

A.D. Holland

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A.D. Holland, former resident of near Putney, died March 20 at Sacred Heart Hospice in Austin, Minn.

Aloysius D. Holland was born August 14, 1886, to James and Elizabeth O'Brien Holland in the sod house on their homestead about three miles north of Putney in what was then Dakota Territory.

He attended the neighborhood school. In 1908 he graduated from the Business Course at St. John's University at Collegeville, Minn. After extended studies, he returned home in 1910 following a near-fatal attack of smallpox.

In November 1914 he and Margaret Ronayne of Aberdeen were married by Father Robert W. Haire in Sacred Heart Chapel there.

For a year they farmed near Columbia and then moved to the present Jan Hanson home north of Putney. Here four children were born to them.

In 1939 the family moved to St. Joseph, Minn., where Mr. Holland worked as a salesman.

After working at an ordnance plant in Nebraska for several months during World War II, he accepted employment at the George A. Hormel Company of Austin where he remained until 1960.

For several years following his retirement, he worked as a salesman. He was a fund-raiser for Pacelli High School and various Austin organizations, until about a year ago.

Mr. Holland joined the Knights of Columbus in Aberdeen in 1911. After moving to Austin, he was very active in the organization and held several offices.

Mr. Holland was preceded in death

by his parents, two brothers, two sisters, his wife, an infant son and one daughter, Mrs. Lawrence (Dorothy) Heister.

He is survived by daughters and sons-in-law Lawrence Heister of Austin; Alice and John Dapra of Hartville, Wyo.; Adelaide and Jack Essila of Robbinsdale, Minn.; nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.