. Tightness in Money Market Felt Most in Manufacturing Centers.

BENJ. I. COHEN RETURNS

Portland Banker Tells of Investigations Made on Trip to Atlantic Coast-Western Financial In-

stitutions in No Danger.

That Portland banks are in relatively better shape than similar institubrought home by Benjamin I. Cohen, who returned Saturday from an extended business trip through the East, where he carefully investigated the financial situation and conferred with numerous conservative financiers. Mr. Cohen does not expect the storm in Wall street to spread to the West, but says that if by any chance a touch of it should reach Portland, it would find banks in Portland better fortified than those in the big financial centers

"The tightness of the money market," said he, "which is practically world-wide, is felt with peculiar force in New York, Pennsylvania and the other great manufacturing states of that section. Forces are being cut down, and preparations are being made to restrict production on all sides; the idea being that only in this way can an equilibrium be established between the volume of business and the limited of capital that is available to

Railroads Are Retrenching.

"The radical attacks upon the rallroads, and the extremist views promulgated by the authorities, have so far-crippled the credit of the roads that retrenchment in expenditures and the discharge of large numbers of men seem to have become melanchely but absolute necessities. Reckless finan-clering by selfish and dishonest men has intensified the trouble until drastic remedies have become necessary. The Heinze flasco, like the lancing of a boil, was painful, but the patient was better when the operation was completed.

"In the meantime, while there has been an enormous shrinkage in the nominal value of securities, there have been, with the exception of the Knick-erbocker Trust Company, no failures of great moment, and well-managed banks and trust companies throughout the entire East are conducting their regular business with a due regard to the interests of their customers.

Different in Chicago.

"In Chicago, a very different atmosphere prevailed. There was an air of calm confidence among bank and trust officials, with an entire absence of pessism, or lack of confidence in the local situation. Chiesgo financial institutions were supplied with sufficient funds, and while money was tight and rates of interest higher than usual, it was stated that no customer of any Chicago bank, who was worthy of credit, had been denied reasonable ac-

Mr. Cohen expressed his great satismy and pessimistic East, conditions in Oregon, he continued, reflect the prosperity which kindly Nature has poured out with a lavish

"The largest crop in our history is now being marketed at prices which have not been so high for many years," he said, "and this is bringing in a flood of gold at a time when money can be employed in a thousand and one profitable industries.

"Labor here is in demand, and no skilled mechanic need be out of em-ployment for a day. The financial in-

stitutions of Portland are relatively much better off than similar concerns in the East. If our people will carefully study our several banks and trust mpanies, they will have no difficult finding safe depositories for their

Banks Deserve Confidence.

"When a State or National bank has proved, by long years of fair and equitable dealing with the public, that it is worthy of trust and confidence, then it should be backed up by the patronage of our people. It is far better for our community to have a few tried and true banks, carefully and conservatively managed, than a host of mushroom concerns that, like Jonah's gourd, 'grow up in a night and perish

"All that is needed to restore confi-dence in the East, and to continue the happy state of prosperity which we now enjoy in Oregon, is a return to the now enjoy in Oregon, is a return to the old-fashioned virtues of honesty and frugality.

"The outlook in this section is excel-

lent, and with our sturdy and self-reliant population, there is no reason why we should not enjoy prosperity for many years to come."

INCREASE IS A SURPRISE

CORPORATIONS ARE HARD HIT IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY.

Assessed Valuations of Seven Combinations in County Have Been Raised Over \$2,750,000.

OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 27.—(Special.)
—County Assessor Nelson has added \$2,760,525 to the assessment of the seven large corporations doing business in Clackamas County during the past five years. The Oregon Water Power & Rallway Company alone is assessed at a higher valuation than all of the other corporations were in 1909. corporations were in 1902.

The figures given out by the Assessor are surprising and show that the Southern Pacific Company, the Weyerhaeuser Company, the Portland General Electric Company, the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company, the Crown-Columbia Pulp & Company, the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company, the Crown-Columbia Pulp & Paper Company, the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, and the Oregon & California Railroad Company were assessed five years ago at \$672,222, and this year their valuation is given as \$5,47,745, not including the lands of the Portland General Electric Company, which are assessed at \$65,000, or the lands of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company, assessed at \$63,315, making a total of \$67,420 for the latter corporation, and \$683,330 for the Portland General.

Five years ago the assessed valuation of the property of Clackamas County was \$4,525,000, and the following year everything was doubled, but since that time there has been no increase in farm values, save where there has been an increase in the amount of cultivated land. Timbered lands of the Weyerhaeuser Company and the Southern Pacific Company have been raised from \$1.25 per acre to \$12 since 1902. The comparative values of the corporations follow:

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Southern Pacific Lands. \$151,335 \$ 056,250 Weyerhaeuser Company. 23,750 230,530 Portland General Elec-Postland General Electric Company ... 252,249
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& Paper Company ... 29,000
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Captain L. D. Mahone Makes Address at Y. M. C. A.

MAY BE WORLD DICTATOR

Former Army Officer Says China Is Nation United States Must Consider Because of Large and Ignorant Population.

"The Supremacy of America" was the subject chosen by Captain L. D. Mahone Ph. D., for the address at the Y. M. C. Sunday Club yesterday afternoon Captain Mahone served in Cuba and Puerto Rico for 11 months during the active campaign of the Spanish-American war, and was one of the military attaches to the delegation sent to the islands to investigate the school question. He then made a trip through South and Central America in the service of the Government to study trade relations between those countries and the United States. He is now acting as attorney for

the O. R. & N. Company.
In opening his address Captain Mahone gave a brief history of nations, saying that the last century has been the most important in the world's history. He named as great events of the last 10 years the Spanish-American war, the Czar's peace proclamation, the Dreyfus case, the regeneration of China, the en-trance into the valley of the Soudan, the Russo-Japanese war and the spread of Christianity. He said in part:

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As we look back at the past history of the world we find that some one nation always played a leading part, and today we find that we have been selected by providence to take the lead in this and coming centuries. We have nothing to fear from the nations of the world, but we have a great deal to fear from the discord which may arise within our midst. If this nation is ever destroyed it will be because of internal and not external feuds. The history of the world has shown that so long as we develop manhood and womanhood we are safe.

The conflict for the supremacy of the world is centered in two great languages and in three great nations. The languages are the Angie-Saxon and the Slavic and the united States. The conflict for supremacy may come about over the Eastern question. The three strategic points of the Far East were a few months ago held by these three powers—Russia holding Port Arthur, Britain Hongkong and the United States the resident of the far feet of battleships the world ever saw has been gathered together, and it may be the future battle over supreme world rights will be fought out in the Pacific Ocean near these three stragetic points.

China is the great nation whom we must fear in the future, so far as our divilization is concerned. That great country contains half the population of the world, so that if thrown out into other nations its people would materially lower moral standards. Every loyal American should support the policy of this Government to stand cut against any partition of China.

It is since the Spanish-American was that we have become a world power, and the nations of the world are now looking to us to solve their problems as well as our own.

H. W. Stone, general secretary of the

H. W. Stone, general secretary of the H. W. Stone, general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., who has just returned from a trip to the East, remarked to the audience after the address that he thought the average attendant at the afternoon meetings had a conception of his country already large enough, and took occasion to say he differed with the stone of the country and thought the

half way through because it was all "slush and sensuality."

"If each individual in this country," he said, "will govern himself he will have about enough to do without worrying about China or Russia."

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