later in Arlington, South Dakota. From Grants Pass Mr. Lawrence will go to San Francisco for a visit. He says he is enjoying this climate after severe weather in his home state.

**DIDN'T GET HER.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Fernanda Terrecoka, is but a waiter at home, at Manila. But he is ambitious. He came over on the transport Sherman yesterday to marry Helen, daughter of President Taft. Now he is in the bughouse.

**HE COUDN'T STOP.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Tazol Hatlei got a new motorcycle—minus instructions how to stop it. Starting was easy. For four hours he rode around a block trying to stop. Finally friends relayed instructions.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6.—Oh, horrors! Bathrobes for the Vernon Tigers instead of coats. Hap Hogan frowns at the walls of his minions. Johnny Kane suggested sponges, too.

fruit by having a district organization.

With this wholly inadequate exposition of the situation, permit me to add that on Friday at 2 o'clock, there will be a meeting of the fruit growers and holders of stock in the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association to be held in the Commercial club rooms, at which time S. K. Miller, secretary of the association, will go into the matter in detail. It is desired that all interested make it a point to attend. There will be no stock offered for sale at this meeting, as it is held for the purpose of readjusting the business of the association to meet existing conditions.

H. E. GALE.

**SPRAY ORCHARDS NOW, SAYS FRUIT INSPECTOR**

To Fruitgrowers:

Now is the time to put up a winning fight against scale in your orchards. Everyone who has not yet sprayed with the lime-sulphur solution this year should lose no time. The mild weather is bringing the buds along rapidly. Especially is this true of the peach trees, and in order to insure your trees against the scale and similar pests is to spray during the dormant season. See to it that the solution tests three per cent and cover every twig and branch. The scale is now loose on the bark of tree and shrub and may be easily destroyed.

Do not delude yourself with the idea that because your orchard was free of this pest last year you will not be troubled this year. There is no way to secure salable fruit except by spraying every year at the proper time.

All orchards should be cultivated as commercial orchards. The day of the cider apple is past. The old neglected orchard with its dead trees and wormy, scaly fruit is a blot upon the earth. Trim, spray, cultivate and reap the reward. Gather up the dead branches and burn them as they are apt to harbor the bark beetle, one of the worst of orchard pests. It is advisable to open the heads of your peach trees, remove surplus branches and take off water sprouts. Examine orchards during dormant periods to be sure that no blight is held over to produce infection the coming season.

Again I wish to impress upon you the necessity of having your spray the proper strength and thoroughly applied. If you are doing the work yourself, take time to do it right, else you will have your labor for your pains. If you are hiring someone to do the work, take time to see that it is properly done.

A gentleman at Merlin complained to me last week that he had paid a party \$14 to spray his orchard, but when he went to see what kind of a job was done, he found the man had not touched a tree. I told him that sort of spraying did not count. Yet I would not blame him for feeling peevish about it. So look after your orchard the same as any other business. It will pay you.

J. F. BURKE,  
County Fruit Inspector.

Miss Mell Quine is here from Riddle to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Everton for several days.

**Oregon Climate—**

Burton L. Allen, recently from a large Michigan harness manufacturing concern, has taken a position in the harness department of the Grants Pass Hardware company. Mr. Burton is an expert factory workman and if the rush work in this branch of the hardware company's business continues he will take up his residence here permanently. He states that the Grants Pass climate feels good to him. And he likes the looks of the city and surrounding country.

**THIRTY-TWO INDICTMENTS FOR LABOR CHIEFS.**

Federal Grand Jury at Indianapolis Grinds Much Grist.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 6.—Charging conspiracy to violate United States laws by transporting explosives on passenger trains engaged in interstate commerce and with concealment of their knowledge that felonies had been committed, thirty-two indictments were handed down here today by the federal grand jury.

More than 40 labor men are said to be implicated. This is caused through a grouping of names in the same indictments. Several union officials are also accused of personally engaging in the unlawful transportation of dynamite. No names of those indicted will be announced until the arrests are made, and federal secret service men and Burns' detectives are preparing for immediate arrests. Practically all the indicted men have been under surveillance since the grand jury met December 14. They are all believed to be labor leaders, charged with attempting intimidation through dynamiting.

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**CORPORATION TAKES OVER ROGUE ELECTRIC CO.**

MEDFORD, Feb. 7.—It is reported today that the California & Oregon Power company which has just purchased the Siskiyou Electric company, the Rogue River Electric company and 23 other smaller electric corporations in Southern Oregon and Northern California paid \$10,000,000 for the properties. This gives the California & Oregon Power company absolute control of electric power in the district south of Grants Pass, Ore. and north of Dunsuir, Cal. The new concern plans to produce 250,000 horse-power from the streams.

The main office will be San Francisco.

J. M. Churchill of Yreka, Cal., is president of the company and Alexander Roseborough of Oakland, Cal., secretary.

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