

To Bore Council Crest.

The People's Press of last week says: "If the plans of the organization recently formed to bore a tunnel under Council Crest do not miscarry, Portland will have a West Side suburb that will be rivalled only by the East Side."

Our bright contemporary need have no very great spasms of fear that the lovely East Side is to have a formidable rival on the West Side within a year, or within a century, for that matter.

It is true the monetary lords of the West Side have viewed with more or less uneasiness and jealousy the rapid strides the East Side is making toward financial and commercial independence, and when the thought of supremacy and control of these departments of our business world shifting across the river occurs to them, it doubtless causes their hearts to rise in their throats almost to suffocation.

The farmers are a thrifty bunch and deserve all that Portland can give them. We would like to see them get it and hope they will, but the trouble is the "tight-wads" of Portland who are the more directly interested and more able to pay will not loosen up on a shakedown their hands are pried open with a crow bar. This "Hold to the man" policy of some of the wealthiest Westsiders has been a good boost for the East Side and will continue to be so until all they retire into "inconuous desuetude."

This "tightwaditis," which is so prevalent there will not bar the tunnel, for the Thualatin boys are after it and they are not tightwads. The elements that will militate against the "bore" are those which killed the San Francisco proposition, viz: In order to find a place where a short tunnel of 600 or 700 feet would take them through the ridge will be so near the top that it will be of little practical value to the farmers, and to put the tunnel on such a level as would eliminate the heavy haul, would cost from three and a half to five million bucks and it is a question if it would not be paying too much for the whistle.

For the southern part of the valley it would be a great boon to get a tunnel at a comparatively low level, but for the middle and northern portions of the valley, with a good road, easy grade, free ferry and a better market, the farmers would be going farther and faring worse to seek patronage from the congested district of the West Side, already overworked by local producers.

We would like to see some of the "gotrocks" of the West Side loosen up their relentless death grasp upon their ducaats at least so as to enable them to meet the Thualatin boys half way; because they deserve it for the enterprise they have shown in taking the initiative. It will do harm to the East Side; for there is nothing short of a cataclysm blotting out that peerless residence, commercial and manufacturing site extending from Sellwood to the junction of the two rivers, can ever stop the wonderful progress of this section; an advancement that is increasing in volume and velocity as the years go by and will in an incredibly short time make the East Side, Portland, and Portland THE city of the Pacific coast. The location is ideal for such a destiny, the resources back of Portland is ample to warrant such a conclusion, and the development of these resources is as yet but in its incipient stage. All that will be required to bring about the fulfillment of this prophecy is well directed effort backed by a liberal policy of development. No epidemic of "Tightwaditis" will ever accomplish it or anything else perhaps except the advancement of one section of the city at the expense of some other as indicated above.

Veritas.

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