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## THE FALL OUTLOOK

Large Crops in Oregon, Wash-  
ington and the Southwest.

RAILROAD LINES CROWDED

Orders Being Rushed for Additional  
Equipment by All Promi-  
nent Lines.

The reports of R. G. Dun & Co. on the  
crop outlook of Oregon, published in yester-  
day's edition, with reports from private  
sources in both Oregon and Wash-  
ington, have made the railroads somewhat  
uneasy as to their ability to handle the  
immense tonnage in sight.

The wheat crop of Washington and Ore-  
gon is of such immense proportions that  
railway managers are looking for a traffic  
to begin in the next few weeks that will  
tax their carrying capacity beyond  
precedent. In the Southwest the pros-  
pect never was more promising, and the  
Missouri Valley is burdened with crops to  
a degree perhaps never seen in previous  
years.

The great crush that is bound to come  
on all the railway lines will be increased  
materially by the fact that during the  
period of lack of confidence and inactiv-  
ity the railroads have allowed their rolling  
stock to deteriorate, and the heavy  
yield from the vast grain fields of the  
United States will pile up along lines  
which, at their best, would be unable to  
meet the demands. The Pacific North-  
west, which every month sends millions  
of shingles and millions of feet of lum-  
ber eastward, will also add to this out-  
going freight the immense crop now in  
the fields, and the main volume of traffic  
will be from the empire west of the  
Mississippi on toward the Atlantic slope.  
The lumber trade will be eastward from  
the Pacific slope and northward from  
Arkansas, and somewhat northward  
from Texas and Louisiana.

As a general thing cotton and grain  
traffic will take the same direction as  
that of lumber. Alcoholic liquors, too.  
Even lumber traffic which shall be des-  
tined into Kansas and Nebraska, from  
the yellow pine mills, will take the  
same line, as will much of the cotton  
from Texas and Arkansas destined for  
the Memphis and St. Louis markets. The  
Cotton Belt and Iron Mountain roads  
are the great cotton carriers, and they  
are likewise the main lumber transport-  
ers, but these products take the same  
direction in reaching the market cen-  
ters and belts of distribution. In the  
fall and winter cotton and lumber will  
struggle for a chance to move to mar-  
ket. Usually cotton is given the prefer-  
ence and lumber must wait. In the  
Missouri valley there will be no much  
traffic in grain that all available cars will  
be required, and the connecting lines in  
the Southwest. Arrangements are being  
made to have but a poor showing  
in borrowing cars of the Kansas  
lines with which to care for the cotton  
and lumber. The situation is a serious  
one for a blockade of the latter is caus-  
ing much apprehension among shippers.

In view of the above facts the North-  
western Lumbermen's association has de-  
termined to secure some guarantee from  
traffic managers of the roads that lum-  
ber should at least have an equal chan-  
ce with the other commodities. Per-  
haps it will be found necessary for lum-  
bermen, or associations of lumbermen,  
to build or purchase cars which can be  
exclusively employed in carrying lum-  
ber.

All these lines are making strenuous  
efforts to meet the demands that will be  
made upon them. Arrangements are be-  
ing made to press into service every  
available car, and on all hands cars are  
being manufactured at a lively rate. In  
the Middle West the heaviest crops are  
promised to occur at the Eastern ter-  
minals of the Northern Pacific, and that  
road is already doing what it can. In  
other quarters there is great activity. It  
is reported that the receivers of the  
Philadelphia and Reading are negotiat-  
ing with the Pullman Palace Car Com-  
pany to build 1,000 more freight cars.  
The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern  
has just ordered 500 standard box cars  
of which 250 will come from the Wells  
& French Car Company, 250 from the  
Michigan Peninsula Car Company. The  
Calumet & Blue Island is to let a con-  
tract for 200 box cars of thirty tons ca-  
pacity, thirty-four feet long, equipped  
with Westinghouse air brakes, and  
C. B. automatic couplers. The Queen &  
Crescent has placed a large order for  
box cars with the Ohio Palace Car Com-  
pany, and the same shops have received  
an order from the Alabama Great  
Southern for 120 box cars, to have plas-  
tic roofs, and the Pennsylvania has  
placed another order for box  
cars, to be delivered during August and  
September. The Ohio Palace Car Man-  
ufacturing Company, of Jeffersonville,  
Ind., will make 200, and the St. Charles  
Car Company, of St. Charles, Mo., 200  
These cars will have National Pullman  
brake beams, Westinghouse air brakes  
and doors.

WIRES DOWN.

Owing to a break in the telegraph line  
last night there are no Associated Press  
dispatches in today's issue. The ac-  
cident occurred somewhere east of Clifton  
but the exact location of the trouble  
could not be found in the night. It is  
hoped that the break will be repaired  
today.

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WAR BETWEEN CONTRACTORS.

Strong Organization Formed Which Some

Refuse to Join.

The contractors are having a war and as

a result several of them are at log-

cabinades.

Shortly after the carpenters formed

their organization some three weeks ago,

the contractors decided to form one also.

They met in the office of Joseph Sur-

prenant, one week ago last Tuesday,

and discussed the matter. Several ex-

pressed the idea that it was too soon to

organize and one in particular, Wm. M.

Miller, strongly opposed the idea of a

combine. Last Tuesday they met again  
at Surprenant's and the matter was ef-  
fectually settled. Mr. Miller was not  
present and his name is not down as a  
member. The pot began to boil last  
Wednesday when the bids for the erec-  
tion of the residence of E. W. Tallant were  
opened in the office of Architect Ferguson.  
There were ten bidders in all. Mr. Miller  
was the second in his bid, followed thor-  
oughly after by the bids of the other nine  
contractors, each of whom stated to Mr.  
Ferguson that should the bid of William  
Miller be considered they would with-  
draw their bids. Of course this riled  
Mr. Miller and opened the eyes of Mr.  
Tallant, who was present. The rumpus  
then started and resulted in Mr. Tallant  
refusing to consider any of the bids sub-  
mitted, leaving the room in a rather un-  
pleasant frame of mind.

Mr. Miller says that he was asked to  
join the combine, which he refused to do,  
believing that the proper time had  
not yet arrived for holding up prices,  
which he claims is the principal ob-  
ject of the organization. "They intend  
to add," says Mr. Miller, "ten per cent  
to their bids, which sum shall be divided  
among them. I refused to enter into the  
idea and for this reason they did not  
want my bid opened, which was as low  
as the lowest bidder."

Meanwhile, when seen in reference  
to the matter, said: "At the time of the  
opening of the bids for the building of  
the Tallant residence, I knew nothing  
whatever of a contractors' combine or  
organization. Nine out of the ten bid-  
ders informed me on handing in their pa-  
pers that if Miller's bid was opened they  
would immediately withdraw theirs, and  
in the matter was explained to me. I  
knew the purpose of the organization is  
to save builders from a class of me-  
chanics who cannot do good work and  
whose irresponsible bidding is a great  
trouble and reflects in a measure upon  
the ability of the bona fide me-  
chanics in the city."

Exactly how the difficulty will be  
patched up is not known, as the most  
of the house builders are rather reticent  
about discussing the clash. Mr. Surpre-  
nant says that the situation made by  
Mr. Miller, that 10 per cent was to be  
added to all bids and that the amount  
would be divided among the combine  
members, is the only thing that is con-  
templated. He says that the object of  
the organization is to protect them-  
selves against irresponsible contractors.

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REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE.

Talk of a Large Organization of Owners

and Dealers.

The latest topic of conversation among  
real estate men is the formation of a  
general real estate exchange, upon the  
plan in vogue in Chicago, and which  
has the means of the plan, a very suc-  
cessful real estate market in that  
city.

In view of the rapid growth that As-  
toria is to have in the immediate fu-  
ture, if property owners and real estate  
men would see this city prosper as it  
should, and the growth and improve-  
ment take place in the old city, it is nec-  
essary that the city should have a real  
estate exchange, which would be a sub-  
ordinate part to other and  
newer locations, combined action on  
the lines is absolutely necessary. No-  
thing, perhaps, could better serve the  
purpose than a real estate exchange  
in which all the members unite in a  
schedule of prices, keeping within the  
limits of reason and agreeing upon such  
figures as will be profitable and yet not  
putting prices so high that purchasers  
will be scared out and locate their busi-  
ness enterprises elsewhere. Each firm  
of January the schedule of prices could  
be revised, or often if the exigencies of  
the times demanded it, and in this way  
a cutthroat competition could be  
avoided, reasonable profits assured to all,  
uniform business methods adopted, and  
an era of prosperity inaugurated that  
would surprise all. "In union there is  
strength," is an adage particularly ap-  
plicable to the handling of property dur-  
ing such times as the extraordinary ex-  
treme of a city or community. Wise  
counsel should prevail and harmony of  
action upon agreed lines will certainly  
produce the best results.

A REPLY TO WELCH.

The Editor Astorian:  
I noticed in an evening sheet some stuff  
written by James W. Welch which I  
think is about as lame a defence as I  
ever heard and not being no scholar my-  
self I may be able to give you my ideas  
as good as him, perhaps better. I never  
have heard he didn't know B from A  
from a ball's foot, which I do. In the first  
place the committee on Health and  
Police appointed to oversee the city  
are a gang of puppets for the police  
department, or have they got any pow-  
er at all? If they are going like a lot of  
infants to howl about the charter and  
other crazy excuses when they make a  
break they had better throw up the job.

One thing I know, and that is that Mr.  
Billy Welch and the others which is in  
the Health and Police has the blood of  
the poor devil now in the hospital on  
their heads, and they can't get away  
from it. And further Welch tells a lie  
when he blames other people, for as  
soon as he sees the burn up in the Astor-  
ian this morning he went down as quick  
as the wind would let him and hough  
the mattresses which can be proved by  
a dozen witnesses among which was me.

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for Ilwaco. The 14th Infantry Band will

furnish music both going and returning.

Tickets purchased Saturday only 50 cents

for the round trip. Sunday morning

the price of tickets will be \$1.

## RAGING FOREST FIRES

Bridges on the Pipe Line in  
Great Danger.

A CHINAMAN BURNS BRUSH  
But the Flames Quickly Reach  
the Ridge and Spread  
for Miles.

For three days that dread element,  
fire, has been raging along the pipe line  
from the waterworks eastward and the  
larger has been much more imminent  
than is generally supposed.

The fire was started by Chinamen  
burning brush just below the Shively  
place and spread in a most unaccount-  
able and unlooked for manner. From an  
incipient brush clearing effort the blaze  
soon developed into a first class forest  
fire, beyond the control of man. Quick-  
ly reaching the green fir on the top of  
the ridge the fire by its intense heat  
dried the foliage, which suddenly burst  
as if powder magazine was flashed off,  
the bright flames ascending high in the  
heavens, making a weird and beautiful  
sight in the middle of the night Wednes-  
day. From here the fire spread east-  
ward, rapidly covering several miles and  
destroying much valuable timber and  
hundreds of cords of wood.

All Thursday, Thursday night and yester-  
day, gangs of men from the waterworks,  
headed by Messrs. B. H. and Hamshaw,  
made valiant efforts to pre-  
vent the destruction of the bridges on  
the pipe line, and thus save great ex-  
pense to the city. The water commis-  
sion and engineering department did not  
seem much alarmed at first, but yesterday  
a gang of men, under the engineers, were  
engaged protecting bridge No. 1, which  
seemed certain of destruction, but up  
to the present writing has been pre-  
served. During yesterday the fire, which  
had passed on beyond this bridge, broke  
out afresh in its immediate vicinity,  
and soon gained along headway. Mr.  
Caruthers, who has been engaged in  
getting out cordwood along the pipe line  
and has already lost over one hundred  
cords, joined the forces quickly assem-  
bled by one of the engineers, and did  
effective work in beating back the flames.  
Some loosened the earth on neighboring  
banks with picks and others with shovels  
threw it upon the fire. The neces-  
sary close proximity to the flames by  
the men made it very hot work, while  
the dense smoke was suffocating in the  
extreme.

The bridge soon became completely en-  
veloped in thick smoke and those on the  
east end were obliged to retreat up the  
line towards their camp, not knowing  
whether they would find a camp to go  
to or a means of escape. The crackling  
of the flames and falling of trees as they  
were hurled were sounds of terror to all  
and brought home vividly the accounts  
of the fire near Olympia, Wash., where  
villages were completely surrounded and  
many lives were lost. Here only property  
was at stake, but the arch fiend is always  
awe-inspiring, even at a distance. Mr.  
Caruthers will be a shabby loser, and if  
the pipe line bridges are destroyed it  
will cost the city a large sum of money  
besides considerable delay in the con-  
struction of the water system.

Nothing has been heard yet from the  
men who retreated eastward from bridge  
No. 1 yesterday, but it is presumed that  
they were able to look after their own  
affairs. The men who were out all night  
Thursday were quite exhausted yesterday  
and unable to do their full quota of work  
on the reservoir, but so one could blame  
them for that. The fire department  
they are ready to go out and lend their  
aid if the water commission desire.

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AN ADJOURNED MEETING.

Council Met Last Evening and Transac-

ted Unfinished Business.

An adjourned meeting of the common

council was held at last evening in the

city hall building last evening.

Mayor Kinney was absent