## Rogue River Valley Sportsman's Paradise



## The Fruit and Produce Association's Work

valley is along the line of nursery call not connected with it has a bet- fore the Rogue River valley had inspection and the introduction of her show than if there were no as name. Let the one thought for the clean stock for planting the fature sociation at all. Many a man sees orchards. During the past season his property increase in value we have received the kindest co-op- through the influence of a commereration of the nurserymen doing cial body which advertises and business in this valley. They have reaches out for business, and yet worked hand in hand with the in- this man may never have contributed spectors and have been desirous that to the funds necessary for paying their patrons get nothing but elenn for this advertising. If an associatrees. Of the hundreds of thousands tion of business men is necessary to of nursery trees received, but very promote the general welfare of a city few have been thrown out, showing or of a district, it is just as necesthat there has been an honest effort sary that, in a narrower sense, the to fulfill the requirements laid down fruitgrower help maintain an organby the horticultural laws. We have ization for his own benefit. particularly noted that our nursery- The progress made in the treatmen have been as anxious and pains- ment of orchard fruit diseases is estaking in securing clean shipments pecially worthy of note. Every on as the inspectors have been careful portunity has been given the growin seeing that no diseased trees be ers to learn all that is necessary to planted. It is a healthy sign of the know. The troubles which to them times when we see a desire to build seemed so difficult to control have up and maintain an honest business become simple because of the fact which, unfortunately, in many places that they have learned the why and still smacks of dishonesty and graft, the how. Fruitgrowers no longer As a rule, the nurserymen doing bus- find it necessary to experiment, and iness in the Rogue River valley are thus waste valuable time as well as building up an enviable reputation property. As far as possible, every which means a prosperous future, if preventive is applied timely as well there ever have been any differences as effectively. As a result, the orbetween them and the horticultural chards of the entire district show commissioner's office, all have been that scientific care has been given forgotten.

neres. The association means edge. It means co-operation and not com- favor which will tend to make 1911 of one great unit in the Pacific bigger crops, better crops and betnorthwest which, in not so many ter returns for the labor and intel-years, will be under a single head, ligence expended in producing fruits We must look forward to a union o' which have already made the valley all the fruit interests of the Pacific famous. We have every reason to

tion of the fruit products and pre- bright side. However, we do not say The prospects in the immense field yent all competition. The Rogue this in order to give the impression of horticulture in the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association that all will be easy, for the tasks valley were never brighter. The new will be looked upon as a factor in which are shead of us are even year finds that the progress made this great organization, especially larger and weightier, than those g the old year has added a pow-because of its membership of wide-which we have acc erful stimulus to the great industry awake men and the character of the this were not true there could be no of fruit growing, and the momentum products which it distributes. There progress, because progress does not given it by the previous years' suc- are only a few who have not joined mean doing the same thing in the cesses will be such as to make a) the association, and they are honest same way indefinitely. The only much better record for the year opin stating that the prices they have thing that has any value in this 1911. In attempting to forcen't obtained for their fruit have been world is labor. It is intelligent lamore or less accurately what we tul- equal to those received by the mem- bor that makes the Rogue River by expect to realize, it will be well bers of the association. This is true, Spitzenberg, the Rogue River Newto note, in a more or less general and it has always been true. The town win national prizes; it is intelway, the progress which has already fact that the association is in the figert labor that has made Rogne been made, especially during the past field means better distribution, which River pears bring the highest prices in turn means better prices. The in the world's market. For, be it One of the most noticeable results fact that the association is in the known, that these varieties of apwhich has been accomplished in the field further means that the individ- ples and pears were known long be-

them. Growers themselves have

During the past year practically come to recognize that scientifie all the fruitgrowers of the valley methods must be employed in every have become associated in one great detail if they wish to be successful. organization known as the Rogue They realize more than ever that River Fruit & Produce association | scient and scientific methods mean organized solely for the benefit of the netual understanding and knowlthe individual grower, whether he be edge of known facts. After all, that the owner of an pere or a thousand which is not scientific is not knowl-

nuch more than most of us realize | The valley has everything in its

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