

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Lauder, John W. Senator _____

Represented Union County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 20 Jul 1850 Bentonville, New York

2. Marriage (s) date place

Elizabeth Hoys 9 Jan 1879

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a physician for nearly 50 years; for 30 years he was the local physician for the C.B. and Q. Railroad

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Modern Woodmen of America; Shriner

C. Profession Physician

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 25th, 26th General Assemblies 1894, 1896

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State Member of the Board of Regents of the State University of Iowa

C. National _____

7. Death 4 Jul 1924 Alton, Iowa; buried Greenlawn Cemetery, Alton, Iowa

8. Children C. L.; Mrs. Jacob B. Dripp

9. Names of parents William and Heatha Lauder

10. Education Education in the common schools at Winfield, Iowa

11. Degrees Graduate of Iowa Wesleyan College in 1872;
graduate of University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa Medical
School in 1874

12. Other applicable information Republican

- At age 4 he moved with his parents to Winfield, Iowa
- After receiving his medical diploma in 1874 he worked for a year
as a medical examiner for an insurance company
- He then practiced medicine for 2 years at Pleasant Grove, Iowa
- In 1877 he decided to practice medicine in Creston, Iowa, but
changed his plans and located instead at Afton, Iowa
- In 1901 he was appointed as state physician for the Modern
Woodmen of America Lodge for 14 years.

withal determined and fearless in what he thought was right, he exerted powerful influence in Union county and especially in Pleasant township, his home. I heard a man say once that at every election Amos cast more than twenty votes. The best of it was Amos Cooper was generally right. He was not an intense partisan. He thought more of men than theories, and believed that a good man in place would most certainly best advance the people's interest.

A member of the Union County Bar when I came to Union county, Reuben Riggs was, and would have been in any country, a man of mark. Coming from the mountains of Tennessee, through Missouri, into wild and undeveloped Iowa, all his life he had been on the frontier. Strong as a lion, brave as Julius Caesar, kind beyond expression, uneducated but intelligent always thought him one of nature's noblemen. He loved to tell of his deer and bear hunts. He was blessed with that rare gift, common sense, and while he could never have had much opportunity to pore over law books, that he became a very fair lawyer, and was a sound counselor, and a safe adviser. But he could not bear to be crowded. He constantly "hungered for the horizon" and in 1859 he floated westward with the Pike's Peak drive, and from Cherry Creek he drifted to the extreme western borders of Kansas, and three years ago he is frozen to death in one of the terrible "northers" which sometimes sweep over that southern country. Wherever he went Reuben Riggs was strong, honest and true.

Two brothers, Lewis K. Myers, and Thomas J. Myers were strong men in those days. Intelligent, active and enterprising, they acquired property and exerted much influence in the making of the new community. Years ago they migrated to Kansas, there to continue their life work of community founders.

Any mention of early times in Union county would be incomplete which does not mention Daniel Shepherd, Sen. an opinion maker in the new land. Illiterate, unable either to read or write, a more intelligent man I never knew. He came from Virginia, and I have heard his grow eloquent denunciation of the blighting effect of slavery on the poor white man, to

DR. J. W. LAUDER DIED LAST MONDAY

Pioneer Physician Called to His Last Reward and the Entire Community Mourns.

Once again it is our sad duty to record the passing of another pioneer citizen of this community, Dr. John W. Lauder, who for almost a half century has been a physician and counselor of the people of this community. Almost all of the active years of his life has been spent in this community in a service that is of value beyond the power to reckon. And that that service is highly appreciated is evidenced by the expressions of sorrow heard on every hand. The service he rendered was not limited to



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his profession as a physician, but always he has been a leading citizen in the things that go to the building of a better community. He was identified with every movement in the community which had for its purpose the building up and making it better.

For some time it has been evident that his health was failing, but not until about a month ago did it seem of a serious nature. Then upon advice of his physician and friends he went to the Greater Community Hospital for treatment where every care and treatment was given him, but gradually he failed until early last Monday morning, surrounded by his loved ones, he passed away.

marks the close of a highly successful career. On every count that really counts in valuation of a career, his life of well beyond the proverbial three-score and ten years is an exceptionally clear, clean and altogether creditable record of conservative and constructive service.

As a husband and father, he was indeed a model. In his daily contacts as a neighbor and friend and his activities as a member of the community and as a citizen, were ever such as to inspire and sustain the respectful confidence of all who knew him.

Over and above all these factors that count in determining the value of a man as an asset to the community and his country and to human kind, is the value of nearly half a century service rendered by John W. Lauder, the physician.

A pioneer in every sense of the word, locating at Afton when Union County was still but an outpost of civilization, population relatively sparse, homes few and far between scattered over an all but treeless prairie at a time when roads as we know them today, were nonexistent and the saddle horse, rather than even the team and buggy, was the standard implement of transportation. He not only grew up with the country but kept up with the procession that has made these five decades past, remarkable for progress in the profession he practiced.

For upwards of forty years he labored with undiminished vigor and unremitting zeal so faithfully, in fact, that failure to consider himself came near costing him his life. But recovering from a major surgical operation, he returned to active practice and to the limit of his physical powers, continued to serve the people of his community almost to the end of his life.

To have been closely identified with the development of a growing country, to bring up a family, every member of which is a valuable asset to society, to have served capably and creditably the various civic and political capacities, to have conscientiously and capably served the community as a general practitioner of medicine for nearly half a century, is certainly the record of a life worthwhile.

Warranty Deeds

The following list of warranty deeds have been filed at the county recorder's office, taken from the record-report of Geo. A. Ide & Son, Creston, Iowa.

M. I. Roberts & Wf. to N. S. Ellis W. D. Dec. 6, 1923. \$2000.00. Lots 12-13-14-15 in A. M. Jacobson's Addition to the town of Shannon City, Iowa.

Ralph S. Hays & Wf. to S. A. Aalstrand W. D. Jan. 27, 1924. \$1 and other valuable consideration.

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Henry Robb, father of William H. Robb, so well known in this time, was another man who was an influential citizen. Well educated and intelligent, although engaged upon the farm, he was a keen observer of public affairs, and, fond of discussion, he did not allow events and acts to pass by without his comment and criticism; if his opponent had a joint in his armor, Mr. Robb usually found it, and he did not vanquish his foe, at least he conducted himself in the debate as if he were contentant to vividly remember him.

Good Many Ways to Rob the Public

Down in Tama county the construction on the Lincoln highway made it possible to buy a small piece of land to straighten out the road. A piece contained less than an acre. The owner of the land only asked for \$8000 for it. The board of supervisors was liberal and offered \$10,000. A board of appraisers decided \$10,000 was about the right figure and the jury in district court placed it at \$10,000. Whether any others will get a chance to figure on it we don't know, but we can't help wondering whether this particular land owner has ever made a complaint about highways and the squandering of the county's money. We recall that down in Guthrie county some of the taxpayers jumped on the supervisors at this point and held meetings to protest. Yet a short time after, when they wanted to condemn a small strip of land for road purposes, two of the ring leaders in the protest meeting were selected by the landowner as his appraisers. He himself asked some \$3000 for the strip, but his supervisor thought that wasn't enough and raised the bid to \$3500. He was spending of the county's money

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Burtonville, N. Y., July 20, 1850, going to Wisconsin with his parents when four years of age, later to Winfield, Iowa. He was a son of Wealtha and William Lauder, his father being a blacksmith and wagonmaker. His only brother, Herman Lauder, an attorney, died in 1891. Besides the immediate family he leaves a sister-in-law Mrs. Laura Lauder and a nephew, Frank E. Lauder, of Kansas City, Mo.

He received his common school education at Winfield, Iowa, and at the age of sixteen entered the Iowa Wesleyan college, graduating from there in 1872. He then entered the medical college at Iowa City, receiving his diploma in 1874, locating at Burlington where for a year he was medical examiner for an insurance company. For two years he practiced medicine at Pleasant Grove, Iowa. In the year of 1877 he started for Creston where he expected to locate, but changed his plans and located in Afton which has since been his home except for a short time spent in Des Moines.

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A Dangerous Precedent

Washington is worried about President Coolidge because he is such a hard worker," notices the Carthage News. "And no wonder. Hard workers give an alarm. Washington—they might set a precedent that others would have to follow."

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Funeral services will be held this afternoon at three o'clock at the Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. H. C. Irvine, assisted by Revs. S. H. Williams and C. F. Hand, and the local Masonic lodge, who will lay the remains at rest in Greenlawn cemetery.

The following beautiful tribute was written by Dr. F. E. Sampson, his close personal friend and co-worker for many years:

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To be allowed, losses not incurred in trade or business must conform closely to the working of the statute. For example, a loss incurred in the sale of a taxpayer's home, which at the time of purchase was bought without intention of resale, is not deductible because it was not a transaction entered into for profit.

Losses sustained in the operation of a farm as a business venture are deductible. If sustained in the operation of a farm operated merely for the pleasure or convenience of the taxpayer, such losses are not deductible.

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