

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Van Eaton, Gilbert Lafayette Senator _____
Representative Lyon and Osceola Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 14 Oct 1843 Barne County, Indiana at
Shrewton, Indiana

2. Marriage (s) date place

Elizabeth "Lizzy" Fried 10 Oct 1865

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities G.A.R., Odd Fellows, Slovans,
Mason

C. Profession Lumber dealer, real estate, farmer

4. Church membership Not a church member

5. Sessions served 31st General Assembly 1906

6. Public Offices

A. Local Mayor of Little Rock, Ark; Chairman of the township Republican
Committee

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 2 June 1936 Fullerton, California; buried Loma Vista Cemetery, Fullerton,
California

8. Children Jimmie (Mrs. A. J. Minton); Myrtle (Mrs. Daniel
Dean)

9. Names of parents James and Gertrude (Brown) Van Eaton

Van Eaton, Gilbert Lafayette

10. Education He was educated in rural schools of Boone County, Indiana

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- His mother died when he was age 3 and soon after they moved to Winnebago County, Wisconsin where he was raised on a farm and from age 14 he made his living as a farm hand.
- Military services - Civil War - Company A, 16th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry
- After the war he again farmed in Wisconsin, then spent 2 years in Minnesota and then went back to Wisconsin.
- In spring 1872 he moved to Oscoda County, Iowa where he farmed.
- In 1883 he moved to Sibley, as his children could attend school there.
- Two years later he moved to Little Rock Iowa and became a junior member of the firm of Hall and Van Eaton, dealers in grain, lumber and coal.
- He lived in Oscoda County, Iowa for more than 40 years.
- He moved to Fullerton, California in 1920.
- He was commander of the Malvern Hill GAR Post there for a number of terms.

Charge

Ruling Seen Amendment

involved in the New York case.

The decision brought the controversy over the supreme court to a new high point. Whether the fight for a constitutional amendment would be carried into the coming political campaign remained uncertain. President Roosevelt has given no direct indication he will raise the issue.

The minority opinion, written by Justice Harlan Stone, was regarded as of especial significance. Some saw in it an implied invitation for a constitutional amendment defining congressional power over industry.

Justice Stone intimated that the majority decision, written by Justice Pierce Butler, was based upon "personal economic predictions." Joining with Stone were Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, Justice Benjamin Cardozo and Justice Louis Brandeis.

Justice Stone, in his sharply-worded opinion, said: "The 14th amendment has no more embedded in the constitution our preference for some particular set of economic beliefs than it has adopted, in the name of liberty, the stem of theology which we may prefer to approve."

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VAN EATON, 92, PASSES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Present at Memorial Day Services

RITES WEDNESDAY

Death had today again thinned the ranks of the few remaining civil war veterans of Malvern Hill post, G. A. R., of Fullerton with the passing at 6:20 p. m. yesterday of Gilbert L. Van Eaton, 92, at his home, 128 E. Chapman ave.

Just a week before he had been an honored guest at a Memorial day program given by the Fullerton Kiwanis club. On that night he became ill and on Memorial day although greatly weakened he insisted on attending the services at Loma Vista cemetery, remaining in the car in which he made the trip. He gradually weakened until the end came early last

Other surviving members of Malvern Hill post, G. A. R., are Juan dela Guerra, Hollywood; William Crandall, Atwood, and Frederick Stuelke, Fullerton, tonight.

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These seven states include some of the largest and most populous of the country with huge industrial voting areas. They are Ohio, Connecticut, Illinois, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey and Rhode Island.

The decision closed the present session of the court. The justices put away their robes for a four-month vacation. The last two sessions of the court made the past 18 months perhaps the most important in the court's history.

In the period beginning Jan. 7, 1935, when the court outlawed "hot oil" legislation, the court has condemned eight major federal laws, including NRA, AAA, the railroad labor act, the bankruptcy act, Frazier-Lemke farm mortgage and the Guffey law. It is doubtful that, in any comparative space, it has laid down judicial "law" of such scope and consequence.

SAN FRANCISCO — (UP) —

California's minimum wage law for women and minors is not affected by the U. S. supreme court decision, which held the minimum wage law of New York state unconstitutional, Timothy A. Reardon, chairman of the state department of industrial relations, said today.

The California law will be enforced to the letter, Reardon said, and will continue to be enforced until such time as the supreme court declares it unconstitutional.

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Comrade Van Eaton having been a member of Broken Column lodge 331, F. and A. M. of Sibley, Iowa, and of the Knights Templar, Masonic bodies of Fullerton will assist in services to be held at 2 p. m. tomorrow at the First Baptist church at which Rev. Francis E. Hawes is to officiate, assisted by Rev. E. Dow Hoffman, Methodist pastor. Masonic rites will be conducted at the grave in Loma Vista cemetery with C. Stanley Chapman, past grand commander for Knights Templar of California, in charge.

Daughters of Veterans and the W. R. C. are also to assist in the services at the church with members of these groups to attend together. Masons and Knights Templar have been requested to meet at the Masonic temple at 1:30 p. m. to go together to the church at 2 p. m.

World war and Spanish war veterans will serve as pall-bearers. They are John B. Horner, O. R. Cole, James G. Rogers, Grover L. Walters, Hollis Knowlton and J. M. Pearson.

The remains are in care of the J. E. Seale mortuary, which is in charge of arrangements.

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High Grade School Graduate 181 Pupils

activities. Charles Gallaher, Ruth Gobar, Kenneth Goodman, Charles Griffin, Harriette M. Hamblin, Bobbie Lee Harris, Charles W. Hart Jr., Ehrhardt Hartmann, Ven Harwell, Perry Haxton, Linda R. Hernandez, Ellison Hodge, Marian Holbrook, Adeline Holguin, Josie M. Holguin, Eula Fay Holloway, Frances Holmes, Grace I. Holmes, Betty Jo Hood, Warren H. Hood, Lawrence A. Hornback, Walter S. Houseworth, Louis R. Houston, Frederick John Howard, Ruth Opal Huffer, Cecil Huffman, Violet Huls, Irene Hunter.

Billy Jarrett, Bertha Lillian Johnson, Kenneth Jones, Betty Kammerer, Charles C. Kavanagh Jr., Wanda Lee Kelly, Kathryn King, Marvin E. King, Betty E. Kinsman, Eldon Knaus, Katherine L. Knudsen, Janet Koch, Maxine K. Koch, Betty LaPorte, James Leander, Tropha D. Ledbetter, Robert Lee, Lila Lemon, James L. Liedtke, Gilbert Luna, Vincent G. Luzar, Jack William McHenry, Marie McHenry, Sammie McKinley, Margaret Marmolejo, Marion Michael, Betty Jean Miller, Betty Lou Minton, Manuel Moreno.

Ada Naylor, Jean Naylor, William Neiman, Kenneth Nelson, William Nott, Chester O'Mohundro, Marie Oxandaboure, Vera Packard, Kenneth Page, William E. Parks, Zoella Parks, Norma Petterson, Jack E. Phillips, Betty Lou Pickering, James E. Portwood, Norma B. Potter, Charles A. Potts, Fern Pumphrey, Winfield S. Rainbolt, Helen Reese, Barbara Reott, Lawrence Reott, Doris Rhyne, Harold Richardson, Lila Lee Richardson, Dorothy Rickett, LaVerne Riecke, Dale

POST EXPRESSES REGRET AT DEATH

American Legion Executive Board
Passes Resolution

As an expression of sympathy and regret for the passing of G. L. Van Eaton, civil war veteran and a past commander of Malvern Hill post of the G. A. R., a resolution by the executive committee of Fullerton post 142, American Legion, was passed at its regular meeting last night. The resolution follows:

"Whereas, Fullerton post 142, American Legion, has learned with deepest regret of the passing of G. L. Van Eaton of Malvern Hill post, Grand Army of the Republic, and

"Whereas, G. L. Van Eaton has always been called 'Comrade' by the members of Fullerton post and has always held ideals and principles which co-incided with ours, foremost preservation of the national union and the attainment of peace which shall have no end, and

"Whereas, Comrade Van Eaton has given the American Legion invaluable assistance in its work in behalf of Americanism and patriotism,

"Therefore, be it resolved that Fullerton post 142, American Legion, express its desire to join with the G. A. R. and other patriotic organizations in mourning the loss of a faithful friend and loyal comrade.

"Fullerton post 142, American Legion, J. G. Rogers, Commander."

Meeting to Be Held for Bank of America

Bank of America employes of the Orange county group including Whittier and Norwalk are to meet at 7 p. m. today at Hughes cafe in Fullerton with Dr. A. H. Giannini, chairman of the general executive board of the bank, as the speaker, it was announced by Harry E. Smith, manager of

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for five years he was marshal of Rock Rapids, and did much in the early days to impress an orderly and law abiding character upon the young and growing town. Always Republican, he cast his first vote for General Harrison, and has since trained with the party. Our subject is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, and the Yeomen.

Mr. and Mrs. Moon, and their parents as well, were always glad to contribute to church building, and have had a hand in the construction of about every church in Rock Rapids. He is personally of a striking physique, and is a fine example of genuine worth and manhood.

GILBERT L. VAN EATON.

Gilbert L. Van Eaton, the mayor of Little Rock, and the leading lumber dealer of the place, is a man who is gifted with the ability to disregard hard knocks. By virtue of his push and perseverance he has attained a position of considerable prominence in the village where he has resided for the past eighteen years. A very common everyday sort of man to meet, a man "educated in the rough school of life." "Van," as he is familiarly called, has

a wonderful faculty for formulating schemes and carrying them through with a rush that has always been a surprise to his friends.

Mr. Van Eaton was born October 14, 1843, a Hoosier, and the eighth of nine children born to James and Gulie (Brown) Van Eaton, a good old Holland name. The mother died when he was three years old, and soon after her loss the family settled in Winnebago county, Wisconsin, where he was reared to farm life, and becoming a farm hand when only fourteen years old, and from that time on he made his own living. At the second call for troops in 1861 the young man hastened to don the Union blue, and became a member of Company A. Sixteenth Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry. This regiment was sent immediately south, and attached to the Army of the Tennessee. It very soon smelt powder at Shiloh, and participated in battles at Iuka, Corinth, and the siege of Vicksburg, where his company was in summer quarters at Lake Providence. Mr. Van Eaton reenlisted before the expiration of his three years, and became part of the great body that under General Sherman swept from Atlanta to the sea. After the grand review at Washington the regiment was mustered out of service, and Mr. Van Eaton received an honorable discharge,

a token of an order of merit of which he is justly proud.

After the war Mr. Van Eaton was again engaged in farming in Wisconsin, spent some two years in Minnesota, went back to Wisconsin, and in the spring of 1872 voyaged by "prairie schooner" to Osceola county, Iowa, where he homesteaded a quarter section of land, his resources at that time being three horses, a wagon and \$45 in money, but he was young and full of energy. His wife joined him in the summer, and life was begun on the prairies.

Until 1883 Mr. Van Eaton conducted his farming with much profit, but for the sake of schooling for the children he rented his farm that year and removed to Sibley, where for two years he sold farm implements. Two years later he came to Little Rock, and became the junior member of the firm of Shell & Van Eaton, dealers in grain, lumber and coal. The business thus established is still in existence, and he has become an old and honored resident of Little Rock. Active in public affairs he is now serving his third term as mayor. In political matters he is a Republican, and claims that "he votes as straight as he shot." He is chairman of the township Republican committee, a position he has filled for many years.

In 1865 Mr. Van Eaton and Miss Elizabeth Fridd, a native of Wisconsin, were married, and to their union were born two children, Jennie, now the wife of A. Z. Minton, a hardware merchant of Little Rock; and Myrtle, the wife of Daniel Dean, railroad agent at Sheldon. It is the ambition of Mr. Van Eaton to spend the rest of his active life on the farm, and it is his intention to very soon make the change.

MRS. A. BOTHWELL.

Mrs. Bothwell is now living in the oldest house in Larchwood. This house is built on the land which her father purchased at a very early day, long before Larchwood was even a dream, and before the railroads had come. At the time this house was erected conveyance through the country was by stage route, and his house became one of the stopping places for the stages to change horses, and where the hungry passengers could feed and rest. He would plant trees every spring on these vast prairies, and many of them have withstood alike the storms of winter and the heats of summer, one especially, a box elder, is noticeable as having attained a circumference of over eight feet, and being still green and

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the regular routine of farm work. On June 17, 1897, he celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the existence of his paper and his connection therewith, and the exercises, novel indeed, consisted of a literary program and a public meeting in his opera house where fully 1,500 people were present. Following this he issued a 20,000 souvenir edition, beautifully printed, with over 200 illustrations, and one of the best editions of the kind ever issued in this or any other state. Mr. Williams has always been a republican and has represented his county twelve times in the state conventions and assisted in the nomination of Governors Larrabee, Sherman, Gear and Jackson.

Mr. Williams was married in March, 1878, at Ida Grove, to Miss Sarah H. Rankin, an estimable lady who still presides over their beautiful home, but as yet no children have added to their joys. The mother of the subject of this sketch is Mrs. M. T. Spees, of Marion, Kan., who is an active and hearty old lady, having just passed the three score and ten mile post.

VANEATON, G. L. Of the men who have made a success in mercantile pursuits without the advantages bestowed by



a college education, none are more conspicuous than G. L. VanEaton, of Little

Rock. His father was a Hollander and his mother a Quaker, and from that strong combination he inherited the qualities which have won for him such signal success in the avenues of trade. Born in Boone county, Ind., he attended the inferior schools of those pioneer days, and enlisted in the civil war before he was 18 years of age, so that his educational advantages were very limited indeed. During his early life he never suffered himself to remain idle, although for a considerable time he was obliged to work for the mere pittance of \$6 per month. When the war for the preservation of the union was necessary, he was among the first to offer his services in defense of the stars and stripes, and was accepted September 1, 1861, at Berlin, Wis. He participated in the battles of Shiloh, Corinth, Iuka, the second fight at Corinth, and was on the march with Grant to Vicksburg. The term of his first enlistment having expired, he re-enlisted at Vicksburg in the fall of 1863, and immediately thereafter secured a furlough for thirty days. Following a brief visit at his home, he went to Cairo, and thence up the Ohio and Tennessee rivers to Clifton, where he joined the forces of General Blair and marched to Big Shanty. He was then transferred to the Seventeenth corps, in which he served until mustered out of the service July 12, 1865. In 1872 Mr. VanEaton came to Iowa and took up a homestead in Osceola county, and the land has never passed out of his ownership. Aside from the time spent in military service, his whole life, up to 1885, was spent upon the farm. During that year he purchased a one-half interest in the lumber, wood, coal and grain business of Mr. L. Shell, at Little Rock, and the partnership then formed continues to the present time with profit and satisfaction to both parties.

In politics Mr. VanEaton is a republican, and although he has held positions off and on for many years, they have, in every case, been without remuneration. In township, county and state conventions, he has been a familiar figure in the past, and is considered a "wheel horse" for his party. He is a member of the G. A. R., is junior past commander of L. B. Ireland Post, of Sibley, Iowa. He is a past grand officer in the Odd Fellows, also, and was a representative to the grand lodge at its meetings in Burlington and Marshalltown. October 10, 1865, he was united in marriage to Miss Lizzy Fridd. They have two children, Jennie and Mertie VanEaton. In religion

he is liberal in his views, and is not a member of any church.

RAWSON, CHARLES ELBERT. The name of C. E. Rawson is a familiar one in every quarter of the middle west, where life insurance is in demand. He stands pre-eminent as an organizer and promoter, and for complete knowledge of every detail of that most important business, he has no superior if, indeed, an equal in the state. With no professional training to start with, nor capital other than was earned with his own hands, and almost alone through his keen sagacity, profound wisdom and remarkable energy, he has placed himself at the head of a great and prosperous insurance company—the Des Moines Life association, of which it may be said it is entirely a creation of his own brain, a result of his individual effort, aided by his accomplished wife. The success that has been achieved by Mr. Rawson is frequently accredited to the heroes of fiction, but infrequently observed in real life. And it is not alone in a business way that his career must be highly pleasing to him, for socially he and his family are among those held in popular esteem in the capital city of Iowa. Their home, "The Oaks," on Arlington avenue, with its modern conveniences, fine old trees and spacious grounds, is one of the handsomest in the city. But it is not alone the beauty of architecture and drives and lawns that are pleasing to the eye of Des Moines people—it is the genial hospitality which is so lavishly dispensed within. No person has ever been beneath that roof but will gladly testify to this, and few there are of Des Moines' best people who have not been accorded that pleasure.

Mr. Rawson was born at Batavia, Kane county, Ill., March 5, 1849. His father, Harvey M. Rawson, was a farmer in fair circumstances, who settled in Clinton county, this state, in 1852. He is a direct descendant of Edward Rawson secretary of the Massachusetts colony, who came from England in 1836, and established the first family of the name on American soil. The mother, whose maiden name was Mary A. Daniels, was a native of New York, but removed to Michigan in an early day.

Mr. Rawson's early education was acquired through a course of private instruction at the old home near Maquoketa, Iowa, and later in the district schools of that county. It was in that early day he earned

his first dollar, building fires in the country schoolhouse. His youthful days were spent amidst the pleasures and labors of the farm, and not until 1873 did he start upon the work in which he has attained such signal success. It was in that year he entered the service of the State Insurance company of Des Moines as a farm solicitor. Later he was given a recording agency and still later a special agency. His success was phenomenal and his progress in the way of knowledge of the business rapid. In 1889 he was made general manager of the Des Moines Life association, and at once reorganized it on what is now known as the "Rawson System." Of this asso-



ciation little need be here said. It is one of the foremost organizations of its kind in the land, and has extended its business into every hamlet and township of the great middle states. In 1896 he was elected president of the National Insurance Convention of Mutual Life and Underwriters.

Politically he is a staunch republican, and is one of the influential members of the widely-known Grant club of Des Moines. He is a member of the Congregational church.

Mr. Rawson is an active influence in the upbuilding of Des Moines, always ready to put his shoulder to the wheel in all worthy public enterprises.

Department of Iowa
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Van Eaton, G Lafayette War Civil

Residence Sibley, Iowa Battles, etc.

Occupation Farmer Nearest relatives

Date birth Place Ind. Father Nativity

Date death Cause Place burial Mother Nativity

War record Pvt. A 16 Wis. Inf. Children

Rank Company Regiment State Organization

Res. Berlin

Enlisted 4 Oct 1861 Date Place

Vet.; Must. Out 12 J1 1865

Application to join Post #118: Born Ind. Res Sibley, Ia. Farmer; Enl Oct 4 1861; Re-enl F 9 1864; Disch J1 2 1865 Discharged at Louisville, Ky

Source Roster Wis. Vols.: Van Eaton, Lafayette - Co. A 16 Wis. Inf. // Ex-Soldiers. Living Iowa 1886: Van Eaton, G. L. - Co. A Sibley.

Department of Iowa
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Van Eaton, G

Offices of honor in G. A. R.

Lafayette Record Membership and Dues Paid

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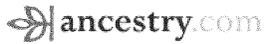
Name:	Lafayette Vaneaton
Residence:	Berlin, Wisconsin
Enlistment Date:	4 Oct 1861
Side Served:	Union
State Served:	Wisconsin
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1880 United States Federal Census

Name: **Gilbert Van Eaton**

Home in 1880: **Goewey, Osceola, Iowa**

Age: **36**

Estimated Birth Year: **abt 1844**

Birthplace: **Indiana**

Relation to Head of Household: **Self (Head)**

Spouse's Name: **Lizzie E.**

Father's birthplace: **Ohio**

Mother's birthplace: **Indiana**

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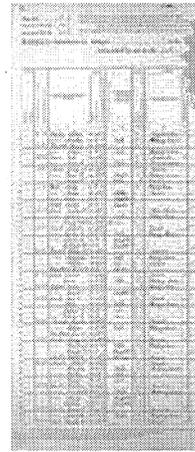
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Race: **White**

Gender: **Male**

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	Gilbert Van Eaton	36
	Lizzie E. Van Eaton	32



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Birthplace:	Indiana	View ori image
Relation to Head of House:	Head	View bla
Father's Birth Place:	Ohio	
Mother's Birth Place:	Indiana	
Spouse's Name:	Elizabeth	
Home in 1910:	Little Rock, Lyon, Iowa	
Marital Status:	Married	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Gilbert Van Eaton	66
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Name:	Gilbert Van Eston	
Home in 1930:	Fullerton, Orange, California	
Age:	86	
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1844	
Birthplace:	Indiana	
Relation to Head of House:	Head	
Spouse's Name:	Elizabeth	
Race:	White	
Household Members:	Name	Age
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Male

Other Information:

Birth Year	<1844>
Birthplace	IN
Age	36
Occupation	Farmer
Marital Status	M <Married>
Race	W <White>
Head of Household	Gilbert VAN EATON
Relation	Self
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Mother's Birthplace	IN

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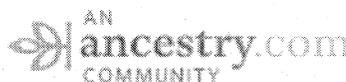
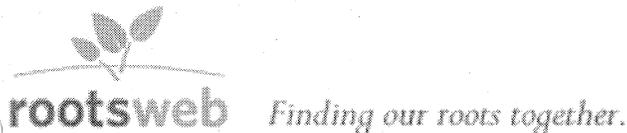
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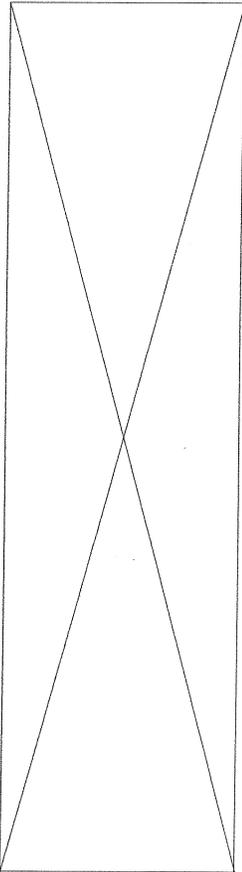
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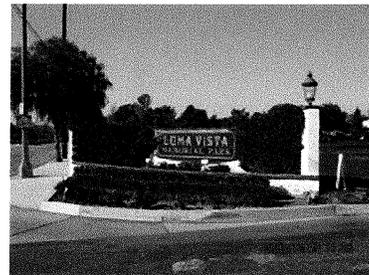
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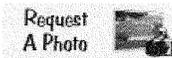
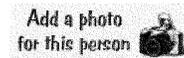


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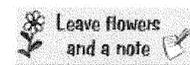


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