

St. Cloud State University

The Repository at St. Cloud State

WPA Biographic Summaries

University Archives

7-17-1936

Greven, Frank Leo (1876 -)

N. P. Kruchten

Follow this and additional works at: <https://repository.stcloudstate.edu/wpabio>

Recommended Citation

Kruchten, N. P., "Greven, Frank Leo (1876 -)" (1936). *WPA Biographic Summaries*. 431.
<https://repository.stcloudstate.edu/wpabio/431>

This Interview is brought to you for free and open access by the University Archives at The Repository at St. Cloud State. It has been accepted for inclusion in WPA Biographic Summaries by an authorized administrator of The Repository at St. Cloud State. For more information, please contact tdsteman@stcloudstate.edu.

GREVEN, FRANK LEO

File No. B-453

Frank Greven a native son of Stearns County was born in Saint Cloud, Minnesota, October 1, 1876, son of Ignatius and Helen (Wetle) Greven.

Ignatius Greven came here from Columbus, Ohio, with his father who settled in Saint Cloud Township and operated a brickyard near Saint Cloud, furnishing brick for various buildings such as the Cathedral Catholic Church, the old Court House of Stearns County, and the old city jail and various other buildings in the city of Saint Cloud and community all over the state. Ignatius Greven worked for his father in the brickyard as a brickmaker until 1900. At that time he was elected county commissioner of Stearns County, which office he held for one term of two years, and then was defeated in the next election by the late Joseph D. Kowalkowski Sr. who in return appointed Ignatius Greven Janitor of the Stearns County court house, which job Mr. Greven held for seventeen years until he retired in 1920.

The education of Frank Leo Greven was obtained in the parochial schools of Saint Mary's and Cathedral in Saint Cloud, Minnesota. After leaving school Frank Greven worked at different jobs as laborer until in 1899 he was appointed Deputy Sheriff of Stearns County.

In 1903 he started to work in the State Reformatory as wall guard, and in a short time was promoted to the position of Turn Key, and these responsible duties he still performs after completing his thirty-third year at this post.

Frank Leo Greven was married to Edith Conrad of Saint Cloud, Minnesota October 11, 1911 in the Cathedral Catholic Church by Reverend Father Scholenberger.

To Frank and Edith (Conrad) Greven were born two children, Thelma, now Mrs. Robert Stephenson of Duluth, Minnesota; and Patricia Greven, who is teaching school in Mora, Minnesota.

GREVEN, FRANK LEO

Page 2
File No. _____

Interviewed: Frank Leo Greven
Date: July 17, 1936
By: N. P. Kruchten

Publication Granted

FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE

FOR THE FRANK LEO GREVEN BIOGRAPHY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
1. Thelma Greven	Aug. 12, 1911	St. Cloud	Frank Greven	35
2. Petricia Greven	July 14, 1915	" "	" "	39
3. Frank L. Greven	Sept. 25, 1876	" "	Ignatius Greven	

<u>Mother's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Edith Conrad	25	E	50	8	1st child
2. Edith Conrad	29	I	48	1038	2nd child
3. Helen Wetle		A	247	18	

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK U. PAGE 11450

Frank Leo Graven and Edith Conrad

Married at St. Cloud, October 26, 1910

By: Rev. Gerhard Schollenberger

Witnesses: Marie Barthelemy and John Wetle

DEATH RECORD BOOK R. PAGE 3 LINE 70

Ignatius Greven, Born in Ohio, June 12, 1851

Son of Peter Greven and Margaret Fuchs

Died March 23, 1925

Age 73 years 9 months and 11 days