

College Dorm Is Setting for Play

STUART—The senior class of Stuart high school has chosen a comedy for the annual class play to be presented Friday, April 30.

The play, "Good Night, Ladies," presents some side-splitting complications in a college dormitory. The cast includes Mary Ann Allyn as "Helen Raleigh"; Marge Weichman as "Jane Raleigh"; Darrel Cobb as "Sam Raleigh"; Dick Shald as "Jug Brown"; Warren Mitchell as "Professor Dexter"; Karla

King as "Dean Eggleby"; Wilma Kaup as "Angela Rimini"; Dennis Brewster as "Larry Dobson"; Leola Weichman as "Lulu Giffen"; Sharon Bigelow as "Judy West"; Rolland Peterson as "George West"; Marilyn Delosh as "Betty London."

The play is under the direction of Donald DeCosta.

Other Stuart News

John Engler and Michael Murphy, high school students in Our Lady of the Ozarks college at Carthage, Mo., arrived home Wednesday, April 14, to spend their Easter vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Engler and Mr. and Mrs. Clement Murphy.

Miss Faye Moses, student at Wayne State Teachers college, spent Easter with homefolks. Mrs. Charles Moses spent Easter in Black Duck, Minn., with her mother, Mr. Jessie Lamb.

Fred Coats, student in University of Nebraska, spent his spring vacation and Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Coats, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Obermire of Lincoln came Thursday, April 15, Misses Nola, Karen and Brenda Obermire accompanied them home after visiting in Lincoln a week.

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State Capitol News

Topsy-Turvy Week in Politics

By MELVIN PAUL

LINCOLN — Nebraska republican politicians this week were trying to catch their breaths and assess the situation after one of the most topsy-turvy weeks in recent state political history.

It all started with the sudden death from a heart attack on a Monday morning, April 12, of Sen. Dwight Griswold in Washington, D. C. A major figure in Nebraska politics for years, he served as governor from 1941 to 1947.

Senator Griswold was serving out the unexpired term of the late Sen. Kenneth Wherry, who died in 1951. He was expected to file for re-election to the new six-year term which begins next January and to win without major opposition.

But the picture was turned completely upside down with Griswold's death.

Instead of the republicans having a "sure" senate seat, they faced a fight to hold it. And as events developed, the state GOP found itself splintering on the matter.

Not only did the senate race completely change, but the race for the republican nomination to the governorship took on a different complexion.

Only the fact that the democrats didn't have strong candidates in the field could have kept them from rejoicing at the intra-party feud that broke out all over the republican camp.

Out of it all came one immediate certainty—for the first time in its history Nebraska has a woman representing it in congress. She is the new interim senator, Mrs. Eve Bowring of Morrill, appointed by Gov. Robert Crosby five days after Griswold's death.

Rush of Events—Here's the approximate chronological order of events in the hectic seven days that followed Senator Griswold's death.

The senator died early on a Monday morning, April 12. Reporters and politicians were routed out of their beds to learn the news. Mixed with expressions of sorrow were the sounds of speculation at to who would be the successors.

Governor Crosby held the whip hand for the time since by law he would appoint the interim senator. Under Nebraska law such a senator will serve only until the next general election. That will be in November this year.

The pressures on Crosby in regard to this appointment were to be enormous. The prestige of being a senator for a few months and then a "former senator" the rest of one's life is almost irresistible to a politician.

But first Crosby had to decide whether he wanted it himself. He could have resigned as governor, let Lt.-Gov. Charles Warner step into the governor's chair and then appoint Crosby as senator.

His closest advisors tried to talk him into it, according to informed sources. They pointed out that Nebraska politicians always say former Gov. Val Peterson missed two golden opportunities to do the same thing after the deaths of Third District Congressman Karl Stefan and Senator Wherry.

But Crosby said "no."

The Long Term—Next the governor had to decide whether he wanted to run for the senate himself for the long term coming up. That meant a decision on whether he wanted to run for governor again. He had not announced he would although many observers thought so.

One reason Crosby is said to have hesitated was that he was afraid people might think he was turning his back on the vexing "tax problem." Many republicans had said he was in real "hot water" on this issue.

But finally he decided to run for the senate long term.

These decisions made, Crosby then turned to the question of the interim appointment. He decided on Mrs. Bowring, a Cherry county ranch owner, and

spent the next two days persuading her to take the post.

The major decisions were made before Crosby went to Scottsbluff for Senator Griswold's funeral following his death.

Hotel lobbies at Scottsbluff were a hotbed of political talk with a new rumor every hour.

Candidates Galore—State Sen. Terry Carpenter of Scottsbluff wasted no time in making his intentions clear. He filed Wednesday for the long term and raked the present republican leadership for what he called its ineptitude.

The Crosby filing came the next day.

State Republican Chairman David Martin of Kearney filed Friday. His candidacy left his chairmanship vacant until the state central committee can meet May 10 to fill it.

Meanwhile, Congressman Carl Curtis of Minden indicated he would be in the race soon. He had already announced earlier that he wouldn't run for re-election from the first district. But the senate seat would be a different matter, he indicated.

The filing of others such as former Gov. Val Peterson, now federal civil defense administrator, was not considered out of the question.

All told, the political scene promised to be a "hot one" between now and the state primary election on August 10.

Gubernatorial Scene—With Crosby out of the race the field of major contenders for the republican nomination for governor seemed to narrow down to two Lincolinites, Victor E. Anderson and Frederick Wagener. Anderson was given the edge at the stage in the game as he is more widely-known across Nebraska.

After the events of last week no one was betting on what would happen. Other filings for governor could change the picture radically.

New Senator—Crosby's appointee to the senate, Mrs. Bowring, combines the talents of a rugged Hereford cattle ranch owner with the gentle feminine traits of a homemaker. A woman who at 62 still rides horseback in supervising her sandhills ranch northeast of Merriman, she still finds time for her cut glassware hobby and her membership in the Audubon bird club. Active in politics, Mrs. Bowring has been state vice-chairman of the republican party and in charge of the women's division for the past eight years.

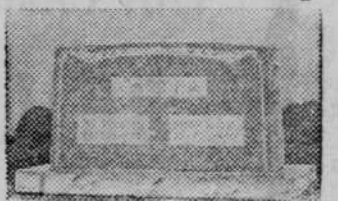
She said she planned to back the Eisenhower administration in Washington but reserved the right to make up her own mind.

Special Session—Coming back into the limelight this week was the special session of the legislature called by Gov. Robert Crosby to consider constitutional amendments for improvements of the state's revenue and taxation system.

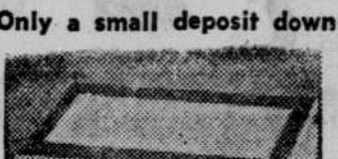
As the session got underway for the sales tax issue. The legislature council committee on tax-

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Terwilliger, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Terwilliger and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wining and children visited at Ft. Randall dam and Pickstown Friday, April 9.

Clarence (Bud) Focken, jr. helped Alex Forsythe with chores Sunday, April 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Ballon visited at the Perry Terwilliger home Thursday evening, April 8.

Those attending the 4-H fun night at O'Neill Saturday, April 10, were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hendricks and children, Mr. and Mrs. Connie Frickel and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hendricks and Markita Hendricks, Harold and Jerald Frickel, Alice, Billy, Bud, Juny, Karen, Paul and Doyle Focken.

Miss Alice Focken visited at the home of her friends Miss Darlene Tasler, in Atkinson on Saturday, April 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Disterhaupt visited at the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Terwilliger, Thursday evening, April 8.

Gene Livingston has been helping at the Charles Dobias, jr. home several days this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Hammerberg were Monday, April 12, visitors at the P. W. Kilmurry home.

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