

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Green,

John A. - Represented Cedar and Jones counties

1. Birthday and place 10 Dec 1844 Roscommon, Ireland

2. Marriage (s) date place

Ellen Kane 1875 Joliet, Illinois

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Established the Iowa Stone Company at Cedar Rapids

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Contractor

4. Church membership

5. Sessions served 24th and 25th General Assemblies 1892 and 1894

6. Public Offices

A. Local

B. State

C. National

7. Death 25 Feb 1920 Cedar Rapids, Iowa

8. Children John A. Jr.; Robert; Mrs. C.M. Crispshank;
Josephine; Agnes

9. Names of parents

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Democrat

- *He came to America and settled at Boston in 1852 where he attended school.*
- *He learned the trade of a stone cutter and letterer and worked making monuments for 10 years.*
- *He came west in 1865 living at first at Joliet, Illinois and 7 Mar 1868 he came to Stone City.*
- *There he opened quarries and developed a business which thrived for many years. He farmed at the same time.*
- *He built the big stone building at Stone City.*

Death of Senator John A. Green

Well Known Resident of Stone City
for Many Years Dies at Cedar
Rapids From Pneumonia.

John A. Green, pioneer, farmer, industrial leader, politician and for many long years one of the foremost citizens of Jones county, died at Cedar Rapids yesterday. He had been in poor health for some time, but was only confined to his bed ten days. Death was due to pneumonia. Mr. Green was 75 years of age. The family moved to Cedar Rapids last September.

John A. Green was a remarkable man. He was of striking personality, diplomatic, suave and self confident. For years he was identified with the various activities in Jones county, taking part in its politics and the current moves of public importance. He headed a large quarry industry at Stone City built up under his shrewd management and clear vision. At the time the quarry industry was at its height and cut stone was used to large extent in building operations, his plant at that place was a hive of industry and he employed a large force of men. He was a staunch democrat and during his active years was conseller in the conventions and gatherings of that party. In 1892 he was elected state senator from the Jones-Cedar district and served one term. In 1904 he was a democratic congressional candidate in the Fifth Iowa district.

Mr. Green was born in County Roscommon, Ireland, December 10, 1844. He came to America and settled at Boston where he attended school, in 1852. He learned the trade of a stone cutter and letterer, and worked at the monumental line for 10 years. He came west in 1865 and lived for a time at Joilet, Illinois. March 7, 1868, he landed among the hills west of Anamosa, now known as Stone City. There he opened the Champion quarries and developed a business which grew and thrived until a few years ago with extension of the cement industry and the use of other grades of stone, the limestone product was no longer in demand.

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DEATH OF JACKSON RESIDENT.

Richard Johnson, Well Known Farmer, Dies After Long Illness.

Richard P. Johnson, a resident of Jackson township for nearly 40 years, died at his home last Thursday, after an illness of several years. Mr. Johnson until this illness came upon him was a strong, robust man. Several years ago he suffered a stroke, and thereafter was confined almost continuously to his home.

Mr. Johnson was born in Carthorpe, near Bevale, in Yorkshire, England, February, 1848, consequently had just passed his 72nd birthday anniversary at the time of his death. He came to America in 1870 and settled near Comanche, this state. A short time later the rest of the family came from England. The Johnsons rented a farm for several years, but being of thrifty and provident trait accumulated enough money to make a payment on a farm. They moved to Jackson township, this county, and bought the place which is now occupied by Earl Byerly, and later purchased the place which Mr. Johnson made his home until death called him.

The deceased was married to Malinda Byerly October 8, 1878, and was the father of eight children: Mrs. A. B. White of Jackson; Mrs. Chas. Sinkey of Monmouth; Mrs. Bert Sinkey of Baldwin; Mrs. Frank Studer of Olin; V. L. Johnson of Anamosa; Mrs. Roy Duncan of Morley; Mrs. John Sinkey of Monmouth; Mrs. Arthus Meeks of Anamosa. One child died in infancy. There are 10 grand-children living. One brother and three sisters survive: James Johnson of Clinton; Mrs. Geo. Jackson, Mrs. John Morrissey and Mrs. Thos. White of Anamosa.

Mr. Johnson was a man of good business judgment, rugged character and outstanding honesty. He was careful not to encroach on the rights and privileges of his neighbors, and guarded zealously those same rights and privileges as they involved himself and family. He was for a time township trustee and held other similar positions of public trust, where his acts were measured by the same rules in looking to the welfare of the community, that guided him in looking after his own affairs.

The funeral was held Sunday from Antioch church, burial being in the cemetery near at hand. The large attendance attested the high regard in which the deceased was held by friends and acquaintances. Rev. Ernest Evans of Anamosa, conducted the services.

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During his residence at Stone City Mr. Green carried on farming in connection with his other work. He took great interest in the raising of the better grades of stock of all kinds. In fact in every direction in which he turned his vigorous days the deceased was a trail blazer and of progressive ideas. He was the first quarryman in the country to use hydraulic power for stripping, and also the first to use large charges of black powder in blasting for quarry work. He established the Iowa Stone Company at Cedar Rapids, and operated a sand pumping outfit in connection therewith in the Cedar river.

Mr. Green was a man of generous nature. He was a man who cultivated civic pride and civic ambition. The big stone building at Stone City was built by him when the village was thriving, and forms the shell for what would be a fine monument, located anywhere it could be put to good use. He contributed it to the scene of his life labor with thought that it would be useful as a hotel and store building and serve as his silent tribute to the hills among which he had so long worked.

Mercy Hospital at Anamosa was cherished among his thoughts. It was due largely to his liberality that it was first built, and he never lost his interest in the institution or his desire to do for it. The new Catholic church built a few years ago at Stone City received his help and his encouragement in the work necessary to plan and make its erection possible.

Mr. Green was married to Ellen Kane at Joilet in 1875. The wife together with the following survive: John A. Green, Jr., of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Robert Green of San Francisco; Mrs. C. M. Cruikshank, Montana; Josephine and Agnes Green of Cedar Rapids.

Back From Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Corcoran, the latter formerly Miss Anna Conney, have sold their Missouri farm and have located in Anamosa permanently, in their home on South Garnavillo street. Two daughters accompany them. Mr. Wm. Conney and Mrs. Corcoran went to Wyoming yesterday after receiving intelligence of the severe illness of a brother's widow, resulting from a fall downstairs.

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Death of Frank O. Wood.

Frank Otto Wood died last Saturday evening, February 21, at the local hospital. The entire Wood family was brought to the local institution suffering from the influenza. The father was very sick when brought here and unable to recover from his illness. Mr. Wood was born in Jones county, May 9, 1889, and had spent almost his entire life in the vicinity of Morley, near where he was engaged in farming when his last illness came upon him. He leaves to mourn his death a wife and seven children: Emory, Mildred, Orin, Leone, Donald, Ralph and Roland, also his mother, step-father, one brother and four sisters. The oldest of the children is seven or eight years of age, and this makes the case a most pathetic one. Mr. Wood was a member of the Modern Woodmen, and carried a policy in that order for \$2,000. The funeral was held from the Loder chapel yesterday by Rev. E. Evans. Interment was at Forest cemetery.

Fortnightly Club.

The Fortnightly club met with Mrs. C. L. Niles, Wednesday afternoon. Miss Sala Schoonover gave an interesting talk on the work of the soldier reconstruction aides. Miss Schoonover spent nearly a year at the hospital in Des Moines and the Walter Reed hospital in Washington. She displayed numerous photos of the boys, mostly showing their out-door sports and occupations. Mrs. C. H. Jump, who has been spending a part of the winter in New York City, told of the wonders of the metropolis of America.

Round Table Meets.

The Concord Round Table met with Mrs. T. E. Watters, Thursday. This club suspended its meetings during the war but reorganized last fall and is studying "American Problems of Reconstruction." Mrs. Edgar Beach conducted the lesson on "Capital, Labor and the State." The club elected as officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. B. F. Erb, president; Mrs. J. W. Ellis, vice president; Mrs. B. M. Messerschmidt, secretary; Mrs. ... treasurer.

Why Pay Rent?