

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Eckles, Charles Senator Eckles,  
Charles — Represented Marshall County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 2 Sept. 1840 Eastholm, Yorkshire, England

2. Marriage (s) date place

Elvira Amanda Powers 12 Jan 1868 Prairieville, Illinois

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Director of the First National Bank of Marshalltown,

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Farmer; breeder of Shorthorn cattle

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly 1868, 1890 — House of Representatives

6. Public Offices 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, 32<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly 1904, 1906, 1907 — Senate

A. Local

B. State

C. National

7. Death 9 Feb 1932 Taylor Township, Marshall County, Iowa; buried Prairieville

8. Children Walter, Clarence, Herbert; Mrs. Orrin C. Soules

9. Names of parents Marmaduke and Hannah (Leavitt) Eckles

10. Education Attended school at Beechfork village until age 9;  
later attended school at Prairieville, Illinois near  
Geeding, Illinois.

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information Republican

- At age 9 the family came to America settling on a farm in Lee  
County, Illinois 5 miles west of Dixon, Illinois
- The father died and so at age 15 he was caring for the farm  
and his family
- Military service - Civil War - Co. D: 34<sup>th</sup> Illinois Infantry
- After the war in 1866 he and his brother and family came to  
Marshall County, Iowa looking for farms. They bought  
a small tract of land of timber land near Quarry where  
they lived over two years
- He then bought land in Taylor Township for \$10.00 an acre.  
He built a house in 1867. Later he bought 360 acres.
- His wife died 24 Oct 1926



# TAPS SOUND FOR CHARLES ECKLES

CAREER OF SOLDIER, LEGISLATOR AND FARMER IS ENDED.

SERVED EIGHT YEARS  
IN IOWA ASSEMBLY

Represented Marshall County  
First in Lower House and  
Then in Senate—Had Notable  
Army Record, Rising to Rank  
of Captain.

Charles Eckles, 91, soldier, legislator and for many years one of Marshall county's best-known farmers, passed away at 5 o'clock this morning at the home of his son, Herbert Eckles, in Taylor township, death being due to ailments of his advanced years.

Mr. Eckles had been in failing health for six years but had been able to be up and about every day until Thursday. Until his health began to fail, Mr. Eckles had been very active in business and political affairs and rounded out a long and useful life in which much of his time had been given to military and public service.

Mr. Eckles was a native of England, having been born at Eastholm, Yorkshire, Sept. 2, 1846, the fifth child of Marmaduke and Hannah Leavitt Eckles. He attended school at Buskirk village until he was 9 years of age, when the family came to America to settle on a farm in Lee county, Illinois, five miles west of Dixon. After the death of his father young Eckles worked on farms, receiving \$9 a month when 15 years of age for a woman's labor, his earnings going to help support his mother and younger children of the family. He went to school for a few winters at Prairieville, Ill., near Sterling.

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## Old Resident of County Summoned



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his company, re-enlisting as a private in the same company and regiment at Chattanooga, Tenn. Shortly after he was commissioned second lieutenant of his company and later was made captain.

### On March to Sea.

He commanded his company during the last eight months of its service and was in charge when the organization was with General Sherman's army on its famous march from Atlanta to the sea. The last engagement in which he participated was at Bentonville, N. C., March 19, 1865, when he was within thirty feet of fourteen of his men who fell about him either killed or wounded. Captain Eckles did not escape without a wound of battle, however, as he was hit in the head by a piece of shell at Resaca, Ga. The late John B. Classen and Alva Stewart, both neighbors of Mr. Eckles in later years, were members of his company. Captain Eckles was discharged from the service July 20, 1865, in Chicago.

### Locates in Marshall County.

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# MATHIS TO FACE CONTEMPT ACTION

ARRESTED WITH GLENN DYRLAND ON CHARGE OF TRANSPORTATION

ALCOHOL TINS BROKE WHEN COPS ARE SEEN

Both Booked on Charges of Illegal Transportation and G. Dyrland to Plead—Prior Injunction Also Is Against "Fox" Porter.

Dorice Mathis and Glenn Dyrland, arrested by police early morning when a small quantity of liquor was found in their possession, were given until Monday morning to plead in municipal court to charges of illegal transportation of intoxicating liquor and Mathis in addition is to face charge of contempt of court for alleged violation of a liquor injunction.

Mathis and Dyrland were arrested at 1:15 this morning by police at Eighth avenue and Madison street. They were said to have had two gallon cans of alcohol in their car, but they refused to split open both of them with a hand ax before the officers could stop them and most of the contents of the tins were emptied on the ground. The officers saved a little of the alleged alcohol as well as taking a half pint of it from Mathis.

### Mathis Convicted Before.

Mathis has been convicted of liquor charge previous to this and was under an injunction restricting him from trafficking in liquor in any manner. County Attorney Joe B. Tye filed a charge of contempt against him for violation of this injunction and the hearing on it is set for Monday afternoon. His bonds were set at \$600 on transportation charge and \$100 on the contempt charge. Dyrland is being held in default of \$500 bond on the transportation charge against him.

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Mr. Eckles purchased land in Taylor township, the present Eckles homestead, for \$10 an acre. It was then unbroken prairie and the only crop of importance in the early years was wheat. A house was built about 1867.

Mr. Eckles was married Jan. 12, 1868, to Elvira Amanda Powers, at Prairieville, Ill. They moved at once to the farm in Taylor township. Later Mr. Eckles purchased more land to possess a farm of 360 acres.

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Mr. Eckles devoted much time during his long career as a farmer to the raising of fine stock, especially the breeding of Short-horn cattle. For years he was a director in the First National Bank of this city. He was a member of Frank M. Thomas post, G. A. R., of Marshalltown.

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## FIFTY-FOUR FARM WOMEN ATTEND SOAP SCHOOLS

### Expected to Hold Follow-Up Meetings This Summer.

Fifty-four farm women of the county were reached in four soap making schools held this week in various parts of the county, Miss Gertrude Cookinham, county home demonstration agent, announce today. The final school was held Friday and the women who attended the schools are to hold follow-up meetings during the summer and report to Miss Cookinham.

Making of soap in the home is one of the economy measures being urged by the farm bureau. The women who attended the school received instructions in soap making from Miss Martha A. Rath, of the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company.

## Ray Laures Dies of Accident Injuries

Ray Laures, of Montour, died at 6:45 Friday evening at the Deaconess hospital of injuries suffered Thursday afternoon when he was crushed between a barn door and truck at Montour. He suffered a crushed chest and punctured lungs in the accident and from the first was not given chance to recover. He was 26 years old and a native of Hampton where four of his brothers live. He also is survived by two sisters, both living in Waterloo.

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**A**n unusual, exciting, interesting, and interesting story in which the author has taken a modern invention as the "hub" of his narrative and done a brilliant bit of story telling. From the opening, when Owen Landis, designer of the "Black Box of Silence," dreamer and enthusiast, confides his secret and his fears as to what ignoble usage his invention may be put, to his chum, Walter Markham, until the cleverly worked out and altogether satisfactory ending, even the most exacting reader will be fed to a pleasurable excess on action, climaxes and entertaining dialogue. With it all there is an appealing love story. This story of exceptional

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Funeral services will be held from the Pursel funeral home at 3:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, in charge of Rev. E. Milton Grant, pastor of the Congregational church. The body will be taken Tuesday to Sterling, Ill., and burial will be in the Prairieville cemetery, beside Mrs. Eckles.

## Youth Is Sought on False Check Charge

Another bad check case was reported to police today by the Motor Inn garage, where a youth

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Police today were asked to look for a girl 15 to 16 years old, wearing a blue dress and attempting to sell a magazine which she carried wrapped in a newspaper. She said to have taken a woman's handbag containing a \$5 bill, \$1 bill and receipts from the doctor's office of Dr. R. L. Good morning.

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