

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Henstrand, Alfred Senator _____

Represented Page County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 13 May 1855 Hvena Parish, Kalmar County, Sweden

2. Marriage (s) date place

Christine Olson 9 Oct. 1878 Red Oak, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Director and president of the Commercial National Bank of Essex, Iowa;
Director of the Swedish Home of Mercy of Chicago

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Swedish Mission

5. Sessions served 36th, 37th General Assemblies 1915, 1917

6. Public Offices

A. Local Page County Justice of the Peace 1879 and continuing for several years; school
Director 1883; member of the school board; president of the school board 1907;
teacher 1881-1892; tax collector 1892-1896 and 1907-1914; township trustee 1910-1912

B. State

C. National

7. Death 4 Sept 1936 Essex, Iowa burial Mt. Hope Cemetery, Piquette, Iowa

8. Children Laura Edla (died in infancy); Lydia Adina (died in 1914); Paul Petrus
Sigfred Sven, Oscar Olof, Remitt Berich; Laura (Mrs. Martin Lindberg); Veda Olof (Mrs.
Henrick Lindberg)

9. Names of parents Wen Gustaf and Anna (Hendrickson) Henstrand

Wendstrom, Alfred

10. Education He was educated in rural public schools of the parish where he was born in Sweden; attended public schools of Page County, Iowa for 11 months

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- He came to America 20 Mar 1870 settling in Page County where he lived all his life for a total of 45 years in Fremont Township.
- He read law under State Senator J. C. Clark for 2 years
- His wife, Gretchen, was born 18 Sept 1820 in Hemsland, Sweden, no death date can be located

in booths at the women's building in an Iowa State college context. Use of home produced lard, and demonstration of "better meals from common foods" featured the booth.

Porch, A Living Room

The large porch overlooking the driveway at the Harding Funeral Home has been glassed in, the inside being refinished for a living room with French doors on the south and a single door on the north. Some remodeling is also being done inside.

FOR SEVENTH DISTRICT

Republican Conference Will be Held at Atlantic Sept. 9

Carl Cook, Glenwood, state chairman will be the principal speaker when a seventh district republican conference is held at Atlantic at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 9. C. S. Relyea, Atlantic is chairman of the district.

Several local and county leaders from Shenandoah plan to attend.

Forest Rangers Here

Arthur Howard of New York City and Harry Latane' of Oak Grove, Virginia, who have been visiting at the Duane Redfield home, left for home this morning.

Mr. Howard, who teaches at New York university, was research geologist and forest ranger in Yellowstone park this summer. Mr. Latane', who goes to school at Hampton Sidney, Virginia, was also a ranger at the park this summer.

DANCE TONIGHT

Pete Kuhl's Popular Orchestra Will Play At Rose Garden

Pete Kuhl and his popular dance orchestra has returned for a dance engagement at the Rose Garden, playing tonight. For the special Labor Day dance Monday, the Manila Serenaders, all Filipino radio and dance orchestra direct from Manila, Philippine Islands, will play. This is the only original Filipino orchestra touring the United States independently.

For the regular Tuesday evening dance, September 8, manager Charles Battles has succeeded in booking that famous negro orchestra, Eli Rice. This band played at Rockport Thursday evening. There is also a large floor show traveling with the band.

Death Ends A Long Life

Alfred Wenstrand, 81, Essex, Serviced in Many Public Offices

Alfred Wenstrand, 81, former state representative from Page county, who has held many public and civic offices, died today at his home in Essex.

Ill for a month, he developed pneumonia the last week.

Mr. Wenstrand was prominent in church, business and political affairs. He was a brother of the late C. A. Wentsrand, former merchant and banker here.

Mrs. Wenstrand, four sons and two daughters survive. They are Oscar, Red Oak; Paul, Nyman; Sigfred, and Ben, Essex; Mrs. Martin Lundberg, Red Oak and Mrs. Reuben Lindburg, Essex.

He also has 14 grandchildren, and two half-sisters, Mrs. Anna Carlson of Storm Lake, and Mrs. Will Sederburg of Red Oak.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home and at 2:30 o'clock at the Essex Mission church. The Rev. G. S. Hawkinson of the Mission church of Red Oak will be in charge in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. H. Hultman, who is on his vacation.

Ex-Representative



ALFRED WENSTRAND

For years a public leader at Essex and one time Page County representative in the state legislature, Alfred Wenstrand, 80

a wealthy Sioux City family, said he and Marybelle Moore, 18, were kidnaped at Sioux City shortly before 10 p.m. and forced to drive nearly 200 miles to point near here.

Early reports that the kidnaper was Joe Henley, who has been described as the nation's public enemy No. 1, were refuted by Warfield when he gave a description of his abductor which did not tally with Henley's.

The gunman is nearly 6 feet 2 inches, weighs about 175 pounds and is dark, Warfield said. Apparently unaware that his captive was a member of a wealthy family, the kidnaper made no mention of ransom during the long drive.

Date Of Fall Show Changed

Opening is Delayed For a Week To Allow Shenandoah Merchants to Prepare For Competition

At a special meeting of the retail committee of the Chamber of Commerce offices this morning final plans for the fall window opening event were made. The date will be Wednesday, September 16, with a band concert played from a special stand to be constructed on Sheridan avenue and with the stores remaining open from 7 to 9 o'clock in the evening.

During the afternoon of Wednesday, September 16, at 4 o'clock the annual kid parades will be staged with cash prizes offered to the best costumed children and the most beautifully decorated ponies and dogs. Clair Russell, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, who has always planned the kid parades will announce all the different classes and prizes within a very short time.

The fall opening date was delayed until September 16 in order to give merchants better opportunity for the window competition. A special edition of the Evening Sentinel will be mailed to a wide territory around Shenandoah. Merchants are already making special plans to show the very latest fashion goods in this special edition.

The Essex

South

In the Heart of the Famous Nishnabotna Valley.

Es

ALFRED WENSTRAND DIED THIS MORNING

During the still of the night the unseen hand of death visited our little community and called home one of our old and respected citizens, Alfred Wenstrand. Mr. Wenstrand, who was 80 years old, had been sick for a month. The last week or so he developed a case of pneumonia which he was unable to fight off. Yesterday afternoon, Dr. Okerlin, the attending physician, acquainted members of the family with the fact that he had but hours to live.

Mr. Wenstrand was very prominent in church, business and political affairs of the town and county during his years of residence here. He has served many offices of public trust and was elected at one time by the people of this district to be their state representative. He has been active in church and community affairs up until his advanced years made it impossible to do so.

The funeral arrangements are in charge of local Mortician, W. O. Carson.

The deceased is survived by his wife, four sons, Oscar of Red Oak; Paul of Nyman; Sigfred and Ben, of Essex; also two daughters, Mrs. Martin Lundburg, of Red Oak; and Mrs. Reuben Lindburg, of Essex.

SOUTH CENTRAL TEACHER'S MEETING, CRESTON, SEPT. 26

The teachers from nine counties in the South Central District of the Iowa State Teacher's Association will gather for a one day meeting September 26, 1936 at Creston, Iowa. The counties included in the district are: Adair, Adams, Clark, Decatur, Montgomery, Page, Ringgold, Taylor, and Union. According to present prospects

WILL GIVE PROGRAM AT THE MISSION CHURCH SUNDAY

A special musical program will be given at the Essex Mission Church Sunday evening at 8:00 o'clock by Rev. and Mrs. P. A. Langvand and daughter.

This will be a fine program and the public is invited to attend. A free will offering will be taken.

From Our Early Files

January 15, 1909— Frank Crosby put up his summer supply of ice last week and says it is of the best quality. He stored away about 150 tons.

Dave Blank, one of the directors of school district No. 2 west of Essex, was in town Monday afternoon looking for a teacher to take the place of Miss Manbeck, who had been taken sick. Miss Noretta Johns went out with him and will have charge of the school for a time at least.

The good roads thus far this winter has been the cause of some of our auto owners to get new tops for their machines. The following are now enjoying the fine roads: R. A. Sanderson, Dr. Okerlin, G. W. Peterson. They say it is real cozy when the side curtains are on.

S. A. Bloom, of Nyman, was in town Monday morning the first time for several months. He recently sold his farm to L. E. Oviatt, of Shenandoah, for \$20,800 and we learn this week that Mr. Oviatt has just sold it

SCHOOL RECO

The Essex Monday with rollment th school class. These are in high sch here at any

JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Rev. M. A. Johnson, Pastor.

Day, Sept. 13, 1936. 14th Sun-
after Trinity.

sermon series, Mt. 11:25-30 - I.
1:12-17.

Sunday School and Bible Classes
A. M.

Morning Worship, 11 A. M. Topic,
"Attitude."

Evening service 8 P. M. A spec-
program will be presented by the
M. S. in commemoration of the
anniversary of the Missionary
Society. The full program appears
where in this issue of the "Inde-
pendent." A large attendance is ex-
pected.

Sunday and Monday, Missionary
meeting at Tabor.

Tuesday, 8 P. M. Choir rehearsal.
Wednesday, Luther League meeting.
Committees in charge, Wayne and
Greta Almquist, Verna Johnson and
A. Nelson.

Friday, Sept. 19, 10 A. M. those
who desire to enroll in this year's
Confirmation Class will meet at the
church.

Gratitude to God makes even a
poor blessing a taste of heaven."

INDY SUMMIT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Nelson attended
the state fair at Des Moines on last
Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rennack attended the Des
Moines Iowa state fair Monday and
Tuesday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stearns were
business visitors in Omaha, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kammerer of Coun-
cil Bluffs spent the week end at the
Frank Flynn home. They drove on to
Council Bluffs, Sunday to attend the Fair
Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Klepinger and
family attended the Klepinger-Gam-
ble reunion, Sunday at the McComb
home in Shenandoah.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman North, Mr.
and Mrs. Herman Bebout, Max and
Gene of Percival spent Sunday

rites held Sunday for Mr. Wenstrand

Alfred Wenstrand was born in
Sweden, May 14, 1855, son of Sven
Gustaf and Anna Hendrickson Wen-
strand. At the age of 11 years death
claimed his mother and two years
later the father took his five mother-
less children to America, settling in
Illinois along with other Swedish
settlers.

In 1870 the family moved to Fre-
mont Township, Page County, Iowa,
locating on the prairie near Binn's
Cove, just north of Nyman, this
county.

In this community, Mr. Wenstrand,
the young man, grew to manhood
and did his part in pioneering the
new country.

Early in life and throughout his
active years he has been interested
in and a worker in the church and
the affairs of his township and
county.

At Red Oak on October 9, 1879 he
was united in marriage to Christine
Olson, also of Nyman community. To
this union was born eight children,
Laura Cedelia who died in infancy;
Lydia who passed away in 1914;
and, surviving, four sons, Paul of
Nyman, Sigfred of Essex, Oscar of
Red Oak, Bennett of Essex, and two
daughters, Mrs. Martin Lundberg of
Red Oak and Mrs. Reuben Lindburg
of Essex.

Mr. Wenstrand always followed
the occupation of farming. He was
an early member of the Fremont
Mission Church, and a charter mem-
ber of the Swedish Mutual Insurance
Co., and other civic organizations.

In 1896 he was elected as Clerk of
the District Court of Page County,
in which capacity he served for three
terms returning in 1903 to his farm
south of Nyman. He was a pioneer
in working for the interest of agri-
culture and in 1903 was appointed
by the Governor of Iowa as a dele-
gate to the National Farmers Con-
gress at Richmond, Virginia.
His County sent him as its repre-

PAGE COUNTY 4-H WIN AT STATE

Girls' Clubs.

Page County 4-H Home-
ing Clubs were well repre-
sented at the Iowa State Fair this
year. The girls' clubs presented
articles in nearly every section of
their division and won their share
of blue, red and white ribbon.

The Champion County I
team consisting of B
strand, and Marion Hillma
strating "Riches from the
ground" were placed in the two high
sections for the day. The
their leader Mrs. Elmer
from the Fremont Towns
were invited to attend a dinner
at the Younger Tea Room, because
of their high ranking.

Marjory Curry, Morton
County Health Champion placed
first in the red ribbon class in the Sta-
te Contest in which 100 Iowa
girls competed.

Outstanding social events
were held by the girls during the fair
including a large 4-H party, 4-H Candle-
light Ceremony and special daily
high light of state Fair soc-
iety. The club girls was a garden pa-
rticular by Mrs. E. T. Meredith at
the Younger Tea Room.

Mrs. Meridith, wife of the
well known farm publisher, was
elected as an honorary member.

Boys' Clubs.

Warren Renander, Count
Champion competing in a
contest scored 96.7 and ranked
upper 1/4 of 100 competing
boys.

Wayne Annan and Lisle
were in charge of a Soil Co
Booth at the fair. They dem-
onstrated twice daily featuring the sp-
ecialties carried on by Page Co
folk. They were awarded the
Because of the high ranking
health contestant and dem-
onstrated the boys and County
Clifford Johnson, were invit-
ed to the special 30th Anniversary B
the Younger Tea Room.
Four baby beavers from Pa-

Monday.
 r. and Mrs. Glenn Klepinger and
 ily attended the Klepinger-Gam-
 reunion, Sunday at the McComb
 in Shenandoah.
 and Mrs. Lyman North, Mr.
 Mrs. Herman Bebout, Max and
 ene of Percival spent Sunday
 he Robert Knox home.
 r. and Mrs. Paul Haley, Phyllis
 Donald attended the Swanson
 ion held at Porter's Lake Sun-

lph Hoxie returned from his
 to Boise, Idaho last week. He
 ed a brother there.

r. and Mrs. Bernard Shoberg,
 and Mrs. Fisk Flynn, Mr. and
 Church Maddox, Mr. and Mrs.
 ord Holmes and Gene, Mr. and
 Robert Knox and Lynn Johnson
 a picnic at Porter's Lake, Sun-
 Mr. and Mrs. North, Mr. and
 Bebout of Percival were guests.
 s. Bernard Shoberg attended a
 vell party for Mrs. Leo Falk of
 ornia, at the Lud Falk home near
 andoah, Monday afternoon.

and Mrs. Paul Haley, Phyllis
 Donald drove to Lincoln Tuesday
 ie fair.
 hool was suspended Monday and
 day so the teacher Miss McGinnis,
 l attend teachers meeting at
 nda.

GH PRAIRIE NEWS

ery one enjoyed the good soaking
 and cool atmosphere, plowing is
 ill swing in this neighborhood.
 lfa has also been sown.

large attendance from this local-
 attended the Alfred Wenstrand
 ral Sunday afternoon.

ola Anderson is a patient at the
 Oak hospital, due to an appen-
 is operation which was perform-
 Thursday night of last week.

rt, Glendon and Elroy Ander-
 spent part time Sunday in Red
 visiting their sister Viola at the
 ital there.

arriage announcement cards have
 received by relatives in this
 hborhood of Leslie Anderson of
 Wisconsin a former resident

terms returning in 1903 to his farm
 south of Nyman. He was a pioneer
 in working for the interest of agri-
 culture and in 1903 was appointed
 by the Governor of Iowa as a dele-
 gate to the National Farmers Con-
 gress at Richmond, Virginia.

His County sent him as its repre-
 sentative to the Legislature for the
 36th session and again returned him
 for the 37th General Assembly.

In 1916 he retired from active
 farm work and moved with his wife
 to their present residence in Essex.
 Here he spent a great deal of his
 time in reading. He was a student
 of the Bible and a reader of good
 books. In his library he has the
 histories of all major nations of the
 world.

He was a member of the Mission
 Church here at Essex.

On September 4, 1936 at 2:00 A.
 M., Mr. Wenstrand entered into
 rest - having attained an age of 81
 years, 3 months and 21 days.

Fureral services were held last
 Sunday afternoon in charge of Rev.
 G. S. Hawkinson of the Red Oak
 Mission Church. Music at the home
 was furnished by a quartet composed
 of Mabel and Alice Hultman, Helen
 Mae Carlson and Lois Parker. At
 the Essex Mission Church Mrs. Dave
 Almquist sang two solos and Anton
 Hanzon, a solo in Swedish.

Pallbearers were: William, Ken-
 neth, Curtis and Robert Wenstrand,
 four grandsons; and Cecil Carlson
 and LeRoy Sar.

The remains were laid to rest at
 Mt. Hope cemetery at Nyman, which
 association as a pioneer he was in-
 strumental in organizing.

W. O. Carson, local Mortician,
 was in charge of the arrangements.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity
 of thanking the many kind neighbors
 and friends for their many acts of
 kindness and sympathy extended us
 in our recent bereavement.

Also we wish to thank the sing-
 ers, those who sent the pretty flow-
 ers, and to all those who helped in
 any way whatsoever.
 The Alfred Wenstrand Family

folk. They were awarded this
 Because of the high ranking
 health contestant and dem
 team the boys and County c
 Clifford Johnson, were invit
 special 80th Anniversary B
 the Younger Tea Room.

Four baby beeves from Pag
 were sold at the annual sale
 brought \$10.50 per hundred.
 White sold two calves, Way
 more sold one calf and War
 ander sold one calf. Lloyd W
 Angus that was champion in
 ty and fourth in the state wa
 home and will compete at on
 fall or winter shows.

FREMONT ITE

Church services at the
 Church next Sunday at usu
 English sermon in the mor
 Swedish in the evening.

The Sixtieth Jubilee an
 of the Fremont Mission Ch
 commence Thursday evening
 at 8:00 o'clock and contin
 day, Saturday and Sunday,
 19th and 20th of Septem
 main speaker at this meetin
 Rev. Gust E. Johnson from
 Secretary of the Mission
 and Robert Larson from All
 Iowa, chairman of the Iowa
 ence with others. Sunday a
 greetings will be read from
 members and ministers who
 able to attend. Everybody
 to celebrate with us.

The John, Peter and Alfre
 descendants held their year
 at the Chautauqua Park in
 last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Fri
 Omaha, Neb., spent Sund
 with their folks.

Rev. and Mrs. Elder Ander
 are here for a visit with th
 tives, and their baby boy Br
 baptized at the Fremont
 Church Sunday morning.

Mrs. C. F. Lundquist wa
 santly surprised Saturday
 it being her birthday on Sun
 following were present: Ax
 son and family, Mr. and M

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Mr. Walters was married June 30, 1898, to Miss Pearl Reedy of Toledo. To them was born one son, Charles. Mrs. Walters died in 1911, and the son on November 23, 1925, at Talache, Idaho. On May 25, 1917, Mr. Walters married Clara Burkhart Watson, who, with her son, Ellsworth Watson, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, survives. Other survivors in the immediate family are two grandsons, Donald and Dudley Walters, Amboy, Illinois, and a brother, J. P. Walters of Toledo.

Membership by Mr. Walters was held in the Toledo Masonic and Odd Fellow lodges, Scottish Rite Masonic and Shrine orders and the Methodist church.

Many earned and well deserved honors came to him in life. He was appointed judge of the district court in 1936. He was special assistant attorney general in the highway department from 1932 to 1936.

He was Tama county representative in the Twenty-ninth General Assembly, had served as county attorney of Tama county, was a member of the Toledo school board for six years chairman of the Tama county defense council during the World war, and had been active in the promotion of good roads.

An important part was taken by Mr. Walters in drawing up the bill which created the State Juvenile Home, and he had a prominent part in the location of this institution in Toledo, an institution which has done much in the conservation of Iowa's dependent and neglected children.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the Forty-eighth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable C. E. Walters, the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen, and that the House of Representatives would tender, by this resolution, its sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his widow and the surviving members of his family in their sorrow, and

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

RAPHAEL R. R. DVORAK,
HARRY E. WEICHMAN,
JOHN KNUDSON,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

HONORABLE ALFRED WENSTRAND

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character, and public services of the Honorable Alfred Wenstrand of Page county, begs leave to submit the following report:

Alfred Wenstrand was born in Sweden May 13, 1855. He died at Essex, Iowa, on September 4, 1936, at the age of eighty-one years, three months and twenty-one days. He was survived by his wife, Christin Wenstrand, four sons, two daughters, and fourteen grandchildren.

Mr. Wenstrand was graduated from the public schools of Sweden, and immigrated with his father from their native land to Illinois in 1869. They later came to northern Page county, Iowa, and settled in what was then called Binn's Grove, and which is now the Nyman vicinity. He received a further school education in the public schools of Iowa, and studied law for two and one-half years. In 1879 he was married to Christin Olson and they began farming the virgin prairie. He was a pioneer and soon was recognized as a civic and spiritual leader of his community. He served as road superintendent, secretary and president of the school board, assessor, township clerk, township trustee, and justice of the peace. Mr. Wenstrand followed farming until 1896 when he was elected clerk of the district court of Page county, and served three consecutive terms in that office. He then removed to the farm again.

A Republican in politics, he was, in 1914, elected to the House of Representatives of Iowa as representative from Page county, and was re-elected 1916; he thus served in the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh General Assemblies of his state. He was associated with all movements for the good of his community, and was president of the bank at Essex. Mr. Wenstrand interested himself in church work and took an active part as a member of the Swedish Mission Church.

He was a man of many friends, of sterling qualities, and sought to make his community a better place in which to live. He loved the young folks, was respected and honored by all who knew him, and no one doubted his integrity and sincerity of purpose. He gave unstintingly of his talents and strength for the welfare of his county and state, and was to his family a kind and loving husband and father.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That in the passing of the Honorable Alfred Wenstrand, the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen and the House would tender, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow, and

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 an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

EARL C. FISHBAUGH, JR.
O. N. HULTMAN,
WM. KERR,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

HONORABLE ULYSSES GRANT WHITNEY

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare a resolution commemorative to the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Ulysses Grant Whitney of Woodbury county, Iowa, former member of the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth General Assemblies of Iowa, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Honorable Ulysses Grant Whitney, reporter of the Supreme Court from 1914 to 1938, was born July 10, 1864, near Union, Hardin county,

PAGE COUNTY HISTORY



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Their family includes two boys: Chad Allan, born September 26, 1977; Brett Joseph, born September 24, 1979.

They are active members of St. Paul Lutheran Church, school board members, Sunday School teachers, and Keith was a former Sunday School superintendent. *Submitted by Dana Wellhausen*

WALTER HERMAN WELLHAUSEN

Walter Herman Wellhausen, born January 21, 1909, two miles southwest of Immanuel Lutheran Church, son of Albert Lewis and Caroline Elisa (Otte) Wellhausen. His brother and sisters: Carl H., 1904-1962; Maria (Mary) Wellhausen Bode, 1907-1955; Erna Wellhausen Buesing, 1910-).



Front, L-R: 45 wedding anniversary Feb. 84 Vera and Walter Wellhausen. Back row: L-R: Connie (Wellhausen) Carlson, Keith Wellhausen, Lynette (Wellhausen) Palmer.

In 1915, the family moved to a farm near Page City, now Page Center, (FN-11-18-3). Albert and Caroline had purchased the home from John Steeves.

After residing in the home a short time, it burned in 1917. During the rebuilding of a two and one-half story home, Walter and family lived in Page City with Fred Eilers.

On February 15, 1939, he married Vera Sump. Vera, daughter of William L. and Dorothea (Nothwehr) Sump, born October 7, 1918. Both Walter and Vera were faithful and active members of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, Yorktown, having been baptized, confirmed and married there. Their children: Donald Lee, July 18, 1940 - June 1, 1941; Janice Eileen, March 15, 1942 - March 16, 1942;

Lynette Sue, January 12, 1944, married Larrie Palmer, contractor-carpenter, August, 1964. Their children: Lanna Sue, 1966; Lyle Floyd Walter, 1969.

Connie Lou, July 18, 1946, married Dennis Carlson, Sales Manager New York Life, August, 1969. Their children: Jeree Kristi, 1973; Brandi Lynn, 1975; Jama Sue, 1981.

Keith Allan, August 30, 1950, farmer-cattle feeder, married Dana McKee, August 1975. Their children: Chad Allan, 1977; Brett Joseph, 1979.

Walter, a successful farmer, purchased good tillable farm ground in Page County and Missouri. He raised corn, oats, wheat, soybeans, and also hogs and cattle.

During Walter and Vera's life on the homeplace the following incidents will be especially remembered:

German Prisoners-in 1944-1945, during World War Two, captured Germans were transported to the Clarinda Prison Camp. Two to four prisoners were brought every morning to the Wellhausen farm. Helping with haying, threshing and other farm work, they worked approximately two years.

Threshing-1939, Walter's father, Albert bought and operated a threshing machine for

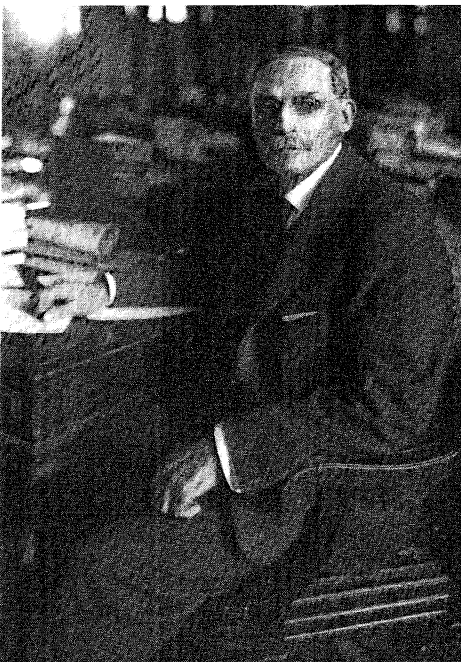
himself and other area farmers. With large crews of approximately twenty-one farmers and their sons, they spent long days harvesting. It also involved hard work for Vera as she prepared daily meals for the threshers. Churning butter, baking bread, pies and cakes, and butchering chickens, filled her early morning hours.

Horses-tractors-being one of the fastest corn huskers in the area, Walter used horses to pull the wagons while he picked the corn by hand. All the other farming was done with horses or mules. Around 1935, Albert bought their first tractor, a McCormick Deering. In 1942, Walter purchased his first International Farmall H tractor, planter, cultivator and later a mower. With the invention and availability of the tractor in Page County, a dramatic change occurred in the pace of acreage farming.

Retirement-In 1975, Walter and Vera moved to 601 West Tarkio Street in Clarinda. In 1984 they celebrated their Forty-fifth anniversary together. *Submitted by Vera Wellhausen*

SVEN GUSTAF WENSTRAND

Sven Gustaf Petersson Wenstrand, son of Peter Manson, Talleryd, Vena Parish, Smaland, Sweden, was born in 1829. Peter Manson, born in 1791, was the owner of land, sawmill, tile and brick kiln, also was an auctioneer.



Alfred Wenstrand at his desk Iowa Legislature

As a young man, Sven Gustaf acquired land holdings at Hultstedt across a lake from his father-in-law who was in the Parliament. A younger brother, Anders Eric, made two trips to the midwest United States, the first in 1852. On his return he taught Sven Gustaf and his older children some English — then Sven Gustaf made two exploratory trips to the midwest. On returning from his second, he learned of his wife's death. He sold his interests at Hultstedt, bought passage for himself and five children, arriving at the Binns Wood settlement near Nyman, Fremont Township in March, 1870, building a cabin on Tarkio Creek. That same year Sven Gustaf with his two oldest children became charter members of the Fremont Lutheran Church. Seven years later, and at a location five miles south, they became charter members of the Fremont Mission Church.

While "Gust" could have been considered affluent in Sweden by the yardstick of the day — the sale price of his land was about nine krona per acre — but after buying passage, acquiring land here (the exchange rate between the Swedish krona and the American dollar having an

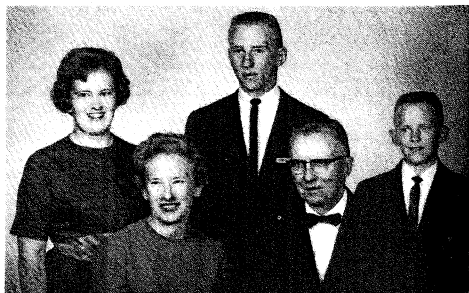
inverse ratio of five to one), he had very little in reserve funds. One time when he took wheat to St. Joseph to be ground into flour, a team of horses and new harness were stolen. His fortunes were at low ebb. However, remarrying and raising a second family, he broke the prairie and probably attained a life style not too different from that which he enjoyed in Sweden.

Sven Gustaf's oldest son, Sven Alfred (born 1855 died 1936) played the organ at both churches, got into surveying, farming, and studied law at home. He married Christine Olson and raised seven children: Paul Petrus, Sigfred Sven, Oscar Olof, Laura Christine, Lydia (died at age 32), Bennett Beriah and Veda Eleanor. Alfred, having learned some English in Sweden and speaking the language fluently with little noticeable accent, entered into politics, serving as Page County Clerk of Court and two terms in the Iowa Legislature. He was a Republican.

His eldest son, Paul Petrus (born 1884 died 1961) attended elementary school near Nyman, played football at Clarinda High School, and attended Western Normal College in Shenandoah. He took a short course in Spanish as a prerequisite for a contract with the J.I. Case Company to represent them in a South American country. A revolution there upset those plans, at which time he went into farming, raising and feeding livestock in Fremont Township. Paul was married to Mabel Herman, Hiawatha, Kansas, also a student at Western Normal, in 1913. Their children were William (Bill) — find reference to him elsewhere in this book — and Mary Elizabeth (Betty). After graduating from Red Oak High School, Betty worked in a law firm; served as Page County Deputy Clerk of Court, managed the office for a corporation law firm in Omaha, and in 1984 is a Magistrate in Montgomery County, Red Oak. *Submitted by Bernice Wenstrand*

WILLIAM WENSTRAND

William Sherwood Wenstrand, son of Paul and Mabel Herman Wenstrand, was born on a farm in Fremont Township, Page County, on August 2, 1914. He received his elementary education in a one room school house near Nyman, graduated from Red Oak High School and an engineering school in Chicago. In 1937, the heart of the "thirties" depression, he joined his father in farming and livestock business. He promoted soil conservation and rural electrification. During this period both had to be "sold" aggressively. Some families who resisted having electric power in their homes were descendants of families who in earlier time resisted having a telephone. Bill served in the Air Force, World War II, four years stateside, in the South Pacific and Southeast Asia. After the War, Bill resumed active operation of farming and livestock raising, expanding into commercial cattle feeding; also started a construction business for land clearing and dirt moving.



Back, Martha, Thomas, Peter. Front, William and Bernice Wenstrand.

Bill and Bernice Elizabeth Liljedahl, daughter of Frank E. and Hilda Liljedahl, were married at St. John's Lutheran Church, Essex, on May 15, 1943. Bernice, a graduate of Essex High School, attended Grinnell College, following which she did secretarial work in a Shenandoah law office,

	<u>Birth or Age at death</u>	<u>Date of death</u>
WENNER, JOHN P. Clarinda Cemetery, Clarinda, Nodaway Twp.	1883	1937
WENSTRAND, ----- Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp. (On same lot with Marie & C. Al, twins, but Unidentified)	-----	-----
WENSTRAND, ALFRED Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp.	1855	1936
WENSTRAND, ALICE E. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp. (Twin of Carl E.)	-----	-----
WENSTRAND, C. AL. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp. (Twin of Marie)	1826	1915
WENSTRAND, CARL E. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp. (Twin of Alice E. * No death or birth date)	-----	-----
WENSTRAND, CEDELIA L. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp.	1880	1881
WENSTRAND, ELLEN Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp.	1854	1929
WENSTRAND, HANNAH Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp.	10-15-1864	3-1-1894
WENSTRAND, LYDIA Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp.	1882	1914
WENSTRAND, MARIE Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp. (Twin of C. Al.)	1826	1915
WENSTRAND, MARY E. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp.	3-9-1842	1-25-1917
WENSTRAND, SVEN Mt. Hope Cemetery, Essex, Fremont Twp.	11-8-1829	3-28-1904
WERTZ, ASIAH Hawleyville Cemetery, Hawleyville, Nebraska Twp.	Age 8	3-15-1877
WERTS, BERTA W. Memory Cemetery, New Market, East River Twp. (Wife of Dan W.)	1879	1922
WERTS, DANIEL Hawleyville Cemetery, Hawleyville, Nebraska Twp.	1826	1866
WERTS, SARAH Hawleyville Cemetery, Hawleyville, Nebraska Twp.	1829	1905
WESLEY, JOHN Maple Hill Cemetery, College Springs, Amity Twp.	1883	1913

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Outline of Personal History of

Alfred Wenstrand,
RESIDENCE Essex, Ia.

Kindly furnish on this sheet the necessary data for a personal sketch and return at your early convenience. Every question is important.

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(This form is for use in collecting data on deceased as well as living persons. Appropriate alterations may be made in matter below.)

1. Name in full (all names) Alfred Wenstrand
2. Chief occupation or profession Farming
3. Former occupation or profession
4. Date and place of beginning each
5. Present residence address Essex, Iowa, R P D #3
6. Present business address " " "
7. Date of birth May 14th 1857
8. Place of birth Sweden
9. If born abroad, where Hvensa Parish, Kalmar county, Sweden.
10. Emigrated to America, when Came to America March about march 20th 1870
11. First migrated to what state and county, whether born abroad or in America Page county, Iowa.
and have resided there since.
12. Emigrated the second time to what state or county
13. Further emigration, if any
14. Education. Give name and location of rural, high, business or technical school, college or university
Attended and graduated from the rural public Highschool of above named parish and County of Sweden, and continued my education 11 months in the public schools of Page county, Iowa. Read law under the late Senator T. E. Clark, for the period of two years.
15. Date of graduation and degree if any

16. Place of death _____
 17. Date of death _____
 18. Place of burial _____
 19. Name of father in full (all names) Sven Gustaf Wenstrand
 20. Occupation of father Farming,
 21. Full Maiden name of mother (all names) Anna Christinas Svensdotter
 22. Residence when married Hvens Parish, Kalmar county, Sweden
 23. Military service, if any (exact dates) None

24. Political offices, (from the smallest to the largest, with dates) Head-Bass year 1876; was elected and held the office of Justice of the Peace 1879 for a number of years; School-Director 1882; same year elected Secretary of the school-board which I held for 11 consecutive years; President of the School-Board 1907 Assessor 1901-2; Township Clerk 1892-4, 1907-8-9-10-12-14; Township Trustee 1911-12; Clerk of the District Court of Page county 1898-7-8-9-1900-1-2
 25. Director or trustee of financial, religious and educational institutions Director of the First Nat. Bank and Director and President of the Commercial Nat. Bank both of Essex Iowa; Director of the Swedish Home of Marcy of Chicago.

26. Politics Republican
 27. Religious denomination if any The Swedish Mission Church
 28. Religious preference if non-affiliated with a denomination _____

29. Member of what societies or associations of learning Held membership in North-Park College
 30. Member of what secret organizations, with honors or offices held, with dates _____

31. Member of what clubs if any _____
 32. Belonged to what firms (give names in full and dates if possible) _____

33. Officer or director in any corporation Only as above stated

34. Enclose business card if possible _____
 35. Enclose photograph and autograph If you desire Photo will have to send it under separate cover

36. Author of books or pamphlets, with titles and publishers in full and dates of publication

37. Miscellaneous



FAMILY HISTORY

1. To whom married Christina Oisen
2. Date of marriage October 2nd 1872
3. Place of marriage Red Oak, Iowa.
4. Date of his or her birth December 23d 1860
5. Place of his or her birth Wernland, Sweden.
6. Religious denomination Swedish Mission Church
7. Date of his or her death
8. Place of his or her death
9. Place of his or her burial
10. Father's full name Olof Oisen
11. Born where and when Sweden
12. Occupation of his or her father Shoemaker and Farmer
13. His or her mother's full name Ingrid Larson (Maiden name)
14. Born when and where September 18th 1820, Wernland, Sweden.
15. Parents' residence at time of their marriage Wernland, Sweden.
16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family

1. To whom married second time
2. Date of marriage
3. Place of marriage
4. Date of his or her birth
5. Place of his or her birth
6. Religious denomination
7. Date of his or her death
8. Place of his or her death

CHILDREN OF *Alfred Christman and Christina Christman*

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE	MARRIED TO WHOM	WHERE	DATE
<i>Laura Cullin</i>	<i>Page Co, Iowa</i>	<i>1880</i>	<i>Page Co Iowa</i>	<i>1881</i>			
<i>Louisa Ahna</i>	"	<i>1882</i>					
<i>Paul</i>	"	<i>1884</i>			<i>Mabel Hansen</i>	<i>Hawthorn, Iowa</i>	<i>1913</i>
<i>Oscar Sigfred</i>	"	<i>1888</i>			<i>Mabel Sigfred</i>	<i>Red Oak, Ia</i>	<i>1913</i>
<i>Laura</i>	"	<i>1889</i>			<i>Ursula Anderson</i>	<i>Essex, Ia</i>	<i>1914</i>
<i>Bernett</i>	"	<i>1893</i>			<i>Martha Ludwig</i>	<i>Essex, Ia</i>	<i>1914</i>

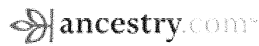
CHILDREN OF

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AND

Alfred Christman
 DATE *August 12 1914*

SIGNATURE



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Iowa Cemetery Records

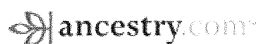
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Death Date:	1936
Page #:	844
Birth Date:	1855
Cemetery:	Mt. Hope
Town:	Essex, Fremont
Level Info:	<i>Cemeteries in Page County Vol. 4, 43464</i>

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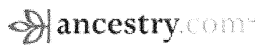
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You searched for **Alfred Wenstrand** in **Iowa**

1910 United States Federal Census

Name:	Alfred Wenstrand	
Age in 1910:	54	
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1856	
Birthplace:	Sweden	
Relation to Head of House:	Head	
Father's Birth Place:	Sweden	
Mother's Birth Place:	Sweden	
Spouse's Name:	Christine	
Home in 1910:	Fremont, Page, Iowa	
Marital Status:	Married	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Year of Immigration:	1870	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Alfred Wenstrand	54
	Christine Wenstrand	49
	Lydia A Wenstrand	27
	Paul P Wenstrand	25
	Sigfred S Wenstrand	22
	Veda E Wenstrand	14
	Laura C Wenstrand	20
	Bennett D Wenstrand	17
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Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	Alfred Wenstrand	
Birth Year:	abt 1856	
Birth Place:	Sweden	
Gender:	Male	
Race:	White	
Marital Status:	Married	
Census Date:	1 Jan 1925	
Residence State:	Iowa	
Residence County:	Page	
Locality:	Essex	
Relation to Head:	Head	
Mother:	Maria Swensen	
Mother's Birthplace:	Sweden	
Father:	Swan Weinstrand	
Father's Birthplace:	Sweden	
Marriage Place:	Sweden	
Spouse Name:	Christie Wenstrand	
Roll:	IA1925_1872	
Line:	1	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Household Name:		Age
Members:	Alfred Wenstrand	69
	Christie Wenstrand	69
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