

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Le Paske, Anthony Senator _____

Represented Sioux County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 15 Oct 1868, Mendenhall, Tillamook County, Minnesota

2. Marriage (s) date place

Agnes Sappatus 2 July 1902 Sioux Center, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Vice-president of The First National Bank at Sioux Center for 35 years as well as chairman of the board of directors; admitted to the bar in 1897 in Minnesota; admitted Iowa bar in 1909

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Attorney, Teacher

4. Church membership Dutch Reformed

5. Sessions served 44th, 50th, 51st General Assembly 1931, 1943, 1945

6. Public Offices

A. Local Sioux Center mayor for 16 years; county attorney for 12 years; Sioux Center school trustee 3 years

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 11 Feb 1946 Sioux Center, Iowa; buried Sioux Center

8. Children Maurice, Adolphus, Amy Ruth, ^{deceased} Mrs. (Agnes) Broad

9. Names of parents Hendrick Jans and Desima (Jimmie) Le Paske

Te Paske, Anthony

10. Education He went to public schools that were very rudimentary at
the time because of lack of facilities at that early time,
he also attended Northwestern Classical Academy when he was 14.

11. Degrees Graduate of Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa
Graduate of Harvard University, 1913, Boston, Massachusetts

12. Other applicable information Republican

- Moved to Sioux Center, Iowa in 1874, age 5, raised as a farmer.
- taught English and Greek for several years
- He practiced law from 1897 until his retirement in 1945.
- He owned home in a Minnesota log cabin
- He was trustee of Northwest Junior College and Academy 20 years
- He was an active member, member of Woodmen and Lion's Club

Assisted.

- His wife, Agnes, died 12 June 1954, Evergreen Park, Minn., born 7 Aug 1878
in Penjans, Friesland, Netherlands

He and his wife gave classes in citizenship for newly arrived
immigrants, helping them with their English language skills and the
fundamentals of American Government.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

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		Thurs. Feb. 14, 1946, p. 1, col. 7	
-	Obituary -	<u>The Carroll Daily Journal Herald</u> , Carroll, Iowa	
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-	Obituary -	<u>The Council Bluffs Republican</u> , Council Bluffs, Iowa	
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-	Obituary -	<u>The Sioux Center News</u> , Sioux Center, Iowa	
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-	Obituary -	<u>The Alton Democrat</u> , Alton, Iowa	
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Rep. Te Paske Dies Today At Sioux Center

Republican Serving Third Term in Iowa House Of Representatives

SIoux CENTER, IA. (AP)—State Representative Anthony Te Paske, 77, serving his third term in the lower Iowa house, died at his home here today. He was a republican.

He suffered a stroke two weeks ago.

Mayor of Sioux Center 16 years and Sioux county attorney 12 years, Te Paske had practiced law from 1897 until his retirement last year. He was chairman of the board of the First National bank here, of which he had served as vice-president for 35 years.

Born of Dutch parents in a Minnesota log cabin, Te Paske came to Sioux county in 1874. He attended Grinnell college and Harvard university.

His widow, two sons and a daughter survive. Funeral services will be held here at 1 p. m., Wednesday.

Speaker Harold Felton of the state house of representatives appointed eight representatives to attend the funeral:

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Holds Dutch Offer Merely Starting Point

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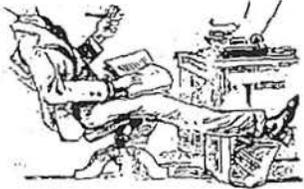
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Last week the News carried a letter from a veteran criticizing the town council for turning down his application to move an old house into town. We make no apology for publishing a need letter from a local citizen. But we do believe that the criticism isn't justified, because Sioux Center's town council has done a great deal to help old houses for returning veterans. The council made the necessary applications for federal surplus housing. It is the only small town in Iowa to give a promise of houses—we are allotted 10 surplus houses which will be available soon.

We have talked to members of the council and learned that they were all in favor of the old house which the applicant asked to move into town. They thought it in too poor a condition to be converted into living quarters. The council has permitted many old houses to be moved in, and they should be permitted discretion to deny a permit to a very poor building. We are in fairness to our town council, and we are definitely interested in helping veterans find homes and have given it in substantial ways.

This week the President announced that the starving people of Europe need 25 million bushels of wheat during the next six months. The U.S. will supply this grain to Europe, starting in the next few weeks, to tide over the poor people until their crops can be harvested in late summer and early fall. This is in the spirit of the Christian principle that we owe our brothers keepers, and consistent with the humane democracy of our great country.

We all say "yes, ship food to Europe to help the starving women and children." But what will we say when we find that helping these peoples means coarse dark bread on our tables? Will our humanity weigh as heavy as scales as our convenience? During the war the American people accepted rationing as a necessary inconvenience. We expect the same reaction now when we face one of the real problems caused by the war.

The dark bread we will eat is not palatable as the good and refined breads we are accustomed to. But nutritionists say they have high food value and may even be healthier foods than our bread. England has used a dark bread diet for five years, and today the people of England are healthier (though a bit thinner) than before the war.

We don't be a grumble-pot when we buy and eat dark bread—be a man being willing to save the people of Europe from starving.

Bull Wins First In County Tourney

SIoux CENTER PLACES THIRD

Sioux Center High School's basketball team now county champions, having won first place in the annual tournament held at Orange City last week. Newkirk high school came through with second place, Sioux Center third, and Orange City fourth.

The local team won their first two games without much difficulty, defeating Ireton 51 to 13, and Boyden 38 to 30. The Friday night game with Newkirk was a hair-raiser, ending in a 23-24 in Newkirk's favor. The game was a spectacular, scoring 3 field goals in the final minutes of the game. Saturday night the local boys came back to defeat Orange City for consolation. The Thursday night game was the toughest of the white elephant game, when Orange City nosed out Sioux Center in the final minutes of the game to take the victory.

Anthony Te Paske Dies At 77 Years

Anthony Te Paske died at his home here early Monday morning from a stroke suffered two weeks ago. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, at 1 P.M. at the home and at 1:30 p.m. at the First Reformed Church; burial was in the local cemetery.

Mr. Te Paske was 77 years of age last October. He took an active part in his law practice until about a year ago when he retired to spend more time in the horticulture work he had adopted as a hobby many years ago.

Mr. Te Paske was born in a log cabin on a farm in southern Minnesota on October 15, 1863. He came to



HONORABLE A. TE PASKE

Sioux County with his parents in 1874, only a few years after the first pioneers opened up these prairies.

He graduated from Grinnell college and Harvard University law school. After teaching for four years in the Northwestern Classical Academy he came to Sioux Center and opened a law office in 1897. During the 48 years since then Mr. Te Paske has taken an active part in community and political affairs, serving 35 years in elective offices. He served as mayor of Sioux Center for 16 years, as county attorney for 12 years, and was serving his third term as state representative at the time of his death.

Mr. Te Paske developed a large and successful law practice, served for 35 years as vice-president of the First National Bank of Sioux Center, and became a substantial land owner. A hard working thrifty man he found time to serve on boards of charitable institutions, a college, to promote community improvement projects, and to take several trips to Europe with his family.

In 1903 he married Agnes Dykstra, a school teacher, now a member of the Iowa bar. Besides his wife he is survived by three children, Mrs. Ralph Broad of Quincy, Mich.; Maurice and Adelphos, both of Sioux Center; and four grandchildren.

Honorary pall bearers included P. B. Mouw, F. C. Ave, H. K. Eggink, H. J. Schalekamp, George DeRuyter, John Boeyink. Active pall bearers were Gerrit E. DenHerder, Harold Shoemaker, Hon. M. D. Van Oosterhout, P. J. Haverhals, John Van Gorkum, Rev. Jacob Heemstra, Mrs. H. Morel and Sade Vander Stoep were in charge of the flowers.

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Holtrop Variety Store Preparing For Opening

Sam Holtrop is getting his place ready for opening in the future, and has started unpacking and displaying merchandise this week. The equipment displaying merchandising is being in this week, and Sam says he expects to have his grand opening quite soon.

He has secured the agency for Electrical Appliances and will carry a miscellaneous line of varieties, gift items, and small merchandise in that line.

Auditor Gives Filing Details For Election

ALL CANDIDATES MUST FILE MARCH 25, ELECTION JUNE

According to County Auditor Van Wyke, candidates for office in the coming primary election soon file their papers.

The primary election will be on the first Monday in June. All county and township candidates must file seventy days prior to the election which is March 25 this year.

The last legislature continued war ballots, and this fact makes it imperative that all candidates file before March 25.

Those in service who wish to file in the primary election must file an application for the ballot and designate their party affiliation. Servicemen and women must file their own application.

Visser Bros. Elevator Opening Saturday

Lane and John Visser, who have bought out Dick Vander Berg's elevator business, will have their new opening Saturday, Feb. 16th, at premises located just west of the road tracks in Sioux Center.

These two young veterans are well known in this territory, both having worked in this place of business several years before entering the service, so they are thoroughly familiar with the merchandising of the elevator business.

The community wishes the boys success and prosperity in their new business venture.

Select Soloists For H.S. Music Contest

In spite of a severe blizzard, a crowd was on hand to hear the contest last Tuesday evening. Clifford J. Olson, critic judge Augustana College, Sioux Falls, was on hand, so the program will be held. It was a splendid program with each entry showing fine technique of which our school may be proud.

The three in each group who were selected were as follows:

Tenor Solo—Orwin Moutv, Kenneth Deums, Stanley Van Dokkumb
Baritone Solo—Gary Lihudis, Kenneth Vermeer, Dan De Ruyter.
Bass Solo—Kenneth Mullen, Raymond Sneller, Wilmer Vree
Soprano Solo—Betty Mieras, Boone, Caroline Boone.
Mezzo Soprano—Norma D. Caroline Walraven.
Alto—Everly Wissink, Joan Esther Koerseman.

Rev. Breen Called Back to Ocheyedan Church

Rev. O. Breen, pastor of the Christian Reformed Church in Center, announced to his congregation this week, that he had received from the Christian Reformed Church in Ocheyedan, Iowa.

Rev. Breen has served this church for the fifth time. It is the fifth call he has received in that time.

Source: Iowa Territorial and State Legislators Collection compiled by volunteers and staff at the State Historical Society of Iowa Library, Des Moines, Iowa.

Anthony TePaske Passes Beyond At Sioux Center

H. Mulder Family Are Prospering

From Mrs. Harry Mulder of Belflower we have an appreciated check and letter giving interesting news of the family.

"Enclosed you will find a check for our Democrat subscription. While our temperature soars to 85 degrees we often forget that it is time to resubscribe to the Alton newspaper.

"We are sort of crowded at our house nowadays. Our family are all at home now. George and his wife and son are living with us but plan to move to their new home soon. Since released from the Army George is working for the California Milk Transport in Hynes and apparently enjoys his work there.

"Martha and Evelyn are working for the Ferry Command in Long Beach. Evelyn is doing much the same work as she did in the WAC.

"The rest of the children are in school. Ruth is a freshman in high school and Agnes will graduate this year. She is hoping to study journalism in college next year. Elizabeth Sue is in the sixth grade. Jane is in her third year at the University of California, Santa Barbara College and will teach after graduation.

"Harry is still working for the Triangle Grain Co. for whom he drives a bulk truck. For Christmas they gave him a waterproof jewel watch. His employer says he is one of their best-liked employees.

"The family are all in good health and we still enjoy reading the Alton Democrat."

Boy Scout Week Observed In Alton

National Boy Scout week opened in Alton Sunday with a special program at the High School Auditorium.

An excellent address by Rev. Harold Hesselink featured the program which opened with advance of the colors by members of Troop 213. Senior Patrol Leader Howard Goetsch explained briefly the friendship theme of Boy Scout week—"Scouts of the World, Building Together" and the speaker of the evening was introduced by Committee Member Gerrit Karssen. The Girls A. H. S. sextet sang an appreciated number accompanied by Mrs. Hanson.

The local Scouts have been preparing all week for the Community Club dinner Wednesday night, at which they are presenting the program.

Two window exhibits have won considerable attention—a display of Scout craft work in the Klein Drug Store window and a camping scene in the Beaver Hardware window by Beaver Patrol Tenderfoot Scout

Was Prominent In Public Affairs Since 1897

State Representative Anthony Te Paske, prominent in public life in Northwest Iowa for the past fifty years, died Monday morning at his home in Sioux Center from a stroke suffered two weeks ago.

He was 77 years of age, born of Dutch pioneer parents in a log cabin in Minnesota. He came to Sioux County in 1874 when the county was in its infancy. He was graduated from Grinnell College and Harvard university and for four years taught English and Greek.

In 1903 he married Agnes Dykstra, brilliant young school teacher who later became a member of the Iowa bar. He is survived by Mrs. Te Paske and three children, Mrs. Ralph Broad of Quincy, Mich.; Maurice, who has lately taken over his father's extensive law practice and land interests; and Adelphos, recently appointed to a diplomatic post in Germany after his release from the U. S. Army, in which he rose from private to the rank of captain during his long service in the South Pacific.

Mr. Te Paske practised law since 1897, was Sioux County attorney for 12 years and Sioux Center mayor for 16 years, vice president of the First National bank for 35 years and chairman of the board of directors. He served in the 44th, 50th, 53rd, 54th and 51st general assemblies.

In 1910 he and Mrs. Te Paske went abroad and again in 1936 they took their two sons on a European tour after attending the International Sundayschool convention in Oslo, Norway.

Services were held Wednesday at the First Reformed church in Sioux Center. A number of fellow members of the State Assembly were present, besides hundreds of friends from this section of the state.

Mr. Te Paske, with his good wife, originated the adult citizenship school for the instruction of foreigners in the principles of American government and for some years he and Mrs. Te Paske taught these citizenship classes in their own home. Always interested in youth, he was a leader of young people in church and community affairs. Widely read, he was an impressive public speaker. Republican in politics, he was conservative but not narrow in his views, an internationalist in policy.

In his law practice and extensive business responsibilities his reputation was that of unvarying integrity and fair dealing. His community and the district have indeed lost a citizen who well earned the commendation, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Veterans Office Opens At Sheldon

Ray Budden V Gertru

St. Joseph's church scene of a beautiful Monday morning Feb when Miss Gertru daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reim became the bride of Raynold Budden, and Mrs. Ed Budden mens Knobbe officiated single ring ceremony. The bride was in white satin dress over skirt and finger she carried a pearl of the groom.

The bridesmaid, Schemmel, friend of wore yellow taffeta a bouquet of jonquil peas.

The groom and his Albert Budden, a groom wore dark and white boutonniere.

After the ceremony party drove to the home of Mrs. Roman Bu a wedding breakfast.

A reception and given at the home of parents for 32 guests was decorated in white.

Table waitresses: Rose Schwarz, Marjorie and Alice Crohonor went to Mr. Lammers and Mrs. dapp.

The bride attended St. Joseph's school and is in the post office in Sheldon.

The groom attended St. Joseph's school and school in Kansas City; his discharge from the army. He is operating a Granville.

Present in the wedding party were Mr. and Mrs. van Sipma of Sioux Center and Mrs. Paul Hurd of Sheldon, Mr. and Mrs. Poeckes of Remsen, Mrs. Al Pottebaum.

Rites Wednesday For Mrs. Scudder

Mrs. Elizabeth Scudder passed away at her home in Sheldon Saturday evening at 7 o'clock after a long illness with heart trouble, a 73 years, 5 months and 10 days.

Elizabeth Hebbel born at Sjostrum Prussia, Germany on Feb. 2, 1872, the daughter of Bernard and Mary Hebbelmann.

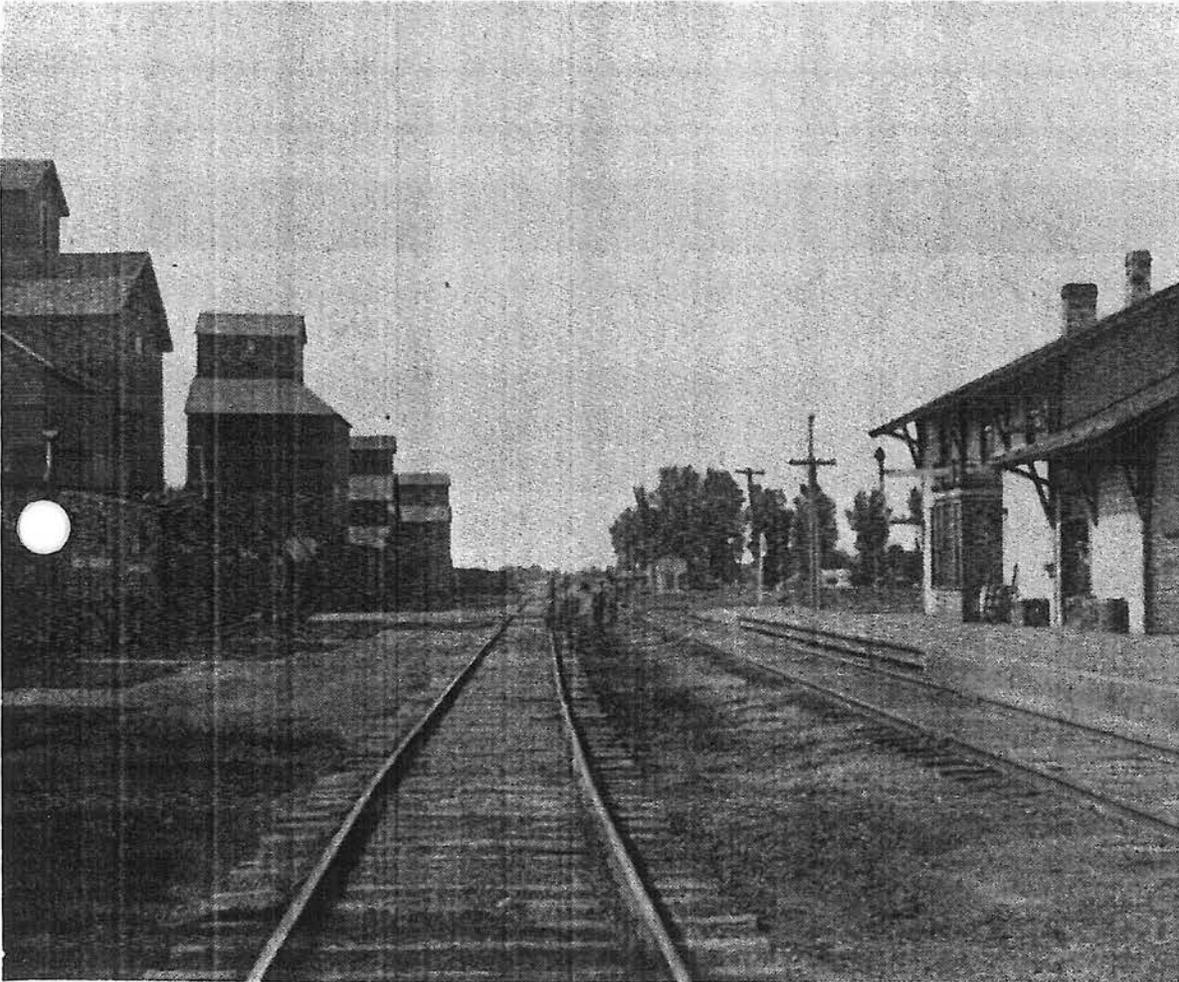
At the age of 19 she came to this country and home with her sister and St. Louis, Mo. She lived in this country for 10 years. Then she came to Sheldon and on Oct. 1, 1910, married to John Scudder in St. Joseph's church in Sheldon where they made their home.

To this union were born 6 girls and 3 boys named Mrs. Wm. P. Ahlers, Joe and Tony at home.

Also surviving are 10 children. She was preceded in death by her husband on Aug. 1, 1937, also by 2 brothers and 1 sister. She was the mother of 9 children.

She was a faithful member of the Christian Mothers Society. Funeral services were held at St. Joseph's church Monday morning Feb. 9 at 10 o'clock. Burial was made in St. Joseph's cemetery. Rev. N. Knoll of Sheldon officiated.

A People With Convictions: A History of Sioux Center, Iowa 1870-1991



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Children of Leon and Gloria Te Grotenhuis: Heather, Seth, Calee, Maggie.

Sioux Center Community Hospital and was raised on the Franken family farm in Welcome Township. She attended the Sioux Center Christian grade school and graduated from the Sioux Center Community High School in 1971. She then attended Stewart's School of Hairstyling in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and graduated from there in 1972. In the fall of 1972, she opened Fashion Hair Beauty Shop in the building which is now the Pizza Ranch. After her marriage to Leon, she moved her salon to their home on Main Avenue.

Gloria has three brothers, Willard, Ken, and Gerry, all of Sioux Center, and one sister, Diane (Witt) of rural Hawarden.

Leon is the son of Milo and Gertrude (Westerbeek) Te Grotenhuis, who resided in Sioux Center and are now both deceased. His paternal grandparents are Gerrit and Rena (Bonnama) Te Grotenhuis from Orange City, Iowa. His maternal grandparents are William and Jenny (Vander Horn) Westerbeek of Larwood. All grandparents are now deceased.

Leon was born on November 15, 1950, at the Orange City Hospital. He lived on a farm by Orange City until he was five. His family then moved to Sioux Center. He attended the Sioux Center Community School. Leon was in the U.S. Army from 1970-1972. When Leon returned from service, he went to work for Pete Dykstra in Hull, Iowa. After a time, he went to work at Sioux Preme Packing in Sioux Center for 9 years. Leon now drives truck for Demco Mfg. Company in Boyden, Iowa.

Leon has two brothers, Larry of Sioux Center, Loren of Hull, Iowa, and one sister, Lenyce (Wielenga) of Orange City, Iowa.

Leon and Gloria purchased one acre of ground from Gloria's father and grandfather in July of 1977. This is located in Welcome Township just south of the Franken family farm. There they built a new home where they are presently residing.

Leon and Gloria have five children. A daughter, Heather Ann, was born on March 4, 1976, at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. She attends the Sioux Center Community School. A son, Seth Lee, was born on June

29, 1979, in the Sioux Center Community Hospital. He also attends the Sioux Center Community School. On December 7, 1986, a son, Caleb Gerrit, was born in the Sioux Center Community Hospital. Caleb was born with a rare genetic disease and was transferred by helicopter to the neonatal unit in the Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls. He died on December 17, 1986, of heart failure.

In January 1988, Leon and Gloria began paperwork to do a South American adoption. They completed the paperwork in March of 1988, and on July 21, 1988, they received a phone call telling them of twin girls available to them for adoption. The girls were born June 25, 1988, and were in Lima, Peru. Leon, Gloria, Heather and Seth flew to Lima on July 30. They arrived in Lima on July 31, and were presented with their twin girls on August 1. The girls were named Calee Maye and Maggie Ann. The family remained in Lima for seven weeks to finalize the adoption process.

Leon, Gloria and children enjoy camping, boating, skiing, and swimming. Gloria still works part time in her salon.

They are all members of Central Reformed Church.

by Gloria Te Grotenhuis

TE PASKE, ANTHONY AND AGNES

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Anthony (baptized Dirk Antonie, anglicized to Derrick Anthony), was born October 15, 1868, Greenleafon, Minnesota, and died February 11, 1946, Sioux Center, Iowa.

Agnes (baptized Akke) Dykstra. Born August 7, 1878, Pinjum, Friesland, Netherlands, and died June 12, 1954, Evergreen Park, Illinois.

Cope Ten Passe appears to be the "Adam" of the Te Paske clan, at least so far as the genealogists of the family have been able to ascertain. From his birth in 1640 to the end of that century, the family name evolved through Ten Passche to Te Passche and settled down to Te Paske. The source and meaning of the name remain obscure but it is reasonable to speculate that it refers to an estate or other large land holding from which servants or tenants may have taken their family names when those were ordained.

Out of this lineage of farm laborers came Hendrik Jan Te Paske who was born near Aalten, Gelderland in 1816, and who married Dela Antonia Tammel in 1853. Dela Antonia died in 1965 after having borne six children, four of whom survived her and still needed mothering.

It is not clear when Gezina Tammel entered the picture. She was born in 1847, 18 years younger than her deceased sister and 31 years younger than the widower, Hendrik Jan. Family lore has it that she came to the assistance of the bereaved family and that this association led to her marriage to Hendrik Jan in 1867.

This marriage outraged family and community, either because of its unseemly haste or because of the great disparity of age. The consequent ostracization and harrassment suffered by the couple led shortly to a decision to emigrate. Thus it was that Hendrik Jan Te Paske, four children from his first marriage, and his now pregnant young wife, left the

Netherlands and settled initially at Greenleafon, Minnesota. Exact dates are not clear, except that the first child of the second marriage was born near Greenleafon on October 15, 1868, and was named Dirk Antonia, later anglicized to Derrick Anthony.

A second son, Herman, was born in 1871, and survived. But the third, Garret, died at birth, along with mother Gezina, in February, 1874. Records of the Greenleafon church show that the 58-year-old widower and his family moved to Orange City, Iowa in May of the same year.

Here begins a period in which there is very little of record concerning Anthony Te Paske. He was five when the family moved to Iowa. The family consisted of Hendrik Jan, Derk Jan (20), Jan Willem (16), Johanna Adriana (15), Anthony (5), and Herman (2). They farmed and owned property in Nassau Township (Secs. 16 & 17) about four miles southwest of Orange City. At some point Hendrik Jan again married, this time to a Mrs. Johanna Wiersma, a widow three years his junior. The task of nurturing the two younger boys in the family seemingly developed upon their sister, Johanna Adriana, who married Aremd J. Pennings on November 23, 1877. Here it is instructive to note that, following the death of Hendrik Jan Te Paske on December 28, 1886, this A.J. Pennings was appointed guardian of Anthony and Herman Te Paske, even though the step-mother and older brothers still survived.

It is in the same undocumented period of Anthony Te Paske's life that all or nearly all of his primary and secondary education took place. Certainly his primary education was provided by the rudimentary public education system that existed at the time, for there was no other. Instruction began in 1882 at the fledgling Northwestern Classical Academy, at which point Anthony was 14 and positioned to be one of the early graduates, which he was in 1889.

The fifth clause of the last will and testament of Hendrik Jan Te Paske, dated October 5, 1885, shortly before Anthony's 18th birthday, read: "It is my will and desire that my son Anthony Te Paske may be sent to college until he shall attain the age of twenty one years unless he sooner graduates to his own satisfaction, — and such sums as shall be expended upon his education and support after my death I desire shall be deducted from or be a charge against his share of my estate given him by this will."

Why Hendrik Jan thought it necessary to insert that clause in his will is puzzling. He may have been much enamored of his son's interest in higher education or he may have feared that others in the family might stand in the way of the boy's further schooling once father had left the scene. Anthony was quick to take advantage of the opportunity. He attended Grinnell College for a period and subsequently transferred to Harvard College where he graduated with the class of 1893. He taught English and Greek on the faculty of the Northwestern Classical Academy from 1893 to 1897 when he was admitted to the Iowa Bar. The following year he established his practice of law in the still infant city of Sioux Center where, on July 2, 1903, he married Agnes Dykstra, who was then teaching in a rural school southwest of town.

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The Anthony Te Paske Family (about 1926). Rear L-R: Anthony, Amy Ruth (Broad), Agnes (Dykstra). Front L-R: Maurice Anthony, Beitsche (Vander Schaaf) Dykstra, Adelphos Herman.



Agnes (Dykstra) Te Paske, 1948



Anthony Te Paske, about 1944

been a substantial landowner in Friesland but during the depression following the end of the Franco-Prussian War, land values dropped sharply and the resulting deterioration of Doekle's financial condition led to the sale of his lands. At the same time the family of Bietsche's brother, Auke Vander Schaaf, were also suffering the effects of the poor economic conditions, thus leading to the pooling of the two families' miseries into a decision to join their other surviving brother, Johannes, who had emigrated to America in 1872.

A party of four adults and eleven children left homes for America on May 12, 1882, completing the removal of all the descendants of Reinder Vander Schaaf, father of Johannes, Auke, and Bietsche, from the Netherlands to the United States. This in contrast to the Te Paske family, from which Hendrik Jan was the

only one to emigrate.

They Dykstra family proceeded to Sioux County, were deterred from settling in Orange City because of a smallpox quarantine, but the end of June were established on a purchased farm 2 1/4 miles west of the Sioux Center.

Agnes went to country school and graduated from Northwestern Classical Academy where she first met Anthony Te Paske. By age 16 she was herself a country school teacher, to which profession she was rudely initiated by the cyclone of May 1895 which destroyed the schoolhouse, but fortunately neither pupils nor teacher.

It is not surprising that the young and ambitious school teacher was readily attracted to the educated and eligible lawyer who came to establish himself in Sioux Center; or that together they were swept along by the tide of

optimism that fostered widespread belief in the perfectability of the individual and of society. Their marriage was the first performance of that sacrament in the newly rebuilt First Reformed Church, whereafter they settled themselves on a three-acre plot on the east side of Wayenburg Street (now 4th Avenue) which Anthony had previously purchased from the same Auke Vander Schaaf who was in the party with which Agnes had traveled to the United States. But Agnes was not content merely to stay at home; soon she was herself embarked upon the study of law under the tutelage of her husband and was admitted to the Iowa Bar in 1909.

Meanwhile both engaged themselves in a wide range of church, civic, and political activities, all of which they continued throughout their active lives. Both taught Sunday School for many years and were active in support of the mission program of the Reformed Church. They were also leaders in the Temperance movement which was gaining great strength at the time.

Together Anthony and Agnes initiated a series of citizenship classes for newly arrived immigrants, helping them in their English language skills and introducing them to the fundamentals of American government. These classes culminated in a pro-forma judicial examination and swearing-in ceremony at the Sioux County Courthouse, typically followed by a "reception" hosted by the W.C.T.U. The process effectively lent dignity and meaning to the day of "naturalization." No formal records were kept but reliable estimates indicate that more than 1000 immigrants — mostly young men — went through the classes at the Te Paske home.

Northwestern College, more exactly, the predecessor Northwestern Junior College, was the object of their attention and effort. Both had attended the related Academy, Anthony had taught there and he was a long-standing member of the Academy Board of Trustees. As early as 1908 an effort was made to offer college-level courses, but though this failed, the hope remained alive. By 1928 there was a revival of local support, but the blessing of the parent Reformed Church and its governing synod remained in doubt. Anthony Te Paske was selected to make the case for the approval of a junior college program at the 1928 meeting of the General Synod. In the end, the Synod granted approval for a trial period of three years. Though the trial period led directly into the Great Depression, Northwestern Junior College survived and evolved into the solid four-year college that exists today, in no small part due to the lifelong support of Anthony and Agnes Te Paske.

Although she was active in many aspects of community life, Agnes never held elective public office. Anthony, on the other hand, was from the early days of his career, more often in than out of public office. Between 1910 and 1940 he was Mayor of Sioux Center for a total of 16 years. He served as Sioux County Attorney from 1915 until 1921 and in the Iowa House of Representatives during the sessions of 1931, 1943, and 1945.

Anthony was further deeply involved in the affairs of the community, not only through his practice of law but also through membership/chairmanship of the board of the First National Bank from 1910 until his death in 1946.

Although he was a conspicuously social and public person, Anthony loved the solitude of his garden and the orchard that contained many apple trees and grape vines. For many years it was one of the rites of passage for the youth of the community to snatch apples and grapes from Anthony's "Eden", a tradition which he regarded with a benign amusement clearly reflected in his own report to his Harvard classmates in a 50th reunion record: "Our home is a three-acre plot on the edge of town. There's a grove, some shade trees, and fruit trees, nearly all of my own planting; grape vines, and shrubbery, and a garden where I get my fun and exercise. And life flows gently as the murmuring brook. My hobby: gardening. My obsession: children."

Agnes was 67 when her husband died on February 11, 1946, but not prepared to retire into her grief. Sioux Center had never had a true hospital and she was credited for arousing community interest in meeting this need. The "peace dividend" of 1945 made some federal monies available for rural hospitals and jolted the community into action. At a February 20, 1946, Agnes was appointed to membership in the finance committee assigned to raise the

required local two-thirds of the projected costs. She was only one member of the committee but she took the job seriously and threw herself wholeheartedly into the task. The subsequent success of the project was one of the crowning achievements in her long career of community service and she remained enthusiastically involved with the hospital until her own death in an automobile accident on June 10, 1954.

The Te Paskes had three children. Amy Ruth, born on May 12, 1908, was adopted and came to live with the family on March 1, 1913. She married Ralph Broad, now deceased, in 1933 and lives in Quincy, Michigan. Maurice Anthony, born on January 5, 1916, died on July 13, 1976. Adelphos Herman (Del) was born on November 28, 1917, and still resides in Sioux Center.

by A. H. Te Paske

TE PASKE, DEL AND YETTE (RAMAKER) F561



Yette (Ramaker) Te Paske



Del Te Paske in 1945 — on leave from his Infantry Company in the Philippines



Del Te Paske

A second son was born to Anthony and Agnes Te Paske at their Sioux Center home on November 28, 1917, and they named the child Adelphos Herman. Why? Agnes had a loved and scholarly brother whose baptized Frisian name was Broer Doekles Dykstra, and he became the Rev. B.D. Dykstra of certain renown in Reformed Church circles. "Broer" translates literally into the English "brother." With a bow to the brother Broer's expertise in classical languages, the parents bypassed the merely mundane and leaped directly to the ridiculous, using the Greek word for "brother", that is "adelphos." Exhausted by this feat of linguistics, they settled on "Herman", the name of Anthony's highly favored younger brother, as a second name.

Nevertheless, the child grew and prospered and in due course graduated from Sioux Center

High School (1934), Northwestern Junior College (1936), and Hope College in Holland, Michigan (1938). During this time he endured various appellations which eventually settled down to Del. Dell, or A.H.

It was a 1936 summer bicycling trip through Western Europe with his brother, Maurice, that heightened Del's interest in the wider world. Contemplating the dismal job outlook that dominated the domestic scene during his time at Hope, he looked about for opportunities outside of the United States. Much correspondence eventually revealed the possible existence of openings for college graduates with English majors and teaching certificates at schools operated by the Near East Colleges Foundation. He was able to adjust his college curriculum to meet these requirements and, shortly after graduation, was offered a position

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Memorial to the Honorable Anthony Te Paske of Sioux County

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public services of the late Honorable Anthony Te Paske, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Anthony Te Paske was born of Dutch parentage in a log cabin in Greenleaf, Minnesota, October 15, 1868. He moved with his parents to Sioux County, Iowa, where he resided continuously until his death.

After graduating from Grinnell College and Harvard University, he taught English and Greek for four years. He was admitted to the bar in 1897 and continued to practice law until his death. He was an active member of the State, Twenty-first Judicial District, and Sioux County Bar associations.

He enjoyed and merited the confidence of his many clients and of his fellow lawyers. Being an interested and enthusiastic supporter of all worthwhile things, he was a member of the Dutch Reformed Church and served as Sunday school teacher for thirty-seven years. He was mayor of his home town for sixteen years, county attorney of Sioux County for twelve years, vice president and chairman of the board of his home bank, and trustee for the Northwest Junior College and Academy twenty years. He enjoyed travel and made several trips abroad with his family. He owned a number of farms, and was interested in farming and farm problems.

As state representative, he was an ardent supporter of the temperance forces and the Republican party. It was due to his own idea and effort that a Bible was purchased and autographed by all members of the Fifty-first General Assembly, and given a place on the speaker's rostrum of the House of Representatives. He served diligently during the Forty-fourth, Fiftieth, Fiftieth Extra, and Fifty-first General Assemblies. He was often asked to express the thoughts of the Assembly on occasions that demanded eloquent words of wisdom such as no one but he could deliver.

Mr. Te Paske died at his home at Sioux Center on February 11, 1946. He is survived by his wife, Agnes Te Paske, and three children. His daughter, Mrs. Ralph Broad, resides in Quincy, Michigan; his son, Maurice, who was his law partner, and the other son, Adelphos, both reside in Sioux Center.

Mr. Te Paske was an outstanding citizen, and his service to his state will long be remembered.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-second General Assembly, That in the death of the late Honorable Anthony Te Paske; the State has lost an outstanding Christian citizen.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send a rolled copy to the family of the deceased.

RUSSELL A. PATRICK,
HARRY E. WATSON,
B. L. DATISMAN,

Committee.



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Boston, Massachusetts, 1913 Harvard University Alumni
Directory

Given Name: **Derrick Anthony**

Surname: **Tepaske**

Occupation: **Law (not Judiciary)**

City: **Sioux Centre**

State / Province: **IA**

Country: **U.S.A.**

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1910 United States Federal Census

Name:	Anthony De Paske [Anthony Tepaske]								
Age in 1910:	41								
Estimated birth year:	abt 1869								
Birthplace:	Minnesota								
Relation to Head of House:	Head								
Father's Birth Place:	Holland								
Mother's Birth Place:	Holland								
Spouse's name:	Agnes								
Home in 1910:	Branch, Sioux, Iowa								
Marital Status:	Married								
Race:	White								
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1920 United States Federal Census

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Age:	51 years																		
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Birthplace:	Minnesota																		
Relation to Head of House:	Head																		
Spouse's name:	Agnes																		
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Death: 1946

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Father: Hendrik Jan TePaske b: 16 MAY 1816 in Aalten, Netherlands
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