

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Crummer, John Austin Senator _____

Represented Pocahontas County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25 Aug 1848 J. Davis County, Missouri

2. Marriage (s) date place

① Mary C. Pulley 1869

② Kate Henderson Nelson 1907

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 33rd General Assembly 1909

6. Public Offices

A. Local Shiff of Pocahontas County in 1890-1898; Pocahontas County

part of Mississippi membership for several years; held township and school

district positions; Justice of the Peace; Sheriff of District Court 28 years

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 13 May 1932 Great Township, Pocahontas County, Iowa buried Great Township Cemetery,

8. Children Ray; Lorenzo; W. J.; Charles C.; Ada (Mrs. Taylor); Pocahontas

Clara C. (Mrs. Johnson); four additional children predeceased their father in death County,

Iowa

9. Names of parents Rev. John Crummer

10. Education Attended a county school near his home in Mt. Carroll
Illinois; he later attended an academy in a
nearby town.

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- When he was age 1 year his father went to California in 1849
during the gold rush. He returned 2 years later and
purchased a farm near Mt. Carroll, Illinois where the
family located.
- John grew to manhood on this farm
- In 1871 he and his wife and family moved to Iowa settling in
Allyds County.
- In 1873 the family returned to Illinois and a few years later moved
to Kansas.
- In 1881 he purchased a farm in Grant Township of Pocahontas County
and moved his family to this farm.
- His first wife, Mary C., died in 1905.
- His second wife, Lela, died in 1928.
- After he married his second wife they established their home in
Pocahontas. Two years later they moved back to the farm.
- In 1912 they returned to Pocahontas where he lived after his wife's death
until 1935

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Here is Francis Johnson, state
Farm Bureau president who will be
the main speaker on the Achiev-
ement day program next Wednes-
day. This will be Mr. Johnson's
first appearance on a program in
Pocahontas county.

J. A. Crummer Dies at Home of His Son Friday

Prominent Early Settler Laid To Rest Sunday In Grant Cemetery

John A. Crummer, one of Pocahontas county's most prominent pioneers, died Friday, May 13 at the home of his son, Ray, with whom he had been making his home for several months. Death was due to the infirmities of old age. Mr. Crummer had been confined to his bed for the past four months.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home and 2:30 at the Methodist church here. Rev. D. M. Simpson conducted the services and preached the sermon. The vested choir of the church sang several hymns under the direction of Mrs. J. R. Grant with Mrs. I. H. Brokaw accompanist. Interment was in Grant township cemetery. The pallbearers were I. H. Brokaw, Chas. Battershell, Geo. Weigman, Ben Olson, A. L. Jones and F. E. Mefferd.

John A. Crummer was born in Jo Davis County, Ill., Aug. 25, 1848. Thus he was nearly 90 years old. His father, the Rev. John Crummer was one of the "saddle-bag" preachers of pioneer days in

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Breaks Leg in Fall

Miss Norma Johnson, student at Hamilton Business college at Mason City returned home Saturday. Miss Norma had the misfortune of

candidates their names must be written on the ballots:

For County Auditor—Roy A. Johnson, (R), Pocahontas; F. O. Christoffers, (R), Palmer.

For County Treasurer—J. F. Carlson, (R), Pocahontas.

For Clerk of Courts—Katherine Boozell, (R), Pocahontas; J. H. Brinkman, (R), Rolfe; Mark E. Doyle, Fonda, (D).

For County Recorder—Verge Peterson White, (D), Pocahontas; Kathryn Parker, (R), Pocahontas.

For County Sheriff—Hubert Kapsch, (D), Pocahontas; R. F. Dubois, (R), Plover.

For County Attorney—A. C. Carmichael, (R), Pocahontas; Geo. A. Shors, (R), Rolfe.

For Supervisor (term beginning Jan. 1, 1939)—E. A. Rude, (R), Pocahontas; Frank O. Schroeder, (R), Pocahontas; R. L. Hudek, (D), Pocahontas.

For Supervisor (term beginning Jan. 1, 1940)—O. F. Young, (R), Laurens; J. G. Hinn, (D), Laurens.
For Representative—Jens Thomp-

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Editor and Wife Return From Trip To West Coast

Travelled Through Eleven States Visiting Many Inter- esting Points on the Way

The editor and wife returned Wednesday evening of last week after a four-week auto trip through the west, going to Los Angeles, California over the southern route and returning over the northern route via San Francisco, Salt Lake City and Cheyenne. We were accompanied by our father, Peter Elbert of

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Notice To Public

Business places of Pocahontas will be closed on Monday, May 30 for the observance of

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crossing. The bid for grading
and the paving bid was

Johnson of Humboldt
was successful bidder for the
year's work. This firm
will do the work on their part
of the project this week.

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McLaughlin In Goal Game Sat.

Pocahontas county high
school stars of last year
will take part in the third
annual practice football
game at the State University of
Iowa. Ambrose "Ted"
McLaughlin of Dr. and Mrs. A.
McLaughlin of Pocahontas, who
was the star of last year, was on
the line-up of the "black"
team, nearly the entire
backfield position.

and of Rolfe high
school and basketball fame,
will play a considerable portion
of a tackle position for
the team. Carl Conrad of
Rolfe played at tackle for

and annual tea which was held
May 15. Hundreds of women at-
tended from Michigan, Illinois,
Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota.

Corn Planting Delayed By Rains

Rains during the week were
keeping Pocahontas county farm-
ers from their corn planting opera-
tions. Persistent spring rains have
delayed the planting season almost
two weeks. Many farmers in the
county were able to finish planting
before the rains set in this week,
but those having larger farms have
nearly half of their acreage to
plant.

● Crummer—

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Illinois. When John was a year old
his father went to California in
1849 during the gold-rush. He re-
turned two years later and pur-
chased a farm near Mt. Carroll,
Ill., where the family located. John
grew to manhood here, receiving
his early education in a country
school and later attending an acade-
my in a nearby town.

In 1869 he united in marriage
with Mary C. Pulley. Eight children
were born to this union. In 1871
the family moved to Iowa, locating
in Floyd county. In 1873 the family
returned to Illinois and a few years
later moved to Kansas. In 1881 Mr.
Crummer purchased the farm now
occupied by Ray Crummer in Grant
township, moving his family here
the same year. The farm home is
one of the landmarks of the county
and is located near what is widely
known as the Crummer Corner on
No. 17. Mrs. Crummer died in 1905.

In 1907 Mr. Crummer married
Kate Henderson Melson of Rolfe
who died in 1928. After their mar-
riage they established their home
in Pocahontas. Two years later they
moved back to the farm. In 1912
they purchased the old Moody resi-

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dence in this city where they lived until Mrs. Crummer's death, and where Mr. Crummer lived until 1935 when he sold the property to J. H. McMichael. Since that time he has made his home with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Harris and during the past year with the Ray Crummer family on the old Crummer farm.

Mr. Crummer was widely known throughout this section of the state and was respected by all who knew him. He was always interested in community, county and state affairs and was a natural leader. He was an enthusiastic worker in the Methodist church and a faithful worker in the Sunday school and other church activities. He helped toward the little Methodist church near his home and was one of its staunch supporters.

Mr. Crummer was active in politics and served in various township and county offices. He was elected Sheriff of Pocahontas county in 1890 and served in that capacity until 1898. He was state representative from this county from 1908 to 1910 and served in the 33rd General Assembly. He was a member of the county board of supervisors for several years, besides serving in various offices of his township and school district. He served the county as baliff of the district court for nearly 20 years and was Justice of Peace in Pocahontas for many years, which office he continued to hold in his 89th year.

Mr. Crummer loved the farm and was recognized as a leader in agriculture for many years. His farm was noted for its fine herds of purebred cattle.

Mr. Crummer is survived by four sons, Ray of Grant township, Gorenzo, Gowrie, W. F., Plainfield, Wis., Charles C., Brawley, Cal., two daughters, Mrs. Ada Saylor, Pocahontas, Mrs. Clara C. Johnson, Colfax, township. He is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. Marten and Mrs. Mamie Holderman of Mt. Carroll, Ill., Mrs. Hattie Blake of San Diego, Cal., 18 grandchildren, two stepsons, Randall Melson, Humboldt, S. J. Melson, Des Moines and a stepdaughter, Mrs. W. W. Harris

In Appreciation

I have known Hon. Jno Crummer for a quarter of a century, and have been his pastor for eight years.

We meet today to pay tribute to, and express our sincere regard for one who lived long and well among us.

Jno. A. Crummer, the mere mention of his name suggests many of his acts and attitudes. And among them all, I doubt if any one can name an act that did not square with justice, or an attitude that did not reveal his determination to view calmly and equitably adjustments to be made among his fellow men.

He was my friend, yet never once did he express his friendship's regard by a favor he would not bestow upon another under like conditions.

Mr. Crummer was fearless but gentle. He was superior in the administration of reproof for violators of the law. He made an asset of man's inherent appreciation of and submission to fairness and kindness. His fairness was the resultant of his appreciation of credit due, and just reproof when needed.

During his eight years as sheriff of Pocahontas county he brought men to reproof, not by intimidation but through consideration, fairness and a personal interest in the wrong doer.

Good bye good friend! We shall miss your physical presence, but the sense of service you brought us shall remain with us always.

—D. M. Simpson

Fresh Dressed Bullheads

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Of Our Baby Beef

We Still Have a Few Lockers
To Rent

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Husband

[John Austin Crummer](#)[Pedigree](#)

Birth: 25 AUG 1848 Caldwell, Racine, Wisconsin
Christening:
Marriage: 10 MAY 1869 Pocahontas, Pocahontas, Iowa
Death:
Burial:

Wife

[Mary Catherine Pully](#)[Pedigree](#)

Birth: About 1852 Pocahontas, Pocahontas, Iowa
Christening:
Marriage: 10 MAY 1869 Pocahontas, Pocahontas, Iowa
Death:
Burial:

Children

None



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