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Mr. Froelich . . . to receive one of the highest lay honors in Roman Catholic church.—The Frontier Photo.

Golden, Gleeson, Heermann Victors

M. J. Golden (left) and Dr. E. M. Gleeson (right) receive congratulations from Mayor Dewey C. Schaffer. The mayor had backed both.—The Frontier Photo.

Froelich to Become Knight of St. Gregory

William J. Froelich, sr., of O'Neill will become a Knight of St. Gregory, one of the highest lay honors in the Roman Catholic church, according to an announcement issued Thursday.

Froelich and five Omahans were singled out to be conferred the honor by Pope Pius XII, it was announced last Thursday by Most Rev. Gerald T. Bergan, archbishop of the Omaha diocese.

Others to be knighted are: Arthur L. Coad, Maurice C. Howard, Daniel J. Monen, Rex J. Olson and Aneice J. ("Dob") Rashid.

Bert Murphy, a well-know Omahan who was knighted in 1950, will advance to knight commander.

Benemerenti and Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice medals were conferred on 10 other Nebraskans, men and women.

Centennial Year

The Vatican said that Pope Pius XII had chosen 1957 to make the awards in noting the centennial year of the establishment of the Apostolic Vicariate of Nebraska.

All of the papal citations wil be conferred simultaneously at a pontifical mass by Archbishop Bergan on a date soon to be announced.

Mr. Froelich, head of a ranking law firm in the nation with offices in Chicago, Ill. was born at Stromsburg, March 1, 1901, a son of the late William and Nellie Morgan Froelich. He was graduated from O'Neill high school in 1917, attended the University of Nebraska during 1920-'21, and received a law degree at Georgetown university, Washington, D. C. in 1926.

As assistant United States district attorney at Chicago, he helped prosecute Al Capone in an intricate and precedent-making tax case.

Industrial Counsel

Today he is counsel for several nationally-known industrial firms, including the Milwaukee railroad, City Products of Chicago, Wisconsin Public Service, and is also connected with several large investment groups.

Mr. Froelich commutes weekly between Chicago and O'Neill, where he and his wife, the former Irma Stout, have reared five children.

The Froelichs have three sons, William J. Froelich, jr., who is associated with his father in Chicago and this week was admitted to the Illinois bar, James and Charles, both at home, and two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Nancy) Berigan of O'Neill and Miss Mary, who attends college in Omaha. There are two grandchildren.

Archbishop Bergan noted in the announcement that Mr. Froelich has contributed many hours of service to the Catholic charities and also to Creighton university.

Mrs. Walter Ouart Rites at Stuart

Came to Locality in Covered Wagon

STUART — Funeral services for Mrs. Walter A. Ouart, 71, who died early Wednesday, March 27, were held Saturday afternoon, March 30, at Stuart Community church, the Rev. D. D. Su officiating.

Hymns were sung by Mrs. Robert Brayton, Miss Kay Myers, Mark Nelson and J. G. Brewster, accompanied by Mrs. H. L. Cowles.

Burial was in the Stuart cemetery with the following as pallbearers: H. L. Cowles, Clifford Farr, Harry Kopp, Donald Krotter, Riley Paxton and Fred Zink.

Born in Kansas

Alda Amanda Conaway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Conaway, was born December 30, 1885, at Smith Center, Kans.

She was graduated from Grand Island Business college in 1906.

She was married to Walter A. Ouart at Smith Center April 7, 1909, and three children were born to them. The couple traveled in a covered wagon to Newport, where they made their home on a farm.

They moved to Stuart in 1928. Mrs. Ouart had been an active member of the Methodist church and later of the Stuart Community church. She was president of the women's groups of both churches.

Infant Son Died

Survivors include: Widower—Walter; daughters—Mrs. Lewis Radcliff of Stuart and Mrs. John Abart of Omaha; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren, and a nephew, Arthur A. Kopp, who made his home with the Ouarts many years.

One son, Wallace, died in infancy, and she was also preceded in death by one sister and three brothers.

Butte Band Toots at Early Hour

BUTTE—Members of the high school band rolled out Monday for a 5 a.m., rehearsal while most of the townsfolks were "sawing wood".

At 7 o'clock they stopped and accompanied their director, John R. Roberts, to a breakfast which had been arranged by the Band Boosters club.

At 8 o'clock there began another rehearsal. The band is preparing for the music contest to be held in O'Neill latter in April.

CHANNEL 3 AWARDED

The federal communications commission in Washington, D. C., has assigned channel 3 to Ainsworth. The action was taken at the request of Bi-States Co., of Kearney, which owns and operates KHOL-TV and a satellite station, KHPL, Hayes Center. The company wants to establish a third station at Ainsworth.

Johnson to Leave Police Force—

Charles R. Johnson, city police officer plans to move soon to California, accompanying his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Johnson, who have scheduled a farm closeout sale.

No successor has been appointed.

County TB Meeting Scheduled—

The annual meeting of the Holt County Tuberculosis association will take place Tuesday, April 9, at 7 p.m., at the Town House. There will be an election of officers, Mrs. M. J. Baack is Holt county chairman.

Swim Pool Proposal Is Rejected

$33,000 Bond Issue Shy 30 Ballots in Atkinson Voting

ATKINSON—The 33-thousand-dollar swimming pool bond proposal failed to get the required 60 percent approval of the voters in Tuesday's election here The measure needed only 30 more votes to pass.

There were 274 votes for the bond issue; 233 against. Proponents figured a two-mill levy on present valuation would finance the pool.

Dr. James Ramsay was elected to the city council in the First ward, unopposed. John Beck was elected in the Second, also unopposed. There was a race between L. P. Hayes and Harold Grof in the Third, with Hayes winning, 103-82.

Walter Puckett and Earl Coxbill were elected to the board of education without opposition.

Walters, Adams Return to Council

CHAMBERS — Eric Dankert, James H. Gibson and Thomas E. Newhouse were elected to the board of education in Tuesday's annual election, and wiil serve three-year terms. Dankert received 125 votes; Gibson, 79, and Newhouse, 77.

Dankert and Newhouse are incumbants. Gibson will be a new member, replacing Mrs. James Platt, who received 63.

Others receiving votes for school seats were: Louis Harley, 39; Bayne Grubb, 40; Duane Miller, 2; Everett Wintermote, 1; John Walters, jr., 1.

No caucus was held at Chambers and several dozen persons received a scattering of votes.

J. W. Walters, with 44 votes, and Glenn Adams, with 48, were reelected to the village board. More than 20 persons shared write-in votes ranging from one to six.

Spence Surprise Write-In Winner

EWING—A member of the Ewing board of education, who was not nominated at the recent caucuses, sailed into office for another term Tuesday in the feature of the annual municipal election.

William Spence received 153 votes as a write-in candidate.

Charles Rotherham headed the vote-getters on the ballot. He received 164 votes, and was reelected.

Unsuccessful candidates for the school posts were Richard Shain, 53 votes; L. E. Bergstrom, 36, and Wayne Shrader, 25.

Jerry Tomjack, incumbant, defeated Leland Welke, 125-70, for a village board position, and Frank Noffke defeated Shain 110-83, for the other vacancy on the town board.

Top two vote-getters in the school race were considered victors.

Voting 'Very Light' At Stuart

STUART—T. E. McGuire, Stuart village clerk, reported voting very light in Tuesday's municipal election at Stuart.

The citizens party elected two members to the village board—J. G. Brewster and Lawrence Hamik. Brewster received 126 votes; Hamik, 114.

N. W. Coats of the taxpayers party also was elected, receiving 137 votes.

W. A. Nickless, citizens party, was unsuccessful in a bid for the town board; Ed P. Murphy, incumbant, and Walter Smith, incumbant, both received 111 votes and were unsuccessful.

John Newman, incumbant, did not seek reelection.

Charles Ankey and Ira M. Ready were elected to the board of education at Stuart. Ankey received 130 votes; Ready, 142. Unsuccessful school candidates were Robert O. Brayton, with 117, and Ruth Featherson, 42.

Chambers Graders Honored at Banquet

CHAMBERS—A banquet honoring the grade school basketball team and the grade school pep club was given Tuesday evening, March 26, at the school auditorium.

Mothers of the boys and girls prepared the food, arranged the decorations and the program.

Superintendent Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Witte and Leonard Wintermote, team manager, were guests.

Appearing on the program were Superintendent Hopkins, Dean Smith, Patty Grubb, Dennis Walter, Gary Fagan, Norman Harley, Dennis Doolittle, Coach Witte and Rodney Elkins.

A handtooled billfold was presented to Coach Witte.

DISMISSED

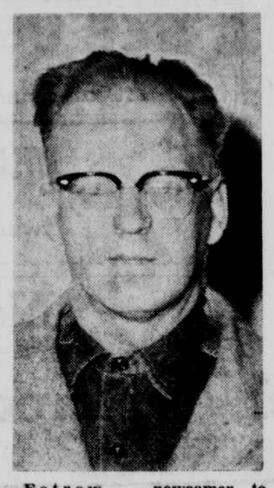
EWING—Frank Bollwitt was dismissed from Our Lady of Lourdes hospital in Norfolk Saturday.

Try Frontier want ads.

RECOVERING

EWING—Eugene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Schwager of Ewing, is "getting along nicely" after an emergency appendectomy performed Thursday, March 21. He took sick that day about 10 a.m. and the parents were forced to make it to the Tilden hospital with him in the storm.

Weier . . . unopposed for board of education.—The Frontier Photo.



Fetrow . . . newcomer to school board.—The Frontier Photo.

Rock Officers Make Protest

Rock county commissioners—Frank Schubert, Alfred Gilg and H. C. Carr—have filled a formal protest with the Holt county supervisors in connection with the the proposed Stuart rural fire protection district.

The proposed district would include nearly four townships in western and northwestern Holt county and a three-mile-wide strip of Rock, extending from the Niobrara river southward 30 miles (except for the village of Newport).

Word of the Rock protest reached Holt County Clerk Kenneth Waring on Wednesday. Earlier a hearing had been scheduled for 2 p. m., Thursday, April 11, at the courthouse here.

The Rock officials protested the method of securing names of landowners there was "illegal" and the officers are questioning the eligibility of some of the signers.

Rock grievances were set out in a lengthy letter. The complaints will be heard at the hearing to be held in the courtroom here.

Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Van Voorhis left Wednesday for Columbus where he will attend a two day Consumers Public power managers' meeting at Columbus. Mrs. Van Voorhis planned to visit at Albion.

O'Neill Voting Moderately Heavy

Voting Tuesday in O'Neill's municipal election was moderately heavy, with all of the balloting involving three contested city council positions and two uncontested board of education seats.

Reelected to the council were M. J. Golden, First ward, and Fred Heermann, Third. Dr. E. M. Gleeson will be a newcomer to the council from the Second.

Harold E. Weier and Dale Fetrow were elected without opposition to O'Neill city schools board of education vacancies. Incumbants Ira H. Moss and F. N. Cronin did not seek reelection.

Turner Retires

Gleeson succeeds John Turner, who served one term on the council and did not seek reelection.

A total of 725 ballots were cast—226 in the First; 231 in the Second, and 266 in the Third.

Golden defeated Alan VanVleck, 157-66, to earn another term on the council. Gleeson was opposed by C. R. ("Russ") Foree in the Second Ward. Both were newcomers in the political arena, Gleeson winning, 133-97. Heermna bested Ray Lawrence, a newcomer in politics, 175-91.

Weier polled 592 votes for the board of education; Fetrow, 564. There was an unimportant mixture of write-ins.

Some Activity

In mild pre-election political activity, Mayor Dewey C. Schaffer and Councilmen Golden, J. J. Berigan, First ward, and Leigh Reynoldson, Second ward, supported the Golden-Gleeson-Lawrence slate.

On Sunday signed literature was distributed door-to-door by VanVleck-Foree-Heermann.

Both slates published advertisements last week.

Because of the abbreviated ballots and no contest in school voting, the election boards had preliminary figures available by 9 p.m.—about an hour after the polls closed.

Golden is a hotel owner-manager; Gleeson a dentist, and Heermann a motel owner-operator. Weier is assistant postmaster and Fetrow operates an appliance sales and service store.

Norfolk, Wayne Pleased with Chest Drive—

Joe Stutz reported to the Chamber of Commerce Monday evening, at the April session, that Norfolk and Wayne employ the community chest method for fund drives. He said Chamber officials at Wayne said the method worked "highly satisfactorily." A complete report from Norfolk was unavailable at this time.

The Chamber here tabled the matter pending further study, Secretary John Harrington said.

New Council

This will be the composition of O'Neill's new city council after May 1:

Mayor—Dewey C. Schaffer.

Councilmen, First ward—M. J. Golden and J. J. Berigan.

Councilmen, Second ward—Dr. E. M. Gleeson and Leigh Reynoldson.

Councilmen, Third ward—Fred Heermann and Robert E. Moore.

Golden, Gleeson and Heerman were victors in Tuesday's election.

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Asimus Quits Auto, Implement Fields

Dakotans Buy West O'Neill Firm

(Photo below.)

Tony Asimus, who has been in business in O'Neill 23 years and who founded a farm implement-automobile agency in 1945, has sold that firm to two South Dakotans — Oscar Spitzenberger of Bonesteel and Max Derry of Wood. The transaction, which took place April 1, was made public Wednesday.

Mr. Asimus has been O'Neill dealer for Mercury cars, Massey-Haris, New Idea and General Implement farm machinery and equipment. He will continue to own and operate the New Deal Oil Co., also in West O'Neill.

Former Senator

Mr. Asimus, a former state senator, acquired a wide following during his years in the auto and machinery fields, and counted customers in dozens of Nebraska and South Dakota counties.

Mr. Spitzenberger, who has been in the field since 1937, is married and is the father of four children. Their oldest child, Kathleen, 18, is a freshman at Mt. Marty college at Yankton, S. D. Other children are Michael, 15, a high school junior; James, 12, a seventh grader, and Marie, who is in the first grade.

Mr. Derry is single. He has been in the automotive field since 1948.

The firm will be known as the Derry-Spitzenberger Motor Co.

While under the ownership and operation of Mr. Asimus the firm was designated as the Outlaw Implement Co., and Asimus Mercury garage.

KC's Elect Delegates to State Meeting—

SPENCER—The Boyd county Knights of Columbus, at a meeting here Friday, elected Ed Richter delegate to the state KC convention to be held in April at Hastings.

Rev. Charles Kamber of Lynch was elected first alternate, and Henry Pfeifer of Spencer, second alternate. Ray Kayle, grand knight, and John Schmidt, financial secretary, also will attend the meeting.

Rev. Francis Price of Emmet showed slides of his trip to Rome, Italy.

Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Yusten visited Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Cone Tuesday night.

Heermann . . . victor by wide margin in Third ward council race.—The Frontier Photo.

Native of Sweden Dies in Hospital

John A. Carlson, 90, Rites Set

LYNCH—John August Carlson, 90, a retired farmer, died late Tuesday, April 2, in Sacred Heart hospital at Lynch. He had been ill with influenza about three weeks. Death was caused by complications of his illness and advanced age.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Friday, April 5, at First Methodist church in Lynch. Rev. Paul Nelson of Bristow will officiate. Burial will be in Pleasant Hill cemetery at Lynch.

The late Mr. Carlson was born February 20, 1867, in Sweden. He came to America at a young age and later returned to Sweden to marry the former Anna Anderson. He and his bride reached Fairfax, S. D., in 1896 where Mr. Carlson was a homesteader.

The couple retired in 1923 and moved to Lynch. His wife died November 3, 1941.

Survivors include: Daughters—Mrs. Nellie Johnson of Sioux City; Mrs. Fred (Alda) Coleman of Spencer; Mrs. Mayme Larson of Laurel; Mrs. Wilmer (Mabel) Crawford of Lynch; son—Richard of Laurel; 10 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren.

The remains lie in state at the Jones funeral home at Lynch.

Moisture-Laden Snow Falls Here

Snow laden with moisture began falling at O'Neill late Wednesday afternoon after flurries had been noted earlier in the day.

Bassett, Ainsworth and Chambers reported snowfall earlier in the day.

By 8 p.m., the moisture had amounted to .13 of an inch. More fell later and driving conditions were made hazardous as temperatures dipped below freezing.

Spencer and Lynch reported beneficial snow late Wednesday.

Summary:

March 28	47	26	
March 29	45	21	
March 30	48	31	
March 31	60	33	.01
April 1	56	39	
April 2	52	31	
April 3	40	30	.13

SUFFERS ATTACK

STUART— Herman Batenhorst, sr., of Basin, Wyo., suffered a heart attack March 22. He is a brother of Alfons, Robert and Joseph Batenhorst and Mrs. Johanna Ramm, all of Stuart.

SON IS NAMED

EWING—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bartak have named their new son, Gregory Scott. He was born Wednesday, March 27, at St. Anthony's hospital, O'Neill.

High Court Says Road 'Not Okay'

Decision of District Court Is Reversed; Amelia Celebrates

LINCOLN — The Nebraska supreme court Friday reversed a Lancaster district court ruling which had upheld the state board of education in refusing to approve Amelia high school district 228, Holt county.

The board had refused to approve the two-year Amelia high school on the grounds that for three consecutive years the school had had less than 15 pupils and lay within 15 miles "over a reasonably improved highway" of another high school (Chambers), as provided by statute.

The effect of the board's ruling was that the Amelia two-grade high school was to be denied free tuition privileges. Had the ruling been sustained this would, in effect, have sounded the death knell for the high school (the first eight grades would not be affected).

By a Staff Writer

AMELIA—In this inland southwest Holt county community the state supreme court's decision Friday had the effect of clearing the air and relieving tension.

For the past three years these people in district 228—and the neighboring districts as well—have felt very strongly about keeping the tiny two-grade high school in operation.

The supreme conrt's announce-

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Off-Street Parking Feature of Lease

When the present Lohaus Motor Co., building is remodeled by Safeway Stores, Inc., it will measure 72 x 140 ft., and will contain 9,200 square feet of operating space.

This was announced Wednesday by Frank G. Pringle, retail division manager of Safeway Stores at Omaha. Pringle said all details of a lease agreement entered into by Safeway and Elizabeth T. and Henry J. Lohaus have been completed. The property is located at the northeast corner of Douglas and Fifth sts.

Balance of the 180 x 170 ft. property will be converted to off-street parking to accomodate customers while shopping at Safeway, Mr. Pringle said.

Safeway pioneered cash and carry and also off-street parking. Now off-street parking is a must with almost all types of retailing and current trends show that more and more grocers are converting to cash and carry.

Mr. Pringle went on to say: "The splendid future of O'Neill and its ever expanding trade area played a major part in Safeway's decision to locate in O'Neill."

He further stated, "O'Neill is a progressive, uptodate town, and Safeway wishes to contrinute to that march of progress."

The Frontier will carry accounts of the progress of this store from time-to-time.

Schorn Ordination May 11 in Omaha

ATKINSON—Henry Schorn of Atkinson will be ordained into the Roman Catholic priesthood Saturday, May 11 in Omaha. He is a student at St. Paul, Minn., and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Schorn of Atkinson.

Asimus, Derry, Spitzenberger . . . firm changes hands. —The Frontier Photo.