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The President today announced his intention to nominate James W. Hargrove, of Houston, Texas, to be Ambassador to Australia and to serve concurrently as Ambassador to the Republic of Nauru. He will succeed Marshall Green who has resigned.

Mr. Hargrove was born on October 31, 1922, in Shreveport, Louisiana. He received his B. A. degree from Rice Institute in 1943.

In 1946, Mr. Hargrove joined the Caddo Abstract Company as Secretary and Treasurer. He was with Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation beginning in 1947 as Office Manager and became Senior Vice President in 1967. He joined the federal government in 1969 as Assistant Postmaster General for Finance and Administration. He became Senior Assistant Postmaster General for Support in 1971. He has been a Financial Consultant since 1972 in Houston, Texas.

Mr. Hargrove is married to the former Marion Smith and they have four children.

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