

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Killen, John Senator _____

Represented Clayton County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 20 Dec 1851 Monona Township, Clayton County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place _____

Elizabeth Buckner 27 Nov 1879

3. Significant events for example: _____

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Modern Woodmen of America

C. Profession Merchant

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 20th, 21st General Assemblies 1884, 1886

6. Public Offices _____

A. Local Mayor of Monona two different times; Treasurer of the Monona School Board many years

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 7 Nov 1926 Monona, Iowa; buried Monona Cemetery, Monona, Iowa

8. Children Jessie (Mrs Kingsley); Margaret

9. Names of parents Robert and Margaret Killen

Killen, John

10. Education Educated in neighborhood country schools
and the public school of Monona, Iowa

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He grew up on the farm in Monona Township.
- He taught school in Farmersburg Township, followed by moving to
Monona to clerk in the store of his uncle, T. A. Killen
- He soon engaged in business for himself by establishing a private
bank in connection with a mercantile business. This
continued until 1913 when he sold the Citizen State Bank until 1919
when he retired

Editorial Column

Well, the weather is getting too cold for your's b. v. d.

You can't always tell where you are traveling if you depend on road maps.

You can pay out your money a lot faster than you can collect what is due you.

You can go all over the world and fall out with people just as easily anywhere else, as in this town.

What has become of the old man who used to get up early in the morning and work hard all through the day?

Many a woman urges her hubby to buy a new overcoat without being urged, in turn to purchase a new cloak.

Going to church never makes a man a saint, but it will do more towards that goal than staying at home on Sundays.

Many a man knows that the things he reads in the newspapers are not as important as a nice write up of his life would be.

Sometimes we write these paragraphs under pressure—your advantage is that you don't have to read them pressure or no pressure.

November brings us Armistice Day Thanksgiving and the Red Cross Roll Call. There are some people who see little significance in any of them.

CHEATERS IN PUBLIC OFFICE

A certain amount of perfect sentiment may favor lax enforcement on prohibition, but the public is not going to continue forever its toleration of cheaters in public offices. Public wrath sometimes rises slowly, but it is forceful when aroused. Eventually it will help to educate a lot of double crosses who are paid from the public coffers for a duty they do not perform.

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John Killen Monona's Highly Esteemed Citizen Is Dead

John Killen, one of Monona's oldest and most respected citizens, slipped away into the world from which no traveler returns on Sunday, November 7th at his home. He was the son of Robert and Margaret Killen, born December 20th, 1851 in Monona Township. Here on the farm he grew to manhood, receiving his education in the country school and Monona school. He then taught school in Farmersburg township, after which he came to Monona to clerk in the store of his uncle, T. A. Killen. After some experience here he engaged in business for himself, and for forty years was one of Monona's energetic and loyal business-men. Early in his business career he established a private bank in connection with his mercantile business. This was continued until 1913 when he sold his banking interests to the Citizens' State Bank. He continued in this new organization as an officer and was for a number of years its president. In 1919 he retired from active business.

During the years he was deeply interested in community and political affairs. At two times he was Mayor of the town, being the first Mayor of Monona, and served two terms in the State Legislature during the years 1886-1890. He was treasurer of the Monona School Board for many years, besides serving as treasurer of other organizations.

He was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in the Monona chapter of Masonry on June the 17th, 1876, and on the 17th of June 1926 was issued by the local Lodge the certificate of a Gold Star Mason, an honorable recognition bestowed upon one who has been a worthy member of the lodge for fifty years. For many years he was the treasurer of the lodge. He was also a Knight Templar, being a member and one of the oldest of Honorius Commandary No. 8 of McGregor, Iowa. He was also a member of Modern Woodmen Lodge.

Along with these activities he always found time and disposition to support the religious interests of the community.

He was raised in a home of very active Methodists, and throughout his life affiliated with the Monona Methodist Church.

He was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Buehner of Monona on November 27th, 1879. Their home was blessed with two daughters, Mrs



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An Answer

Sleep on, brave
the poppies glow
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row on row.

The lark's still
Still bravely sing
Away above the
Scarce heard a
Before you sleep

The faith with
with the foe
On crimson fields
poppies blow
The torch you hold
With blistering
To hold it high

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MUCH SPACE WASTED

Entirely too much newspaper space has been wasted on the Hall-Mills murder of New Jersey, and the Aimee Semple McPherson narrative from California. What is gained by keeping the wires hot on these trails escape us.

If the public wishes to read of illicit relations and to puzzle over Mrs. McPherson's saint or sinner query, it would probably like many sordid and salacious tales that can be featured all over the country.

Many people who read this kind of stuff as news, shudder with horror

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The community of Monona owes much to the integrity and energy of John Killen. His entire span of life, seventy-five years, was spent here, and whatever he possessed of idealism and purpose has been invested in our midst. No appraisal of the community's good qualities can be complete without recognition of the honorable life John Killen led and the much hard work which he performed in behalf of the welfare of the community. Altho he will not be seen any more by mortal eye, yet his good works live in our midst and many still remain who can rise up and do him homage for his contribution to their lives.

Funeral services were held at the home on Tuesday, Nov. 9th. Conducted by Rev. H. E. Morrow. Burial services were conducted by the Masonic Lodge. Interment in Monona Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors for their kind assistance and expressions of sympathy shown us during illness and death of our beloved husband and father, John Killen, and also very gratefully acknowledge the floral offerings in his memory.

MRS. KILLEN AND FAMILY.

RED CROSS

the poppies
Sleep on, brave
row on row
The lark's still
Still bravely
Away above
Scarce heard
Before you sleep

The faith with
with the foam
On crimson fields
poppies bloom
The torch you
With blistering
To hold it
Night,
And at the
Light,
When you awake

Committees Appointed Farmers Show

At a meeting held Monday the following committees were appointed to arrange for a Short Course to be held Tuesday and Wednesday and Dec. 1st.

Executive Committee:
W. J. Rummell, Chairman

Arrangement Committee:
E. G. Kaiser, Chairman
Publicity and Invitation
H. S. Rittenhouse, Chairman
C. A. Briar, C. G. S. Pape, Roy Eiffert, Geo. J. Aulerich and

Finance Committee:
T. E. Hartwick, Chairman
H. T. Orr and K. W.

Reception Committee:
F. R. Bothel, Chairman

Program Committee:
H. H. Smith, Chairman
Blanche Sherman and
School Committee