

STATE CAPITOL NEWS

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NEW COMMISSIONERS

APPOINTMENT CONSIDERED
SALEM—Roy Buchanan, Pendleton democrat, and member of the Industrial Accident-Unemployment Compensation commission is scheduled for retirement shortly after the year according to rumor current around the capitol. Buchanan was appointed about a year ago to succeed Albert Hunter, who resigned because of ill health. His term will expire on January 2. Ordinarily and in the case of a re-appointment the announcement would be made well in advance of the expiration of the term. The fact that no re-appointment has been announced at this late date serves only to confirm the report of Buchanan's retirement. Should Governor Martin fill the post it will undoubtedly be with another democrat, possibly his executive secretary, Wallace S. Wharton who is understood to be slated for "something good" under the new administration. It is possible, however, that the appointment may be allowed to go over until Governor Sprague takes over in which event some republican stalwart would fall heir to this \$5000-a-year job. Rumor also has it that J. C. Joy, another democrat and labor's representative on this dual commission, is to be retired in due course in favor of C. M. Ryerson, editor of the Portland Labor Press, who is known to have had ambitions in this direction for some time.

Another lucrative state job about which something is expected to be done within the next week is that of the seat on the state tax commission now held by John H. Carlin, whose term expires on January 1 and who is understood to be slated for re-appointment. Members of the tax commission are appointed by the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer.

SANITARY BOARD TO HIRE ENGINEER

First major responsibility of the newly appointed state sanitary commission will be the selection of a sanitary engineer who, according

to the law, must be a graduate of some recognized engineering school and with at least five years practical experience as a sanitary engineer. Members of the sanitary commission, Albert Burch of Medford, Blaine Hallock of Baker and Dr. Richard B. Dillehunt of Portland, will receive \$6 a day and actual expenses while on actual duty connected with their office.

THE OLD AND THE NEW

Lawmakers, and lobbyists coming to Salem for the biennial session ten days hence will find the legislative set-up much changed from that to which they were accustomed to the old domed capitol. While one naturally expects to find improvements in modern buildings many of the features to be encountered in the new capitol will be downright disappointing in this respect.

For instance, whereas in the old capitol it was only a step across the lobby from the house to the senate in the new state house the legislative chambers are separated by the length of a good city block. Neither will there be the opportunity to fraternize with the legislators that was presented in the more democratic atmosphere of the old capitol. Not only will the old waist-high brass rail around which legislators and lobbyists alike were wont to gather during spare moments, be missing but in planning the new capitol the architects and builders made adequate provision for keeping the lawmakers separated from the rank and file of the citizenry. Private elevators at either end of the building have been provided for the exclusive use of the legislators so that they will be enabled to reach not only the house and senate chambers but any of the committee rooms as well without entering the common lobby.

Neither does the new building provide seating accommodations for as many spectators in the visitors' galleries as did the old legislative halls, and many who were wont to sit in on inaugurations and other ceremonies in the old days will find themselves unable to gain admittance to the new legislative chambers because of lack of room.

True the new set-up with its modern furnishings, and rich appointments is much more attractive than was the old with its battered desks, its worn carpets and the hideous characters of former governors arrayed about the walls but many of the veterans of past sessions are going to miss the friendly atmosphere and the simple dignity that characterized the old.

BALDOCK, ON TRIP

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, is enroute to Santiago, Chile, where he will represent the United States at the Pan American board conference which will open January 13 for at 12 day session. Baldock does not expect to return to Oregon before the middle of February.

LOCAL NEWS

Takes Over Position—
Miss Thelma Cooper has accepted a position at Peggy's Pantry, beginning work last Saturday.

Vacation at Baker—
Mrs. Lettie Alford returned Monday from Baker where she spent Christmas with her mother. On the way home she picked up her granddaughter, Miss Mary Evans at Huntington, the latter returning to Huntington yesterday.

From Eagle—
Mrs. John Potter and son, Leo Potter, Mrs. Ann Clark and Miss Marie La Cross of Eagle were guests of the Hunter family at a 3 o'clock dinner Monday afternoon.

IRONSIDE

A large crowd gathered at the grange hall on Friday for the community Christmas tree and to hear the interesting program presented by the Ironside and Grouse Creek schools. After the program Santa arrived and presented each child with a huge bag containing candy, nuts, popcorn ball and an orange. Later dancing was enjoyed for a few hours.

Mrs. Sarah Warden of Payette was a holiday guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Orville Nichols and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Laurance made a business trip to Prairie City on Monday, returning Tuesday.

The Eldorado grange is sponsoring a dance on Saturday Dec. 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tish left on Thursday for Los Angeles for a visit with the former's mother.

Mrs. Minnie Davis accompanied friends from Ontario on Saturday to her home at Klamath Falls to spend her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Rawlinson and family left Thursday for Chelan Falls, Wash., for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lofton and Andy Lofton left Saturday for Monument to spend Christmas with Mrs. John Semas.

Gordon Dickson motored to Halfway on Thursday to bring home his daughters the Misses Dorothy and Ella Mae, for their vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hinton and two daughters, of Boise and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elms of Unity, Mr. and Mrs. Baker were Christmas day guests at the Floyd White home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Laurance were Christmas dinner guests at the Wayne Hyde home at Jamieson.

The Ralph Beam family of Unity and Vivian Van Cleave and children, Arthur Beam and Oliver Reeves were dinner guests on Christmas day at the E. J. Beam home.

VALLEY VIEW

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Brooks are the parents of a son born December 20 at the Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario. The baby weighed 7 lbs and 4 oz. and was named Howard Roy.

A. A. Bratton sold barley to Al Thompson on Tuesday.

Vera Shelton spent from Sunday to Wednesday visiting with Miss Wilma Hickey.

Mr. and Mrs. Vibert Kessler and Mr. and Mrs. Gerold Goodfellow were in Boise Thursday.

Mrs. Charles McCosh visited Mrs. L. Hueber Friday.

Miss Merle Knowles of Nyssa is employed at the Walter Marshall home.

Mrs. Sophia Burkhardt spent Christmas with Mrs. Marie Moeller and sons.

Blaine May threshed clover seed for Coy and Win Brown Saturday.

Oscar Walrad is spending his vacation with his mother, Mrs. Oscar Ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ott arrived from Crescent, City, Ore., to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Ott. They will return after New Years days.

Bert Brattons went to Grove to a Christmas program Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Alexander entertained, Mr. and Mrs. Will Rees, Mrs. Vira Rees, Miss Ellen Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Penn and family, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Brown and family, Mrs. Minnie Brown, Miss Hanna Brown and Win Brown Christmas day.

Mrs. Martha Amidon and Tom Amidon and son spent Christmas at the John Stoneman home in Star. Miss Doris Stoneman returned home with them to spend the holidays.

Steve Kralik shelled corn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Down and family spent Christmas at the home of his parents in Ontario.

Mrs. A. A. Bratton and Gladys have been sick with colds this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Kimbele of Nyssa, Howard Lemon of Payette, Mr. and Mrs. J. Houston and children Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Blaine May.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wood and daughter were dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. Weese Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown entertained Mrs. Ruth Williams of Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Williams and daughter of Payette. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kelso and family of Caldwell at dinner Monday.

Melvin Spitz and Gladys and Eulah Bratton went to Vale Sunday evening to a Christmas cantata.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Noah entertained, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bratton and family and Melvin Spitz at dinner Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Flaherty and daughters spent Christmas with Mrs. Flaherty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ingraham. The students who ride on Mr. Scott's bus had a roller skating party at Payette, Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Downs and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Downs and daughter were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blanton. Gerold Goodfellow, Loy and Virgil Bellisle are planning to take a trip to Portland this vacation.

Nyssa the Bargain Center.



APPLE VALLEY

The Christmas tree and program at the Apple Valley church on Friday night was put on by the teachers and pupils of District No. 40. The church was packed with parents and friends who came to see and hear their children in recitation, play, or song. The program was well given and showed variety.

A few plays were given in which several pupils showed special talent. The little tots were adorable in the doll drill. Kenneth Nelson recited "The Night Before Christmas" with excellent expression, and never forgot a line, and that poem is quite long. Altogether it was a fine program and we thank Mr. Rupert and the other teachers and the pupils for time spent. Money for treats was collected by a group who deserve thanks—Santa Claus gave out the treats.

Again the need for a building with adequate seating capacity, stage and dressing rooms was keenly felt.

Mr. and Mrs. Dowell of Lindsay Ontario Canada are guests in the R. S. McIntyre home.

P. D. Miller was a business visitor in Caldwell Wednesday.

Bill Metzen Jr. of Anchorage, Alaska arrived Thursday to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Henshaw and family of Bates, Ore., spent Christmas at the Reuben Henshaw home, returning to their home in Bates Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Stephens enjoyed a family party at their home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Danforth and son of Fargo were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Metzen and Bill Christmas.

Noma Stout is home from Boise, spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stout.

Oscar Ellerbroek went to Council Monday to attend a Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Stephen and Mr. and Mrs. Helton Stephens and son returned to Boise with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Melvett and family Sunday.

Warren and Waldo Smalley were chopping hay at the Walter Hams ranch Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Summy attended to business at the county seat Wednesday.

W. S. Adams has rented his place to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smalley.

Ike Pritts was a business visitor in Caldwell Thursday.

Miss Ida Smit is home from Mesa where she teaches school.

Members of the Junior Epworth League enjoyed a hay rack ride Saturday night and sang carols at many homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilkerson and daughter and Miss Eva Edison were guests of Mrs. Ida McCullom and her son Christmas.

Laurence McCrory was a guest at the Kratzberg home in Roswell Christmas.

Miss Yuliah Vertrees and Miss Virginia Schultz of Boise are spending their vacation at the homes of their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pielstick ate Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Van Cleef and family at Wilder.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Correll, for Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Whitton and Quentin Carrell of New Meadows.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Baker and Miss Copley have all been laid up with severe colds.

Laurence McCrory received word Tuesday morning that his sister, Mr. Mayfield is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Kratzberg in

Roswell.
Mr. and Mrs. George C. Miller and son John of Melba called at the Fred D. Miller home on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bailey ate dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McDermott on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Correll and Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Whitton went to Weiser Saturday evening and to Caldwell Monday evening to admire the Christmas trees and home decorations in both cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Morgan and son Gery, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boston and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boston and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Justus and family, Miss Olive Justus, and Roy and Mary Boston enjoyed Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Boston, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker and family of Caldwell and Mrs. Nellie Helm also of Caldwell called at the Jesse Baker home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Caldwell had Christmas dinner Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Glen Johnson and Duane and for Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Caldwell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Pritts and family of Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Grover and son of Meridian spent Christmas day with Ike Pritts and the Everett Pritts and McCarthy families.

Mr. and Mrs. Price of Parma have



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moved to the place vacated recently by Mr. Greenbank and family.
Mr. Hicks is reported to be a little better.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Rucker entertained relatives on Christmas day.

KINGMAN KOLONY

The Polly Anna club held its Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Cotton with Mrs. Mitchell assisting. The room was beautifully decorated with a tree and trimmings.

A program was put on by a committee after which Jolly old St. Nick distributed the gifts.

A delightful lunch was served by the hostess.

Mrs. Harry Denny was a guest of Mrs. Martin Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Toomb and Jeanette Martin were in Caldwell Friday.

A crowded house met at Kingman school Thursday to hear the program which was put on by the school children.

Kenneth Bach of Salt Lake City is spending the holiday with his mother, Mrs. Lily Bach and sister, Mrs. Jim Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson and daughter from South Dakota arrived Friday to spend some time with Mrs. Jacobson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Wilson.

Mrs. Mary Nichols and family were Christmas guests in the Wal-

lace home.
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Robinson of

Orangeville, the latter a sister of Conrad Martin spent Christmas in the Martin home.

Miss May Beaumont, Cliff Beaumont and the Bill Toombs family were also dinner guests of the Martins.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lane were hosts Monday to the Rev. and Mrs. Tetwiler Mrs. Mary Nichols and family and Miss Marie Wallace.

Rev. and Mrs. Tetwiler were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sugg Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Mitchell left for Utah Christmas morning to spend the holidays.

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