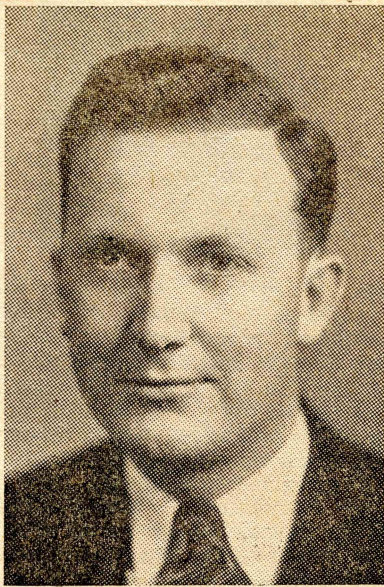


HAROLD G. LEFFLER SEEKS COUNTY SUPERINTENDENCY

Harold G. Leffler, principal of the Newton Public school is an announced candidate for the nomination to the office of county superintendent of schools, subject to the Democratic primary, April 14.

Harold is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy G. Leffler of West Liberty and a grand-son of the late S. D. "Doug" Leffler, a former sheriff of Jasper county. He was born on a farm near Newton on July 9, 1910, and has spent his entire life in this county. Before now he has never been a candidate for public office.



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He attended the first three grades of the Newton Public school and completed his elementary school training at West Liberty. In the fall of 1925 he entered the Newton Community high school and was graduated with the class of 1929. On graduation from high school, he enrolled in a teacher's course at the Eastern Illinois State Teachers' college, Charleston.

With one year of college work he received a teaching certificate and taught at Maple Grove, a rural school in this county. After teaching one term there, he was elected principal and teacher of the West Liberty school. He held this position for seven years. Since 1938 he has been principal of the Newton Public school.

During the summers since 1930 he continued his work in education, first at Charleston and later at the Uni-

versity of Illinois. He received a bachelor of science degree in education from the University of Illinois in 1939, and the degree of master of science in education in 1941.

In recognition of his accomplishments in the field of education he was elected in 1940 to Phi Delta Kappa, an honorary educational fraternity. He has served as president of the Jasper County Teachers Association, and has continually worked for the advancement of progressive education in Jasper county.

His membership and work in various civic and service organizations has demonstrated his sustained interest in problems of civic and social welfare. He is a member of the board of directors of the Newton Rotary and the Newton Civic Clubs and at the present time is serving as president of the Jasper County Health Council and the Jasper County Tuberculosis Sanatorium Board.

He holds a life supervisory certificate, the highest grade of certificate issued by the state superintendent of public instruction for teaching and supervising in the public schools of this state. With twelve years of teaching, supervising and administrative experience in the rural, village and city schools of this county, he is by training and experience ably qualified to perform all the duties of the office for which he is a candidate.

His broad background of practical school experience and his recent university training has made it possible for him to become thoroughly familiar with all educational problems particular to this county. If nominated and elected, he pledges himself to devote his entire time to the office and to do all that he possibly can to further the educational program of every school in Jasper county.