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OIL AND OILMEN.

SOME PRIVATE enterprises which are inaugurated in a community have a very pronounced public significance and are so important in that sense that they lose their individual character in the eyes of the people. Such is a railroad corporation which is therefore called in law a "quasi public" concern. At the present time a private enterprise is hovering over Coos county and promising to develop at its own expense, the oil resources which are supposed to be beneath the surface of some parts of the county. Of course, it does not propose to expend fifty thousand dollars merely to help out the community, but proposes in a strictly business way to get a benefit from its work. Nobody doubts that this is right, especially as, even, if oil does exist in commercial quantities, the first well drilled and even the second may be fruitless.

Several attempts to get oil have been made in and around Coos Bay but up to date all such attempts have been made with insufficient funds or insufficient skill to reach completion. The people are now assured that those who propose the present development work are financially able and have a record of successful experience. Such an opportunity never came to the county before. Should it succeed—should a flowing or "spouting" well be "struck"? There is no room to doubt that all the ambitions of Coos to become a great and wealthy community would be realized. Nothing could draw money and people to Coos county as the announcement that we have oil. It should be remembered that most other districts in the world where oil exists are practically useless for anything else. Money made in the average oil district finds no investment other than in oil in that district.

In Coos county the case is different. The discovery of oil on anybody's land may be a special benefit to the owner, but there is so much good farm land, so many acres of good coal land, so large an area of timber, that all the money made here in oil would find as good investment here as anywhere in the world and everybody would be benefited. The same may be said of every city in the county. Oil discovered in the Coquille valley would make a great city on Coos Bay and busy capital and people to build it. Railroads would rush rapidly to so unusual an oil field. Oil found on Coos Bay would enhance the value of every acre of land in the Coquille Valley and make thriving cities of Bandon, Coquille, Myrtle Point and Riverton and tie them together with electric lines. Then again, pipe lines would make for Coos Bay and Bandon and every ship sailing would fill its tank at the original source. If an announcement could be made while congress is in session next December, it is more than probable that congress in self defense would make an ample appropriation to improve the harbor.

The oil syndicate asks that the people sign up oil leases for 50,000 acres of land before it begins boring. It would be a ludicrous commentary on our locality if we should find ourselves unable to make such a concession when we have "nothing to lose and everything to gain." These oil searches have been extended over a period of twenty-five years without avail. If this chance is not taken, may not the oil beneath us remain undiscovered for twenty-five years to come?

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