

**HIGHWAY BODY  
CHANGES MADE**

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commission will assume an important role in the distribution of federal funds for highway improvements.

Initial organization plans for the patrol system have been retarded pending appointment of the new highway commission.

The commission named by the governor will organize the patrol and place it in actual operation in the next few weeks. The patrol is under the supervision of the maintenance department of the highway commission.

The appointment of Brown and Dr. McGregor came as a surprise to many who have followed the Montana political picture.

During the last few days several delegations from Butte came to Helena, endorsing the reappointment of Rowe.

The governor, in naming Brown to Howe's position, recognized the eastern part of the state, it was believed.

Concerning the replacement of Chairman Warden, former president of the national association of state highway officials whose reappointment was regarded as certain, Governor Cooney merely remarked:

"The highway commission has been a closed corporation long enough."

There was no explanation forthcoming concerning the resignation of Cronenberg and his immediate reappointment for a full four-year term.

What effect the changes might have otherwise on the highway set-up in Montana was not known.

**RESIDENT HERE 24 YEARS.**

Rockwood Brown, who was appointed Monday to the state highway commission, has been a resident of Billings for 24 years and is associated in the law business with Horace S. Davis, former county attorney of Sweet Grass county.

After graduating from the law school of the University of Michigan in 1911, Mr. Brown and a classmate, O. K. Grimstad, came to Billings and formed a law partnership which lasted until Mr. Grimstad's death June 21, 1925. Mr. Davis moved here from Big Timber and has been associated with Mr. Brown since.

Mr. Brown is a native of Richmond, Vt.

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