

Patrick Joseph Hanley

8th and 10th State Deputy of Oregon 1922-1925, 27



Patrick J. Hanley was born in O'Neill, Nebraska October 5, 1878, and is a son of Dennis and Mary (Duvanney) Hanley. The father was a native of Ireland. Patrick followed farming and cattle raising and also engaged in the grocery business in Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota.

He became very successful in handling men and for a number of years had charge of construction camps in the northwest, both in the United States and Canada.

This led to the establishment of a business and in 1910 he opened the P. J. Hanley Employment Agency in Portland, becoming the pioneer in that line of endeavor. From the beginning the venture proved a success and the business has extended from year to year until his operations covered a wide territory. He furnished help for heavy construction work only and

had branch offices at Seattle and Spokane, Washington, Great Falls, Montana, and at Minneapolis Minnesota being connected with the leading employment agencies in all of the large cities in the west and middle west. During World War I he rendered valuable assistance to the government, furnishing the labor for a large amount of construction work, and he has also secured positions for thousands of ex-service men, furnishing employment free of charge. He furnished nearly all of the labor for the government contracts at Camp Lewis, Washington, and Camp Custer.

Patrick was united in marriage on Nov. 5, 1910 in King, WA to Alma Marie Loock of Nebraska. (both pictured) They were parents of 5 children: Edward, Dorothy, Francis, Colette and Charles.

In 1915 and 1916 he served as Grand Knight of the Portland Council, 678, and was in charge of the erection of the new clubhouse costing two hundred thousand dollars.

Patrick was elected State Deputy on July 1, 1922 at a time when Catholic rights and interests were beset with threats and dangers of an alarming nature especially from the KKK and targeting Catholic schools. He organized his forces with consummate skill and at the end of his service guarantees of the constitution firmly established by decrees of the Federal District Court of Oregon and by the Supreme Court of the USA, that the ideals of the Order for equal rights and privileges might be made secure.

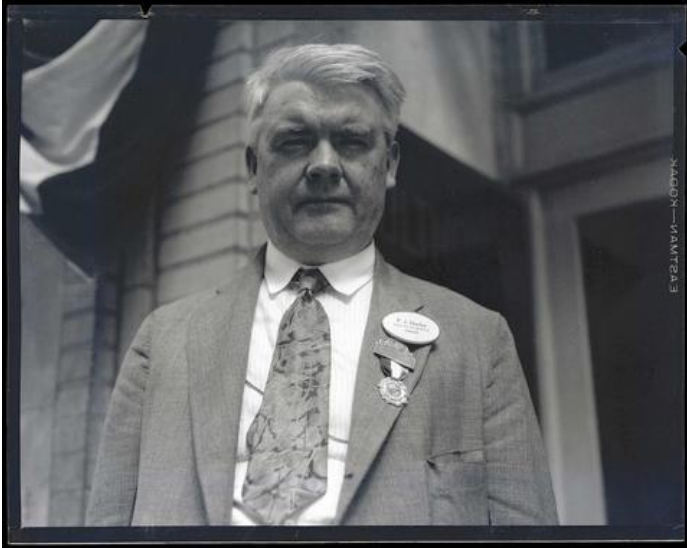


He was only one of two State Deputies to serve two nonconsecutive terms.

Patrick was a member with the Oregon State Motor Car Association, Catholic Civil Rights Association of Oregon and President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Patrick J. Hanley died Feb. 1, 1931 and is buried at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Portland, OR.

Alma died in 1968 and is buried next to Patrick.



P. J. Hanley, Past Oregon State Deputy

Taken August 2-4, 1927 45th Supreme Convention

"Our noble order has reached a most commanding position among the fraternal organizations of this country; even our enemies grant that we are formidable, and in my humble opinion, the highest successful attainments have been won by the highest type of service to Almighty God, to our country and to mankind in general."

Patrick J. Hanley - May 21, 1923, 15th State Convention Portland, OR