

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Smith James Joseph Senator Smith,
James Joseph - - Represented Wapello County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 12 Feb 1854 Jones City, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
1) Mary T. Shields Sept 1886 Ottumwa, Iowa
2) Dolly Nesby 1900 Ottumwa, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

- A. Business I practiced law in Ottumwa, Iowa for 58 years; director of
First Bank and Trust Company; Clear and past-president of Wapello
County Bar Association
- B. Civic responsibilities Elks Club;

C. Profession Lawyer

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 23rd General Assembly 1890; House of Representatives

6. Public Offices 24th General Assembly 1892; Senate

A. Local Trustee of Ottumwa Hospital 1899-1912; trustee of Ottumwa Public
Library 1901-1912; member of county ins and commission for 20 years

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 8 Nov 1937 Ottumwa, Iowa; buried Calvary Cemetery, Ottumwa, Iowa

8. Children James Linton; Lillian M.; Ellen Lucille (Mrs.
Clement L. Mikesh)

9. Names of parents Andrew and Mary (Donohue) Smith

10. Education Educated in the schools of Iowa City Iowa

11. Degrees Graduate of the University of Iowa, Iowa City Iowa
Law school in June 1879

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He moved to Ottumwa Iowa in Aug 1879
- His first wife, Mary, died in Feb 1897
- He was "Dean of the Staple Bar" in Ottumwa and Appleton County

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J. J. Smith, Wapello Bar Dean, Is Dead, Aged 83

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J. J. SMITH.

Had Practiced Law Here Since 1879; Career A Varied One

The "grand old man" of the Wapello County Bar association — James Joseph Smith, 83, is dead. After continuous practice of the law in Ottumwa since August, 1879 — fifty-eight years — Mr. Smith died at 4:30 a. m. today in his home, 935 North Court street.

A career replete with varied activities—political, civic and legal — was ended after four to five months of failing health. Until a week ago, however, the veteran lawyer appeared at his office almost daily, becoming bedridden yesterday.

Was State Senator.

His political achievements included a term—from 1889 to 1891—as state representative from this district, and two terms as state senator—from 1891 through 1895. Mr. Smith was a democrat and an active party worker for years.

While in the legislature, Mr. Smith was chairman of the committee which framed our present Australian ballot law.

Among his varied civic, lodge and business positions were nineteen years as trustee of the Ottumwa hospital, from 1899 to 1918; trusteeship of the Ottumwa Public library from 1901 to 1912; trusteeship of the Elks club, in which he also held offices; charter membership in the General Shields council, No. 888, Knights of Columbus, and directorship of the First Bank & Trust Co.

First Grand Knight.

He was the first grand knight of the local Knights of Columbus and first president of the Holy Name society of St. Mary's Catholic church where he was a member.

Mr. Smith for twenty years had been a member of the county insane commission.

Mr. Smith had been a president of the Wapello County Bar association, of which he was the dean.

He was born in Iowa City, February 12, 1854, the son of Andrew and Mary Smith. He received his schooling in that city.

GROCER BEN GROTZ ROBBED OF \$404

Lone, Young Bandit With Nose Taped, Scoops Currency And Checks.

A young man, who used a piece of tape to hide his identity, was being sought by Ottumwa police today for a holdup and robbery of \$404.80 at the Ben Grotz grocery store, 702 West Second street, about 10 p. m. Saturday.

Carrying a nickel-plated revolver, the bandit, described as being between 25 and 30 years old, walked into the store stuck the weapon in Proprietor Grotz' face, and, after convincing the grocer that it was a real hold up, scooped up the checks and currency which Grotz had just counted and was about to place in the safe, and backed out of the store to a successful escape.

Three hundred and thirty-three dollars of the loot was in cash. The entire amount was protected by insurance, authorities said.

There were no customers in the place at the time. The bandit walked in the front door, passed

Signing of Contract Awaits Approval By P. W. A.

If the low bids received today are accepted, Wapello county will build its new poor farm home for \$114,808 plus engineering and miscellaneous costs.

The general construction contract probably will go to the F. Dickinson Engineering Co., Des Moines which submitted base bid of \$83,437.

The Ihms Plumbing & Heating Co. of Ottumwa was low for plumbing and heating work with \$27,990, and the Capital City Electrical Co., of Des Moines was low for wiring with \$3,381.

Letting Later.

The county supervisors indicated that they would vote award contracts to these three concerns. Before the letting can actually be consummated, however, the county must secure approval of the bids from the public works administration which giving financial aid to the sum \$50,850.

Bids and certified checks for the three lowest bidders in each division will be held by the county until the letting, probably the end of this week. All others were returned today.

In all twenty firms submitted bids, eleven for general construction, four for electrical work and five for plumbing and heating.

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The second low bid for construction, by the Jones Construction Co., of Oskaloosa, was \$54,374. The third lowest, by Meier Bros of Ottumwa, was \$81,814.

Second to Ihms for the plumbing job was the Ottumwa Pitts Co., with \$28,475. Ihms was Guest, Ottumwa, \$28,890.

The Weitz Co. of Des Moines was second on the electrical with a bid of \$3,394. And the Peing Electric Co. of Ottumwa with third with \$3,795. The fourth electric bid was by the O'Brien Electric Co., of Ottumwa, for \$4,684.

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Pianist Dies In Mysterious Train Plunge

Chicago.-(AP)—Railroad detectives investigated the death of a young Chicago pianist who motorists saw hanging by his finger tips from the window sill of a mile-a-minute Michigan Central train and battling vainly to pull himself back to safety.

The victim was William F. Erlandson, 30, who was returning from New York, where he had competed in a contest for young pianists.

Automobiles on U. S. highway 12 raced abreast of the train, the Wolverine Limited, yesterday as it passed through Galesburg, Mich. One motorist, Carl Solomon, of Kalamazoo, Mich., saw Erlandson dangling from the window. He blew his horn frantically and pointed to the man in an effort to direct train passengers' attention to him. Solomon said it appeared that Erlandson was attempting to climb back into the coach.

The motorist said Erlandson, exhausted, finally loosened his grip and plunged to his death along the tracks. When and why Erlandson got outside the window remained a mystery.

Chris Caufey, a porter, said Erlandson had insisted that the window beside him be kept open.

JAP-ITALO-NAZI PACT STIRS ALARM

Paris.-(AP)—Diplomatic circles reported today that France plans to strengthen her friendship with the United States and Great Britain because of the anti-comintern pact signed Saturday by Germany, Italy and Japan.

It could cover "almost anything," a foreign office spokesman said, and added that France would follow a wait-and-see policy.

Despite the assurances of Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian foreign minister, that there were "no secret aims" to the pact, reports persisted in both the French press and diplomatic quarters that there were secret military clauses. This belief was strengthened by the joint maneuvers of German and Italian warships in the Mediterranean.

BED NOW IS AIR-CONDITIONED

A. A. A., there have been indica-
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WAPELLO BAR DEAN DEAD AT 83

(Continued from page 1.)

being graduated from the law school of the University of Iowa in June, 1879. He came to Ottumwa in August of that year.

Expert On Wills.

Throughout his long legal career, Mr. Smith had the distinction of never having had a will of his composition broken by the courts.

Most famous of his cases was the Ballingall will contest case. A most intricate will was drawn up by Mr. Smith for Peter G. Ballingall, giving all the Ballingall estate to various charities. Declared invalid by a district court ruling, the supreme court of the state upheld the will in every particular upon appeal.

Among Wapello county lawyers he was known, not for his eloquence as an orator to the jury, but for his analytical mind in legal matters and his dogged determination once a course had been set.

He was married in September, 1886, to Mary T. Shields, niece of Gen. J. Shields, hero of the Mexican and Civil wars.

The first Mrs. Smith died in February, 1897. In 1900 he married Miss Dolly Healy.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Miss Lillian Smith, at home, and Mrs. Clement L. Mikesh of Ottumwa, one son, Litton Smith, at home, and two grandchildren.

The body will be returned to the home, 935 North Court street, from the Moroney funeral home at 4 p. m. Tuesday. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Members of the General Shields council, No. 888, Knights of Columbus, will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. in the Knights of Columbus home to go to the Smith residence to recite the rosary.

Members of the Holy Name society and Catholic Daughters of St. Mary's Catholic church will meet at the Smith home Tuesday at 8 p. m. to recite the rosary.

DOCTOR HURT AS TRAIN HITS AUTO

Muscatine.-(AP)—Dr. L. C. Howe of Muscatine suffered a fractured jaw, along with cuts and bruises, when the car he was driving was struck by the westbound Golden State Limited of the Rock Island lines at a grade crossing here early today.

Dr. Howe was hurled a distance of about twenty feet by the impact and the car, badly damaged. Stunned momentarily, he was

re-assembled after being
recess for two weeks.
No dissent to the decision was
announced. It reversed a ruling
against the commission by the
second circuit court of appeals
New York.

"Representations False."

In its complaint the commission had contended that the Standard Education society of Minnesota and the Standard Encyclopedia Corp. of Illinois told prospect customers they had been specially selected to receive an encyclopedia and would have to pay only \$69 for loose-leaf material to keep up to date.

"These representations are false and misleading," the commission said. "The price of \$69.50 is fact the regular price of the encyclopedia plus the loose-leaf service."

Shortly before Black read his first opinion, Albert Levitt made a new effort to obtain his removal from the high tribunal.

Tactics Called Indecent.

Speaking for a majority of justices, Black in his opinion said "The practice of promising free books where no free books were intended to be given, and the practice of deceiving unwary purchasers into the false belief that loose-leaf supplements alone for \$69.50, when in reality books and supplement regularly sell for \$69.50, are practices contrary to decent business standards."

"To fail to prohibit such practices would be to elevate deception in business and to give it the standing and dignity of truth. There is no duty resting upon a citizen to suspect honesty of those with whom transacts business."

"Laws are made to protect trusting as well as the suspicious. The best element of business long since decided that honest should govern competitive enterprises, and that the rule of caveat emptor should not be relied upon to reward fraud and deception."

Levitt Appeals To F. R.

Levitt, former federal judge of the Virgin islands, asked President Roosevelt to start quo warranto proceedings against Black. This in effect would require Black to show by what right he held position.

Levitt sought last month have the court pass on Black's eligibility, but the justices refused to consider his petition. They said he did not have sufficient interest to warrant bringing the case.

A contention that Black's appointment was unconstitutional formed the basis of Levitt's successful petition.

CHECK DRIVERS

FATHER, SON GET YEAR FOR MAIL THEFTS

Fort Dodge. (P) A father and a son, accused of conspiracy to steal from the United States mails, pleaded guilty before Federal Judge George C. Scott here Monday afternoon and were sentenced to the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth for a year and a day each.

The father is Alva Owen, 53, of Carroll, Iowa, and the son Bruce Owen of Lincoln, Neb.

They were arrested last August after a series of parcel thefts from mail tracks at Carroll, where the father was employed as a mail messenger. Postal inspectors traced the packages from the father to the younger Owen at Lincoln.

DEATHS

BOTTORFF SERVICES.

Funeral services for Rex H. Bottorff, World war veteran who died at the Ottumwa hospital Sunday, will be held in the Farson Baptist church at 2 p. m. Wednesday, conducted by the American Legion chaplain, Gordon Dale Cox. The Abingdon lodge, A. E. & A. M., will give Masonic burial services in the Compentine cemetery.

The body is at the home of Mr. Bottorff's sister, Mrs. Norton Davis, near Hedrick, where it will remain until time for the services.

MRS. REBECCA H. BERRY.

Mrs. Rebecca Hastings Berry, 60, of 1532 Mabel street, died Monday at 10 p. m. in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Constanteneau in Milwaukee, Wis.

Mrs. Berry was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George U. Johnson and was born July 15, 1877.

Surviving are her husband, Charles; one daughter, Mrs. Constanteneau; two sons, Virgil Hastings of Milwaukee and Wilbur of Ottumwa; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Erb and Mrs. Rosa Randolph, both

SMITH SERVICES ARE WEDNESDAY

Attorneys Of Judicial District Invited To Rites For Dean Of Local Bar.

Funeral services for James Joseph Smith, dean of the Wapello county bar who died at his home, 935 North Court street, Monday, will be held at his home at 8:30 a. m. Wednesday and at St. Mary's Catholic church at 9 a. m.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles Donahue of Davenport will be celebrant of solemn requiem high mass. Burial will be made in Calvary cemetery.

Members of the Wapello County Bar association have invited district bar association members to meet with them at the Wapello county courthouse at 8:45 a. m. Wednesday. The bar members will go in a body to St. Mary's church for the services.

Pallbearers will be Frank Niemeyer, Mike M. Mier, J. B. Curran, Pat G. Garvin, Clarence P. Glenn and Martin O'Hara.

VERY LITTLE DEMAND FOR WOOL

Boston. (A) There was little demand for wool in Boston today. Buyers made some inquiries but bids were generally several cents lower than dealers were willing to consider. Some dealers were reported to have accepted low bids on occasional small lots of original bags of fine territory wools.

of Ottumwa and one brother Benjamin Johnson of Ottumwa. The body is at Johnson's funeral chapel pending completion of arrangements.

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YESTERDAY

BIRTHS—November 7: to Mr. and Mrs. Marion C. Lathrop, 513 North street, a daughter, Sharon Eileen. . . . November 8: to Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Nicholson, 305 North Hancock street, a son, at the Ottumwa hospital. . . . November 8: to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ogden, 926 Lee avenue, a daughter, at the St. Joseph hospital.

DEATHS—Monday: Mrs. Rebecca Hastings Berry, 60, of 1532 Mabel street, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Constanteneau, Milwaukee, Wis.

DIVORCE—Petition filed by Elizabeth Drew against Roy Drew on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment.

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TODAY—Tuesday, November 9
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J. J. SMITH.

Fifty-eight years ago J. J. Smith, then a young man of 25 years fresh from the law department of the State University of Iowa, came to Ottumwa and began the practice of his profession. He continued it almost until the day of his death—Monday of this week.

Dean of the Wapello bar, Mr. Smith was known favorably among large numbers of people outside of legal circles, for his ability. He was not cited particularly for his eloquence before a jury for that was not his forte. His sturdiness lay along lines of analytical reasoning. Once he had thought out and launched a course of action he called upon his full powers of dogged determination to carry it to a successful conclusion. He was recognized throughout many bar groups as an expert on wills. Against any onslaught, court decisions always upheld instruments he had drawn. This unusual record attested to his qualifications.

Mr. Smith gave of his strength, time and mental capacities to his community, having served in both houses of the state legislature. He assumed civic duties and he was devoted to his church and its organizations. At the same time he was a home man. Ottumwa has lost a citizen who over a long, long period contributed to its development, locally and from a wider viewpoint.

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With the approach of Armistice day national thoughts turn to the tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington. It is one of the most solemn spots in America.

But behind the scenes all is not solemn. The job of keeping guard over the tomb is a sacred job in the army but it is no picnic. Many a soldier, an Associated Press writer finds, marching patiently up and down before the historic granite block has preserved his monastic calm while his feet tortured him and flies and mosquitoes pestered him.

The way this steady guard is maintained is through nine men and three non-commissioned officers, a sergeant and two corporals. They take over the job for fifteen-day trisks. In a quiet cathedral atmosphere they march hundreds of miles back and forth in those fifteen days.

One man at a time marches over a thirty-yard course. He marches two hours and is off four hours. That parading goes on from sunrise until Arlington national cemetery closes at night. During his two-hours on guard the soldier may speak to no one. He avoids meeting the eyes of anyone. He learns to look right through people. He never smiles. And to their discredit it must be admitted that the annoying part of the march is that spectators try to get the soldiers to smile. Incidentally, girls are the worst offenders in this regard.

The watch is maintained on a twenty-four-hour basis but after the crowds leave the soldiers don't march. The hard granite, over which the guard marched for the first few years, has been softened by a rubber carpet. Sun on the granite tomb and the white marble amphitheatre adjoining creates a blinding glare and in summer the heat is terrific.

How long the march will go on no one can say. The legislation providing for it says "perpetually." It recalls the story of Queen Catherine of Russia. While walking in the garden of the palace she saw a violet blossoming through a fresh blanket of snow. She had a guard posted to protect it, then forgot about it. For years a guard was maintained on the spot—although the violet long had been gone and the reason for the guard forgotten.

America's Unknown Soldier's tomb is not likely to be forgotten. The number of persons visiting it increases every year. It has been in place since 1921 and in recent years the sepulchre, its approach and surroundings have been greatly beautified and enlarged. Its a sacred spot, austere in its quiet solemnity.

MARKING HISTORY.

The trek of the Mormons from Nauvoo, Ill., to their eventual new home in Utah, almost ninety-two years ago, is to be commemorated across southern Iowa.

State planning board employes are preparing 142 signs marking the original Mormon trail. Starting from Montrose the path crosses, in this community, Bonaparte, south of Keosauqua, north of Bloomfield, south of Moulton, Cincinnati, Allerton, on to Garden Grove and west to Council Bluffs. There the pioneers were outfitted for the hard, cold and often fatal, perilous journey across the plains and mountains.

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filling many other responsible positions, was County Commissioner for many years. In 1852 he came to Jefferson County, Iowa, and settling in Fairfield, engaged in agricultural pursuits. He was very active in educational matters and gave his children the advantages of the best schools in this region. He experienced all the hardships and difficulties of the pioneer settler, especially in Jackson County, Ind., and possessed the peculiar faculty of adapting himself to circumstances, which enabled him to encounter the difficulties of life with manly courage and resolution. He was prominently connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he was Class-Leader for many years, and departed from the scenes of his earthly labors May 15, 1860. His wife died Dec. 11, 1871.

Mr. Sage of this biography received careful parental training and a fair education in the pioneer schools of Indiana, which were conducted in a log cabin with puehon floor, slabs for seats and desks, and greased paper for window-panes. He remained under the parental roof until twenty-one years of age and then, coming to Iowa, located in Jefferson County, where he purchased 110 acres of land and opened up a farm. Three years later, in 1854, he was married to Miss Elizabeth J. Lydick, who was born in Knox County, Ohio, and came to Iowa when a child. Mr. Sage remained upon his farm for a period of twelve years and then, coming to Agency, embarked in agriculture. In the course of time he was appointed Assessor, and became Post-master of Agency under the Cleveland administration, in August, 1885.

The children of our subject and wife are three in number: L. S., of Falls City, Neb.; Charles H., of Endicott, Neb., and Florence K., the wife of Thomas Kirkpatrick, of Westphalia, Kan. Mr. and Mrs. S. are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Agency, and are highly esteemed in this community for their excellent personal traits of character and the qualities which have made them useful and valued citizens. Mr. Sage has been identified with the growth of the State for many years, and has lived to see the wild prairie transformed into fertile farms and beautiful homesteads. During his long residence here he has become widely and favorably known, and is as much es-

teemed for his straightforward business methods as for his kindly and hospitable character. He is an honored member of the A. F. & A. M., belonging to Olive Branch Lodge No. 21, and of Magnolia Lodge No. 24, I. O. F., having passed all the chairs of the latter.

JAMES J. SMITH, attorney at law of Ottumwa, is a native of the Hawkeye State, and was born in Iowa City, Johnson County, Feb. 12, 1854. He is the son of Andrew and Mary (Donohue) Smith, of Irish ancestry and parentage, who came to America in 1850, locating first in Ohio, from which State they subsequently removed to Illinois. Two years later they crossed the Father of Waters and came into Iowa City, subsequently locating upon a farm, where the father became one of the largest stock-raisers in the State of Iowa. They were the parents of two children—J. J., our subject, and his sister Katie. Andrew Smith retired from the active labors of his farm and stock-raising in 1885, and became a resident of Ottumwa, where he is at present living. He is a man of remarkable intelligence, an extensive reader, and keeps himself thoroughly posted upon all important general matters. He is held in the highest respect in this county, where his name is familiarly known.

The subject of our biography received his primary education in the schools of Iowa City, after which he entered the State University, first taking a collegiate course of four years, and graduating from the law department in 1879. That same year he came to Ottumwa and commenced the practice of his profession. He had been a close student, ambitious to excel, and for his close attention and industry has obtained the reward of a high position among his professional brethren in this section.

He has a fine law library, and possesses an intimate acquaintance with the views and opinions of the men who became eminent in the profession from the beginning to the present in the history of this country. Politically he is an uncompromising Democrat, and has done his party good service by his stump speeches prior to important elections.

The marriage of James J. Smith and Miss Mary T. Shields was celebrated on the 29th of September, 1885. Mrs. Smith comes from an excellent family and is a niece of the late Gen. James T. Shields, one of the heroes of the late war. Mrs. S. is a native of Ireland and came to this country when a child, residing with her uncle, Gen. Shields, up to the time of his death, the greater part of her education having been received here. Of this union there has been born one child, a son, James L.

WILLIAM A. McINTIRE, Superintendent of the Public Schools of Wapello County, and at present a resident of Ottumwa, is a young man of whom much may be said regarding the zeal he has manifested in educational matters in this county and State. Mr. McIntire was born in Wapello County, April 11, 1849. The father of our subject, William Clark McIntire, was born and reared to manhood in Clarke County, Ohio, where he became acquainted with Miss Eliza A. Myers, who afterward became his wife. They were married in 1843, and immediately thereafter removed to this State and located in Keokuk Township, this county. Soon afterward he took up a claim of Government land, and at once locating upon it engaged actively in its improvement and cultivation, and continued in that vocation until his demise, Jan. 30, 1881. He was an old Jacksonian Democrat, well posted in politics, and at one time was elected a member of the Board of Supervisors.

William C. McIntire was a pioneer, and on first coming to the State domiciled his family in a little log cabin and endured all the hardships incident to a new country, but was possessed of that energy which conquered adversity and brought him success. He always took an active interest in educational matters, and bestowed upon his children a good education. The family consisted of six children, four sons and two daughters: Caroline C. died when five years of age; Joseph died Jan. 6, 1836, at thirty years of age; John is now living on the old homestead; Frank is a member of the firm of Harper, Chambers & Co., wholesale and retail deal-

ers in hardware; Harriet F. became the wife of D. G. Davis, who is deceased, and she is now living at Los Angeles, Cal. The mother of our subject died July 21, 1882. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a sincere Christian, loved and respected for her many good traits of character. These two were the persons who came to Iowa, like many others, poor in pocket, but with a determination to get on in the world, and by strict economy, hard labor and good judgment, succeeded, and at their death left 340 acres of finely cultivated and valuable land to their children.

The subject of this notice was reared on his father's farm and received his early education in the primitive log school-house of that day. He continued to reside upon the old homestead until twenty-one years of his life had passed, in the meantime having had the privilege of attending the High School at Ottumwa two years. In 1870-71 he attended the Agricultural College at Ames, Iowa, and on finishing the sophomore course, engaged in teaching school in Taylor County. In the fall of 1877 he was elected to the office of Superintendent of Schools of this county. In 1879 he was defeated for the position, but in the fall of 1881 was elected again, and re-elected in 1883, and also in 1885. In 1883 he prepared and introduced a course of study for the country schools of the county. He has done much to advance the cause of education throughout the county as well as State. He is a close student and highly respected wherever he is known.

In 1882 our subject introduced a four years' graded course of study in the County Normal Institute, since which time the Institute has rapidly grown in favor and importance. The schools throughout Wapello County are progressing finely under his supervision, and it is doubtful if any county in the State has a better system of public schools than is to be found here, and when the reader is aware of the fact that the schools have attained their high degree of perfection through the supervision of Mr. McIntire of this notice, too much credit cannot be given him.

Mr. McIntire was married in the county of his nativity, March 26, 1874, to Miss Clara M. Goldsberry. She was born in Ross County, Ohio, July

his professional interests, which are making increasingly heavy demands upon his attention. His professional standards are high, and he is most conscientious in the performance of his duties.

JAMES J. SMITH. ¹⁹¹⁴

James J. Smith, a leader among the able lawyers of the Ottumwa bar, has been continuously engaged in practice in this city since August, 1879, and throughout the intervening years has been accorded a large and distinctly representative clientage. He was born February 12, 1854, in Iowa City, Iowa, a son of Andrew and Mary (Donohoe) Smith, who were natives of Ireland and came to the United States in 1850, first settling in Ohio. In 1852 they removed to Iowa, taking up their abode in Iowa City, where they remained for fourteen years. Later the father turned his attention to farming, settling in Johnson county, where he remained until 1885, when he brought his family to Ottumwa. Here he and his wife continued to reside until called to the home beyond.

Liberal educational advantages were accorded James J. Smith, who supplemented his early training by study in the Iowa State University, where he pursued his professional course, being graduated from the law school in June, 1879. He began practice in Ottumwa in the month of August, of that year, and has since been a representative of the bar—well known and prominent in his profession for many years. He has been retained on many important cases and has been very successful in presenting his cause before the courts, the records showing that he has won a large percentage of his cases. He has ever been careful and thorough in preparation, is strong and forceful in argument and his deductions follow with logical sequence. While his attention has been confined almost exclusively to his practice, he is now one of the stockholders and directors of the First National Bank.

On the 29th of September, 1885, in Ottumwa, Mr. Smith was united in marriage to Miss Mary T. Shields, a niece of General James Shields, a hero of the Mexican and Civil wars and a distinguished statesman, who had the remarkable record of representing three states in the United States senate, and whose



J. J. Smith

statue has been placed in the Hall of Fame in Washington as that of one of the two representatives of Illinois. Mrs. Smith passed away February 26, 1897. On the 30th of August, 1900, Mr. Smith was united in marriage to Miss Dollie Healy, a daughter of Thomas Healy, a pioneer resident of Wapello county, and for many years one of the prominent merchants of Ottumwa. Mr. Smith's children are: Lytton J., who is a clerk in the N. Friedman store; Lillian, who resides with her parents; and Lucile, who is the wife of Clement L. Mikesh, a prominent young business man of Ottumwa. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have traveled quite extensively. In 1906 they made a tour through the eastern and New England states and in 1908 took a trip to the Pacific coast, covering a large part of California, Oregon and Washington. They then proceeded northward into Canada, visiting Vancouver and other points and returning over the scenic Canadian Pacific route. In 1910 Mrs. Smith, in company with her daughter Miss Lillian, who had completed her studies at the Iowa State University, made an extended tour of Europe, visiting many countries. While abroad they visited Rome and had an audience with Pope Pius X. They also witnessed the Passion Play at Ober-Ammergau and spent six months in travel amid the beautiful and historic scenes of the old world. Mrs. Smith has taken quite an active part in social affairs in the city of Ottumwa and is also deeply interested in educational matters and in charity. She is a member of the Daughters of Isabella and for a number of years has been connected with the Ottumwa Hospital Association as well as with other benevolent and social organizations.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church, their membership being in St. Mary's. Mr. Smith belongs to Ottumwa Lodge, No. 347, B. P. O. E., of which he is one of the trustees, and he is a charter member of General Shields Council, K. C., of which he was the first grand knight, holding the office for two years. His political allegiance has always been given the democratic party, and his opinions carry weight in its councils, while his activity has largely strengthened the cause in this district. He was chosen to represent his district in the twenty-third general assembly and was afterward elected as senator of the twenty-fourth assembly, where he aided in framing the laws of the state, being connected with much important constructive legislation, among which might be mentioned the present Australian ballot law, as he was chairman

of the committee that framed this law. In community affairs he is deeply and helpfully interested. For several years he was one of the trustees of the Ottumwa library, and he has been a member of the board of trustees of the Ottumwa Hospital Association from its organization. His ability in his profession, his activity in politics and his well known devotion to the public welfare have made him one of the valued residents of Ottumwa.

JAMES T. HACKWORTH.

The leaders are few. The great majority lack either the initiative which brings leadership, or the determination that enables them to overcome difficulties and use their opportunities to the best advantage. James T. Hackworth, however, was early imbued with the laudable ambition of attaining success and making his work count as a factor in business progress. Advantage that others have passed heedlessly by he has improved, and in the utilization of his opportunities he has reached a prominent position in business circles. No record of Wapello county would be complete without extended reference to him. His birth occurred in Adams county, Ohio, January 12, 1839. His father, George D. Hackworth, was born in Virginia in 1810 and in August, 1845, cast in his lot with the pioneer settlers of this county, establishing his home in Center township, where he lived upon a farm until 1857. He then removed to Ottumwa, where he served for several years as county surveyor and was also county auditor for two years. In 1873 he removed to Kansas and his last days were spent in Cowley county, where he departed this life in March, 1878. He left a widow and four children, two of whom have passed away since his death. His wife bore the maiden name of Clarissa Morris and was born in Ohio in 1811. They became the parents of seven children, but three had departed this life prior to the father's demise. America Ann, the eldest, became the wife of Charles M. Kellogg, and died leaving one child. Ellen M. married George W. Bowen and passed away in Ottumwa, leaving a family. James T. is the eldest son. Mary J. became the wife of Robert Porter and died, leaving five children. George J. is also deceased. Barbara L. is a res



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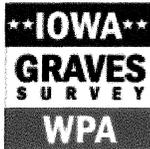
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