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JOSEPH U. YANTZI BURIED TODAY

Ret'red Businessman, 82, **Expires** at Home of Daughter

NATIVE OF CANADA

Joseph U. Yantzi, 82, retired O'Neill businessman, died Monday at the home of a daughter. Mrs. W. L. Shoemaker, at Stanton. He was critically ill for two weeks.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. today (Thursday) at the First Presbyterian church here with Rev. Kenneth J. Scott, church pastor, officiating. Burial was in Prospect Hill cemetery.

The late Mr. Yantzi was born in Ontario, Canada, on January 2, 1865. He came to Holt county in the Spring of 1882 from Seward county, Nebraska, where he had spent three years after leaving Canada.

On July 6, 1886, he was married to Kathryn Ernst. Two daughters and one son were born to this union.

Mr. Yantzi was for many years engaged in the produce and grocery business here.

He was a member of the Indethree sisters.

Mrs. Yantzi died February 4, 1940.

Pallbearers at the funeral services were John Ernst, Dave Ernst.

WIDOW OF EX-JUDGE Holt county courthouse, 8 a.m. DIES AT ATKINSON

Mrs. Clarence Selah, widow of the ex-Holt county judge, died Monday at Atkinson at the home of Mrs. Ethel Brown. Mrs. Selah been in failing health for

Extreme Temperatures Accompany First Week of Spring

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Spring was ushered in like the proverbial lamb. Before it had worn a week, however, Holt countyans had witnessed extraordinary extremes in temperatures.

On Saturday Old Sol dished out a sample of Maytime weather as the mercury climbed to 76. The "heat wave" was accompanied by an "epidemic" of Spring fever. The town broke out in a "rash" of shirt sleeves and Summer outfits.

Old Man Winter bounded back into the limelight e rly today (Thursday) as the citizenry wakened to find the region blanketed in snow. By noon most of the snow had disappeared. Lowest temperature during the 24-hour period that ended at 8 a. m. was 15 degrees.

The week's summary

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MOVE TO GENOA

CHAMBERS-Mr. and Mrs. R. pendent Order of Odd Fellows. E. Childers, who have been in Survivors include: two daugh- Genoa with their sons for the past ters, Mrs. W. L. Shoemaker, of Stanton; Mrs. C. A. Ives, of Bend, Ore.; one son, C. E., of O'-Neill; 11 grandchildren; 14 greatgrandchildren; four brothers, and Genoa Saturday. They will make their home there.

ITINERANT SCHEDULE SET The following itinerant service schedule for the Nebraska state Bellar, Clarence Ernst, Ralph Ernst, Levi Yantzi, and William nounced for April: Mondays, Apr. and 21, Holt county courthouse,

\$200 INCREASE

p. m.; Tuesdays, April 8 and 24,

CHAMBERS WOMAN EXPIRES AT 76

CHAMBERS-Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at the Baptist church for Mis. Emma Meyers, 76, who died 3 Petition Candidates for March 19 at her home in Cham-

ers. Rev. Ward Smith, of Butte, was in charge of the services. Pall-

house. Emma Blair, eldest daughter of

in marriage to Joseph Meyels, of with City Clerk J. B. Grady, Ray David City. To this union were is a candidate for First ward born five children, four of whom councilman; Armbruster, Second survive. Mr. Meyers died on ward, and DeB cker, Third ward. March 20, 1934.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyers came to Holt county 46 years ago. For 17 years she was janitor of

the Chambers school. She is survived by her four children: Mrs. Jessie Goodspeed, Oakdale; Frank Meyers, of Ewing; William Meyers, of Ver-ligre, and Mrs. Ele-nor, Gibson,

Flint, Mich.; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Jones, of Ainsworth, and Mrs. Bessie Jonosek, of Yuma, Ariz.; seven grandchildren, and



Phoenix Vicinity

in 1884 Sweden, died at noon Wednesday

at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Albert Widtfeldt. Ill only two weeks, death was caused by a heart ailment.

immigrated to the United States O'Neill new hospital fund. when he was a youth, landing in

for two years in the coal mines,-

QUIET ELECTION FORECAST HERE

City Posts; No **Contests** Seen

bearers were Darrel Gillette, Ed Smith, Wilson Smith, Art Walt-er, J. W. Walter and T. E. New-election next Tuesday is forecast here.

The only candidates for three William and Mary Blair, was born at Brainard on November 5, 1870.

On July 4, 1890, she was united whose names were filed last week

The incumbents, John Melvin, First ward; M. J. Wallace, Second ward; and Frank Clemens, Third,

are not petition candidates for reelection.

City Clerk Grady said that filings closed on March 19, 10 days before election.

The Frontier erroneously reported in the March 20 issue that the municipal and school elections would be held April 8. The correct date for Nebraska secondclass municipal elections is the first Tuesday in April.

At the same time, the voters

will name two members to the board of education. The terms of incumbants Dr. L. A. Burgess and Writes Mr. Saund George Shoemaker expire. Both are petition candidates for re-election. W. B. Gillespie is a third petition candidates for re-

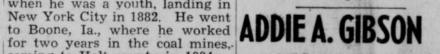
third petition candidate.

The polls will open Tuesday at 8 a. m. and close at 8 p. m. The polling places are: First wardnis H. Cronin. Holt county courthouse basement; Second ward-Knights of Colum-

ATKINSON — Swin John bus hall, second floor; Third ward Peterson, 86, a native of Kisa, —city council chambers.

COYOTE HUNT PLANNED

A coyote hunt will be held Sunday one mile east of Midway store north of O'Neill. Gus Karel is in The late Mr. Peterson, who charge of arrangements. Pro-was bern on January 25, 1861, ceeds will be turned over to the



Dennis H. Cronin, 78, Publisher 55 Years, Dies

DENNIS H. CRONIN . . . 1869-1947

Legislature Mourns Mr. Cronin's Passing -

Romaine Saunders, 74, of Linture, in regular session Tues-day, passed the following resocoln, veteran editor, printer and currently a columnist for The Frontier, has written a tribute to lution in memory of Dennis H.

> LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

In Memory of DENNIS H. CRONIN

Dennis H. Cronin was born in Eagle Harbor, Mich., on January 10, 1869, and came to Ne-braska in 1877. He was educated in the public schools of Calumet, Mich., and O'Neill, Neb. He served as postmaster in O'Neill, and as United States marshal for Nebraska from 1921 to 1932. He owned and operated a newspaper in

Veteran Editor, Solon, **U.S. Marshal Buried** Here Monday

RETIRED IN MAY, 1946

Death came Friday to Dennis H. Cronin, 78, veteran editor-publisher, legislator and leader, who died at 2 p. m. Friday in St. Vin-cent's hospital in Sioux City.

Funeral services were held at 10 a. m. Monday at St. Patrick's Catholic church here with Rt. Rev. J. G. McNamara officiating. Interment was in the Cronin family plot at Calvary cemetery.

Mr. Cronin, who retired from public life in May, 1946, when he sold The Frontier, has been in failing health for the past six months. During that period he had made one trip to Rochester, Minn., and numerous trips to Sioux City in behalf of his health. He had been in St. Vincent's hospital for seven weeks prior to his death.

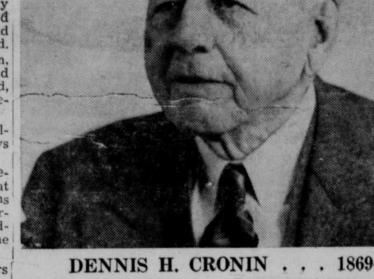
Dennis Harrington Cronin was born at Eagle Harbor, Mich., on January 10, 1869, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cronin, who moved to O'Neill from northern Michigan in 1877. The Cronins were among the earliest settlers and were identified with the "Michigander" immigrants. The family homesteaded one mile north of the present site of O'Neill.

Coedits The Item

Mr. Cronin completed in O'Neill his elementary education that had begun at Calumet, Mich.

On February 5, 1891, the late Mr. Cronin and Clyde N. King became coeditors of The O'Neill Item, which was one of four newspapers here. On January 28, 1892, he became one of the editors and coowners (along with Mr. King and W. D. Matthews) of The Frontier, which, in the mean-

time, had absorbed The Item. In 1896 Mr. Cronin assur assumed O'Neill for more than 55 years sole ownership of The Frontier, and was active in city and state which he operated continuously press association work. He for half a century. served in the Nebraska house On May 30, 1894, he married of representatives of the Ne-Miss Kathleen Lorge at Randolph. braska state legislature in 1911, They became the parents of three 1913, 1915 and 1917, and was sons, Julius D., Francis N., and a member of the senate of the Clinton E., and two daughters, Beatrice (Mrs. P. B. Harty), and Nebraska state legislature in 1919 and 1921. He served as a Geraldine. Mrs. Cronin died member of the Nebr.ska uni-April 6, 1911. cameral legislature in 1945 and In January, 1919, Mr. Cronin in the special session of 1946. married Miss Faye Farrand, of He was always active in civic Omaha. They became the pa-rents of one daughter, Marjorie, affairs and a leader in any activity in which he chose to and one son, Richard. participate. He was highly re-He served four terms, 1911-'13, spected by his colleagues in 1915-'17, in the Nebraska house the legislature and by everyone of representatives. He won recwith whom he came in contact. ognition in the house as the auth-He died in Sioux City, Ia., on or of the state aid bridge law. March 21, 1947, and his death He served two terms, 1919-'21, in is mourned by all who knew the Nebraska senate, and at the turn of the year completed a term in the unicameral legisla-ture, of which he was the dean. WHEREAS, it is the desire of this body to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved col-league, NOW, THEREFORE, Marshal for 12 Years Mr. Cronin was United States marshal for Nebraska for 12 years, 1921-'32, his last appoint-BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NEBRAS-KA LEGISLATURE IN SIXment coming from Pres. Coolidge. TIETH SESSION ASSEM He was president of the O'Neill city council for eight years; post-1. That we pause for a momaster here for eight years . servment in our deliberations and ed one term as president of the stand in humility and rever-Nebraska Press association, ence in honor of our departed Mr. Cronin was a leader in most member, Dennis H. Cronin, phases of community life during who served so loyally and ably the development of O'Neill and as a member of the Nebraska Holt county. state legislature. During his early career he play-2. That the clerk of the leged considerable baseball and he islature be directed to spread won early recognition for his abilat large on the legislative jourity as an actor. Few home talent plays in the '90s and early 1900s nal this resolution, and that a copy of said resolution, properwere cast without Mr. Cronin in ly authenticated and suitably a leading role. He was among the last of the engrossed, be sent by the clerk to the bereaved family of our school of newspapermen whose departed colleague, as an expersonality was reflected pression of our respect for the throughout the paper. He fredeceased and our sympathy for quently engaged opposition, primarily political, in heated word battles. Mr. Cionin was co sidered a leader in state Republican circles. His p.estige as a leader Signed. ROBERT B. CROSBY exceeded that of his own news-President of the Legislature. paper. The combination of editorial and poli ical activity earned him widespread recognition throughout the state



His tribute follows:

now know as O'Neill.

By Romaine Saunders

The Nebraska state legisla-

Cronin: his old friend and colleague, Den-

SIXTIETH SESSION

Prairieland has blossomed, scorched, frozen and been windswept for three score and 10 years since a boy of eight years, dark eyes opened in wonderment, and black hair crown-ing an intelligent Irish head, landed with his parents on the soil that has become almost sacred through common devotion and common secrifices that we

Death followed an apoplectic 13 Are Reelected; Other six months. stroke.

The body was brought to Biglin Brothers here pending funeral arrangements.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. lis will officiate.

son, Dean, of Grand Island; three of the 1946-'47 teaching staff were tively planned at the Butte Comgrandsons, William, of Rock Is- reelected. land, Ill. · Richard and Robert; and one granddaughter.

Pastors Named for Holy Week Services

downtown lenten services to be Alice L. French, mathematics and held at the Golden hotel dining librarian, \$2,400; Miss Esther Kinroom under the sponsorship of nier, commercial, \$2,400; Miss the O'Neill Ministerial associa-tion. Teresina Danese, social science and Spanish, \$2,400; Mrs. Dora S. was applied to LB 444, a state in-

hour.

Grosenbach, Holiness church; fourth grade, \$1,550. Wednesday-Rev. Lloyd W. Mulis, Methodist church; Thursday -Rev. Kenneth J. Scott, First All of the lis, Methodist church; Thursday Presbyterian church. All of the

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Errst and family were in Omaha and Wakefield Friday and Saturday.



CORKLE-Mr. and Mrs. James W. Corkle, of O'Neill, a daughter, The couple moved into O'Neill born Friday, March 21, in Our In recent years Mr. Hicks has Lady of Lourdes hospital, at Nor- In recent years Mr. Hicks has folk.

CRANE - Mr. and Mrs. Allen Crane, of Hartford, Conn., a rents of two daughters, Mrs. Eddaughter, born Thursday, March ward Hubby, of Butte, and Mrs. 20, at Hartford. Mrs. Crane is Adelina Sporn, of Glendale, Calif.; known at Chambers as the for- one son, Clarence, of O'Neill; mer Wilma Backman.

GADDIE-Mr. and Mrs. Avery grandchildren. Gaddie, of Chambers, a daughter, Patricia Ann, born Sunday, March 23, in the O'Neill hospital. Mrs. Gaddie was formerly Miss Arlene dred Catherine Shald, 20, both of Jones, of Chambers.

M'GRAW-Mr. and Mrs. Keith McGraw, of Albion, a son, John and Miss Phyllis A. Carpenter, 20, Patrick, born recently, at Albion. of Chambers, March 15. The McGraws are known at Inman.

SPITTLER-Mr. and Mrs. Je- S. D., March 20. rome Spittler, of Inman, a daughter, born Sunday, March 23, in the O'Neill hospital.

Contracts Held Up by Technicalities

FOR TEACHERS

A blanket \$200-per-year in- Butte. They reared a family of Friday in the Methodist church crease for the 1947-'48 term re- two sons and one daughter. Mrs. here with interment in Prospect cently was voted for every teach- Peterson died in March, 1941. Hill cemetery. Rev. Lloyd Mul- ing position in the O'Neill public Funeral arrangements were not school system. At the same time, completed at noon today (Thurs-Mrs. Selah is survived by one Supt. Ira George and 12 members day). although rites are tenta-

hold up contracts with at least Peterson.

seven other teachers. Those reelected and their 1947-'48 salaries follow:

"The Suffering Saviour" will be the theme for the five noonday cational education, \$3,050; Miss STATE INCOME

The 30-minute services will be- Davis, normal training, \$2,400. gin at 12:25 p. m., Monday Miss Hilda Gallagher, third legislature at Lincoln. The mea-through next Thursday. On grade, \$1,665; Mrs. Mary Eliz-sure was buried by indefinite LEGION PLANS Good Friday the service will be- beth Harbottle, fifth grade, \$1,- postponement. gin at 1 p. m. and last for one 665; Miss Loretta Enright, second

The schedule: Monday-Rev. J. Fritton, first grade, \$1,550; Mrs. both taxpayer league officers, M. Cummings, Assembly of God Catherine Donohoe, sixth grade, swung the big bats that hammer- will sponsor a junior baseball church; Tuesday - Rev. Melvin \$1,550; Miss LuVerne H. Schultz, ed out the facts and figures on team during the 1947 summer sea-

pastors will participate in the MARRIED 55 YEARS Good Friday service.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hicks, of Gov. Val Peterson. O'Neill, Monday observed their 55th wedding anniversary at their home here. Despite their advanced years, both enjoy good

health.

work.

Both were born in Iowa and came to Holt county in their vouth. They were married in O'Neill on March 24, 1892, by Rev. Lowerv

Until 1925 they resided on the Hicks homestead, originally granted to the late Palmer Hicks. The place is located east of Meek

The couple moved into O'Neill Goodbye.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks are the paeight grandchildren, and 10 great

MARRIAGE LICENSES Wesley C. Taylor, 26, and Mil-

Atkinson, March 15. Ben W. Medcalf, 20, of O'Neill, Charles Jenson, 48., of O'Neill, and Almira Wood, 24, of Mission,

City Wednesday.

coming to Holt county in 1884. He homesteaded in northern Holt county, north of Phoenix, where he resided continuously for half a century.

ried Miss Lottie Ellis at

munity church. Burial will be at

Survivors include. two sons. Marx. of Elkhorn, Wis.; Jacob. of Sweet Home. Ore.; one daughter,

come tax measure, in the state Frank G. Arnold, of Fullerton,

grade, \$1,665; Mrs. Catherine E. and Walter Pierpont, of Omaha, why the income tax was not son, it was decided Friday. The needed.

considering a series of bills to Commander Glea H. Wade said. improve assessments.

sale of slugs in parking meters the team. and vending machines was among

said.

Dennis H. Cronin's last writ- @ ten words to The Frontier readers were penned on May 16, 1946, a few hours before the pa-per went to press carrying the news of his retirement.

This week Editor Cronin's "Goodbye" is reproduced:

"To The Frontier readers wherever they may be located:

"It is with deep regret that I pen the above words. For 55 years I have been engaged in the newspaper business in this city; 54 with The Frontier. Part of this time was spent with a partner, but for the past 50 years, lacking a few months, I was alone as editor and own-

"How well I have performed my duty, you-the readersknow, and it is not for me to say. But I will say that at all times I tried to be fair in news dealings and never knowingly injured anyone through the columns of The Frontier. Du ing these years I have made many friends and some enemies, for it is impossible to be in this Mrs. W. H Harty was in Sioux business without making enemies, when you publicize the **DIES IN HOSPITAL**

On November 24, 1909, he mar- Lifelong Holt Resident **Expires** in Sioux City After Operation

Miss Addie A. Gibson, 62, a lifelong resident of Holt county, died at 1:35 p. m. Wednesday in the Methodist hospital at Sioux Technicalities will temporarily Butte near the grave of Mrs. tient a little over a week. Death followed a surgical operation.

Miss Gibson was born December 19, 1884, at Mineola. She re-sided on a farm ell of her life with the exception of several years spent in O'Neill, where she owned a home.

Funeral services will be held at BILL KILLED 2 p. m. Saturday at the Dorsey church. Burial will be in the Aineola cemetery.

Miss Gibson leaves no immediate survivors.

JUNIOR BALL

The American Legion post here Legion will field a team with Meanwhile, the legislature is new uniforms and equipment,

Sixteen youths, who were born A bill outlawing the use and not later than 1930, will comprise

A manager and coach will be four bills signed this week by selected soon, Commander Wade

Editor Cronin's 'Goodbye'

shortcomings of the delinquent ? in the harness. That being imofficials or of citizens who try to take the short road to wealth by crooked transactions that finally get in the courts.

Sadness in Reporting

"We have enjoyed our newspaper career in the empire of Holt, where we have lived most of our life. We have chronic'ed in the columns of The F.o. tier the births of many of our present leading citizens as well as the marriages of their parents, many of whom we knew long before their marriages.

"One of the saddest things in the life of a newspaper man is that of recording the passing from this earthly sphere of many of the closest friends and chums of his youth. It has been our sad duty during the past eight years to record the passing of nearly all of a group of young men with whom] traveled as a young man 50 and 60 years ago. This makes us realize that time takes its toll. "Advancing years and a shortage of competent help forced us to get out of the business. Had competent help been available we would have ended our life

Out of the copper mining region of upper Michigan, out of the smoke and steam of industrial Scranton, Pa., had come colonies at the call of Gen. John O'Neill to make homes on the prairie and start a town.

Denny Cronin was that eightyear-old boy from Michigan. His father bought land that corners with the northeast lim-its of O'Neill and through the span of 70 years O'Neill and that first prairie farm has been his home.

It has been my privilege to have known him since as a boy he brought milk in from the farm and delivered it to the homes in the town, on through the colorful years of a pioneer community. Not to the manner of the farm born, ambition and energy urged him into school and the wider scope of life's practical and sometimes hardbitten experiences. At the hour of youth's golden glow he set forth on a career that led to a life of newspaper work, into legislative halls and responsible government positions.

Headstrong and always loyal, Denny had decided convictions. Political opponents feared and political friends sought his help and advice. And through the stormy but picturesque period of Holt county's political evolution none was a more colorful figure than he. He had but a few months' release from life's strenuous call until the pale hand of death beckoned him from us-I say us as none seem so much of the part of the whole of a large community. Goodbye, Denny. Romaine.

possible, we sold out.

ter for some time to come. You

lifetime in hours or days, and

for sometime to come I will

probably be haunting The Fron-

tier office, hoping that I won't

"In conclusion, I desire to ex-

press my sincere appreciation

to the people of Holt county

for their confidence in me and

mine during the past years,

both politically and in business.

I expect to continue to make

my home in O'Neill and will be

seeing you as the days roll by.

You, my friends and enemies (if

I have any), have my best wish-

es for a long life, full of pros-

perity and happiness, for you

certainly deserve it, for no

county in any state of the

Union has a finer, more intel-

ligent or lovable class of peo-

ple. May God bless you all.

be a pest.

on't break off the habits of a

the bereaved. Introduced and adopted March 25, 1947.

Will 'Haunt' the Office "As to the future I know not.

him.

BLED:

I have been here so long that **Press** Association I am aware of the fact that I will be like a duck out of wa-

Makes Resolution —

The death of Dennis H. C-onin occured midway in the annual convention of the Nebraska Press association being held at Lincoln. On Saturday the body unanimously moved to extend sympathy to the members of Mr. Cronin's family.

The resolutions follow.

"Be it further resolved, that in the death this week of Dennis H. Cronin, for 54 years publisher of the O'Neill Frontier, the press of the state has lost a valuable and conscientious worker.

"He served the state of Nebraska well as a member of the senate and worked tirelessly for the upbuilding of his home community.

"Our deep sympathy is expressed for members of the family in their hour of sadness. Signed. NANCY MAHOOD, Secretary-Manager." Stewart.

-DENNIS H. CRONIN."

'Best-Known Citizen'

In the funeral sermon, Msgr. McNamara described the late Mr. Cronin as "perhaps Holt county's best-known citizen.'

Survivors include the widow: four sons, and three daughters. Mr. Cronin was the last living member of the original Cronin family that came from northern Michigan.

Among those coming from a distance for the rites were Mr. and Mrs. Clinton E. Cronin, of Grand Island; Mrs. B. F. Gleason, of Randolph; Sister M. Florencia, of Stuart; Romaine Saunders, of Lincoln.

Mrs. F. H Butts, of Santa Barbara, Calif., sister of Mrs. Cronin, was also present. She has been here for more than a month.

Pallbearers were Frank Nelson, Guy Cole, H. D. Grady, Ira Moss, Phillip Harrington, Dean Streeter, G. E. Miles and Carroll W.

