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Medford Daily Tribune.

The Weather
Fair weather is promised for tonight and Saturday. Easterly winds.

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NUVEEN AGAIN REFUSES TO PAY INTEREST

MOBILIZING AUSTRIAN TROOPS

Situation Has Suddenly Become Critical—Soldiers Suffering Greatly From Cold—Wells Poisoned

BELGRADE, Dec. 4.—Reports today show the situation in Bosnia to have reached a serious stage and active preparations for war are being made.

Austria Threatens Servia. LONDON, Dec. 4.—An unconfirmed message was received today from St. Petersburg that Austria has issued an ultimatum to Servia ordering Servia to stop her aggressiveness on the Austrian frontier under penalty of a declaration of war.

VIENNA, Dec. 4.—Emperor Franz Josef today sent a special message to Marquis Pallavicini, the Austrian ambassador to Turkey, instructing him not to withdraw from his post as a protest against the Turkish boycott against Austria.

OLD SANDY HOOK LIGHTSHIP HAS RUN ITS LONG CAREER. NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Today marks the official passing out of existence of the old Sandy Hook lightship, which has for half a century marked the western end of the trans-Atlantic voyage.

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RICH NEW YORKER WHO HAS ENTERED PRESIDENT'S CABINET



THE NEW SECRETARY OF THE NAVY AND HIS WIFE. The new people in Washington's cabinet circle are Mr. and Mrs. Truman Newberry. This does not imply that they are unknown in the social functions of the national capital.

RETAIL YARD TRANSFERRED

Crater Lake Lumber Company Sells Retail Lumber Yard.

The retail lumber yard of the Crater Lake Lumber company was on Friday sold to Bert Anderson, W. C. Green and H. A. Thieroff, who will incorporate a new company known as the Big Pines Lumber company.

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BANKS REFLECT CITY'S GROWTH

Big Increase Made by the Institution Over a Year Ago—Rapidly Increasing

Medford's commercial and financial prosperity is reflected in the bank statements just published, showing the condition of local banks at the close of business November 27. As compared with the statements of a year ago, a most flattering growth of business is shown by all three institutions.

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HOBBART RESIGNS AS THE ALASKA CUSTOM COLLECTOR. WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Clarence L. Hobart today presented his resignation as collector of customs for the district of Alaska to the president, who accepted it with regret. It takes effect January 1.

PORTUGUESE SOLDIERS GO UP AGAINST RIOTERS. PORTIMAO, Portugal, Dec. 4.—Three regiments of soldiers today are trying to suppress the riots of hundreds of workmen of the numerous sardine canneries of Portimao.

CITY STANDS PAT ON DEAL

Wires Bond House Either to Pay the \$831 Involved or Bonds Will Be Refused Them

John Nuyven & Company, bond brokers of Chicago, who contracted for the water gravity bonds, on Friday notified the city that they would not pay the accrued interest on the first issue of \$62,000, which amounts to \$831.

Will Not Pay Interest. The wire received Friday morning was to the effect that the bond house did not propose to pay the \$831 accrued interest on the first issue and that the amount of the draft must accordingly be changed.

Thought Matter Settled. It was thought that the bond house had agreed to pay this interest and this latest telegram came as a surprise.

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PREPARING TO GUARD THEIR HOMES FROM THE INVADER



SERBIAN WOMEN GUARDING AS HOME GUARDS.

Hundreds of Serbian women have joined the new "League of Death" to prevent the invasion of their country. These women are armed with modern rifles and are drilled by Serbian officers just as are the soldiers of the regular army.

PETITION IS PLACED ON FILE

Has 120 Signers of the 10 Per Cent Required by Law—Change Petition

The initiative petition asking that the question of a wet or dry town be submitted to the people at the January election was filed this morning with the city recorder.

INITIATIVE PETITION. To the Honorable Benjamin M. Collins, recorder for the city of Medford, Oregon:

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HEN MOTHER TO KITTENS

Having Lost Her Eggs Hen Finds Litter of Kittens and Cares for Them

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 4.—The spectacle of a Barred Plymouth Rock hen acting as the mother of a litter of kittens is attracting many curious persons to the home of Holbert Hall, a brick layer.

COOK BEACHES EL PASO ON HIS WAY TO AMARILLO

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 4.—Accused of deserting his wife and two young children, Rev. Cook of Amarillo, Tex., is today being taken home in irons.

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TAYLOR WILL WAIT FOR PROOF

Cutler Will Continue to Act as Chief Until Biggy's Death has Been Definitely Determined.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 4.—The board of police commissioners will not appoint a new chief of police to succeed William J. Biggy, who was lost from the police launch Patrol last Monday, until it has been positively established that Biggy is dead.

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WATER COMPANY TO BE INCORPORATED. The Holmes Water company of Eagle Point, a private concern, is to be incorporated in the near future so that the affairs of the company may be straightened out to protect the water rights of those in the company for all time to come.