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THAT INJUNCTION.

THE ACTION OF the Bennett Trust Company, the Southern Oregon Company and their attorney, J. W. Bennett, in securing an injunction to stop the sale of the Port Commission bonds, will be generally deplored on Coos Bay. The fact that this move will in no way effect the ultimate result will not lessen the almost universal regret that it was commenced. Its only effect will be to temporarily hamper and harass the Port Commission, and unnecessarily delay greatly needed improvements.

There is no question as to the legality and constitutionality of the Port Commission law. There has already been a supreme court decision and leading attorneys are agreed that the only effect of a suit based on technicalities, some trivial, will be unnecessary delay.

The people of Coos Bay have endorsed the Port Commission plan most emphatically and enthusiastically. They see in it the opportunity for the great forward movement for which this section has waited so long. We have no railway, but we have the harbor and its development and the consequent increase in navigation is in our own hands. Eureka, California, has grown to a city of 15,000 to 20,000 without a railway, and Coos Bay can beat it but not without the harbor and the harbor cannot be developed except upon the Port Commission plan.

This injunction may delay it a few months or it may postpone active work for more than a year. Worse than the delay will be the detrimental effect of the publicity of the fact that Coos Bay's most prominent citizen and one of its large corporations are trying to stop the wheels of progress.

If there is something vitally wrong or defective with the Port Commission, its creatures or its conditions, Mr. Bennett is not being fair and square with Coos Bay, a section in which he has for so long a time been a prominent and powerful factor when he does not take it into his confidence and tell what it is. Mr. Bennett says his action is purely a business one but there are times when loyalty to one's home and country and civic and communal pride should transcend the most rampant commercialism of this most commercial age.

The Times can in a measure understand the opposition of the Southern Oregon Company. That wealthy corporation is one of the largest holders of the undeveloped resources of this section. They are inactive. Any movement that tends to the development of this section means added value to all property and the burden will fall alike on inaction and industry. Industry welcomes burdens that make for development, but inaction always balks at bearing its share. For this reason, the Port Commission plan is opposed by this corporation.

It is inexplicable, however, that J. W. Bennett, a man who has for so many years been the leader in the vanguard of progress should suddenly desert and go over to the enemy. That he should put a spoke in the wheels of progress and try to stop that which he has heretofore helped push is beyond ordinary comprehension.

EASTSIDE Is a Winner.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

There is no grief or trouble that is without an end. It is we who prolong them by being sorry for ourselves too long. Selected.

The Road.

Golden lay the westward road in the autumn weather,
Where my love and I would walk hand in hand together.
Sweet the hours and sweet the flowers and sweet my true love's eyes,
Wandering down the westward road that led to Paradise.
Weary lay the eastward road in the winter's rain,
Road my feet had often trod, ne'er to tread again,
Drear the day and drear the way and blind my eyes with tears,
When I went down the eastward road to face the empty years.

Four roads led from Paradise—so the legends run—
There's but one road in my heart, red with autumn sun,
Gray with rain of winter time; on my heart it fell,
But that road led to Paradise—and that road led to Hell.

—Edna Valentine Trapnell

We are sorry things do not run your way oftener.

The young men say the poor girls are always more affectionate than the rich ones.

The young man caller doesn't feel half the interest in the family that he pretends to.

Some Coos Bay people are shal-lowest when they are buried in their deepest thought.

November is a good month in which to do your safe and sane Christmas shopping.

Everyone who tells a "joke" on a man, lies a good deal, in order to fix up a "good story."

Money doesn't fly as high as the Wrights, but it can beat them in a speed test these days.

We have never noticed that the woman with a double chin is inclined to talk twice as much.

Coos Bay people who worry should go to work and then they would have no time to worry.

Some Coos Bay men never have their clothes dusted except when the porter of a barber shop does it.

If it makes you feel wasteful to throw away your old junk, give it to somebody and feel charitable.

If we ever commit suicide, we shall carefully avoid carbolic acid, a dose of which hurts worse than pulling a tooth.

A conceited young man will probably get over it in time; experience takes it out of him. But there isn't much hope for the conceited old man.

James Eye and Alice Eye of Independence, Kas., are airing their troubles in the divorce court. Evidently they have seen too much of each other.

"One shudders to think of what Japan will now do to Korea," says the Springfield, Ill., News. Let us be thankful, then, that one doesn't have to think of it.

A Seattle man who disappeared some time ago has been found in Canada and refuses to come home. That's a harder knock than anybody ever gave Coos Bay.

People never lose an opportunity to take a smash at their neighbors. When there is a robbery, they say: "In my opinion, the robber doesn't live very far away."

A Virginia coroner's jury brought in this verdict: "Died from an overdose of whiskey." They are some fellows on Coos Bay who would like to know how much whiskey it takes to make an overdose.

Country SHORTS at HAINES'.

LOST LIFE IN THE COQUILLE

B. Hermann, Nephew of Former Congressman, Drowned Near Myrtle Point.

MYRTLE POINT, Ore., Nov. 10.—Binger Hermann, the twenty-six-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hermann who reside near here, and a nephew of former Congressman Binger Hermann, was drowned while fording the river about seven miles from this city the night before last. Yesterday, his horse was found and it was feared that young Hermann had lost his life, but still hope was maintained that he had escaped. However, he has failed to show up and although his body has not been found, practically all hope has been abandoned.

Young Hermann was in Myrtle Point until midnight Monday and started home on horseback. He had to ford the river about seven miles from town and the usual fording place was bad owing to high water. In the darkness, he must have lost control of his horse and was swept away.

Edward Nelson, who works in J. O. Langworthy's barber shop in Marshfield, is a cousin of Mr. Hermann. He informs a Times' reporter that a particularly pathetic feature of Mr. Hermann's sad death was the fact that he was engaged to be married to an estimable young lady living near Myrtle Point, a Miss Buel, and the wedding was to take place in the near future.

FEAR GUM FAMINE.

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CITY OF MEXICO, Nov. 9.—Dire woe is in store for the American gumchewer! In fact, his favorite nonperishable delicacy is threatened with extinction, according to Franklin Canning, an officer of the American Chiclé Company, who has been investigating the chiclé supply in this country.

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If you know a new word, lug it into the conversation.

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