

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Helden, William Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Represented Hardin County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 8 Dec 1845 Highland, Iowa County, Wisconsin

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary Jane Kennedy 31 Aug 1864 Mifflin, Wisconsin

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Principal stockholder in Hotel Woods and Hotel Akeley;

vice president of Security Savings Bank; stockholder in First National Bank; stockholder and treasurer of Slope Construction Company

B. Civic responsibilities Mason, G.A.P.

C. Profession Merchant; teacher; farmer

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, 32<sup>nd</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> General Assemblies 1904, 1906, 1907, 1909

6. Public Offices

A. Local Deputy postmaster of Iowa Falls 2 years; postmaster 12 years; city councilman; school board member; fire chief

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 8 June 1917 Iowa Falls, Iowa; buried Union Cemetery, Iowa Falls, Iowa

8. Children John Levi; Minnie R. (Mrs. Sanders)

9. Names of parents Levi and Julia A. (Payne) Helden  
(Carr.)

Welden, William

10. Education Attended country district school in the  
winter

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information Independent; later Republican

- He lived to manhood at Mifflin, Wisconsin in Highland  
County.
- He wanted to teach school, get proper certification, but felt called  
to the military
- Military service - Civil War - G.C., 43<sup>rd</sup> Wisconsin Infantry
- After the war he opened a general store in Mifflin, Wisconsin  
and closed it in 1868 and moved to Iowa Falls, Iowa.
- In Iowa Falls, he worked with his father in erecting depots  
and other buildings along the Iowa division of the Illinois Central  
Railroad.
- In the following year he and his father bought a small grocery in  
Iowa Falls which occupied him for nearly 50 years.
- This store and entire stock was destroyed by fire in 1894, but he  
started over and built a large and busy department store
- In 1915, his son John L. Welden went into partnership with his  
father's business
- In February 1917 they sold their interests to the Burrows  
Department Store
- His wife, Mary Jane, born 1843, died 1892, buried in Union  
Cemetery, Iowa Falls, Iowa



# Iowa Falls

ESTABLISHED 1856.

IOWA FALLS, IOWA, TUESDAY, JUNE 12,

## WILLIAM WELDEN CALLED BY DEATH

### Prominent Resident and Pioneer Business Man Summoned Friday Evening.

Active in Business in Iowa Falls Nearly Half Century. Had Varied Interests in Several States. Widely Known in Masonic Circles. Served in State Legislature.

William Welden passed away at his home in this city Friday evening at 7:15. He had been in failing health due to Bright's Disease the past three months. Monday morning he felt strong enough to write business letters to certain parties. He took a relapse later in the day and continued to fail rapidly till the end came. The funeral was held in the Congregational church Sunday afternoon at two o'clock and burial took place in Union cemetery. Rev. C. W. Bast conducted short services at the house and also at the church. The Knights Templar had full charge of ritual work in the church and at the grave. The funeral was largely attended, quite a number being here from different towns over the county. There was a profusion of flowers and many expressions of sympathy.

#### His Boyhood Days.

William Welden was born in Highland, Wisconsin, December 8th, 1845, and lived from early infancy to manhood at Mifflin in that state. As has been the lot of many successful business men of the western states, his early years were not blessed with the advantages of wealth or station, and while still a boy he became dependent upon his own exertions for support and education. Working by the day or month at whatever labor came to his hand during the summer, and attending the country district school during the winter, at the age of eighteen years he had acquired sufficient knowledge of books to inspire him with the ambition to try his fortune as a teacher.

Walking twelve miles to find the proper school official, he passed a successful examination, and with the coveted certificate in his pocket he walked home again the same evening; but his career as teacher was destined to be of short duration. At this time the Civil war had been in progress two years or more, and the young man was strongly impressed

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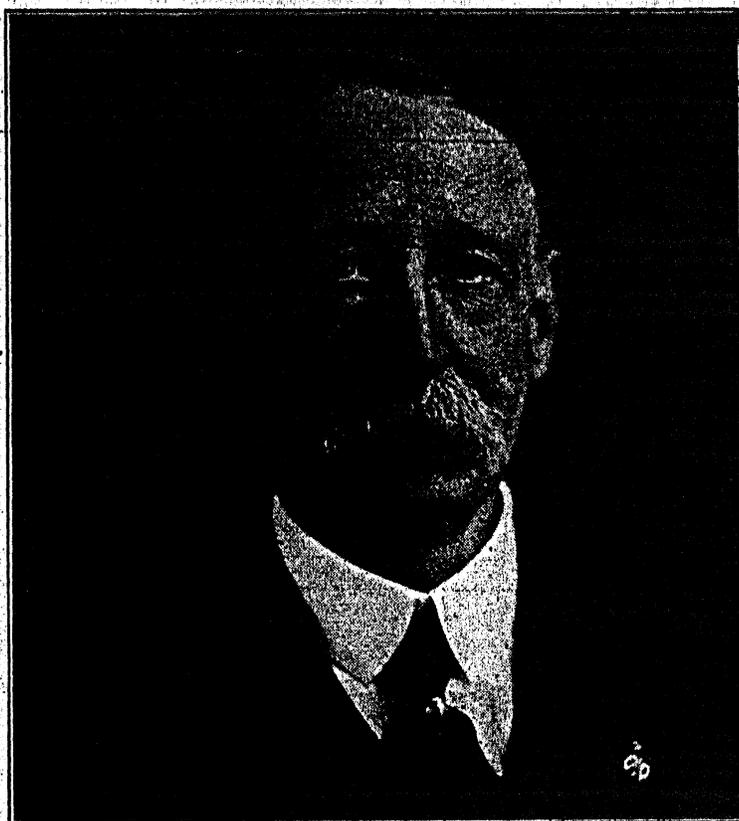
#### Forms Partnership.

With the opening of his business in Iowa Falls he was appointed and served as deputy postmaster for two years, and thereafter became postmaster and serving in that capacity for a further period of twelve years,

Welden, of Iowa Falls, and two sisters, Mrs. Aaron McDowell of this city, and Mrs. Mary Kasch, at Anacortes, Washington, and many near and dear friends who cherish the name of Welden on account of his long and useful life among many people.

#### Had Varied Interests.

Mr. Welden was a man of influence and means and had varied in-



William Welden.

having the postoffice at one end of his store. He successfully continued the business alone till a little over two years ago when he took into partnership his son, John L. Welden, who had been one of the faithful men in the store for over a quarter of a century, under the firm title of Welden & Son. Increasing business and slightly failing health caused Mr. Welden to place some of the larger business burdens on the shoulders of the son. This partnership continued until the past February when father and son sold out their interests to what is now the Burrows Department store and the father retired from active business life, holding the honor of being the oldest merchant in this part of the state.

Member of Legislature.

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#### Good Community Man.

Welden was a society man in his town and community. He would never accept a position unless he could

## THREE JUNE WEDDINGS

Prof. John Himmel, Pe  
Elmer Johnson Take

Prof. John P. Himmel and Miss Hazel Carm Monies, were united in the home of his father on street Thursday night at 10 o'clock. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. J. C. Good and hard by Rev. J. C. pastor of the Methodist church. The presence of a few friends. At the close of a luncheon was served by the groom. The happy couple left for the Illinois Central for a week-end at Naperville and Chicago.

The groom is a son of this city. He came here from Radcliffe soon after he graduated from the commercial college at Naperville and took special studies at the University of Chicago. He is now assistant principal of the high school at Radcliffe and the past year has been a member of the faculty as teacher of English. For several years he has been preaching in various places. He is an active member of the Methodist Sunday School, a devoted citizen and a man of high worth.

The bride has been in the city for a number of years and she is engaged in the profession of a private nurse. She is well known as a capable and fine Christian character. Her friends know her best speak of her in the best terms. It is rumored that the couple will commence their married life soon in the Himmel residence on Pierce street.

#### Laiplle-Butson

At the home of the bride on River street Thursday evening at 10 o'clock, occurred the wedding of Miss Amelia Wilhelmina Butson and Mr. Percy Snow Laiplle. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Bast of the Congregational church in the presence of the friends of the parties. The happy couple left for Geneva, where they will be at home to their friends on July first.

The bride was born in Des Moines, Iowa, and lived there until two years ago when she came to Iowa Falls. She attended the Ellsworth academy, and

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Walking twelve miles to find the proper school official, he passed a successful examination, and with the coveted certificate in his pocket he walked home again the same evening; but his career as teacher was destined to be of short duration. At this time the Civil war had been in progress two years or more, and the young man was strongly impressed with the feeling that his duty called him to the service of his country.

#### Enlists in Army.

Early in 1864 his father, a volunteer officer in Union service, returned from the front to secure new recruits, and this son and an elder brother took advantage of the opportunity thus afforded to enlist, and he became a corporal in Company C, 43rd Wisconsin Infantry, continuing in the service till the close of the war. He was in the army in the east and was in a number of skirmishes in Tennessee.

At the time of enlistment he had accumulated a capital of \$45 in cash and an unlimited amount of hope and courage, upon the strength of which he celebrated his entrance into the army by marrying the girl of his choice and leaving her to take his place in the home of his grandmother, of whom he had been the chief support. After the war was over, he found himself the possessor of the sum of \$625, which he had been able to save by failing to draw any pay from the government from the day of his enlistment until his final discharge.

#### Starts Business Career.

Uniting the amount saved in the army with a like sum contributed by a partner, he opened a general store at Mifflin. Closing out his interests there in 1868, he came to Iowa Falls and for a year was engaged with his father in the erection of depots and other buildings upon the new line of railroad now constituting the Iowa division of the Illinois Central. In the following year he bought, with his father, a small grocery in Iowa Falls, and entered upon the business which occupied his attention for nearly half a century.

#### Suffers Serious Fire Loss.

In 1874 his entire stock in trade, which was also his entire earthly fortune, was destroyed by fire, without one cent of insurance. Rallying from this staggering blow, he began once more at the bottom, and from that beginning built up one of the

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#### Member of Legislature.

At the general election in the fall of 1903, he was chosen Representative from Hardin county on the Independent ticket, and was re-elected on the Republican ticket as a regular nominee in 1906 and again in 1908. He was in the legislature five sessions, including the extra session in the 32nd general assembly. He took practical business into politics and gave his people a good service, taking an active and efficient part in the legislation enacted by that body.

#### Prominent in Masonry.

Mr. Welden was made a member of Mason's Home Lodge No. 192, at Iowa Falls in 1885, and soon thereafter received the Chapter Degrees in Evergreen Chapter No. 55, at Eldera, Iowa. In the same year he was knighted in St. Elmo Commandery, No. 48, at Iowa Falls. After receiving the Orders of Knighthood he was passed thru various official positions in the Commandery, becoming Eminent Commander and serving in that capacity for a number of years.

As a member of the Grand Commandery he served in various positions of trust and esteem, and in 1904 was elected Grand Commander of the order. In that capacity he had charge of the pilgrimage of Iowa Templars to the triennial conclave held in San Francisco in September 1904. His administration was marked with peace and prosperity in Iowa Templarism.

#### Marriage and Children.

William Welden was united in marriage to Miss Mary Jane Kennedy at her home in Mifflin, Wisconsin, August 31, 1864. This union was blessed with two children—John L. Welden, living in Iowa Falls, and Mrs. Minnie R. Sanders, of Vancouver, British Columbia. The daughter has been here the past three months tenderly caring for her father. The wife and mother passed away here in February 1872, and since then the father had been making his home part of the time with his son.

Aside from the two children, there are left to mourn one brother, S. H.

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#### Good Community Man.

Mr. Welden was a good man in his town and community. He would never accept a position unless he could give same the best service possible. He served many years on city council. He was a member of school board and did his part well in establishing good schools for the children in Iowa Falls. He was fire chief here for years and a tireless worker in the protection of public interests. He had been a trustee of Ellsworth college for many years and always took a just pride in this school. He was a liberal giver and gave much money in his course of years to many worthy causes. Very few people have any idea the amount of money he gave away in free gifts. He helped all public enterprises and the churches both in the city and in the country.

We have been intimately acquainted with Mr. Welden during our business career in this city. We have transacted business with him practically every week during the past sixteen years and we have always found him absolutely on the square and honorable in all his dealings. He has been a familiar man on our streets and doubtless knew more faces than any other man in north Hardin. He was also kind and had much sympathy for the children. William Welden is gone but his memory will be held in cordial esteem and respect by many.

#### Outside People Present.

The following officers from the Grand Commandery of Iowa were present and took part in the services: James E. Bromwell, of Marion, Grand Commander of Iowa; D. M. Brownlee, of Sioux City, Grand Recorder of Grand Commandery; John William Wells, Past Grand Commander Iowa Knights Templar, of Marshalltown, and Past Grand Commander Norris, of Manchester. There were delegations here of prominent Masons from Eldora, Ackley, Alden, Radcliffe and Grundy Center.

Among the out of town people present at funeral were the following: Frank Welden of Des Moines, W. J. Tebay and children of Hampton, Dr. Carr E. McDowell and family. (Continued on page 5, column 3.)

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## EL JONES CALLED HOME WILLIAM WELDEN

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...venty-seven years. She was a religious lady and read her much. She was loyal to the and all church interests. She been a member of the Isabella Bay View club, and W. R. C. as a lady highly esteemed and much devoted to her home and children.

Utech came here from her at De Smet, South Dakota, a month ago and visited several weeks in the home of her mother. She went to Fort Dodge two weeks ago where she was by her husband for a visit their daughter in that city.

### Mrs. John W. Simpson.

John W. Simpson died of a at her home in east Iowa Saturday morning about three o'clock. She had been in failing health since last fall. The funeral was held at the Baptist church Monday afternoon at 2:30. The services were conducted by Rev. Viets and interment made in Union cemetery.

Mrs. Simpson was born in Herkimer county, New York, fifty-four years ago last May. She came west with her folks and first lived in Illinois. She came to Iowa Falls in her early years and lived here since.

She was united in marriage to John W. Simpson at Eldora about twenty years ago. To this union four children were born, one dying in infancy, and the three living reside as follows: Riley Leo Simpson at Eldora, Claude Simpson east of Iowa Falls, and Ralph E. Simpson at Eldora.

Mrs. Simpson was a member of the Yeoman lodge. She was a good and kind mother and held in esteem by all who knew her.

## WILLIAM WELDEN CALLED BY DEATH.

(Continued from page one)

Family of Armstrong, W. H. McDowell and family of Alexander, Gary Lester of Anthon, Ernest and Louis Welden of Marshalltown, F. J. Welden of Birmingham, Alabama.

### Auto Turns Turtle.

Melvin Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis, six miles northeast of Whitten in the Ivester neighborhood, tried out a new Ford Saturday. After the band concert at Union Saturday night he started for Whitten with Miss Vera Snyder, who is employed at Union as an operator in the telephone exchange.

Upon crossing the bayou bridge just west of the mill Lewis turned out to avoid a mud hole in the road. He struck a rut, his car upset, turning over twice, and landing on its four wheels.

Miss Snyder was thrown clear of the car and hurt quite seriously. Her hip and wrist were sprained quite badly, a severe cut on the arm resulted, and she was bruised about the body. Miss Snyder is a daughter of S. L. Snyder, of Whitten.

### Eldora Farmer Drowned.

A large number of Eldora men are dragging the Iowa river for the body of John Baker, a farmer, thirty-six years of age. Baker was last seen at a point below the old mill site and the river bridge.

Baker left home Sunday afternoon and when he did not return a search was instituted. His hat was found in the edge of the stream, which is at flood stage, and footsteps led to the same point.

At the point where the hat was found the current is strong and the theory is that Baker fell into the water and was swept down stream. He resided on a farm southeast of Eldora.

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**Iowa Is Doing Fine  
in Red Cross Work**

Des Moines, June 11.—O. B. Towne, Chicago, representing the central division of the Red Cross war council, was in Des Moines Saturday conferring with Gov. Harding and the state defense council with reference to the finance campaign which the Red Cross expects to put on in Iowa. James B. Weaver and A. E. Keppord of Des Moines will have charge of the Iowa campaign.

"Iowa has come forward in the Red Cross work better than any other state in the central division," said Mr. Towne. "I am certainly proud of the state which was my home for some time."

"We are not yet ready to announce the details of the campaign for funds which the Red Cross will put on. A little later we will have all of our ammunition ready and will be ready to shoot."

Mr. Towne was formerly a newspaper man and was with the Council Bluffs Nonpareil from 1910 to 1913.

**IOWA REGISTRATION  
FOOTS UP 217,572**

GOVERNMENT ESTIMATE WAS  
4,690 LESS.

Cities and Industrial Centers Responsible for Increases.

Des Moines, June 11.—The total registration in Iowa Tuesday, June 5, under the selective draft law as officially compiled late Saturday was 217,572. The government estimate for the state was 212,882.

Ringgold county, Taylor, Fremont and Wayne, which reported Saturday, ran a little under the government's estimate. The total registration for the state, however, exceeded the government estimate by 4,690.

The total claiming exemption was 118,618, or a little more than 54 per cent. The total number of aliens including Germans registered was 13,647, of which 1,862 were registered as alien enemies.

The largest increases in the total number of registrations over the estimated registration by the government was in the cities and industrial centers. It is apparent to the state officials that the per cent of the population of the factory cities which is subject to draft is larger than in the smaller communities, or rather the young men form a much larger per cent of the population in the live cities of the state than is true in the smaller communities. If the government applied the same per cent in estimating the number of registrations in the rural districts and smaller communities and in the larger cities as well, it underestimated the cities and in some instances overestimated the smaller communities.

The state officials were able to telegraph the official returns for Iowa to the government late Saturday evening. The duplicate registration cards made up by each registration precinct in the state are beginning to reach the governor's office. These will be carefully filed away. Through this system both the state and the county has an exact record of those registering.

**WM. WELDEN OF  
IOWA FALLS DEAD**

WAS PROMINENT IN STATE MASONIC CIRCLES.

Active in Business Enterprises and Interested in Politics.

Iowa Falls, Ia., June 11.—William Welden was buried here yesterday afternoon, with Templar honors. Mr. Welden, who was a pioneer merchant of this city and a man well known over the state as a legislator and in Knights Templar circles, died at his home here Friday evening. The funeral was held at the Congregational church, the sermon being delivered by the pastor, Rev. C. William Bast, followed by the funeral service of the Templars.

Native of Wisconsin. Mr. Welden was born in Wisconsin in 1845 and at the age of 18 engaged in teaching. His father was an officer in the army and returned home to recruit a company when Mr. Welden and an older brother enlisted, serving as a member of a company of Wisconsin infantry until the close of the war. With his father he came to Iowa Falls in 1868 and engaged in the mercantile business. In 1874, Mr. Welden lost everything he had in a fire that swept away the business part of the town. With renewed effort he started again and continued in business until a few months ago when he retired owing to poor health. He was postmaster here for several years. In 1885, he was made a Mason and later took the chapter degrees at Eldora and was knighted in St. Elmo commandery, No. 48, Knights Templar of this city. Later he was chosen eminent commander of the local commandery and served in that position for several years. In 1904, he was elected eminent grand commander of the Knights Templar of Iowa and had been a prominent member of the grand commandery for a number of years.

Active in Many Lines. He served several years as a member of the lower house of the Iowa legislature. He was identified with the late E. S. Ellsworth in building the Short Line from here to Des Moines. He served in many positions in local affairs of the city with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of his constituents. He had been identified with the First National bank since its organization and had for many years been its vice president. Few men in this country were better known than "Billy" Welden, as he was familiarly called. His long activity in mercantile circles as well as his prominence in politics gave him a wide acquaintance that extended over central and northern Iowa. His wife died in the sixties. He is survived by two children, John Levi Welden, who was identified with him for many years in the mercantile trade, under the firm name of Welden & Son, and by a daughter, Mrs. Minnie R. Sanders, of Vancouver, B. C. Mr. Welden had been in failing health for several years and the last few months the decline had been rapid.

PRICE OF LIVESTOCK TO BE INVESTED IN BONDS

Marshalltown, Ia., June 11.—Almost \$9,000 for three car loads of hogs and cattle from the State Historical Society of Iowa Library, Des Moines, Iowa.

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**HARDIN COUNTY  
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Written by the People of Hardin County  
and Compiled by the Hardin County  
Historical Society

We moved to Eldora in 1974 into my folks' house. We have a camper and travel quite often covering most of the United States and the southern section of Canada.

### Henry Wehrman Family

An Act of Congress, April 24th, 1820, entitled, "An act making further provisions for the sale of public lands" was an act that provided the opportunity of buying lands for private use instead of having to homestead them. Henry Wehrman walked to Fort Des Moines, Iowa to buy 80 acres of land on April 14, 1855, for the sum of \$1.25 an acre. On October 1, 1855, he was given the patent signed by Franklin Pierce, for the ground, then in township 87. This place is now known to be Pleasant Township, located at Roughwoods Hill.

Upon the death of Lena, (Henry's wife) in 1922, Willis, the oldest son, bought his brother and sister's share of the estate. From that time on, this ground has been handed down from generation to generation. From Willis, to his daughter, Mrs. Pearl (Henry) Holthuis, and to her daughter, Mrs. Frances (Harold) Williams, who still holds the original patent.

The house that is there now, was thought to be the first frame built house in the county. The sawed lumber was brought by team and wagon from Davenport, Iowa. The basement walls are still the original stone, the hand hewn walnut beams still support the house and the walnut stairs and banister still remain in the house. However, through the years, much remodeling has been done to preserve the house and outside buildings.

In July 1874, Henry and Lena bought 80 acres east of them with farm land adjoining the original farm from Jesse and Caroline Newcomer for a sum of \$1100. Here Willis Wehrmans' family resided for many years. Included in this family were Neil (who never married), Mary, (Mrs. Walt Campbell), and Pearl, (Mrs. Henry Holthuis). In 1918, a cyclone completely demolished the farm and all the buildings had to be completely rebuilt. Following the death of Willis in 1929, Neil lived there until his death in 1955. The farm was then sold to Paul Bunte.

The Wehrmans were active in helping build the Roughwoods Church and Cemetery. The ground was donated by Mac Satchell. Here the Wehrmans went to church and also attended the Roughwoods school that they helped build.

Even though work on the farm was hard during the day, Neil, Mary, and Pearl were all known for their musical talent which they displayed in the evenings. The three of them played different instruments and were known for the music they played for special occasions and barn dances locally and in the surrounding communities.

Children of Mary (Wehrman) Campbell are: Daughter, Mrs. Dorothy (Everett) Gehrke, Grandson, Walter Howard. Son, Dale Campbell, Granddaughter, Ann, Grandson, Drew. Great Granddaughter, Katie Campbell.

Children of Pearl (Wehrman) Holthuis are: Daughter, Mrs. Frances (Harold) Williams, Grandson, Dana Ramundt. Great-Grandson, Benjamin Ramundt.

### Henry Weichman Sr.

Henry Weichman, Sr. and his wife, Maria were my grandparents and my father was their younger son, Frederick, who came to the Hubbard area in 1891. Grandfather bought the land on the west edge of what is now Hubbard for \$4.00 per acre from the Government. Those who bought prairie land and built on it were given 15 acres of timber. It was required that it remain in timber and not be cleared. It was used for building and fence posts.

My grandparents and my father came to the U.S.A. in 1860 on a sailing ship. They were on board eight weeks. They were given bread and coffee, provided by the ship cook. They brought with them cured smoked meats, sausage, dried fruit and cheese. Water was carried in casks and they were not allowed to drink it unless boiled. Some ships did not enforce this rule and typhoid broke out.

Grandfather brought cuttings of fruit trees which he grafted on some wild plum roots when they



Henry and Marie Weichman, Sr.

arrived in Wisconsin. He also started an orchard on the land in Hardin County. I remember the cherry, plum and apple trees. The apples were a variety I've not seen or eaten since.

An older son, Henry, and older sisters came earlier and settled in Wisconsin where the parents and my father went on their arrival. Land was bought between what is now Boscobel and Fenimore. Buildings were put up of native oak. The large barn and house are still in use.

My grandparents moved to Hardin County and broke prairie ground. My father cut trees and hauled the lap to a saw mill at Iowa Falls. He left before daylight with a load of logs, and back the next night with a load of lumber. All the buildings were of oak and all burned after Father sold them.

Grandfather gave land to the railroad for right-of-way. They went through the middle of the cropland so there were six railroad gates to open and close. These gates must be kept closed at all times.

My father helped build the first Evangelical Church, also organized the creamery in Hubbard. Previously Mother had churned and packed butter in wooden tubs which were shipped to Chicago via railroad. After the creamery was built fresh milk had to be taken in early. It was separated at the creamery. Later farmers had small separators and just delivered cream, took buttermilk (free) home to feed hogs.

I went to school part of first year in the old wood school. There was a large grove behind the school.

After my grandparents' death, my father sold the land because it was cut by by railroad and bought land in Dickenson County in March of 1902.

There are many descendants of Weichman grandparents around Hubbard. Uncle Will Kuhlman gave the land for the cemetery northeast of Hubbard where my grandparents are buried. My sister, Dora, and I are the only ones left of our family. *by Christine (Weichman) Arnold*

### Levi Welden

In the early 1800's, John Welden married Mary Taylor in upper New York state near Lake Champlain. Records of the Weldens in early days have been found but no real connection to this family. The 1790 census showed a William Welden family in New York City and a Francis Welden in New Palztown — both names used in Levi's family.

John and Mary had Edmond, Levi, Sidney, John, Annie, Nellie and Sally. Levi was born Aug. 6, 1817. He and his brother Edmond, moved westward and Levi married Julia Payne at Grand Ireton, Ill. on Nov. 6, 1830. Julia was born Jan. 28, 1821, probably in Vermont as her mother Angelina Claussen came from there.

Levi didn't stay long in one place — he guided wagon trains, made 2 trips to California gold rush, but found no fortune. Too old to enlist in the Civil War, he recruited 2 companies and went along as did sons Francis and William.

In 1865 he loaded his wife, brother Edmund and children William, Francis, Mary, Ella Dora, Samuel Halbert, and Isabelle and started for Colorado. At Ackley, Iowa, one horse died, they hitched up the cow, but the other horse died at Iowa Falls — and that is why you find a lot of Weldens in this town.

Francis was killed while helping his father build an engine house in Charles City. His only son's wife

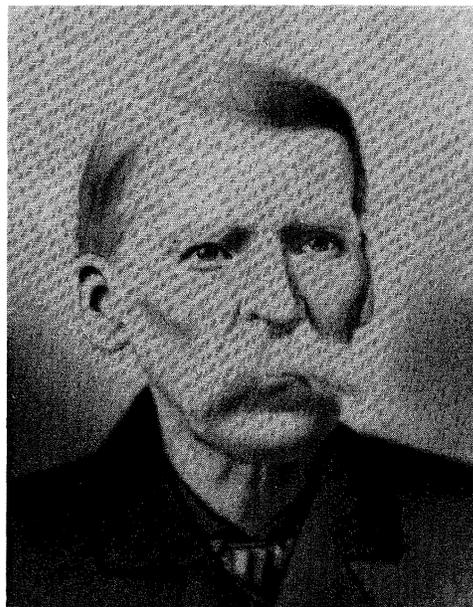
Mary married Bill Kasch and moved west, Ella and Isabelle married the McDowell brothers and their children moved elsewhere.

William, who lived until manhood with his grandmother Angelina, became a very successful Iowa Falls merchant, postmaster and member of state legislature. He had John and Minnie. John married Lou Olmstead and had Faith of Dows, Neil, whose son John and family live here as do Katherine and John, Jr. Minnie married Edward Sanders.

Samuel Halbert married Mary Ann (Molly) Ely daughter of James and Sarah Downey Ely. They had Alice, William, Frank, Ernest, Fred, Isador, Lewis and Doris. Doris, who married Lindley Sawyer lives in Chicago.

Levi built many railroad depots and buildings and bridges throughout Iowa and even in Texas and Colorado. A number of his grandsons have been engineers and Welden Brothers through several generations have continued to build bridges.

Levi died May 28, 1887 and his wife preceded him in death on Nov. 18, 1882. *Mrs. Arthur Westbury*



Levi Welden.

### Samuel H. Welden

Samuel Halbert, 'Hab' Welden was born March 27, 1857 in Muscoda, Wis. In 1880 he married Mary Ann 'Molly' Ely, daughter of James and Sarah Downey Ely. The Elys had come to Iowa Falls a few years before from Utica, New York where they had lived along the Erie Canal. Sarah and her mother and sisters and brothers came from Londonderry, Ireland in a sailing ship that took two months when adverse winds blew them back. James was the seventh son of an English brewer.

Hab helped in brother Billie's store and ran the Northwestern Bottling works for many years. His daughters Alice and Isador died as young women; Doris lives in Chicago with her husband Lindley Sawyer.

William Welden married Elizabeth Wilkinson and their children were Richard, Robert, Rosemary (Whitely) and Janet (Blum).

Frank married Aura Roberts and children are Dorothy (Westbury) and Sheila, (Hagman). After Aura's death he married Bessie Culbertson who survives him.

Ernest married Helen Parmalee, children are Molly (Alcorn), David and Ann (Barker).

Fred a Navy career man, married Edith Langworthy of Dubuque.

Lewis Levi married Iva Mae Shively, children Betty (Goodyear) and William.

The original Welden Brothers were Ernest, Lewis and William, later Richard and Robert. Today Robert's son Bradley, is an engineer and Richard's son Jerry manages sand gravel and cement business.

**IGI Individual Record**

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North America

**William WELDON**Pedigree

Male

**Event(s):****Birth:** 08 JUN 1845 , , Wisconsin**Christening:****Death:** 31 AUG 1917 Iowa Falls, Hardin, Iowa**Burial:****Parents:****Father:** Levi WELDENFamily**Mother:** Julia A. CARR**Messages:**

Record submitted after 1991 by a member of the LDS Church. No additional information is available. Ancestral File may list the same family and the submitter.

**Source Information:**

No source information is available.

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Department of Iowa  
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Weldon, William M  
Residence  
Occupation Merchant  
Date birth Dec 8, 1845 Place Highland, Wis  
Date death Je 8, 1917 Place Iowa Falls, Iowa  
Cause Union Cemetery Place burial "  
War record Pvt. C 43 Wis. Inf.  
Rank Company Regiment State Organization  
res. Pulaski  
See over for record

War  
Battles, etc.  
Nearest relatives  
Father Nativity  
Mother Nativity  
Wife Mary Jane Kennedy  
Children  
John L  
Minnie Sanders

Enlisted Date Place

Discharged Date Place

Source  
Ex. Soldiers living Ia. 1886: Weldon,  
Wm. - Corp I 43 Wis Inf - Iowa Falls.  
Post 141 Desc Book: Co C  
Graves Reg.: Iowa Falls Sent Je 12, 1917

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Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Weldon, William M

Record Membership and Dues Paid

Offices of honor in G. A. R.

Post name	Post No.	Place	Date Joined
Chas. Payne	141	Iowa Falls	7 Mr '83
Dr. 31 Mr	'85		

Post 141 Desc Book: Dr. Oct 31, 1888

Member-at-Large

Year	Date Paid	Amount
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Year	Date Paid	Amount	Year	Date Paid	Amount
Roster Wisc. Vols:	Weldon, William:	Co C			
43 Wisc. Inf. res.	Fulaski.	Enl 22 Ag	1864		
Corp; m. o. 24	Je 1865	Wisc. Index:	Weldon		
Corp C 43	Wisc. Inf/				

Suspended

Died

# ALL 48 CEMETERIES IN HARDIN CO., IOWA

Burial records from 1850's to mid-1999

Published by Madeline Mason

1. Alden Township
2. Alden
3. Union (at Iowa Falls)
4. St. Mark (Catholic)
5. Friends
6. Northlawn Memory Gardens
7. Hazel Green
8. Buckeye
9. Bahr
10. Lincoln or Riley
11. Cottage
12. Oakwood
13. Kidwiler
14. Jackson Township or Berlin
15. Donner
16. Hardin County Home
17. Steamboat Rock
18. Radcliffe
19. Sherman Township
20. Tipton Norwegian Lutheran
21. Hubbard
22. Boylan
23. Tipton Grove or Kuhlman
24. Rough Woods
25. Point Pleasant or Prairie Lea
26. Pleasant Chapel or Duke
27. Eldora Training School
28. Calvary or St. Mary's (Catholic)
29. Eldora
30. Ellsworth or Bailey
31. East Lawn Memory Gardens
32. Buckner
33. Xenia or Secor
34. Zion Lutheran
35. Concord Township
36. Stavanger Norwegian
37. Idaho or Grant Center
38. Highland or Pickering
39. New Providence
40. Hadley or Haman's Horn
41. Honey Creek
42. Chester
43. Sheppard
44. Francisco or Betts
45. Miller or Southwest Union
46. Union (at Union)
47. Hauser
48. Whitney or Haggin

		ORIGINAL PLAT, S.1/2		
Row 1				
Jones, Newell	O.P. L101 s1	no dates	Jones, Newell	
Jones, Evaline	O.P. L101 s2	no dates	Jones, Newell	
Jones, Mabell	O.P. L101 s3	no dates	Jones, Newell	
Jones, Burt	O.P. L101 s4	no dates	Jones, Newell	
Jones, Harriet E.	O.P. L101 s5	7Jan 1840-6Apr 1893	Jones, Newell	Mother
Richley, Winnie	O.P. L101 s6	7Apr 1888, 2y,5d	Reichley	Dau of JA&ML Richley
Winterbottom, Hannah	O.P. L101 s7	1839-1914	Reichley	
Mullen, Mary	O.P. L101 s8	1838-1913	Reichley	
(Unknown)	O.P. L150 s1	no dates	Glidden	(no marker)
(Unknown)	O.P. L150 s2	no dates	Glidden	(no marker)
Cuplin, Pascal P. (Perry)	O.P. L150 s3	1863-1935	Cuplin, Perry	
(Cuplin), Edith Atkinson	O.P. L150 s4	1872-1924	Cuplin, Perry	Wife of Pascal P. Cuplin
Cuplin, Gilbert	O.P. L150 s7	d. March 1999	Cuplin, Perry	Harris, West Bend
Cuplin, Violet M.	O.P. L150 s8	1905-(28Jan)1985	Cuplin, Perry	Mother, Eastern Star (ssNevius P.)
Cuplin, Nevius P.	O.P. L150 s9	1904-(3July)1970	Cuplin, Perry	(Buried next to baby) Father, Masonic Lodge (ssViolet M. Cuplin)
Cuplin, Mary Edith	O.P. L150 s10	buried 21Jan 1942	Cuplin, Perry	
Hyer, Luta L.	O.P. L151 s2	29Jun 1878-28Jul 1889	Hyer, C. M.	
HYER	O.P. L151 s2&3		Hyer, C. M.	MONUMENT
Hyer, Cordelia H.	O.P. L151 s3	7Nov 1835-19Jun 1889	Hyer, C. M.	
Mittelstadt, Emil	O.P. L151 s4	1878-1942	Hyer, C. M.	Father
Mittelstadt, Gertie	O.P. L151 s5	1886-(2Oct) 1958	Hyer, C. M.	Mother
Hyer, Walter H.	O.P. L151 s7	9Nov 1866-25Mar 1885	Hyer, C. M.	
Fults, Fred L. (Frederick)	O.P. L151 s8	1872-1942	Fults, Frederick, Mrs.	(ssKate E. Fults)
Fults, Kate E.	O.P. L151 s9	1874-1968	Fults, Frederick, Mrs.	American Legion Auxiliary (ssFred L. Fults)
(Goodell, Charlie S.)	O.P. L 151	no dates	Goodell, Charlie	(no marker)
Wildman, Hiram (w. side)	O.P. L200 s1	30Oct 1870, 25y,8m,4d	Wildman, Hiram	(see appendix, ssVernie Wildman, illegible poem)
Wildman, Vernie (n. side)	O.P. L200 s2	7Dec 1875, 8y,1m,24d	Wildman, Hiram	dau of Hand F. Wildman (ssHiram & Hiram Wildman, Jr.)
Wildman, Hiram, Jr. (s. side)	O.P. L200 s3	11Dec 1875, 4y10m12d	Wildman, Hiram	Son of H&F Wildman (ssVernie Wildman)
Jones, Betsey E. (Mrs. E. B. Jones, s. side)	O.P. L200 s4	11Jan 1881 61y,1m,16d	Jones, Ezra B.	(See appendix, ssEzra B. Jones)
Jones, Ezra B. (Z is backwards, n. side)	O.P. L200 s5	16Jul 1891, 79y,9m,2d	Jones, Ezra B.	(ssBetsey E. Jones, see appendix)
(Swartout, Elsie)	O.P. L200 s6	no dates	Swartout	(no marker)
Allison, Adelbert	O.P. L200 s7	no dates	Allison, Adelbert	
Row 2 Hammond St.				
Welden, Katherine	O.P. L 152A s8	1901-1991	Welden, John C.	(cremation, buried 15May 1993)
Welden, John L.	O.P. L152A s9	1909-1991	Welden, John C.	(cremation, buried 15May 1993)
Row 3				
BROOKS	O.P. L102 s1-3		Brooks, C. G.	MONUMENT
Brooks, Mary E.	O.P. L102 s3	1868-1929	Brooks, C. G.	Mother
Brooks, Charles G.	O.P. L102 s4	1868-1960	Brooks, C. G.	Father
Allison, J. Howard	O.P. L102 s5	1923-	Allison, John H., Dora M. & Howard	(NOT A BURIAL)
Allison, John H. (Henry)	O.P. L102 s6	1896-(16Mar)1996	(ditto)	(ssDora M. Allison) WWI marker
Allison, Dora M. (Mae)	O.P. L102 s7	1900-(1Mar)1996	(ditto)	(ssJohn H. Allison)
Allison, Charles N.	O.P. L102 s8	1925-1928	(ditto)	Son of John & Dora Allison
Welden, Edward	O.P. L149 s1	1801-1882	Welden, William	
Carr, Angelina	O.P. L149 s2	1800-1888	Welden, William	
Infant	O.P. L149 s3	1894	Welden, William	
WELDEN	O.P. L149 s4		Welden, William	MONUMENT
Welden, Lou O.	O.P. L149 s5	1869-1924	Welden, William	PEO marker
Welden, John L. (Levi)	O.P. L149 s6	1866-(28Mar)1937	Welden, William	
Welden, Mary Jane	O.P. L149 s7	1843-1872	Welden, William	
Welden, William	O.P. L149 s8	1845-1917	Welden, William	GAR marker (*2nd Lt Co C 43rd WI Inf)
Sanders, Minnie R. (Welden)	O.P. L149 s9	1869-1957	Sanders	PEO marker
Sanders, Edwin S.	O.P. L149 s10	1868-1969	Sanders	
(Kratzer), Margaret	O.P. L152 s1	1880-1880	Kratzer, Theodore	