

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Schae, George North Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented O'Brien and Dickinson Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 15 June 1847 Alexandria, Missouri

2. Marriage (s) date place

Elizabeth A. Summing 1 Oct 1877 Washburn County, Minnesota

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Admitted to the bar in 1881; one of the owners of the Ringler  
Wash Bank 1886-1890

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; GAR

C. Profession Attorney; banker; teacher; land seller; farmer;  
loan business

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 20<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> General Assemblies 1884 1886

6. Public Offices 33<sup>rd</sup> 34<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1909, 1911

A. Local Quitch county auditor 1875-2 terms

B. State

C. National

7. Death 9 Feb 1926 National City, California; Grand Pensioner, 3<sup>rd</sup> Country, Ringler, Iowa

8. Children Maria (Mrs. Kirkpatrick); William L.; George A.;  
Archie (died 1 Mar 1888)

9. Names of parents Arnold and Martha (McRae) Schae

10. Education He was self-educated

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information Republican

- His father, Arnold Schee, died young and George was raised in the home of his uncle, Fulton Schee.
- Military service - Civil War - Co. C. 33<sup>rd</sup> Iowa Infantry enlisting at age 16. He then moved to Adelsora Iowa in 1861.
- He moved to O'Brien County, Iowa in June 1871 entering and passing on a U.S. Homestead in Carroll Township.
- He taught school for a short time and later managed a well boring company putting down wells for the homesteaders.
- He farmed in Carroll Township of O'Brien County, Iowa.
- He moved to Plevington, Iowa in 1876.
- After serving as O'Brien County auditor, he opened a land and law office named Schee and Achorn in 1881.
- Although he was an attorney, he never entered into general practice.
- He engaged in the loan business, handling money for loan companies and had a large business. He also owned 3000 acres of land in Iowa and 1000 acres in Minnesota.
- He raised money for the purpose of having a flag placed on each schoolhouse in Iowa.

### Sources Log For Legislation Entries

#### Applicability

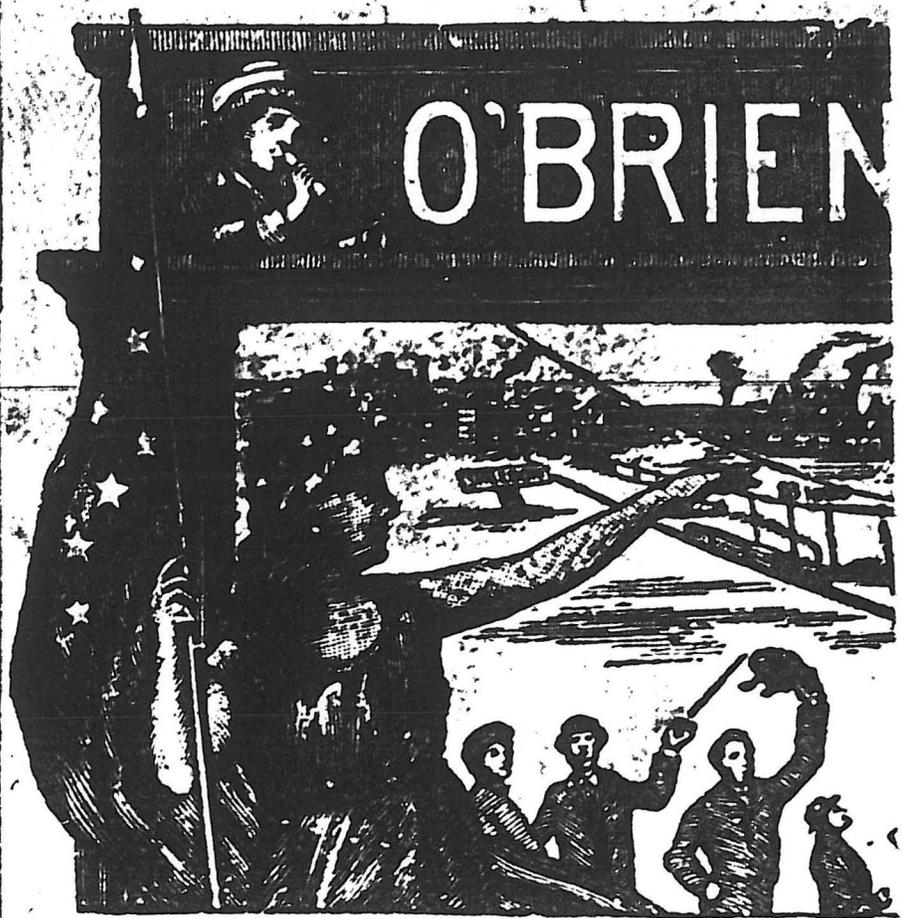
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- GAR Records			
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- Iowa Genealogical Society - WPA - O'Brien County, Iowa			
- Iowa Official Register			1911-1912, p. 628
- Biographical Data and Army Record of All Soldiers Who Have Lived in O'Brien County, Iowa			1909, p. 148
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- House Journal			1927, p. 1905, 1906

# Geo. W. SCHEE DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Old Resident Of This Vicinity And  
Prominent Citizen For Many  
Years Passes To Great Be-  
yond Tuesday Evening

Word came to Primghar Wednesday morning through a telegram to Henry Rerick, announcing the death, Tuesday Evening, of Geo. W. Schee at his home in National City, California. Mr. Schee had been declining in health for many months, and while the message did not convey information as to the cause of his death it is presumed that his death was a result of a stroke of paralysis which he suffered some time ago together with the frailty incumbent with his age, he being around 78 years old. Mr. Schee was for many years a resident of this locality having come to Iowa in an early day and entered land as a homesteader. Later he removed to Primghar and erected the house that is so well known as the Schee place. Recent years he has spent in California. He was a very successful man and became the owner of a large amount of land in north-west Iowa. He leaves the wife two sons and a daughter to mourn his death. We are informed that he remains will be brought to Primghar for burial, but at time of going to press no arrangements have been announced as to when the funeral will occur. Further Biography and Obituary will appear in this paper next week.

## POLITICAL POT BEGINS TO SIMMER



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Blakawietz and Mrs. J. E. Britton as hostesses. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

The Jake DeVries family moved last week from a farm near Primghar to the Porter Hoffa residence on west 4th st

Mrs. J. C. Wiley returned last Wednesday from a visit with friends in Chicago.

Thos. Foley Jr left Sunday for Mitchell, S. D. where he is employed in the car department.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Anderson and sons of Primghar visited Sunday at the B. M. Flint home.

Mrs. Henry Kissler has been on the sick list for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn H. Beckley and children spent Sunday in Primghar with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Petersen.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pippinger and daughter Ethel returned Sunday from Spencer where they visited at the Otto Alberts home.

Miss Susie Dow of Inwood spent the week end here with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson and children of Estherville were Sunday guests at the W. B. Cattell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Melvin and

## TAXABLE

### The Taxable Value

In spite of land depreciation liquidations, and and short crop in 1925, the county still boast of a total property in an amount in excess of 1,000,000. Records in the auditor's office show that the assessed value of proper money's and credits is \$5,071,000. To this add the \$5,071,000 and credits and you have a total of all property in the county as shown by the report amount being \$46,707,000.

We have been going through a period of depression and the values the past four years probably been the worst has ever seen, and yet

# OBITUARY OF HON. GEO. W. SCHEE

Body Laid At Rest in Pleasant Hill Cemetery Tuesday Afternoon

George Worth Schee, of Primghar, Iowa, was born June 15, 1847 at Alexandria Missouri, and died at National City, Calif., on February 9, 1926, aged 78 years, 7 months and 14 days. He was the only child of Arnold and Martha Schee. His grandfather Schee was a scotchman. His father was born in Ohio, and his mother in Kentucky. His father Arnold Schee died when he was quite young. Mr. Schee was raised in the home of his uncle, Fulton Schee.

When he was a little over 16 years of age he enlisted in the Civil War on March 21, 1864 in Company C, in the Thirty-third Iowa Infantry, and was at once sent with his regiment to Arkansas, and participated in all the marches and engagements of that regiment. He was at the siege of Spanish Fort and its capture, was at the capture of Mobile, at a skirmish at Swisher Station and at Fort Blakeley. He was mustered out at Davenport Iowa, September 5, 1865, serving nearly eighteen months.

He came to O'Brien County, Iowa, on June 1871 and entered and proved up on a United States Homestead on the S. E. 1/4 of Section 26 in Carroll township.

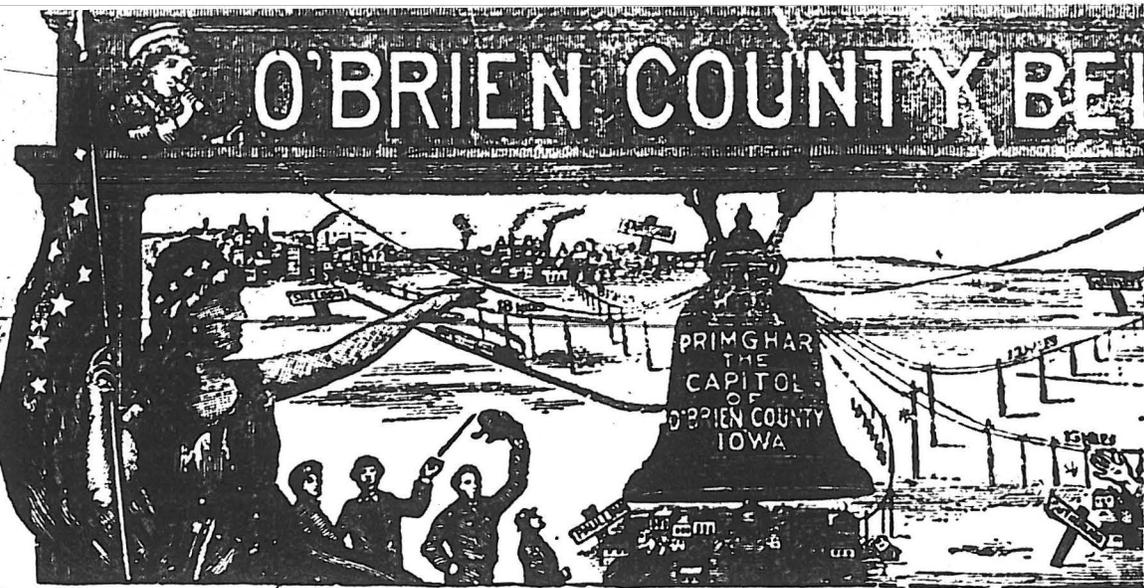
He was married October 1, 1877 to Elizabeth A. Dunning at the home of her father Mr. John B. Dunning in Martin county, Minnesota. His legal residence has at all times since been maintained at Primghar, Iowa.

To this union were born four children. Mrs. Mavis Kirkpatrick of Baltimore, Maryland; William S. Schee of Louisville, Kentucky, George A. Schee of National City, California, and Arlie Schee, the latter dying March 1, 1888, which child was the first person buried in the Pleasant Hill cemetery near Primghar. Three grandchildren survive.

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In 1875 he was elected as County Auditor of the county which brought him in direct contact with both the people and the public records, until he became an authority in public affairs, and became a general advisor to individuals and the public.

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finally into banking and other channels of business.

Nature had done much for Mr. Schee in the endowment of a great ability, a powerful memory and foresight, and with a vision of large prospects far and beyond what others could discern.

He possessed this great quality, that when he once saw a difficult problem done, he could then do it himself, and soon that he himself could originate these problems.

He possessed also this great qualification, an intuitive idea of what the law was and must be. He was often heard to say in difficult matters, "I know that that is the law; because it is right" He was even known to say to an attorney employed, "follow this up on that line, I know that is the law." He was thus able in emergencies to even outgeneral some good lawyers. This intuitive knowledge of affairs, run through all channels of business.

He commenced doing business while the people were still doing things in the old fashioned ways. There was not a typewriter in the county. For this reason he was compelled and even continued to carry his great business in details in his memory, which became annoying at times, and even explains many features of his life. His business was not a small one, it was more than large, equal to more than a good sized bank in its details.

But we must not dwell entirely on the cold business aspect of his life. To those who knew him, he possessed all the higher qualifications of heart and soul. He was often a much misunderstood man. His heart and soul activities were even more than equal to his great business qualities. His benevolences and benefactions for instance were probably five times what even the public knew about. His care of the sick and needy in his life time was all but a hospital service. He paid the full expenses of many needy people, in the way of supplying physicians, surgeons, nurses, and even the necessities of life. Numerous and dozens of instances turn up where not wishing it known, he has placed \$5.00 or \$10.00 in a friend's hands to be by him applied to the

We must not forget the one faithful wife and friend, Mrs. Lizzie A. Schee, who did understand him, and who, understanding him, sustained him in all his serious problems of life.

Mr. Schee was one of the Charter members of the Abiff Lodge A. F. and A. M., originally organized in Primghar, nearly fifty years ago, then moved as a lodge to Sutherland, Iowa, where he retained his membership through all his life.

The funeral services were conducted in the Congregational church at Primghar, Iowa. A very appropriate sermon was delivered by Rev. H. L. Michael of that church, with that beautiful solo, Dudley Buck's, "Crossing the Bar", from Tennyson's Poem, rendered by Mrs. Ralph Hinman. The choir rendered fitting selections. The casket and pulpit were decorated with most beautiful wreaths and floral offerings from home friends as likewise from those farther away in Iowa, Minnesota and California and other places. One blanket wreath of mixed flowers covering the casket in full length, was contributed by the citizens en masse of Primghar. The grave surrounding, were covered as with the greenest of lawns. A wreath from the Masonic orders in symbol of the square and compass was artistic. The whole service was simple, yet imposing and dignified. The harshness of death seemed minimized. Rev. Michael's sermon was one that would have confirmed Mr. Schee's ideas for the occasion, without eulogy or flattery, a careful laying down of orthodox religion, on which subject Mr. Schee himself was all but a theologian in his judgment of what sound religion should be.

Mr. Schee served this legislative district for eight years as a member of the twentieth, twenty-first, thirty-third and thirty-fourth sessions. As in all things he undertook he made himself felt in that body as a positive man, and as a skillful parliamentarian and organizer and very often presided in the Speaker's Chair. The people of this district knew he was there. One other great quality Mr. Schee

months that summer procuring these purchases of right of way with the required deeds. But he never ceased until the tract was secured.

Whatever he did or built was well done.

Mr. Schee was always ready to take a positive position on any subject, no matter how delicately related to public affairs. If a man asked him for his support for office, he always got an immediate reply, and it was "I will", or he would bluntly tell the man "No." He never told a man "I will think over it." When he gave his word it was carried out to the finish.

An example of his lasting friendship, we must give an actual case at the funeral. Mr. P. J. Shaw now of Plover, Iowa, and now a member of the State Insurance Commission, came first to O'Brien County and homesteaded along with Mr. Schee. They taught school in nearby school houses. Mr. Shaw himself became much disgusted with the public county affairs. He insisted on Mr. Schee coming out for County Auditor, and organized his own homestead township and came as a delegate to the convention and worked energetically and he was nominated, all this under Mr. Schee's then objection, and under these objections all but pushed him into the County Auditor's office. They have been life friends. Mr. Shaw has been through all the years on the Board of Trustees of Mr. Schee's Iowa Patriotic Flag Fund. William Shaw Schee, and Mr. Shaw named his son George Shaw Schee. Mr. P. J. Shaw, and his two sons, Mr. A. J. Shaw now a prominent attorney at Pocahontas, Iowa, and the other George Schee Shaw all being present. Thus permanent friendship intertwined itself down through the generations in families.

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Mr. Schee, with others followed up these policies and within but a few years had placed its finances on a sound business basis, and soon it was that while its county warrants had been selling at twenty-five cents on the dollar, advanced to full par value where it has all times since been maintained. His policy was in fact an establishment of specie payments and good credit, and furtherance of honesty in affairs public and private. At this late date it is difficult to fully appraise Mr. Schee but this in fact was one of the master strokes in his life in public service.

Mr. Schee was thus strictly a self educated man, educating himself in the great school of experience in public affairs and the public records. Public debts and private debts became very annoying, among these pioneer people. All this brought him in contact with all this body of about 600 families of old homesteaders and their friends as they moved into the county and with their great needs. His knowledge of the public records soon enabled him to secure the residences in the east of the owners of the large acreage of wild and cheap lands, then selling at very cheap prices, and also soon enabled him to follow up the purchase and sale of these lands, both for himself and others, the lands in meantime moving up slowly in price, which made a profit to him; also. He thus served a double service and opened up the foundation for his future success, and

Source: Iowa Territorial and State Legislators Collection compiled by volunteers

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His financial contributions to the public did not stop here. It advanced to larger problems, in permanent foundations for the public good. We instance his large contributions in good reading in books for the public libraries and even the musical and the artistic for the higher tastes, in the founding of libraries in many counties in teachers and public libraries. And still larger we must instance his high idea of teaching patriotism in the public schools and to the public in the placing of U. S. flags on the public school houses in so many parts of the state.

He was also an ardent friend of the old soldiers even as he was an old soldier himself. This was finely carried out in symbol and fact in the erection of the soldiers monument at Hartley, Iowa.

His friends and friendships were many and lasting. He was a man of acute angles and impulses. He thus had the strongest of friends and also the strongest of enemies. He remarked himself, that people should in heart be a little kind when they do not always understand. He did not possess the quality of diplomacy and sometimes men went away grieved, because they did not understand. One man once made this remark of Mr. Schee: "That if ever I get into some real down serious trouble where I really need help and need it bad, I will telegraph for Mr. Schee. That was the real genuine idea of friendship. He was himself loyal to all who were loyal to him. He was loyal to his own town, as instanced in the last great fight to preserve itself as a county seat, both personally and with his financial aid which was then sorely needed.

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One other great quality Mr. Schee possessed in a high degree. This was his power of execution in any item coming to his attention. As an executive he was prompt and quick in decision. He never stopped until he arrived at the other end of the problem. As one example, in an early day, a friend of his, who was just a little timid in investment received a letter from a man in New York offering 800 acres of land around Primghar for five dollars per acre. The friend handed this letter to Mr. Schee. Like a flash Mr. Schee said, go get your dinner, come back at once. The two spent all the afternoon and all night in the Court House examining the title that no trip would occur. At sun up he got a team and started for Hartley, (no railroad at Primghar then) took the train for New York, got a deed and returned with it, for fear some one else would get it first. As a further example of his fairness he shared a half interest with the friend, and which proved a fine purchase. He never lost out in this need of quick action and in getting to the other end in result.

Primghar was without a railroad for its first fifteen years of existence. In 1887 the Illinois Central laid down its hard conditions on which it would make a depot at the town or put in its own town two miles away. It was that Primghar should furnish deeds and good title to twenty two miles of Right of Way from Archer to the Cherokee line, which went angling through farms and cut each farm into triangles. Mr. Schee saw at once what had to be done. He with nine others signed a hard and fast written contract to furnish it, not knowing whether it would cost ten thousand or thirty thousand dollars. He at once aided in organizing these nine men and himself and the whole town, he and many others spending about four

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Mr. George Worth Schee in his death "Comes Back Home."  
—Contributed

### "THE LOST BATTALION"

The American Legion have secured the moving picture entitled, "The Lost Battalion", which will be shown here Monday and Tuesday evenings, February 22 and 23 at the Opera House. This is a picturization of one of the most thrilling episodes in the annals of American heroism.

"The Lost Battalion" is an authentic story of the most sublime episode of the war, re-enacted by the surviving heroes themselves. It depicts the assembling in New York City of this glorious band taken from every walk of life—the millionaire's son—the intrepid burglar—the humble Jewish boy—the Italian fruit peddler's son—the Chinese laundry man—all fused into one reckless daredevil fighting machine, leaving homes, parents, sweethearts! It shows this same machine in action—the advance—the "dreadful pocket"—the airplanes overhead—the "runners" endeavoring to get through—the deadly "snipers" and the final rescue by "Cher Ami"—the historic carrier pigeon.

This picture will entertain and instruct you. Proceeds go to benefit of local post American Legion.

Melotte Week, Feb'y 20 to 27 at Metcalf's.

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Infantry; transferred to Company I, Thirty-fourth Iowa Infantry as consolidated, July 12, 1865; served in siege of Spanish Fort and capture of Mobile in March and April, 1865; discharged August 15, 1865, at Houston, Texas; paid off at Davenport, Iowa, September 5, 1865. Never resided in O'Brien County.

**Schee, George W.**, of Primghar, Iowa, was born in June, 1847 or 1848, in Missouri. He was an only child of Arnold Schee and Martha Schee; his grandfather Schee was a Scotchman; his father was born in Ohio and his mother in Kentucky. George W. Schee enlisted the last time on March 21, 1864, and was mustered in on the same day in Company C, Thirty-third Iowa Infantry, and sent at once to the regiment in Arkansas <sup>thereafter</sup> he was in all marches and engagements of that regiment; was at the siege of Spanish Fort and capture thereof about 1 o'clock at night; at the capture of Mobile; at Swisler Station and at Fort Blakeley, but not in much of the danger of the last two engagements; discharged and paid off at Davenport, Iowa, September 5, 1865. Came to O'Brien County June 5, 1871, homesteading southeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  section 26, 96, 42. Married October 1, 1877, to Miss L. A. Dunning; children: Mavis, Wm. S., George A., and Arlie; the last died March 1, 1888, and was the first person buried in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery near Primghar. His youngest uncle, John Schee, was in the Union Army in a Missouri regiment and several times wounded. His cousins, Oliver M. and James Schee, were in the Thirty-third Iowa Infantry and his cousin, James S. Webster of Hartley, was also in the Union Army.

**Scott, Ephraim.** Born April 3, 1832, in Columbia County, Pennsylvania; father, Ephraim (born in Scotland), mother, Hulda Tingly (born in America). Married Martha Anderson October 30, 1853; children: William A., Thomas E., James H., Walter W., Charles E. and Ella M. Enlisted August 15,

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Mr. Robinson took an active interest in every phase of the community life. He was a member of the first school board, helped to establish the churches of the community, and showed a liberal and progressive attitude in all matters pertaining to community interests. He identified himself with the Presbyterian church. Mr. Robinson held civic offices from time to time. He was elected to represent his district in the Twenty-ninth General Assembly, and was returned as a member of the Thirtieth and Thirty-first Assemblies. While a member of the Legislature he became a real factor in the development of northwest Iowa. He was one of the original supporters of the drainage bills, and did much toward bringing about the passage of the early drainage laws and the laws which made possible the movement for good roads in Iowa. Mr. Robinson was the author of the Lake Bed bill. To him as to few other men must be given the credit for the wonderful development of the farms of northwest Iowa in recent years.

Mr. Robinson leaves as his survivors a wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson, and son, Fred Robinson, of Armstrong, Iowa; to daughters, Mrs. N. W. Ruef, of Maple Hill, Iowa, and Miss Clara Robinson, of Cedar Rapids, and two grandchildren, Elizabeth and Benjamin Ruef, of Maple Hill.

In view of the splendid services to our state of Hon. B. F. Robinson, *Be It Resolved*, By the House of Representatives of the Forty-second General Assembly, That we take this occasion to express our appreciation of the character and public services of the deceased, and,

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to send an enrolled copy to the members of his family.

R. B. CRONE,  
FRANCIS JOHNSON,  
G. W. PATTERSON,  
*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 6, 1927.

#### HON. GEORGE W. SCHEE

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life and service of Hon. George W. Schee, late of O'Brien county, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

Hon. George W. Schee was born near Alexandria, Missouri, June 15, 1847, and died at National City, California, February 9, 1926.

He removed to Mahaska county, Iowa, in 1861. He enlisted in Company C; Thirty-third Iowa Infantry, March 21, 1864. On July 12, 1865, he was transferred to the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-eighth Iowa Infantry Consolidated, and was mustered out August 15, 1865, at Houston, Texas.

In 1871 he removed to O'Brien county and entered and later proved up on a United States homestead in Carroll township, that county. He went through all the pioneer hardships and experiences of those years in that vicinity, his principal occupations being farming and school-teaching. He was a leader in the struggle of the settlers to adjust the

payment of a debt imposed on the country in its beginning. He served as county auditor from 1875 to 1878, inclusive. He was admitted to the bar in 1881, but never entered into general practice.

He was elected representative in 1883, 1885, 1908 and 1910, serving in the Twentieth, Twenty-first, Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth General Assemblies.

About the time he left the office of county auditor he engaged in the loan business, handling money for loan companies, and built up a large, lucrative business, and became owner of some 3,000 acres of land in Iowa, and about 1,000 acres in Minnesota.

Mr. Schee was a man of intense patriotism and believed that patriotism should be taught to the youth, and he donated large sums of money for the purpose of having a flag placed on each schoolhouse in Iowa.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That the House of Representatives of the Forty-second General Assembly of the state of Iowa takes this occasion to present this tribute to his memory and express its appreciation of his worthy, charitable and public service.

*Be It Further Resolved*, That these resolutions be spread on the records of this House, and an enrolled copy thereof be sent to the family of the deceased.

G. W. SMITH,  
HARRY F. COPELAND,  
J. A. KING,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 6, 1927.

HON. CHARLES HARVEY SCOTT

MR SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life and service of the Hon. Charles Harvey Scott, late of Appanoose county, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

Charles Harvey Scott was born in Walnut township, Appanoose county, Iowa, September 14, 1862, and died December 3, 1926. He received his education in the rural and grade schools, and when he was twenty-five years of age he was united in marriage with Miss Lura Campbell, who survives him. Thirty-one years ago Mr. and Mrs. Scott moved to a forty-acre farm and garden in Clarkdale and lived there until Mr. Scott's death. Fourteen children were born to this union, two preceding the father in death. The children who survive him are: B. E., of Center-ville; W. C., at home; Milo, of Des Moines; Mrs. John Scott, of Center-ville; Mrs. Charles Ericksen of Chicago; Mrs. Emma Walter of Exline; Mrs. Mary Williams, of St. Louis, Mo.; Ruth, Estel, and Thomas, at home.

Mr. Scott first held local offices, such as school director and township trustee, and in 1916 he ran and was elected to the office of representative in his county. In 1918, 1920 and 1922 he was re-elected. In 1924 he was a candidate for the state senate but was defeated. During the recent election he announced his candidacy for representative again and was elected, but died before taking the oath of office, thus leaving the repre-



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- *ID:* 141
- *Name:* George W. SCHEE
- *Surname:* Schee
- *Given Name:* George W.
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 15 Jun 1847 in , Clark, Missouri
- *Death:* 9 Feb 1926 in Primghar, O'brien, Iowa
- *UID:* FDBEB78F71816B45BC0641AFD4F1FC8EA44D
- *Note:*

From Iowa Cemetery Records, (Ancestry.com) Name: George W. Schee; Birth Date: 15 Jun 1847; Death Date: 9 Feb 1926; Cemetery: Pleasant Hill; Town: Primghar; Comment: (Co. C., 33rd Iowa Inf.) (G.A.R.) "Tombstone Records of O'brien County, Iowa.

(The following is from Ancestry.com)

#### American Civil War Soliders:

Name: George W. Shee; Residence: Cavenport, Iowa; Enlist Date: 21 March 1864; State Served: Iowa.

#### Civil War Pension Index:

Name: George W. Schee; Widow: Lizzie A. Schee; State Files: California and Iowa.

#### Civil War Service Records:

Name: George W. Schee; Company: C.; unit: 34 iowa Infantry; Rank-Indcution: Private; Rank-Discharge: Private; Alleg.: Union

#### Iowa Business, Year did not print, says the following:

PRIMGHAR. A small village in O'Brien county, of which it is the judicial seat, 8 1/2 miles southwest of Sanborn, the nearest railroad approach, and 174 northwest of Des Moines. It contains a private bank, a hotel and a public school. Communication is had with Sanborn by telephone and by stage. Population, 175. Mail, daily. Walter J. Lorshbough, postmaster.

SCHEE & SHONKWILER (George W. Schee, Frank M Shonkviler), Attorneys-at-Law, Real Estate and loans.

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Nashua Reporter, The (Nashua, Iowa), Oct 19, 1911:

"Hon. Geo. W. Schee of Primghar has promised to give every school in Sioux county a large sized flag, equipped with flag pole, rope and pulleys, and will place them on the scholl houses free of charge."

(From web pages thur a rootsweb.com search)

OLD SOLDIERS WHO HAVE LIVED IN O'BRIEN COUNTY,  
IA

Compiled by Geo W. Schee and O.H. Montzheimer

1909, Primghar, IA

Internet preparation by Don Harrington

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Schee, George W., of Primghar, Iowa, was born in June, 1847 or 1848, in Missouri. He was an only child of Arnold Schee and Martha Schee; his grandfather Schee was a Scotchman; his father was born in Ohio and his mother in Kentucky. George W. Schee enlisted the last time on March 21, 1864, and was mustered in on the same day in Company C. Thirty-third Iowa Infantry, and sent at once to the regiment in Arkansas; he was in all marches and engagements of that regiment; was at the siege of Spanish Fort and capture thereof about 1 o'clock at night; at the capture of Mobile; at Swisler Station and at Fort Blakeley, but not in much of the danger of the last two engagements; discharged and paid off at Davenport, Iowa, September 5, 1865. Came to O'Brien County June 5, 1871, homesteading southeast 1/4 section 26, 96, 42. Married October 1, 1877, to Miss L. A. Dunning; children: Mavis, Wm. S., George A., and Arlie; the last died March 1, 1888, and was the first person buried in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery near Primghar. His youngest uncle, John Schee, was in the Union Army in a Missouri regiment and several times wounded. His cousins, Oliver M. and James Schee, were in the Thirty-third Iowa Infantry and his cousin, James S. Webster of Hartley, was also in the Union Army.

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Books of Historical Interest - History of Western Iowa - 1882 -  
Discovery and Occupation.

PRIMGHAR

Primghar's closest railroad station is six miles, north, on the line of the C.M. & St. P., and its next nearest established station is Hosper, on the S.C. & St. P.R.R., some fourteen miles west.

Primghar has been the county seat since 1872. It is located at the center of the county a high and well drained prairie, twenty-five miles from Cherokee, twenty-eight from Spencer, and twenty-

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eight from Sibley. The place is laid out with a public park, which has been planted with forest trees, and as it is surrounded by a region of great fertility, will doubtless continue a steady and a healthy growth. The town is in Summit Township.

The following humorous acrostic, descriptive of the origin of the name of the town, has been published heretofore:

P umphrey, the Treasurer, drives the first nail?  
 R oberts, the donor, is quick on his trail,  
 I nman dips sily his first letter in,  
 M cCormack adds M which makes the full Prim;  
 G reen, thinking of groceries, gives them a G,  
 H ayes drops them an H, without asking a fee,  
 A lbright, the joker, with his jokes all at par,  
 R erick brings up the rear, and crowns all PRIMGHAR.

W.C. Green built the first store in Primghar in 1872. The first dwelling was built by A.H. Willets. The population is about 200.

The present township officers are: J. Harris, T.G. Stewart, J.L. Rerick, Trustees; D. Algyr, Clerk; A.H. Willets, R.C. Tiffit, Justices of the Peace; W.H. Willets, G.W. Ginger, Constables.

Summit Township's first teacher was Clara Healy, who taught school in a building erected in Highland, and used as a store and postoffice by Mr. Paine. This building was moved to Primghar and used for a Court House. Afterwards it was used for a drug store; then as a printing office. This building has since been moved to Sanborn by A.H. Willets.

The first paper printed in the county was conducted by L.B. Raymond & Co.

A school house was built in 1874, size 40 x 50 feet; two stories high, with two departments. It is a handsome and substantial building.

The members of the first Board of Education were: A.J. Edwards, President; J.T. Stearns, A.H. Willets Present Board: W.W. Johnson, President; J.A. Smith, W.N. Strong, D.W. Inman, Treasurer; W.H. Willets, Secretary.

The cost of the school building was \$3,200. S. Harris is the principal Miss Ive Inman, Assistant. The total enrollment is 59 pupils.

The Court House was built in 1875, is 30x40 feet in dimensions with an addition, 10x14 feet; is two stories high, the upper part being used for the curt room, and the first floor for offices. The cost was \$5,000. the court yard is enclosed with a nice board fence, and the yard planted with a nice growth of soft maple trees.

The Primghar Times is a weekly paper, Schee & Achorn, proprietors. The first issue was January 12th, 1882. It is a seven column folio, Republican in politics, and has a circulation of 600. Mr. Bundy is the editor.

There are in Primghar, a general store, hardware store, agricultural implement store, bank, meat market, lumber yard, newspaper, hotel, furniture store, drug store, blacksmith shop,

grocery and saloon.

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At the Methodist Episcopal Conference in Sioux City, held October, 1871, the Rock Rapids Mission was organized. This Mission took in the counties of Lyon, Sioux, Osceola and O'Brien. Rev. Ira Brashears was put in charge of this mission. At that time there were two societies in O'Brien County, with a membership of about twenty people. The M.E. Society in Primghar was organized in 1873. C.W. Clifton organized the first society in O'Brien County in 1871. Present officers of Primghar Society: T.J. Alexander, D. Bysom, Mr. Robinson, Trustees. Membership, twenty-four. The Sabbath School averages an attendance of sixty pupils. D. Bysom, is the Superintendent. The church was built in 1880 at a cost of \$1,300, is 26x50 feet in dimensions. There is also a parsonage.

Abiff Lodge No. 347, A.F. & A.M., was instituted in 1874. The charter was granted in 1875. Charter members: H. Day, A.H. Willets, Geo. W. Schee, D.H. Wheeler, E.C. Fosket, J.T. Stearns, J.C. Doling, W. Pursel, C.W. Inman, W.H. Brown, M. Dimon, A.B. Husted, S.J. Jordan. First officers: H. Day, W.M.; A.H. Willets, S.W.; G.W. Schee, J.W.; D.H. Wheeler, Treasurer; E.C. Foskett, Secretary; J.T. Stearns, S.D.; J.C. Doling, J.D. Present officers: A.H. Willets, W.M.; S. Harris, S.W.; D. Algyr, J.W.; E.C. Foskett, Secretry; T.J. Alexander, Treasurer. Membership, twenty. Meetings are held every Saturday on or before the full moon, in the Court House.

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Geo. W. Schee, of the firm of Schee & Achorn, was born in Clark county, Mo., in 1849; moved to Oskaloosa, Ia., in 1861 with his parents. In 1871 he came to O'Brien county and engaged in farming in Carroll township. He moved to Primghar in 1876, and was elected county auditor, in which capacity he served two terms; then opened a land and law office, and became a member of the above firm in 1881. He married Lizzie Dunning, in 1877. They have two children.

- *Change Date:* 10 Jul 2004 at 01:00:00

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*Father:* [Arnold SCHEE](#) b: 7 Oct 1819 in New Castle, Delaware

*Mother:* [Martha MCRAE](#) b: ABT 1829 in Illinois

*Marriage 1* [Elizabeth A. DUNNING](#) b: Jun 1856 in Wisconsin

- *Married:* in , Clark, Missouri

Children

1. [Aloha Mary SCHEE](#) b: 12 Sep 1878 in Primghar, O'brien, Iowa
2. [William S. SCHEE](#) b: Apr 1880 in Primghar, O'brien, Iowa

3. [George Arnold SCHEE](#) b: 6 Apr 1889 in Primghar, O'brien, Iowa

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**George W. Schee** Compact Disc #105 Pin #224904  
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## Event(s)

**Birth:** 15 Jun 1847  
Clark, Missouri  
**Death:** 9 Feb 1926  
Primghar, O'brien, Iowa

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## Parents

**Father:** [Arnold Schee](#) Disc #105 Pin #224907  
**Mother:** [Martha Mcrae](#) Disc #105 Pin #224908

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## Marriage(s)

**Spouse:** [Elizabeth A. Dunning](#) Disc #105 Pin #224905  
**Marriage:**  
Clark, Missouri

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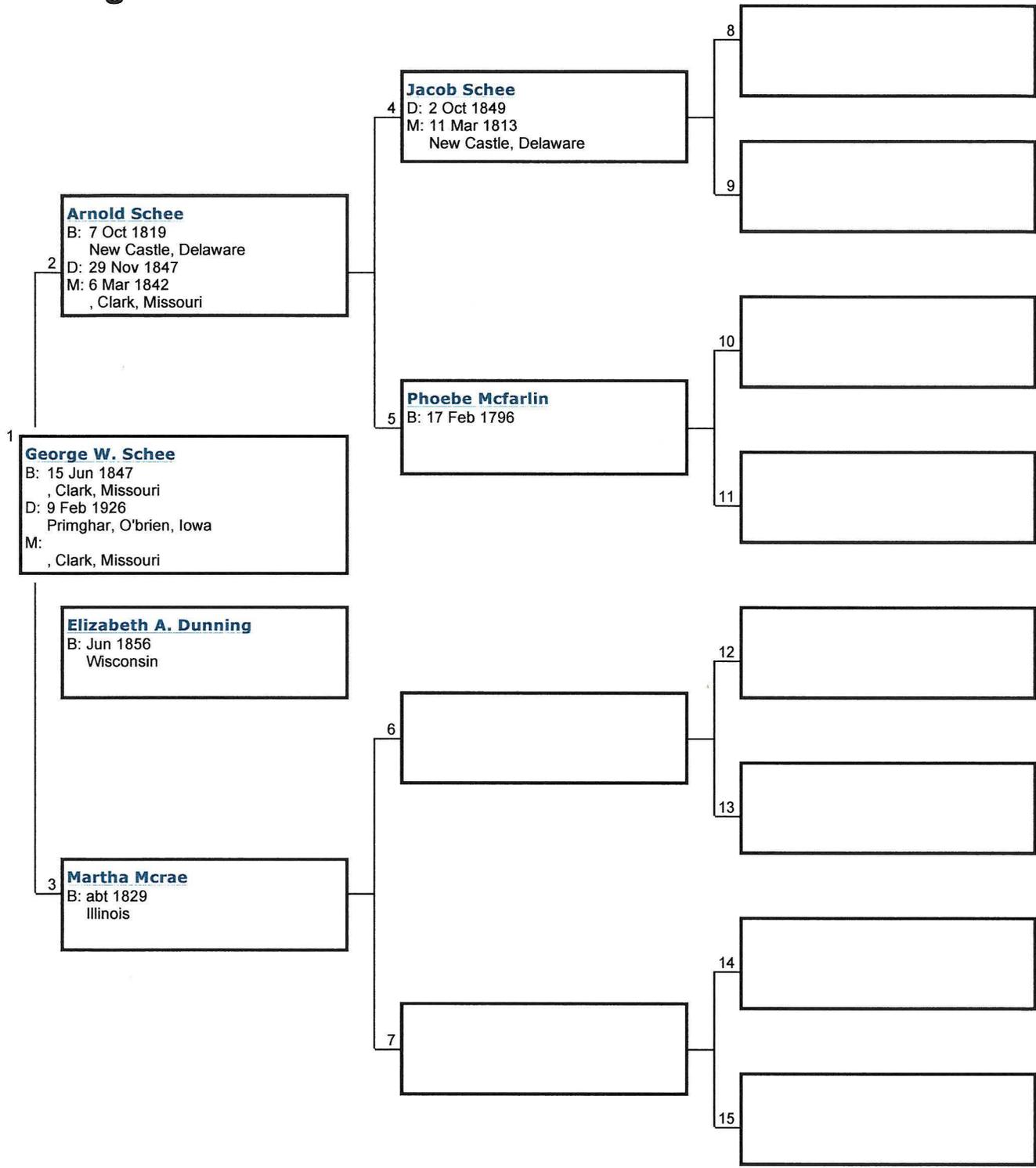
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You searched for **George W. Schee** in **Iowa**

### U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles

Name: **George W Schee**  
Residence: **Davenport, Iowa**  
Age at Enlistment: **18**  
Enlistment Date: **21 Mar 1864**  
Rank at enlistment: **Private**  
State Served: **Iowa**  
Survived the War?: **Yes**  
Service Record: **Enlisted in Company C, Iowa 33rd Infantry Regiment on 21 Mar 1864.  
Mustered out on 12 Jul 1865.  
Transferred to Company C, Iowa 34th Infantry Regiment on 12 Jul 1865.  
Mustered out on 15 Aug 1865 at Houston, TX.**  
Birth Date: **abt 1846**  
Sources: **Roster & Record of Iowa Soldiers in the War of Rebellion**

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You searched for **George W. Schee** in **Iowa**

## 1900 United States Federal Census

Name: **George W Schee**  
**[George Schee]**

Home in 1900: **Summit, O'Brien, Iowa**

Age: **51**

Birth Date: **Jun 1848**

Birthplace: **Missouri**

Race: **White**

Gender: **Male**

Relationship to Head of House: **Head**

Father's Birthplace: **Ohio**

Spouse's name: **Elizabeth A**

Marriage Year: **1878**

Marital Status: **Married**

Years Married: **22**

Residence : **Primghar Town (Pt.), O'Brien, Iowa**

Occupation: [View on Image](#)

Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	George W Schee	51
	Elizabeth A Schee	43
	George W Schee	17
	William S Schee	20

**Source Citation:** Year: 1900; Census Place: Summit, O'Brien, Iowa; Roll: T623-451; Page: 1B; Enumeration District: 87.

**Source Information:**



Ancestry.com. 1900 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2004.

Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census, *Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1900. T623, 1854 rolls.

**Description:**

This database is an index to individuals enumerated in the 1900 United States Federal Census, the Twelfth Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, address, relationship to the head of household, color or race, sex, month and year of birth, age at last birthday, marital status, number of years married, the total number of children born of the mother, the number of those children living, birthplace, birthplace of father and mother, if the individual was foreign born, the year of immigration and the number of years in the United States, the citizenship status of foreign-born individuals over age twenty-one, occupation, and more. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1900 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)

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Department of Iowa  
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Schee, George W War

Residence Battles, etc.

Occupation Nearest relatives

Date birth June 15 1847 Place Alexandria Mo. Father Nativity

Date death Feb 9, 1926 Place Calif Mother Nativity  
Cause Pleasant hill C Place burial Primghar, Ia

War record Pvt. C 33 Iowa Inf: Wife

Rank Company Regiment State Organization Children  
Age 18 Res. Davenport George Schee died Ap 15, 1949  
Enlisted 21 Mr 1864 near San Diego, Calif  
Tr. to Co. C 34 & 38 Consol., Mavis Carter San Diego, Calif  
12 Jl '65 William Spokane, Wash  
Must. Out 15 Ag '65, Houston, Tex Sources Roster Iowa Soldiers

Discharged Date Place

Department of Iowa  
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Veteran's name Schee, George W

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S.F. Jordan	417	Primghar	May 7, 1887

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You searched for **George W. Schee** in **Iowa**

## 1910 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>George W Schie</b> <b>[George W Schee]</b>				
Age in 1910:	<b>61</b>				
Estimated birth year:	<b>abt 1849</b>				
Birthplace:	<b>Michigan</b> <b>[Minnesota]</b>				
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>				
Father's Birth Place:	<b>Ohio</b>				
Mother's Birth Place:	<b>Kentucky</b>				
Home in 1910:	<b>Summit, O Brien, Iowa</b>				
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>				
Race:	<b>White</b>				
Gender:	<b>Male</b>				
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**Source Citation:** Year: 1910; Census Place: Summit, O Brien, Iowa; Roll T624\_416; Page: 4A; Enumeration District: 93; Image: 114.

#### Source Information:



Ancestry.com. 1910 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2006.

Original data: Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910 (NARA microfilm publication T624, 1,178 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C. For details on the contents of the film numbers, visit the following NARA web page: [NARA](#)

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You searched for **George W. Schee** in **Iowa**

### Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name: **George W Schee**  
 Birth Year: **abt 1849**  
 Birth Place: **Missouri**  
 Gender: **Male**  
 Race: **White**  
 Marital Status: **Married**  
 Census Date: **1915**  
 Residence State: **Iowa**  
 Residence County: **O'Brien**  
 Locality: **Sheldon**  
 Mother's Birthplace: **Kentucky**  
 Father's Birthplace: **Ohio**  
 Roll: **IA1915\_368**  
 Line: **b218**  
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	George W Schee	66

**Source Information:**

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## 1920 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>George W Schee</b>	
Home in 1920:	<b>Des Moines Ward 1, Polk, Iowa</b>	
Age:	<b>71</b>	
Estimated birth year:	<b>abt 1849</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Missouri</b>	
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Self (Head)</b>	
Spouse's name:	<b>Elizabeth A</b>	
Father's Birth Place:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Mother's Birth Place:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Sex:	<b>Male</b>	
Image:	<b>768</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	George W Schee	71
	Elizabeth A Schee	63
	John Devries	19
	Lillian Gray	28

**Source Citation:** Year: 1920; Census Place: Des Moines Ward 1, Polk, Iowa; Roll 31109\_4300824; Page: 26A; Enumeration District: 78; Image: 768.

#### Source Information:



Ancestry.com. 1920 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2010. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

Original data: Fourteenth Census of the United States, 1920. (NARA microfilm publication T625, 2076 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C. For details on the contents of the film numbers, visit the following NARA web page: [NARA](#). Note: Enumeration Districts 819-839 are on roll 323 (Chicago City).

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1861-1934

Name: **George W. Schee**

State Filed: **California and Iowa**

Widow: **Lizzie A. Schee**

**Source Information:**



National Archives and Records Administration. *Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2000.

Original data: *General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. T288, 544 rolls.

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