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OREGON: Unsettled and mild with probably rain in the north and west portion tonight and Wednesday.

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TIGERS WIN TITLE; CRUSH JOSEPH 24-12

La Grande High to Leave for State Tournament Early Next Week

LARGE CROWD AT FINALS AT UNION

Championship Game Is Rough with Joseph Losing One Man in First Half Because of Fouls.

After an uphill battle throughout the district basketball tournament, the La Grande high school team last night won the championship and the right to represent Union, Wallowa, Baker, Grant, Harney and Malheur counties at the state tournament in Salem, by defeating Joseph 24 to 12.

The contest, while close in point of field baskets, was slower than the Saturday night game between Baker and La Grande, and consistent Joseph fouling removing some interest from the game. Neither team was playing up to par but the Tigers were never in any danger after the first half.

A crowd that filled the Union gymnasium to capacity saw the final game. W. W. Nusbaum and G. S. Birnie led the La Grande sections in singing before the contest began.

Joseph Scores First

Joseph high scored first when Willis Walker shot a foul after the ball had been in play less than a minute. Fouls by Wayne Walker were converted by Lyman and Zundel until the count stood La Grande 2, Joseph 1. Zundel and Lyman both broke through the Wallowan's defense before the quarter ended, looping a field basket apiece and giving La Grande a four-point margin at the end of the first period. The only field basket made by the Tigers in the second was by McCorkle, who, with a speedy, deceptive dribble, eluded the Joseph guards and tipped the casaba over the rim.

Craven, Joseph center, twice ringed the ball and Lozier added one more to bring the score to 10 to 7 at half time. Shortly before the quarter ended, Wayne Walker was removed from the game for too much fouling, Gray taking his place.

Can't Check Advance

Newlin was injected back into the Tiger lineup in the last half and he, Zundel and Lyman accounted for 14 points, bringing the final score to 24 to 12. Twice in the last half Joseph called time out in an effort to stop the Tiger advance but to no avail.

Lyman, Zundel and Newlin were all playing a little below par but Hanks and Berry wrecked the Joseph offense time and again, many

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EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS TO CLOSE TONIGHT

Evangelistic meetings at the Church of the Nazarene, conducted by the Rev. C. P. Ellis, will close this evening when he will give his experiences in his removal from the stage to the pulpit. He is a converted actor. One summer he went to Colorado, he says, and, seeing a tent, went inside to investigate and found a camp meeting in progress. It was there that he found old-time religion and afterwards he built a fire in front of the meeting tent, burned all his show traps and joined the religious company.

Evangelist V. W. Litterell and wife from Nebraska will also attend the meeting tonight. He is an old boyhood friend of the Rev. Mr. Meggers.

CUSTOMERS HE MIGHT HAVE

There are some places of business that you seldom visit, some that you never spend money with. Yet it must be that those firms have merchandise or service of merit. Otherwise they would not long escape their creditors.

Why haven't you been attracted to those places of business? Why haven't they been able to get a portion of your trade? Frequently it is simply because the business man in question hasn't got contact with you—he has failed to advertise consistently to attract your attention, to sell you on his ability to serve you to an advantage. There may be other reasons, as well, but if he fails to seek your patronage through advertising, his primary opportunity is lost. The Observer offers him the most economical means of reaching you day-in and day-out through the entire year.

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Salvation Army Benefit Program In Near Future

Committee of Women, Headed by Mrs. A. L. Richardson, Making Plans for Event.

A public program for the benefit of the local Salvation Army will be given in near future, the exact date of which is not yet determined. Following the successful effort of last year, when financial help was secured for the work of the Salvation Army through a benefit concert, the army has again appealed to Mrs. A. L. Richardson, this time in an effort to raise interest on mortgage money.

The Salvation Army and its project has received the endorsement of the ministerial association, all of whose members believe in it and its work. It is believed that the public will respond in whole-hearted support of the effort to help this organization to meet its obligations and continue to render unselfish service to the community.

Local Talent Program

In the same fine spirit that prompted them a year ago, the committee, which is practically the same as in 1926, has again undertaken to present a worth-while program of local talent. While the date is tentative as yet, it is thought that sometime during the second week of March the program can be given, the place being the L. D. S. tabernacle.

Mrs. Richardson is the chairman in charge. Her committee includes the following names: Mrs. John Theisen, first vice chairman; Mrs. E. Rosenbaum, second vice chairman; Mrs. H. S. Brownton, treasurer; Mrs. J. T. Longfellow, in charge of tickets; Mrs. F. B. Appleby, Mrs. Hal Bohnenkamp, Mrs. E. L. Holmes, Mrs. R. J. Green, Mrs. Ray Murphy, Mrs. F. L. Meyers, Mrs. H. A. Zurbrick, Mrs. J. T. Richardson, Mrs. Robert Eakin, Mrs. Ray Fuller, Mrs. Sherwood Williams, Miss Imogene Russell, Mrs. E. D. Towler, Mrs. August Stange, Mrs. Fred Ravenscroft, Mrs. G. L. Larison, Mrs. W. C. Perkins, Mrs. W. H. Guild, Mrs. H. B. Coburn, Mrs. A. T. Hill, Mrs. George Stoddard, Mrs. Herbert Pattison, Dr. Margaret Ingle, Mrs. C. D. Putman.

Reserved Seats For Cantata on Sale Here Today

Tickets went on reserve this morning at Glass Drugs for the cantata "The Rose Maiden" which will be presented Friday evening in the high school auditorium by the Monday Musical chorus under the direction of W. W. Nusbaum. The number is a beautiful one and, according to those who have heard rehearsals, is being handled splendidly by the local singers. Mrs. Harley Richardson is accompanist for the chorus. The program will be announced fully Thursday evening.

Memorial Service For Wright Mar. 3

An evening session of circuit court will be held Thursday night at 8 o'clock, presided over by Judge J. W. Knowles, which will take the form of a tribute to the late Ed Wright, former district attorney and member of the bar.

The memorial services will be open to the public.

Kiddle Speaks at Rotary Luncheon

State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, who returned yesterday morning from Salem, spoke at the Rotary club luncheon in the Foley grill at noon, telling of the recent session of the legislature and what was accomplished.

Ralph Clark was introduced as a new member.

Senator Hunter Home from Salem

State Senator A. R. Hunter, representing Union and Wallowa counties returned home this morning from Salem where he attended the recent session of the state legislature.

Hunter, although this was his political debut as a senator, has served Union county as a representative for several terms.

Committee Gives Judge Clean Bill

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (AP)—Dismissal of impeachment charges against Federal Judge Frank Cooper, of the northern New York district, was recommended today by the house judiciary committee.

THUMBS DOWN ON PROJECT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1. (AP)—Construction of a breakwater to protect the wharf at Port Orford, harbor, Oregon, was disapproved today by the war department.

JURY TAKES DAUGHERTY, MILLER CASE

Judge Delivers Charge After Longest Summations in History

SECOND TIME IN 5-MONTH PERIOD

Conspiracy to Defraud United States Plainly Shown, Prosecution Declares.

FEDERAL COURT, New York, Mar. 1 (AP)—For the second time in five months the fates of Harry M. Daugherty, cabinet member in the Harding administration, and Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian under the same regime, were in the hands of a jury.

The 12 men that have been hearing evidence in the trial of Daugherty and Miller for conspiracy to defraud the U. S. of their honest and unbiased services in connection with the allowances of claims for $7,000,000 proceeds of seized American metal company shares, retired for deliberations at 1:10 this afternoon.

SUMMATIONS END

FEDERAL COURT, New York, Mar. 1 (AP)—Summations in the Daugherty-Miller trial ended today.

United States Attorney Emory R. Buckner concluded the longest resume of a case in the history of the local federal court with a plea that Harry M. Daugherty, former alien property custodian, be found guilty.

They are charged with conspiracy to defraud the U. S. of their best services in connection with the allowance of $7,000,000 claims for the proceeds of shares of the American Metal company impounded as enemy owned. It is alleged they participated in a $441,000 "bribe".

Buckner's summation, which began Friday morning, was finally limited by the court.

"It shouldn't take you more than 15 minutes to find Miller guilty," Buckner said.

"When you take up the question of Daugherty's guilt or innocence, if you understand the evidence, it should not take you much longer. Don't let him fool you with pleas for sympathy.

"If you let Harry M. Daugherty go free, you are virtually saying to every prosecutor in the United States—just run along and prosecute the pickpockets and the rest of the small fry but don't bother the higher-ups.

"The case against Daugherty is just as crushing, just as convincing as the one against Miller. If you listen to pleas for sympathy and acquit them you'll be vindicating their conduct which is indefensible in government officials."

The court room doors were then locked and Judge Knox began his charge to the jury.

COMMERCE CLUB HOST TO TEAMS

Boys' and Girls' Basketball Teams to Attend Annual Banquet

Members of the boys' and girls' basketball teams of the La Grande high school, both Eastern Oregon championship teams, and their coaches Ian MacKenzie and Miss Ruth Johnson, will be guests of honor this evening at the annual banquet of the Union county chamber of commerce, to be held in the basement of the First Methodist Episcopal church, beginning at 6:15 o'clock.

Dr. W. T. Phy, president of the chamber of commerce for the past year, will preside as toastmaster, and reports from the various committees and officers for 1926-27 will be heard, besides an address by the new president, H. E. Coolidge.

In addition to this there will be several musical numbers and group singing led by George S. Birnie. The Rev. Oliver Riley will give the invocation and the Rev. C. V. Dunn will give the benediction.

Hill Installing Officer

Officers for the new year will be installed by the president of the city commission, A. T. Hill, acting as installing officer.

Brief reports will be given by delegates to the state legislature from here who have returned home, concerning the legislature session.

The women of the Methodist Episcopal church will serve the banquet.

TO REFEREE CONTESTS

SPOKANE, Mar. 1 (AP)—William G. Mulligan will leave tonight by auto for Eugene, where on Thursday, Friday and Saturday he will referee the Pacific Coast conference championship basketball series between Oregon and California.

Boys and Girls of County Clubs Banquet Guests

Tribute Paid to Miss Carmen Daniels at Cove Dinner—Club Work Reports Heard.

A large crowd attended the annual meeting of the Cove commercial club last evening given in honor of the boys' and girls' club workers in the county, who have completed their years work, and especially honoring Miss Carmen Daniel, of Cove, who placed first in Holstein calf club work in the United States.

Club delegations were there as guests of the parent-teacher association of Imbler, the chamber of commerce and the rotary club of La Grande, the North Powder commercial club. Club workers from the Union district were not in attendance because of the basketball game being held at Union.

Mills Toastmaster

J. E. Mills presided as toastmaster and extended congratulations to Miss Carmen Daniel, champion Holstein calf club worker. Harry Welmer presented her with a bouquet in behalf of the Cove commercial club, after which she made a short talk to the club members present telling of her work of the year.

Various club leaders from the Mt. Glen, Wolf Creek, Grange Hall, Island City and Cove districts were called upon for short talks as well as some of the club members, including the four champion club members who were awarded trips to the state fair at Salem last fall.

Sayre Makes Report

E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, gave a general report of the club work in the county, and H. G. Avery, county agriculturist, read a telegram from state club leader, H. C. Seymour, offering congratulations in behalf of the $000 and more club members in state as well as the club staff of the state to Union county club members and especially to Miss Daniels.

Harry Welmer spoke on club work and its value as he had observed it in that community.

Dr. W. T. Phy gave a general talk on club work and the value of doing it and other things well.

Scout Training Meetings To Be Held Here Soon

A series of meetings to conduct a course in boy scout leadership training for the Eastern Oregon Tri-County council will be held here, beginning Mar. 11, when Dr. W. T. Phy, president of the council, will be the speaker.

The training course is for scout masters, senior patrol leaders, assistant scout masters and troop committeemen.

The first meeting will begin at 7:30 o'clock and at 8 o'clock a selection of a scout master for the school will be made.

An explanation of the point system for patrols will be given in addition to the O'Grady drill, followed by the closing ceremony and the scout oath.

A new scout troop has been formed in the Episcopal church with 15 members and Robert Ayres as scout master.

Tacoma Slugger Defeats Sailor

NEW YORK, Mar. 1 (AP)—Eddie Roberts, hard punching welterweight from Tacoma, Wash., battered his way to a ten-round decision over Sailor Friedman, veteran Philadelphia fighter here last night.

PEACE MOVE UNDERTAKEN IN NICARAGUA

Two Liberals and One Neutral to Seek Gen. Moncada's Assent

U. S. OFFICERS TO ACCOMPANY GROUP

President Diaz Approves Action—Further Fighting Is Held to Be Useless.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Mar. 1. (AP)—A move to bring peace between the liberal and conservative factions is being undertaken by three prominent native Nicaraguans—two liberals and one neutral.

With the acquiescence of the conservative president, Adolfo Diaz, and the approval of the American authorities, they will start tomorrow to find the chief liberal general, Jose Moncada, somewhere in the Matagalpa region, and try to induce him to give up his campaign in behalf of the liberal president, Juan B. Sacasa.

They hope to be able to convince General Moncada that further fighting is useless and that it would be to the advantage of all concerned for him to take a step which would result in peace. They will point out especially that the opportunity is given the country to have prosperity and free elections in accordance with the proposal which President Diaz has submitted to the United States government.

Two Officers to Go

Two United States officers—Major T. S. Clarke of the marine corps and Lieut. E. J. Moran—will accompany the peace mission. A special railway car was sent from Managua to bring them to Managua From Managua the party will proceed by auto the 100 miles to Matagalpa, and thence by mule to the place where General Moncada is supposed to be. The American officers are accompanying the mission at the invitation of leading liberals. Charles C. Ebrahardt, the American minister, made arrangements with the approval of President Diaz.

Word of the firing on a train in Nicaragua on which several American marines were riding as guards has been received by the navy department at Washington. No one was injured and the fire was returned. The incident occurred last week.

COOLIDGE OPTIMISTIC

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (AP)—President Coolidge believes the situation in Nicaragua is approaching stability and is disposed to sit back and quietly observe results.

An air of great satisfaction pervaded the white house today when the subject was mentioned and it was apparent that although he was not himself sponsoring the pro-

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French Cabinet Okehs Agreement

PARIS, Mar. 1 (AP)—The cabinet today approved the tentative text of the Franco-American provisional debt payment agreement.

Boulder Canyon Bill Sidetracked

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1. (AP)—The republican steering committee of the house today definitely sidetracked the Swing-Johnson Boulder Canyon dam bill for this session.

Peking and Canton Factions Favor Proposed Independent U. S. Action

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1. (AP)—Cablegrams from representatives of both the Peking and Canton factions in China endorsing the Porter resolution proposing independent American action in dealing with China have been received by Dr. Alfred Sze, the Chinese minister to Washington.

The messages, one from Eugene Chen, foreign minister of the Cantonese government and the other from Wellington Koo, foreign minister of the Peking government were made public today by Chairman Porter, of the house foreign affairs committee, who received them from Dr. Sze.

MORE TROUBLE

SHANGHAI Mar. 1. (AP)—Serious dissention between the two allied northern armies defending Shanghai against the Cantonese was foreshadowed today when one of the leading generals of Marshal Sun Chuan-Fang, nominal master of this territory refused to fight with the Shantung forces which are coming to Sun's aid.

The dissenting general, Meng Chao-Yueh, who previously had given Marshal Sun a good deal of trouble, and his staff, deserted this morning. General Meng commanded a division.

What action his leaderless division is taking is not known at present, but it is feared that his defection presages further serious dissention in the defending armies, which are digging in Sungkiang, 28 miles south of here for an expected attack by the Cantonese.

Shantung troops of General Chang Tsung-Chang, now the foremost military power in this region were proceeding toward Sungkiang in increasing numbers this afternoon.

Nationalist sources claim that Marshal Sun's troops have suffered another defeat near Sungkiang. Confirmation of the report could not be obtained from competent authorities. However, local Cantonese often receive battle information far ahead of the official reports.

ARMS SEIZED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1. (AP)—Seizure by the United States minesweeper Pigeon at Hankow of the arms of one hundred Chinese soldiers who had debarked from the Standard Oil vessel Mei Hung was reported today to the navy department. No reason for the seizure was given.

TWO MUST LOSE

DEVER

THOMPSON

ROBERTSON

Three candidates who will carry Chicago's mayoralty war into the April general election are pictured above. William E. Dever, democratic incumbent, seeks reelection. William Hale Thompson has just won the republican nomination. Dr. John Dill Robertson is an independent candidate.

MAY NAME STAR IN DIVORCE SUIT

Lita Chaplin's Threat Results in New Sensation in Hollywood

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 1 (AP)—Lita Grey Chaplin's threat to name "a prominent motion picture actress" in her sensational divorce complaint against Charlie Chaplin today afforded the film colony a new morsel for conjecture and gossip in the marital affairs of the screen comedian.

Lyndol L. Young, chief counsel for Mrs. Chaplin, yesterday furnished a new sensation for those who have been following the case when he announced that his client "in all probability would amend her complaint by injecting charges of infidelity and naming a feminine film star."

No Names Mentioned

In her original complaint Mrs. Chaplin accused her husband of having humiliated her by publicly and privately associating with other women, five of whom were said to be screen actresses. None of them, however, were referred to by name.

Young's announcement was made in denial of statements attributed to Joseph Schenck, film producer, now in New York, in which he was quoted as saying he believed Mrs. Chaplin regretted her action.

"The statement also has been made by Mr. Schenck, that Chaplin has the public's sympathy and support as well as that of the motion picture industry," Young said. "This has but one answer. The public is fully competent to form its own opinions on the merits of the case. Mrs. Chaplin's complaint involves only Charles Chaplin, but if Mr. Schenck desires to place the entire motion picture industry on trial here he is at liberty to do so."

Fight to Finish

"So far as rumors of a settlement outside of court are concerned," Young added, "the only proposition thus far has come from Chaplin's attorneys. There have been no offers of settlement emanating from Mrs. Chaplin or her attorneys. Her case is in court. She expects to have it settled there."

Army Housing Bill Goes to President

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (AP)—The second army housing bill authorizing an appropriation of $7,115,000 for new barracks and other building needs and various posts throughout the country was sent to the president today with the house's approval of the conference report.

52 Welch Miners Entombed; Hopes For Rescue Slim

Accident Occurs on National Day, Plunging Entire Country into a Deep Gloom.

CWM, Wales, Mar. 1 (AP)—Fifty-two coal miners are believed to have lost their lives as a result of an explosion early this morning which entombed them in the gas-filled workings of the Marine Colliery here.

The toll of known dead early this afternoon was 22, while hope had been abandoned of rescuing 30 others who were trapped in a section a mile and a half from the main shaft.

135 In Mines.

At the time of the explosion there were 135 men in the mines. Rescue squads fought grimly through the long morning hours to reach their comrades and more than 80 men were brought to the surface alive.

The task of the rescuers was most difficult because of poisonous gases and many who descended into the mine were overcome and taken to hospitals. The gas became so bad at noon that rescue work had to be abandoned to permit ventilation of the mine.

Pathetic Scenes.

Hundreds of women and children, the families of the entombed men, gathered about the pit head and there were pathetic scenes as they rushed forward to identify [illegible] an rescued. The disaster, [illegible]r is one of the worst the [illegible]en have known in recent years, took place on their national day —St. David's Day—and the whole country was plunged in gloom.

MINER DROWNED

NOTTINGHAM, Eng., Mar. 1. (AP).—Sixteen miners are thought to have been drowned when a staging on which they were working in the shaft of the Hilsthrope colliery collapsed today, precipitating them into the flooded mine.

The fate of the 16 men was still unknown early this afternoon. Volumes of water poured into the shaft through the breaking of a pipe and earth from the sides fell in, making rescue operations most difficult.

4 Children and Grandfather, 70, Perish in Fire

HIBBING, Minn., Mar. 1. (AP)—Four children and their 70-year-old grandfather were burned to death today when fire, caused by a overheated stove, destroyed the home of Samuel Basford, a farmer.

Mrs. Basford was seriously burned before she succeeded in escaping from the flaming building, which had an interior of cardboard material and an exterior covered by tar paper. Frantic efforts of Basford to rescue his children from the second floor were balked by the quick spread of the flames.

The children ranged in age from 5 to 10 years. They were sleeping with the elder Basford on the second floor when the fire broke out. Their bodies, huddled together as though for protection from the flames, were recovered by firemen.

THREE DIE IN HOQUIM

HOQUIAM, Wash., Mar. 1 (AP)—Failing to respond to cries for them to jump to safety three children were burned to death at their home last night as neighbors watched the flames take their lives. Alice Owens, 14, and her two small stepbrothers, John and Paul Hyssong, 5 and 7 years, are dead and their father, William Hyssong, was slightly burned. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Fire Chief W. E. Crawford declared that the room in which the bodies were found on the second floor was a "death trap" with a narrow winding stairway giving the only avenue of escape.

Lee De Autremont Dead in San Angelo

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Mar. 1 (AP)—Lee De Autremont, whose three brothers are wanted for a train robbery in Southern Oregon, died of an abdominal bullet wound in a hospital here today. He was shot in a pool room at Crossett, Texas last Friday, a companion claiming it was an accident.

Officers who investigated learned no other version than that reported by a man who brought De Autremont here for medical aid. The body will be sent to Lakewood, New Mexico for burial.

Report Exonerates Forestry Officials

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (AP)—A report completely exonerating forest service officials of charges of collusion or fraud in connection with the Fred Herrick contract for government timber in Grant county, Oregon, was approved today by the senate public lands committee for submission to the senate.

CONGRESS ON BILL PASSING SPREE TODAY

Both House and Senate Busy with Adjournment Not Far Distant

175 MEASURES GO THROUGH THE MILL

Senate Gets Feet Tangled in Rules and Dawes Smilingly Passes Buck to Law-Makers.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (AP)—With an improved parliamentary situation and the senate and house still in a bill-passing mood, the sixty-ninth congress today was but three and a half days from adjournment.

Both houses tackled their consent calendars last night and before quitting late, passed 175 minor and uncontested bills, 90 in the house and 85 in the senate.

The house previously had disposed of three more important measures, passing a bill appropriating $19,878,700 to launch the administration's five-year public building program, and two naval measures, one authorizing an appropriation for modernizing the battleships Oklahoma and Nevada and completing the airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington and fleet submarine V-4, and the other authorizing expenditures for improvements at five naval stations. All three bills have yet to pass the senate.

While the house continued today under a miscellaneous schedule the senate having invoked the debate limiting cloture rule on the administration's prohibition and customs reorganization bill, proceeded with this measure as the unfinished business.

The ways and means committee bill is provide for private manufacture of medicinal whiskey under government supervision was passed by the house today and sent to the senate. The vote was 209 to 151.

DAWES PASSES BUCK

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (AP)—When the senate got its feet tangled in its own rules again today Vice President Dawes, whose two-year-old plea for a rules revision is still pigeon-holed smilingly confessed it was too much for him and left it to the senators themselves to find their way out.

The trouble arose over a parliamentary head-on collision between the administration's prohibition reorganization bill and the resolution of Senator Reed, of Missouri, to extend the life of his campaign funds committee. Yesterday the senate clamped down its cloture rule on the prohibition bill, giving it right-of-way until disposed of. But Reed reminded his colleagues today that last week they agreed to devote today to his campaign funds resolution.

After hearing both sides, General Dawes said the senate itself would have to decide. When the argument was resumed, promising for a time to seriously delay both the bill and the resolution.

Finally by a vote of 61 to 21, the senate held that the Reed resolution was in order until 2 o'clock and the prohibition bill after 2 o'clock.

Insists on Minutes

Then Senator Moses, republican, New Hampshire, an opponent of the resolution muddled the situation again by exercising his rule-given right to insist on the reading of the minutes of yesterday's session. When the clerk began his reading the hands of the senate clock already were verging on the hour fixed as dividing line be-

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DAVIS OF VALE IS APPOINTED BY PATTERSON

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 1 (AP)—State Senator George E. Davis, of Vale, former circuit judge of Grant county, was today appointed by Governor Patterson as corporation commissioner to succeed W. B. Crews and assumed his new duties immediately.

Mark McCallister, of Salem, representative from Marion county during the past two sessions of the legislature, has been selected as chief deputy in the office. Fred J. Meindl, representative from Clackamas and Multnomah counties, will be examiner.

Davis came to Oregon in 1891 from Missouri and has been practicing law in Vale for the past few years. He is a member of several fraternities, including the Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Elks.

Following his retirement from office Crews will return to the practice of law in Medford, his home before accepting appointment as corporation commissioner from Governor Pierce. He will be associated with George Codding, his chief deputy here.