

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Farley, James M. Senator _____
Represented Kossuth County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 1844 Wisconsin

2. Marriage (s) date place _____

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Hardware

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 27th General Assembly 1898

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 28, January 1920

WPA Records:
Plainsview Cemetery,
Whittier, Mo.,
Kossuth County, IOWA

8. Children _____

9. Names of parents _____

Farley, J. M.

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information *Republican* _____

PIONEER BUSINESS MAN LAID TO REST

J. M. Farley Buried Last
Friday Afternoon.—Fun-
eral Largely Attended

As was announced in the Cham-
pion last week J. M. Farley, for
years one of the prominent men of
Whittemore and Kossuth county
died at his home in this city Wed-
nesday morning, January 28th,
about 11 o'clock, after an illness
covering several weeks. While the
end was expected for several days
previous, his many friends and ac-
quaintances were naturally much
saddened at the passing of this ven-
erable gentleman, and were hopeful
and praying that some turn for the
better would come, and that he
would again be able to be up and
around. While Mr. Farley naturally
was of a very robust nature, he was
well along in years, and of late can-
cer of the stomach developed.

James M. Farley was born in
Lyons, Walworth county, Wisconsin,
on May 12, 1841, thus being seven-
ty-five years of age last May. He
grew to young manhood in that
locality, and on October 19, 1873,
was united in marriage at Burling-
ton, Wisconsin, to Miss Theresa J.
Dutcher of Little Utica, New York.
Three children were born to Mr. and
Mrs. Farley. They were Frances,
who died some years ago, Mrs.
Willis B. McCarty of Emmetsburg
and Dr. Guy E. Farley of Chicago.
Mr. Farley is also survived by a fos-
ter child, Miss Bessie Farley.

Mr. Farley is survived by two
brothers, Capt. Edwin Farley of Pa-
ducab, Kentucky, and William Far-
ley, of Lyons, Wisconsin. There is
also one sister living, Mrs. Jane
Gough of Racine, Wisconsin.

Mr. Farley received his education
in the graded schools of Wisconsin,
and later was enabled to take up a
commercial course at a school in
Milwaukee. He was a good busi-
ness man, a kind neighbor and
friend.

The Farleys lived at Lyons for a
few years and in the fall of 1878,
Mr. Farley became affected with
what he termed "western fever,"
and he came to Algona over the
Milwaukee railroad, driving from
there to the home of his old friend,
Geo. E. Boyle, who at that time liv-
ed north of Whittemore on a farm.
The following day Mr. Farley had
his first glimpse of the village of



MR. J. M. FARLEY

Pioneer Whittemore Business Man, Who Died January 28th

Whittemore, which at that time con-
sisted of the depot, the railroad hav-
ing been extended through here the
summer before, one residence, two
warehouses, blacksmith shop and
saloon. Mr. Farley liked the looks
of this country and decided to locate
here, going to his Wisconsin home
to make arrangements to move his
family out here in the spring of
1879. Mr. Farley built his hard-
ware store in Whittemore in the
spring of that year, and was ap-
pointed as assistant to the postmas-
ter, who at that time was "Bill"
Amos. The postoffice consisted of a
cigar box, and the office was moved

to Mr. Farley's store, with much
ceremony. A pane of glass 14x16
was used as the front of the first
postoffice boxes. Mr. Farley en-
dured all the hardships of pioneer
life in this locality, and carried on a
business of conducting a hardware
store, lumber yard, and also bought
stock and grain. The early years in
this country were not anything
pleasant, and as Mr. Farley wrote
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Mr. Farley. In 1910 he retired from active business in Whittemore, selling his exclusive hardware business to J. M. Fleming.

Mr. Farley was identified with every movement to add to the welfare of the town and county. If a booster was needed for any plan or project, J. M. Farley put his shoulder to the wheel and pushed with all his might. He was a man of an indomitable will and very few were the undertakings that he started that he did not see to a successful conclusion.

To meet Mr. Farley for the first time you would think that he was a rather gruff individual, but as time rolled along and you grew to know the real man, that gruffness did not amount to anything, but rather seemed to be a cloak by which he covered up his real self and kindness. Many are the persons, in a pioneer day, who went to Mr. Farley for help and did not seek in vain. Many are the older settlers in this locality who swore by J. M. Farley.

Mr. Farley was one of the first members of the town council of the incorporated town of Whittemore. He also served several years as mayor. He was member of the first school board in this city and for many years acted as president of that body. He was one of the prime instigators of the Whittemore Elevator Company, and served on the board and official list of that institution. He was one of the incorporators of the Whittemore State Bank, and served as director, vice president and president, retiring a few months ago from active participation in that financial institution's affairs. He was also one of the members of the first board of trustees of the Methodist church in this city. Although he did not affiliate openly with any church or denomination, it can truly be said that he was a firm believer in and practiced Christianity. Mr. Farley was politically a broad-minded Democrat, and was honored by the voters of this county, in being elected to the 27th General Assembly as representative, in 1898. It will be recalled by any one who has been in the county a few years that it was Mr. Farley and the late Geo. E. Boyle, his life long friend, who got behind the Kossuth County Agricultural Association, when that institution was

heaped for the rocks, and by financial aid, unlimited boosting, and personal enthusiasm, steered the craft into calm waters and put it on the right course. The fair today stands as a monument to the courage and enthusiasm of Mr. Farley and Mr. Boyle.

Funeral services were held at the home Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. District Supt. Herbert Clegg, who was at one time pastor of the local Methodist church having charge. Rev. Clegg read a hymn which was a favorite of the deceased, and afterwards delivered a short but fitting tribute to Mr. Farley. Services at the grave were conducted by the Masonic lodge of which the deceased was a member. He had taken the 32nd degree in this society, and last year contemplated joining the Shriners. He was also at one time a Knight of Pythias and an Odd Fellow.

One of Whittemore's and Kossuth county's best men has passed away, and it is with regret that we chronicle the sad event. May his soul rest in peace be the wish of his hundreds of friends.

People from practically every town in the county were present to pay their last respects to this grand old man. As a mark of respect the business houses of Whittemore were closed during the funeral services, and the public school was dismissed for the afternoon.

Personally, the editor of the Champion, will miss Mr. Farley very much, as he was a frequent visitor at this office, and many were the pleasant hours that we spent in his company listening to his reminiscences of the early day life in this locality.

Young Married Lady Dies From

and happy disposition and was well liked by all who came in contact with her. It is indeed sad to see this happy home thus suddenly broken up, but death is something that must come to all of us sooner or later, and we must rest content with the doings of God. Mr. Baumann and the sorrowing parents and sister have the heartfelt sympathy of their many Whittemore friends.

ELECT COUNTY OFFICERS

Kossuth County Farm Bureau Holds Annual Meeting

Several Whittemore farmers were at Algona last Thursday attending the annual meeting of the Kossuth County Farm Bureau. The meeting was attended by about 325 farmers from over the county.

The following officers were elected: President, H. K. Hutchinson of Ledyard; vice president, Chester Schoby of Algona; secretary, P. F. Kriehle of Burt; treasurer, Myron Schenck of Algona.

Whittemore township is the banner township of Kossuth county, with 122 members.

Kossuth county has 2,133 members, which is the largest membership of any county in the state.

George Patterson of Burt was appointed a committee of one to keep tab on the roll calls of our legislature and congress on all questions affecting the interests of the farmer.

Resolutions were adopted in which a warning was issued to farm bureau members against fake stock selling schemes.

A resolution was adopted asking that the federal farm loan act be amended so that the amount to be loaned would be increased from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

The speakers were Charles W. Hunt, of Logan, vice president of the Iowa farm bureau federation, and Peder Pedersen of Cedar Falls.

NAMES ENOUGH FOR CHARTER

Chances Are Good for Legion Post in Whittemore

Supt. J. G. Herbster got busy last week and by Saturday evening had secured enough names to a petition so that the chances are very good that Whittemore will soon have an American Legion Post established in her midst. It is planned to call the post Scott-Walsh Post, after the two Whittemore boys who were killed in the war. The petition has been sent in to state headquarters and as soon as approved by the state and national officials, will be issued, and then a campaign will be made to add a number of other names to the roll. Those who signed the petition were J. G. Herbster, R. E. Creighton, E. W. Kepler, S. A. Savage, L. H. Pertl, Frank Schattschneider, Tony Schmitt, Thos Weir, A. H. Semon, L. L. Hidas, Will R. Walsh, Sylvester Hayes, E. B. Cavanaugh, W. J. Wegener and H. F. Seely.

LAND SELLS WELL

Ryan Estate Farm Sold at Good Figure Last Thursday

Last Thursday afternoon at the Farmers State Bank in Whittemore occurred the referee's sale of the Ryan estate farm, west of town. The north quarter-section of this farm, which contained 185 1-2 acres, was

sold to O. B. Simpson at \$240 per acre, or \$44,520. The south half of the farm containing 164 1-2 acres, was sold to Dennis Ryan at \$280 per acre, or \$43,256.20. The prices for this land bought, while not remarkable for Iowa land, were very good considering that the purchase price had to be paid in cash by March first this year. There is no ditch tax on the south half of the farm, but there is some tax on the north quarter. H. S. Dailey acted as auctioneer for John Cullen, who was the referee.

CREAMERY AT AUCTION

Fairville Creamery Building to Go Under the Hammer.

In this issue appears an ad for the public sale of the creamery buildings at Fairville, northeast of Whittemore. This creamery was one of the first established in this part of the country and for a long time enjoyed a successful career. A couple of years ago it was converted into a cheese factory and for a year was conducted as such. However, the past year, the creamery has been closed down, and now the creamery building and the dwelling house, are offered for sale, along with other miscellaneous items.

SENATOR ADAMS IN FIELD

Senator H. C. Adams, who is now representing this district in the state senate, will be a candidate for re-nomination. This district is composed of the counties of Kossuth, Emmet, Dickinson, Clay, and Palo Alto. So far Mr. Adams is the first candidate in the field, and from now on expects to make a canvass for the nomination.—Advance.

HORSES WANTED.

5,000 Head

ATTENTION FARMERS

Clyde Hull, the old reliable horse buyer, will buy males 3 years old and up, any size, weight or color.

Will be at Gazette Livery Barn, Whittemore, Iowa, Friday, February 13th.

I will buy horses weighing from 1200 to 2600 pounds, from 5 to 9 years old and will pay you every cent they are worth. Bring in your horses on the above date and be benefitted by the good price I will pay you. With also buy a few riding horses weighing from 1050 to 1200. Do not be afraid to bring in your horses, as I come to buy, not to invoice.

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