

Local Happenings

BARRATT TO RETIRE FROM HIGHWAY BODY

Commissioner's Resignation is Sent to Gov. Olcott—Colleagues Get Praise—Will Lay Down Duties at End of Current Year.

(From Sunday's Oregonian)

W. R. Barratt, member of the state highway commission, tendered his resignation to Governor Olcott yesterday. The resignation will take effect December 31. This course was adopted by Commissioner Barratt, who is the eastern Oregon member of the board, in order to give Governor-elect Pierce ample time for selecting a new man.

In his letter, Commissioner Barratt says that his only regret in leaving the department is that he will miss his association with a few men who "in this day and age, when suspicion and slander are rife, can stand up before the world imbued with the supreme satisfaction that they have given the best that was in them, unselfishly."

Service Covers Two Years

Mr. Barratt, who is a sheepman of Morrow county, was selected by Governor Olcott to fill the unexpired term of E. E. Kiddle of Union county when the latter died. Mr. Barratt was appointed in December 1920, so that he has served two years. At the expiration of Mr. Kiddle's term, Mr. Barratt was reappointed on the understanding, stipulated by himself, that he would continue only until the plans of this year were worked out.

Owing to the scope of the work of the department and the innumerable details, it requires about two years for a new man on the commission to become sufficiently familiar with the programme to develop into a valuable member. Mr. Barratt has reached this point.

Resignation Not Unexpected

The resignation of Commissioner Barratt was not unexpected and is not primarily caused by the change in the governor's office. For several months Mr. Barratt has planned moving from Heppner to Portland and this would require a change, under the law, as he would lose his residence in eastern Oregon. The same situation developed when W. L. Thompson, member of the first commission, moved from Pendleton to Portland.

The letter to Governor Olcott follows:

Honorable Ben W. Olcott, Governor of the State of Oregon.

Dear Sir: I hereby tender my resignation as highway commissioner of the state of Oregon, to take effect December 31, 1922.

In tendering this resignation I respectfully submit the following reasons, to wit: Permit me to call your attention to our agreement on my reappointment to this office at the expiration of Mr. Kiddle's term wherein I expressly stated that for personal reasons I would not consent to fill out the entire term of three years, but that I would agree to serve temporarily or until the 1922 road programme projected by the commission was consummated. That time has now arrived, or nearly so, and in order to give Governor-elect Pierce due time to consider the appointment of my successor to fill this important position, I deem it to be but fair to him to submit my resignation to you at this time, to take effect as stated above.

I am surrendering my commission with the positive knowledge that the power vested in the highway commission by you and the members of the legislature during my incumbency has never been abused and my only regret in severing my connections with the department is that in doing so I shall be deprived of the associations of a few men, yourself included, who in this day and age, when suspicion and slander are rife, can stand up before the world imbued with the supreme satisfaction that they have given the best that was in them, unselfishly, for the upbuilding of the state of Oregon and the advancement of the interests of the citizens within its boundaries.

Thanking you most heartily for the honor conferred by this appointment and for confidence reposed in me, I am, sir, yours respectfully,

W. B. BARRATT.

November 25, 1922.

Highway Engineers Praised.

"I hope," said Mr. Barratt, as he left for Heppner last night, that the personnel of the highway department is not disturbed. The corps of engineers are as hard-working and conscientious and honest a group of men as can be found anywhere. Hours have meant nothing, for they have worked nights and Sundays without complaint, and there never has been the slightest hint of graft connected with the department. It is a splendid organization and the highways of Oregon will serve as a monument to their faithfulness to duty.

"As for my colleagues, Commissioners Booth and Yeon, I consider them two of the biggest and most public-spirited men in the state and it has been a privilege to associate with them."

Others Expected to Resign.

What action Chairman Booth and Commissioner Yeon will take has not been announced by these road builders, but it is known that they do not expect to serve much longer. The law provides for three commissioners, one from eastern Oregon, one from western Oregon, and one from central Oregon. Representatives from several counties have passed resolutions asking that a coast county be represented on the commission. Mr. Booth, whose home is in Eugene, is the western Oregon commissioner, and Lane county is a coast county, although the fact is sometimes forgotten. Mr. Pierce's answer to the resolution was to effect, that he wants the best commissioners he can get.

Mr. Pollman Possibility.

Back of the resolution from the coast county meeting was, it is reported, a plan to propose Charles Hall of Marshfield for the place. William Pollman is considered as certain to be the eastern Oregon commissioner if he wants the appointment.

There was some talk a few days ago that A. C. Marsters of Roseburg might be backed by a petition. For the Portland district, now represented by Commissioner Yeon, no name has been advanced, but there are several democrats who would gladly take the appointment.—Sunday Oregonian.

Miss Bristow, nurse in the office of Dr. C. C. Chick, has returned to her duties here after about two months spent in Portland, during which time she took special work in nursing.

Republicans Held Own In Twelve States; Lost One in Fifteen States

Analysis of Election Results Proves Satisfactory for "Old Year" in Politics.

Washington, Nov. 28.—According to complete returns from all congressional districts the Republicans will have 235 members in the next House. The Democrats and others who may be counted upon to organize against the Republicans will have 210. This will give the Republicans a clear majority of 15.

The Republican party suffered a loss of 77 members of the House of Representatives in the recent elections. A majority of these losses were districts which under normal conditions are Democratic and which were swept into the Republican column by the landslide of 1922.

It is of more than passing significance that of the states outside the "Solid South" 37 either retained their present Republican delegation in the House or lost only one Republican.

The 12 states which retained their present Republican delegations are California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington and Wyoming.

In 15 states the present Republican delegation in Congress was decreased by only one. These states are Connecticut, Delaware, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, Virginia and Wisconsin.

Some of these states are small and had only one or two members in Congress, which makes the Republican loss in those states relatively 100 per cent, on the other hand Kansas, Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin have solid Republican delegations in the present Congress and the loss of only one Republican in each of these states is a very commendable showing.

Massachusetts, another strong Republican state, has on its delegation at present only two Democrats and this number was increased by only one.

Just as several normally Democratic districts were swept into the Republican column in 1920 by the Presidential landslide, so in this campaign several normal Republican districts were swept into the Democratic column by the operation of local issues and factional troubles. It is not to be expected that these local conditions will continue for two years to operate to the detriment of the Republican party in those districts.

held by J. T. Chisook of Grants Pass, and left his one superintendent for this office being taken over by Mr. Cochran who was superintendent for what was known as district No. 2

FEDERATED CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.

Men's class mass the hearts of many happy last Sunday with an many men present. It is having lots to do with the large increase in our Sunday school. Father's footsteps will be followed to church or away from church, morning service is most encouraging to the pastor, and he wishes they

large audience present at the would come back for the evening service also.

Thursday morning at 10:00 there will be a union Thanksgiving service in this church. Brother Livingston, pastor of the Christian church will bring us a good message and we ought to pack the church to the doors. There will be special music.

End your Thanksgiving day by attending proper meeting—thanking God for His blessings upon us.

Rev. Gillanders, pastor of the Congregational church of Lexington, will fill the pulpit next Sunday evening. There will be special music and let us have a large crowd out to hear and encourage him.

J. R. L. HASLAM, Pastor.

Mrs. Emmett Cochran, Chairman

The Morrow County Red Cross is taking a brief respite from the war duty and is here from Heppner visiting her friends, J. D. and Mrs. Zureber.—Stanfield Standard.

Jim Barnardo was down from his farm home near Hardman on Monday, bringing with him some choice home-made sausage which he disposed of here.

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ARLINGTON-HEPPNER STAGE LINE

WE MEET TRAINS NOS. 1, 2 AND 18 NEW SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1st

TO HEPPNER		TO ARLINGTON			
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	
Arlington	Lv. 9:00	2:00	Heppner	Lv. 9:00	4:00
Cecil	Lv. 10:20	3:20	Lexington	Lv. 9:25	4:25
Morgan	Lv. 10:35	3:35	Ione	Lv. 9:50	4:50
Ione	Lv. 11:05	4:05	Morgan	Lv. 10:05	5:05
Lexington	Lv. 11:30	4:30	Cecil	Lv. 10:35	5:35
Heppner	Ar. 11:55	4:55	Arlington	Ar. 11:55	6:55

HEADQUARTERS AT PATRICK HOTEL
O. H. McPherrin R. E. Burke

Announcement

WE WISH TO ANNOUNCE to the people of Heppner and Morrow County that we are open for business with a complete line of dry goods, men's clothing and furnishings, shoes, notions and groceries.

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MEN'S AND BOY'S UNDERWEAR
35c to \$1.25 While They Last
Cash Variety Store
Big Values for Little Money

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MASON CORDS HEAVY-DUTY OVER SIZE			
SIZE	PRICE	SIZE	PRICE
30x3 1/2 Cl.	\$13.95	32x4 1/2	\$30.75
30x3 1/2 s.s	15.80	33x4 1/2	31.55
32x3 1/2	19.35	34x4 1/2	32.40
31x4	23.10	35x4 1/2	33.20
32x4	24.50	33x5	38.95
33x4	24.70	35x5	39.95
34x4	25.35	37x5	42.10

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Remarkable Prices on Mason Oversize "Maxi-Mile" Fabrics
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