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## Largest Chunk of Chrome Ore



(Courier engraving)

A 46-ton boulder of high-grade chrome ore worth approximately \$5,000, taken from the Lucky Hunch chrome mine owned and operated by C. W. Dean and Fred Langley, is pictured above. The men are, left to right, Bill Robertson, C. W. Dean, and Duke Smith, one of the mine workers. According to Bill Robertson who operates one of the biggest chrome mines in this area, the boulder is probably the largest chunk of chrome ore ever taken out in one piece in Oregon. It measures about ten feet in length and width, and is about six feet high. The boulder was taken out from about 50 feet underground by digging around it with a large TD-24 bulldozer, then a winch line was attached and the chunk of ore dragged out. It has been taken to the Grants Pass Chrome depot. Dean states that another, larger boulder of chrome ore lies beneath the one removed, and operations are now under way to get this one out, although it will not be possible to take it out in one piece. The Lucky Hunch mine, located about 10 miles down the Illinois river from Selma, has been in operation only six weeks.