

WOULD LIMIT STREET CARS

Plan to Make Rapid Transit Easy.

Magnates Will Be Asked to Remedy Evil—City Council May Act.

Street cars too badly crowded, discomfort and danger to passengers and lack of sufficient number of cars to handle the traffic is a matter that is being much discussed just at the present time and residents outside the main business section of this city have taken up the rectifying and straightening out of this condition. J. K. Haverly, an employee at the Northern Pacific general freight office in this city, will lay complaint before the street railway directors, and in the event they do not respond in proper form to the wishes of the traveling public, he will ask the City Council to act.

It is claimed that between 5 o'clock and 6:30 in the evening, when laborers are leaving their places of employment and returning to their homes, street cars often carry as high as 85 and 90 passengers. As many as can hold themselves upon the moving cars are allowed to board them, fare is collected and the conductor rings two bells to "go ahead," totally oblivious to the condition or comfort of patrons of the line. Feet are trampled upon, clothing is ruined and women and children are all but suffocated.

FIGHT FOR PLACES.

Old men and maidens, young men and children, women, boys and girls, struggle for places, and fall over one another in the effort to get seats. Calmly the conductor calls the crowd "forward" and invites others to mount and ride. This is the thing to which objection is being made.

"Each car" is the claim of those who have determined upon remedying the present state of affairs, "was built to accommodate just so many persons. When that number of people has been taken on board the car is full and no more should be allowed to get on. Each car should be allowed to have explicit orders that he shall carry only so many persons on his car."

LIMIT CAR QUOTA.

"With each car comfortably filled the street railway companies can make money," he said. "In reality they would save money in the long run for if a person is injured in one of these crowded cars the company will have to pay immensely in damages. A panic in one of those jam-full cars would be as bad as a fire in a theatre. Many would be trampled to death, and in the event of an accident there would be no possibility of escape.

"As long as they are allowed to do so, people will continue to crowd into the cars. The only way to stop it and make travel safe and comfortable is to make a certain number the limit for each car to carry."

Mr. Haverly is authority for the statement that the matter will be taken up with the street railway managers, and in the event it proves impossible to correctly solve it there, will go before the Council.

MARINE NOTES.

The repairs to the rudder of the steamer Homer have been completed at Astoria and she will return to Portland today to take on cargo for coastwise ports.

At Astoria yesterday 437 sacks of flour which had been slightly damaged by fire on the British ship Glenisness, were sold at auction, and brought \$1.08 per sack.

The British ship Hutton Hall arrived in port last evening with a general cargo from Shields. It is consigned to Meyer, Wilson & Co.

The French bark St. Nazaire is loading wheat at the Oceanic dock.

The British bark Amaranth, which arrived from Kila Choo yesterday, is under charter to the Pacific Export Company to load lumber for Shanghai.

The steamer Elletts, which is loading lumber for Manila at the Victoria dock, will complete the cargo today.

ORGANIZING TRIP.

J. A. Madsen, fourth vice-president of the International Longshoremen, Marine and Transport Workers, left this morning on an organizing tour up the river. He will be absent about a week.

Grand Opening.

Penney and Busby have purchased "The Club," formerly "The Wilbur," at 134 Grand avenue, corner East Morrison, Saturday, January 17, will be the opening night and a fine lunch will be served from 8 to 1. All invited.

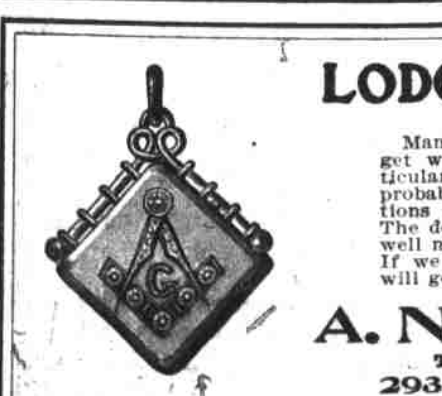
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CITY BRIEFS.

If city subscribers fail to secure their papers they will continue to pay for them until they call up Main 509 and enter their complaints.

WEATHER FORECAST.
Light rain has fallen in Western Oregon during the last 12 hours, and light snow is reported in Northwestern Washington. Elsewhere in the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast States generally fair weather has prevailed.

Temperature changes during the last 24 hours have been small and unimportant.

The indications are for generally fair weather in this district Sunday, except in Northwestern Oregon and Western Washington where showers are probable.

Western Oregon—Tonight and Sunday, partly cloudy, with probably showers north portion; to south winds.

Western Washington—Tonight and Sunday, showers; southerly winds.

Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Idaho—Tonight and Sunday, generally fair.

A. E. WOLLABER,
Acting Forecast Official.

Civil engineers, surveyors call up Oregon phone Union 712.

Amusement will be given at the Men's Resort this evening, beginning at 7:45 o'clock.

Are you afflicted? If so, ask your druggist for Guineas's Remedy. It cures are marvelous.

One of the elevators in the City Hall is being run in running order and will be in operation within a few days.

Special six-course dinner at the Imperial Hotel Restaurant, 50 cents; second floor; take elevator; 12 to 8 p. m.

Penney & Busby have opened a fine store at 134 Grand avenue, corner East Morrison, showing a fine line of clothing and lunch tonight. All invited.

Assistant Engineer David B. Orpen has returned from Independence, where he inspected rock being delivered there for the construction of a reventment by the government.

Beginners' dancing class the 1st and 15th of each month. Class Monday and Thursday evening to continue for three months, at Professor Eaton's, Arion Hall. Private lessons daily. Phone West 793.

A meeting of teachers, in what is known as the Teachers' Reading Circle, convened at the headquarters of the city superintendent of schools at 9:30 today. They discussed certain chapters in "White's Art of Teaching."

The body of A. J. Porter, who died from acute alcoholism in the city jail yesterday morning will be sent to Forest Grove Monday to the relatives. Investigation showed that Porter was in the last stages of alcoholism and died from paralysis of the heart, due to this.

City Engineer Elliott has requested the Portland Railway Company to lower its tracks on Thurman street, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets, which is now some five inches above grade. Manager Fuller is carrying out the desired improvement.

The first street bridge over Marquam Gulch will be thrown open to teams and foot travel by Monday. When the street railway companies will run their lines over it is somewhat problematical, as it is understood that these companies expect that there will be a time when the bridge will be thrown across the gulch.

At the meeting of the Oregon State Poultry Association held recently it was decided to request an appropriation of \$500 from the Legislature to pay for the number of prizes offered at the last annual exhibit. Heretofore the members of the association have paid these prizes out of their own pockets, but they do not propose to do so any longer, as they consider that their work is for the entire state.

Portland Club, Fifth and Alder.
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PERSONALS.

A. J. Preston is visiting this city from Spokane.

James Winters is at the Portland from Astoria.

C. J. Farrow is here today from Seattle.

J. W. Stearns is at the Portland from Pullman.

Will Wright is visiting Portland today from the coast.

F. W. Allen of Virginia City, Mont., is in Portland today.

H. A. Lee is registered at the Perkins today from Seattle.

R. C. Geer, a planter of Honolulu, is at the Perkins today.

R. C. Smith of Skagway, Alaska, went East from this city last night.

A prominent visitor in Portland today is A. C. Brakard of Tacoma.

F. C. Dunn, well known in Seattle, is spending the day in Portland.

Smith Turner, advance agent for "The Devil's Auction," is in this city today.

G. W. Phelps, prominent Hopper resident, is transacting business in this city.

S. M. Cooper and son, both of San Francisco, are stopping at the Hotel Portland.

L. V. Bruce, general agent for the Grand Trunk Railway at Seattle, is in this city today.

G. W. Williams, a politician of Spokane County, Wash., is in Portland today on his way to Olympia.

Dr. M. Dammette is transacting business in this city, being on his way to his home in Juneau, Alaska, after a three-months' sojourn in the United States.

Charles W. Fulton, State Senator from Clatsop County, has reported his vacationing headquarters at the Hotel Imperial. Many were to be seen hovering about his suite today. Mr. Fulton is working hard on his Senatorial boom.

Mrs. John B. Wilson, a well-known society woman of Walla Walla, is in this city, a guest at the Hotel Perkins. Mrs. Wilson is on her way to Olympia, where she will join her husband, now serving in the Washington Legislature's lower house.

Former Governor T. T. Geer is in this city today from Salem. Mr. Geer will visit Hillsboro tomorrow to attend the funeral of Congressman Tongue.

Mr. Geer declined to discuss politics, saying: "I might say a great deal without it having any more effect or carrying any more weight than though some other person had said it."

THREE VESSELS ARE CHARTERED

Activity Among Shippers Yesterday.

Rates Not Improving and Are Not Very Likely to Do So Very Soon.

There was something doing in the charter line yesterday. The German ship Emelle was taken by Kerr, Gifford & Co. to load barley at Portland for the United Kingdom. The rate paid is 10s. Later in the afternoon a report became current that the Riverside and the Euphrosyne were also engaged to load at this port. The rumors proved true, the Riverside having been chartered by the Northwestern Warehouse Company and the Euphrosyne by J. Moore & Co. of San Francisco. The latter is engaged to carry grain to Australia, but the rate is not made known. It is quite probable, however, that it is 15s. 6d., as these are about the prevailing figures for the anti-podes.

HERE LONG TIME.
The Euphrosyne has been here since August 10, and at that time rejected an offer of about 28 shillings to carry a cargo to the United Kingdom. The owners were expecting business to improve, but rates began to decline gradually and fell to the lowest point ever known in the history of Portland. Several offers higher than the accepted rate were rejected, and the owners announced their intention of giving the vessel until spring. The Emelle arrived December 12, and the Riverside January 1.

WHEAT MOSTLY MOVED.
There are now only three or four more vessels in port on the disengaged list, but there is plenty of tonnage in sight to handle all the business. So there is no likelihood of rates improving. The moves the left of the wheat crop is slow, and shippers hold that there can be no material change in the situation, so far as rates are concerned.

AGENTS GATHER FEAST AND TALK

The Traffic Association Met Last Night.

With hearts that were glowing and words that were complimentary, kind and true, members of the Pacific Coast Association of Traffic Agents, nearly a hundred in number, gathered in the rooms of the Portland Commercial Club last evening for business and pleasure. A few specially invited guests were present at the banquet, which was followed by the regular session and a number of eloquent addresses were listened to.

A. B. C. Denison, Pacific Coast agent for the Great Northern, presided over the meeting, being chairman of the First Division of the Association, in which Portland is located. Mr. Denison makes his home in Seattle and came here yesterday for the purpose of attending the meeting of the order. Portland also boasts the president and secretary-treasurer of the entire organization, in the person of Michael J. Roche, and the second, General Agent Trumbull, of the Illinois Central, being at last night's gathering. Mr. Roche is a trusted official of the Denver & Rio Grande.

THE BUSINESS SESSION.
General Passenger Agent A. L. Craig, of the O. R. N. & W. E. Coman, general agent for the coast for the Pacific Coast and Assistant General Passenger Agent H. M. Adams, of the O. R. N. & W. were speakers in the business meeting before the association members adjourned to places that had been provided about the dining room.

Following discussion of the bill of fare, cigars were offered and speech-making began.

President Roche made an address upon the objects of the organization and gave, in brief outline, its history. Organization was effected on February 22, 1901, at Ashland, Or. The order is divided into three districts. The first, in which Portland is to be found, extends south to Ashland; the second covers territory from Ashland to Bakersfield, and the third is south from Bakersfield.

Other addresses of the program were: "Mining Our Own Business," by A. B. Calder, of the Canadian Pacific.

"The Transportation Industry," by W. H. Olin.

"The Northwest Twenty Years Ago," by Robert Lee.

The future of the Pacific Coast," by William Harder, of the Great Northern general offices in this city.

A Good, Long Letter.
A former Philadelphian, who is now in business in Chicago, and who has been spending his winter vacation with old friends, wrote a letter the other day to a chum in the Windy City. He had promised to write "a good, long letter," so he procured a coil of thin white tape paper, such as is used by telegraph companies on their ticking machines, and proceeded to work, writing a single line lengthwise on the tape from the beginning clear through to the little wooden counter. The letter was in the neighborhood of 450 feet long. As he wrote he unrolled the tape and allowed the finished part to fall on the floor. It required 45 minutes to roll it up again, and the spool was then tied up with a light blue ribbon and mailed to its destination in a neat little box.

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Boiled salmon, with sauce.
Either chicken, duck or roast turkey.
Lobster salad, celery.
Any two kinds of dessert.
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HIS RESIGNATION CAUSED SURPRISE

Journal's Exclusive Story Caused Sensation.

New Independent Phone Company to Take the Place of the Columbia.

Tring-a-ling-ling.
"Hello! Is this the manager of the Columbia Telephone Company?"
"Well, I'm in charge at present."
"Say, I read in the Journal last night that you had sold out to another company. Is it correct?"
"Yes, correct."
"Well, well, well."
This is one sample of about one thousand queries that poured into the office of the Columbia Telephone Company's office all day. The Journal's exclusive publication of the merging of the "Independent" company with the Pacific States Company last night was a surprise to the public, and the announcement created a sensation throughout the city when The Journal appeared with the resignation of F. H. Stow, late general manager of the company.

COMPETITION COMING.
A. K. Dek