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The Weather Cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Variable winds. Warmer.

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RANEY CHARGES GRAFT IN PANAMA DEAL

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Jeff Heard Returns With All New Wrinkles As to Swimming Pools-Is Glad to Get Back

J. D. Heard has returned from a two months' visit in Los Angeles, and like all other residents of the Rogue River valley, is glad to get back.

Passed Through Medford Last Night-Says He Will Be Inaugurated in His Private Car

One of the most prominent men on the coast at the present time passed through Medford last night.

"NOT ONLY ROBBED PANAMA BUT ROBBED UNITED STATES"

IN NEW PLACE ON THURSDAY

Miller And Ewbank Are Moving Their Goods to New Location

The Rex Grocery company, better known as Miller & Ewbank, are moving their large stock of groceries from their old location in the Miles building to their new one in the Mission block.

SAYS HE IS ABLE TO PROVE FRAUDS TOTALING 2 MILLIONS

Representative Lays Charge at Feet of William Nelson Cromwell, Whom He Brands as "Buccaneer Desperado"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Branding William Nelson Cromwell as a "buccaneer desperado," Representative Raney of Illinois today gave the house of representatives a sensational resume of the Panama canal scandal.

BOSTON FOLKS ARE COMING

Big Special Train Will Bring Massachusetts People to Northwest.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 26.—One of the largest excursions that will visit the Pacific northwest this summer will be under the auspices of the board of trade of Worcester, Mass.

WILL TRY TO RECOVER LANDS TO LEGALIZE LATE TAX LEVIES

Garfield Asks For an Appropriation to Obtain Titles Fraudulently Acquired

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—After several years of more or less sensational and successful prosecution of persons charged with the fraudulent acquisition of public lands in the west, the interior department is now anxious to turn its efforts to recovering title to lands acquired in violation of the law.

Legislature Transacts Routine Business-Anti-Japanese Measures Dominate Legislature

SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—The senate and house worked on routine matters this morning. The governor's message relating to the supreme court decision annulling the state tax levies for 1909 was referred to the committee on assessment and taxation, which will bring in a bill legalizing the levies.

LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE DANCE IN JACKSONVILLE

A very enjoyable party planned and arranged by Medford people was held in Orth's hall at Jacksonville Monday night.

OREGON PIONEER PASSES AWAY AT HOME NEAR ASHLAND

John McCallister, an Oregon pioneer of 1859 and a resident of Ashland prominent for many years, died at his home five miles south of Ashland, Sunday afternoon, after an illness of several months from Bright's disease, aged 73 years, says the Tidings.

INTEREST IN NEW SMELTER FOR JACKSONVILLE PICKS UP

The reporter was handed two letters last Saturday from a man in New York, says the Jacksonville Post, addressed to a mining engineer in this county, in which he said that he would leave this country for England about the first of this month for the purpose of interesting capital to the extent of building a smelter near Jacksonville.

TAKE STEPS TO FORM IRRIGATION CORPORATION

LA GRANDE, Or., Jan. 26.—Preliminary steps in the formation of an irrigation corporation were taken this afternoon at the irrigation congress, held here and attended by over 100 farmers.

PORTLAND ENGINEER GETS A TACOMA JOB

Frank C. Kelsey, a well known civil engineer of Portland, has been employed by the Tacoma city council to design and superintend the construction of the municipal power plant which that city is preparing to build on the Nisqually river, at a cost of \$2,000,000.

LADIES PAY TRIBUTE TO MEMORY OF ROBERT BURNS

The ladies of the Greater Medford club met Monday afternoon and following a brief business session paid a tribute to Robert Burns, the great Scotch bard. One of the most interesting features of the observance of the bard's birthday was an address made by Mrs. Jennings of Chicago, who is a guest of Mrs. H. C. Kentner.

BENSON WILL NOT MAKE MANY CHANGES IN OFFICE

SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—Secretary of State Frank W. Benson, who will succeed to the governorship, when George E. Chamberlain resigns, about March 4, to take his seat in the United States senate, expressly stated in an interview today that in all probability there would be no changes in the administrative departments that have been filled by appointment under Governor Chamberlain, because the unexpired term is so short.

EUGENE CITY TREASURER REFUSES TO GET OUT

Eugene, Or., Jan. 25.—The removal from office of City Treasurer Frank Reiser by the Eugene city council has created a sensation. Reiser refuses to give up the treasurer's books or to turn over the city's funds to the newly elected treasurer, J. J. Walton, claiming that the council has no right to oust him from office.

REPORT THAT "CORNET" JOHN NORLING HAS MADE STRIKE

Word reached this office that John Norling struck a large body of iron ore averaging 51 per cent iron. The strike was made about one mile west of Jacksonville. Mr. Norling sent a sample of ore to the assayer a few weeks ago, thinking that it was good bearing rock, but it proved to be rich in iron, says the Jacksonville Post.

ABRIZZI'S WEDDING WITH MISS ELKINS IMPOSSIBLE

ROME, Jan. 26.—While several Italian newspapers continue today to say that the duke and Duchess of Abruzzi are passing between the Duke of Abruzzi and Miss Katherine Elkins, and that their early marriage is probable, indirect information from the Quirinal and direct statements from the Duke's friends at Turin is to the effect that their engagement has been permanently broken.

LARGE PORTION OF MARSHFIELD FLOODED; RELIEF STEPS TAKEN

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 26.—Immediate steps are being taken for the relief of a large portion of Marshfield, which was flooded by the highest tidal wave ever known here. The high water came after a severe wind and rain storm.

MANY RABBITS FALL BEFORE HUNTERS' GUNS

PRINEVILLE, Or., Jan. 26.—Four thousand, three hundred and seventy-one rabbits were slain during the recent high snow on Poverty Flat, northwest of this city, by Fred Grimes, J. T. Creamer and 11 other ranchers who during the past year have been greatly annoyed by the fuzzy pests.

EVANGELIST GYPSY SMITH TO SAVE CITY OF ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 26.—Gypsy Smith, the world famous evangelist, who has recently conducted great revivals in Pittsburg, New York, Washington, Baltimore and other cities, is in St. Louis today to begin a mammoth religious campaign for the salvation of this city.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 26.—North Bend has for a day or two been without any water supply.

HIGH TIDES FILL CELLARS IN ASTORIA; MUCH DAMAGE

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 26.—Tides of unprecedented height have swept into the mouth of the river the past few days and have inundated all of the low lying country, in some instances causing much harm.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 26.—Charles Jones of Drain was found guilty of bootlegging, the jury being out only a few minutes.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 26.—The Albany lodge of Elks is preparing to dedicate its new \$30,000 home.