

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Peterson,
Charles Stewart - Represented Hamilton, Hardin and Wright Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3 Sept 1856 Jefferson County, New York

2. Marriage (s) date place
Mary "Mellie" Lowe 7 Dec 1878 Vinton, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:
A. Business He entered the practice of law at Clarion, Wright County, Iowa
in fall 1878

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Attorney; teacher

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 32nd, 33rd General Assemblies 1907, 1909

6. Public Offices

A. Local Wright County Superintendent of Schools 1879 for one term, elected Wright
County attorney in 1890; Wright County assessor

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 27 July 1946 Postville, Iowa; buried Evergreen Cemetery, Clarion, Iowa

8. Children Alonzo Lowe; Ellen Florence (Mrs. Lenny Sherer); Vera Ruth (Mrs.
H. S. Neelitz); No one preceded his father in death; twins (died in infancy)

9. Names of parents Alonzo Mathias and Jane (Hunter) Peterson

10. Education He was educated in common schools in the locations in which he lived and high schools at Alder Iowa; he also attended Mellains Academy in Iowa City

11. Degrees He attended the State University of Iowa, Iowa City Iowa, graduating from law school in 1878

12. Other applicable information Republican

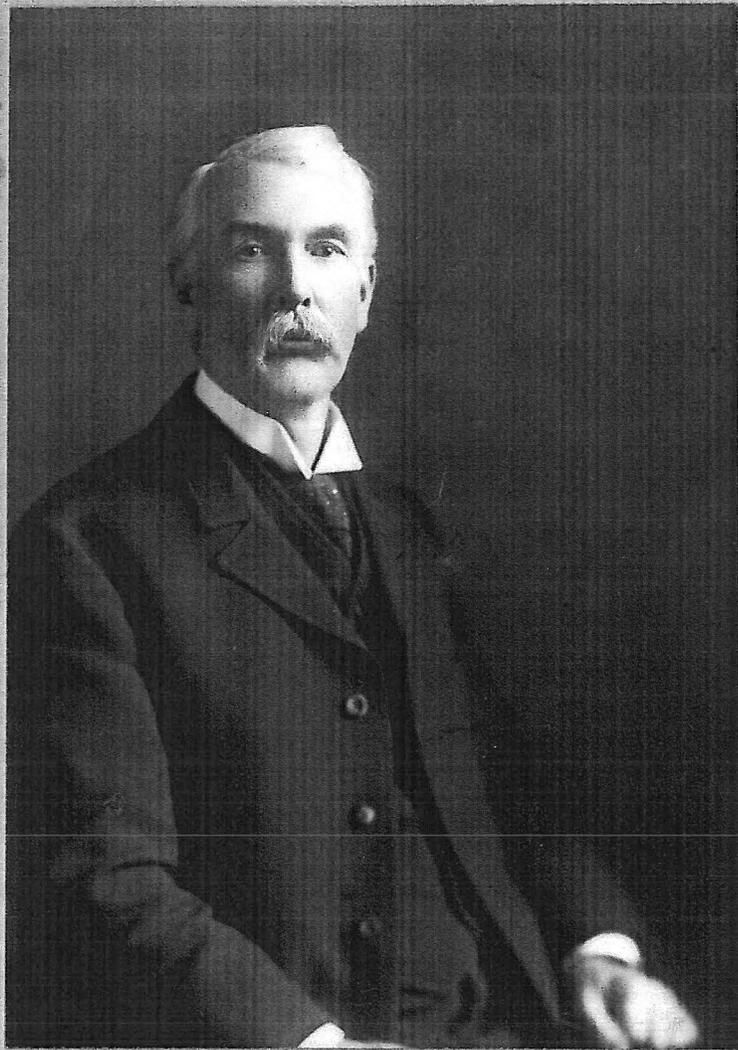
- He moved from Jefferson County, New York, to Wright County, Iowa in 1869 with his parents who settled there on a farm
- He helped his family with the chores and as he got older he taught school
- After law school he moved to Clarion, Iowa and formed a partnership with N. J. Hobbs until 1879 when he became Wright County Superintendent of Schools after having himself taught in 1873-1874
- He then returned to practicing law and at the same time he held the position of Wright County surveyor for 4 years. He became Wright County attorney in the 1890's.
- In July 1894, he formed a partnership with Mrs. H. T. C. Humphrey

Peterson, Charles Stewart

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- Portrait			The original photo is located in the archives at the State of Iowa Historical Library, 600 E. Locust, Des Moines, Iowa
- Iowa Official Register			1909-1910, p. 649
- History of Straight County, Iowa			1915, p. 1003 - 1007
- Obituary			The Straight County Monitor, Clearing, Iowa Thurs. Aug. 1, 1946, p. 12, col 2, 3
- Obituary			The Postville Herald, Postville, Iowa Wed. July 31, 1946, p. 1, col 5
-			ancestry.com (accessed 3 June 2011)
- Outline of Personal History			for the Historical Department of Iowa (original is located in the library clipping file #2)
- Article			Senator Peterson's Record
- Obituary of his wife			Postville Herald, Postville, Iowa early Nov 1946
- The Bench and Bar of Iowa			1901, p. 207-209
- The Courts and Legal Professions of Iowa			1907, Vol II, p. 1120-1121



*Yours truly
Charles F Peterson*

can't believe that he loved me enough to give her to me outright, when the rest of his horses went for such fancy prices."

Anderson grinned affectionately at his boss and remarked with an air of profound wisdom, "Horsemen do crazy things, Mr. Ivers. Maybe he just couldn't stand the thought of selling her. Old Dorney was mighty fond of her. He never allowed anyone else to ride or groom her. The fellow at the farm told me she was a beautiful jumper too when Dorney rode her—though once he tried her out when the boss was gone, but she wouldn't take a fence and was mighty hard to handle."

"Well, I have to go into town. I'll come back later tonight and see how she's getting along. Anderson. Better get your car and trailer out of the way; quite a few of the horses are being brought in for the show. And remember, tell no one how I got Namila. There's nothing like a good secret!"

The new owner thrust out a hand and patted the mare's neck. Namila flinched slightly, then turned and rubbed her velvet nose against his arm in an unexpected gesture of friendliness.

Toward ten o'clock Ivers drove out to the fair grounds. As he approached, a fire siren screamed and he pulled aside to let the big red car tear past. Now thick smoke was visible in the vicinity of the stables.

He hurriedly parked his car and ran with all possible speed toward the section where Namila would be located. Someone had opened the individual box stall doors to permit the horses to escape. The animals were coming out only to plunge back in terror at the sight of flames spreading in all directions. Ivers made his way through the smoke and found Namila standing outside of her stall, nervously turning her head from side to side.

Where was he to find a rope or halter? Quickly he tore off his belt and was about to slip it around her neck when a dozen fear-crazed horses raced by, separating them.

Handicapped by the dust and darkness, Ivers lost sight of the mare. Then a flame shot up, and he caught a glimpse of her for just a moment, humped and frightened, making no attempt to go anywhere, but buffeted about by the terrified

Ellsworth and Scott M. Ellsworth; R. N. Ellsworth and Scott M. Ellsworth, and Best Freight Forwarding Corp., Eagle Grove, defendants, and each of them, in the sum of \$7,860.22 with interest at 5 per cent per annum from this date and the costs of this action. The suit further asks for a writ of attachment against the goods, chattels, rights and credits, lands and tenements of the defendant.

Neubecker Rites Here On Monday

Funeral services were held at Waterloo Monday at 10:30 a. m. for Charles A. Neubecker, 63, who died at a Clinton hotel Friday following a heart attack. Graveside services were held at 3 o'clock at the Clarion Evergreen cemetery. The Knight Templars were in charge of the Masonic service. The Eyler Funeral home was in charge of arrangements here.

Born at Duplaneville, Wis., Charles Neubecker was a former resident of Waukesha, Wis. and Clarion. He had been a representative and salesman for the Milwaukee Western Fuel company in northeast Iowa for 35 years.

He was a Mason, Knights Templar, a member of the Eastern Star, Waterloo Knife and Fork club, and a deacon in the First Congregational church at Waterloo. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and two grandchildren.

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Friends who served as bearers were John Ley Herndon, Will F. L. Boggs, E. E. Abele. Burial was in Clarion Evergreen cemetery.

Carl R. Graves, and Mary C. Graves, May 2, 1888, at Beaman, Iowa. With his family he lived in November 1888. In childhood he joined the United Presbyterian church.

Mr. Graves assumed the Chicago Great Western road company as a road agent in 1909. In 1923 he was elected to the position of railroad agent for rail

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Des Moines Firm Brings Suit In District Court Here

Wilmer Rumsey, doing business as Wilmer Rumsey agency, 304 Liberty building, Des Moines, plaintiff, demands judgment against Ellsworth Sales Co., a partnership consisting of R. N. Ellsworth and Scott M. Ellsworth; R. N. Ellsworth and Scott M. Ellsworth, and Best Freight Forwarding Corp., Eagle Grove, defendants, and each of them, in the sum of \$7,860.22 with interest at 5 per cent per annum from this date and the costs of this action. The suit further asks for a writ of attachment against the goods, chattels, rights and credits, lands and tenements of the defendant.

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Earl Edward Deyo, former trainmaster at Clarion, died Sunday, July 21, at Mercy hospital at Oelwein following an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were held at 2:30 in the Presbyterian church at Oelwein with Dr. L. W. Hauter officiating.

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In addition to his wife, Mellie, who survives him and his three living children, he is survived by thirteen grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. He is also survived by Fred H. Peterson, a brother, of Dows.

Carl Graves Rites At Clarion Thursday

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at the Eyler funeral home for Carl R. Graves, 58, who died Tuesday morning at his home following a heart attack. The Rev. L. H. Preul, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiated.

Friends who served as pallbearers were John C. Stout, Stanley Herndon, Willard D. Sharp, F. L. Boggs, E. Ellers and O. T. Abel. Burial was in Clarion Evergreen cemetery.

Carl R. Graves, son of Horace and Mary C. Graves, was born May 2, 1888, at Beaver City, Neb. With his family he moved to Clarion in November 1894 and in early childhood he joined the Clarion United Presbyterian church.

Mr. Graves assumed duties with the Chicago Great Western railroad company as a fireman in 1909. In 1923 he passed the ex-

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Rites Here For James

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a. m. Monday at the Catholic church in Postville, Iowa, for James J. Bennett, 60, who died at Clarion Sunday at Mercy City following a heart attack. Logan officiated.

Mr. Bennett was born in 1886 on a farm near Postville. He was the son of James and Mary Bennett. He was engaged in farming until 1934 when he accepted a position with the Wilson Produce Co. at Postville.

Mr. Bennett was survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary D. Bennett, two brothers, James and John Bennett, of Postville, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary D. Bennett, of Postville, whom he made his home.

The Anderson Funeral home was in charge of the burial which took place in the Evergreen cemetery.

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the others not now paved will want to
petition for improvement if the Coun-
cil finds that the price is satisfactory
and a contract is let for the Stone-
man project.

Harvey Jarms Farm Home Has Fire Monday Morning

Explosion of an oil stove in the base-
ment of the Mr. and Mrs. Harvey
Jarms farm home near Postville Junc-
tion Monday morning necessitated the
calling of the Castalia fire department
to bring the fire under control. Charred
timbers was the only reported damage.

Neighbors answered the call for help
and removed most of the furniture and
the firemen soon extinguished the fire
after their arrival.

Called to Truck Fire.

The local fire department was called
to the Raymond Samek home Monday
morning where fire from a leaking gas
line had set fire to his truck. He had
the blaze pretty well under control
when the department arrived.

Five Beef Cows Sell For \$214 Each at Public Sale

Eaton Waters stopped us on the
street Saturday and informed us the
\$180 per cow a local man got on the
market last week and so reported in
last week's Herald, was just small
change compared to five head of cows
Mr. Waters sold for Carl Link at an
auction last week.

Mr. Waters auctioned some live
stock at the Letchford Sales Barn at
Waukon the other day and Mr. Link's
five cows sold for an average of
\$214.02 each. They weighed an aver-
age of 1334 pounds; the bid price was
\$16.05 per cwt., so the owner got \$1,-
070.10 for them.

Extend Time to Join Farm Fire Fighters

Because of the busy season on farms,
the time limit for memberships in the
proposed farm fire truck project is ex-

stables since early this spring to be
trained by expert horsemen prepara-
tory to entering the northeastern Iowa
show circuit which gets underway
shortly.

The fire, of unknown origin, started
in the hayloft of the barn and spread
so rapidly only six of the 32 horses
could be saved.

C. F. Peterson, 89, Passes On Saturday; Interment at Clarion

Funeral services were held at the
Schutte Funeral Home this morning at
ten o'clock for C. F. Peterson, 89, who
passed away Saturday afternoon at
five o'clock at Postville hospital, where
he had been a patient the past week.
The Rev. Eldon L. Seamans officiated.
Interment will be at Clarion, the for-
mer home of the Peterson family. The
deceased would have been 90 years
old had he lived until September 3.

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come in contact with him, as being one of the ablest judges who has ever held a position on the Supreme bench of Iowa.

"He is a thorough student, conservative and impartial. He is especially gifted with a judicial mind; comprehends the points involved in a case at a glance; his ability is great, his integrity beyond question. He knows neither friend nor foe in his judicial opinions."

CHARLES F. PETERSON,

CLARION.

The subject of this sketch is a successful lawyer and an influential and highly esteemed member of the Wright county bar. He is known as an able counselor and skillful trial lawyer and advocate, and has a large and constantly growing clientage. He is a native of Jefferson county, N. Y., and was born September 3, 1856, the son of Alonzo M. and Jane A. Peterson, the former a native of Vermont and the latter of Ireland. They settled on a farm in Wright county, Iowa, in 1869. Prior to that time the father was a brick manufacturer in New York.

Charles worked on the farm during his boyhood, and attended the common schools. Later he went to the high school at Alden, then took a special course at the Iowa State University, and in 1878 was graduated from the law department of that institution, and was admitted to the bar. In the fall of the same year Mr. Peterson began his practice at Clarion in partnership with Mr. N. F. Weber, and continued that relation one year, when the firm was dissolved by reason of Mr. Peterson being elected superintendent of schools. At the expiration of his term of office he resumed his practice, and in July, 1894, formed with Mr. W. T. R. Humphrey the present firm of Peterson & Humphrey, engaged in a general law practice with good success and gratifying results.

Mr. Peterson, as a loyal and stanch Republican, has been somewhat active in the local affairs of his party. He was elected county attorney in 1890 and re-elected to the same office two years later. He has several business interests outside of his law practice, being a stockholder in three banks and a director in one. He is a member of the Masonic order.

In 1878, at Vinton, Iowa, he married Miss Mary Lowe. Of two

sons and two daughters born to them, the eldest, Alonzo L., served in Company G, Forty-ninth regiment Iowa volunteer infantry, in the late war with Spain, and is now a member of the senior class at Iowa College, Grinnell. The others are at home.

HON. LINDLEY S. BUTLER,

FOREST CITY.

Lindley Schooley Butler was born in Salem, Ohio, May 31, 1846. He received his higher education at the Springdale (Ia.) Seminary and the State University of Iowa, graduating from the law department of the latter in June, 1869. In the following September he located at Northwood, Worth county, where he practiced until April, 1890, when he removed to West Superior, Wis. Here he remained until July, 1898, when he returned to Iowa and settled at Forest City.

During the twenty years of his residence at Northwood, Mr. Butler was active in local and state politics, being sent as a Republican delegate to nearly all the conventions held in Iowa; was also a state delegate to the Republican national convention held in Chicago in 1880. From 1872 to 1877 he served as district attorney of the twelfth judicial district, which comprised eight counties of the state.

Aside from his political activities he has confined himself to his professional practice, or to those lines which are incidental to the practice of a country lawyer, such as dealing in real estate and loaning money.

A gentleman widely known throughout the state, both as a lawyer and public man, adds to the foregoing the following facts and analysis: "Hon. L. S. Butler, who now resides at Forest City, Winnebago county, Ia., and is practicing his profession in that county, was for a long series of years the admitted leader of the Worth county bar and resided at Northwood, the county seat of that county. He had an extensive practice and devoted himself to the same with distinguished success, being recognized as one of the strong and resourceful trial lawyers of northern Iowa. He removed from Northwood to West Superior, Wis., where he practiced his profession for several years, and subsequently returned to Iowa and located at Forest City, and has

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Mellie (Lowe) PETERSON

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Posted By: [Sarah Thorson Little \(email\)](#)

Date: 3/2/2009 at 10:51:43

July 14, 1856 - November 5, 1946

Mrs. Peterson Rites Were Held Saturday; Interment at Clarion

Funeral services were held at the Schutte funeral home Saturday forenoon for Mrs. C. F. Peterson, who passed away last Tuesday evening [November 5, 1946] at Postville hospital where she had been a patient for several months. The Rev. Eldon L. Seamans officiated at the service. A service was also held at Clarion, former home of the deceased, and interment was in the Clarion cemetery.

Mrs. Peterson was born as Mellie Lowe at Vinton July 14, 1856. She was the oldest of six children born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowe. Her mother passed away when she was 15 years old, and upon her fell the responsibility of caring for the large family and to see to their education as well as her own. She graduated from the Vinton Academy and the Normal school of the State University of Iowa. It was at the university where she met Charles Fremont Peterson, to whom she was married November 7, 1878, and who passed away July 27 of this year.

To this union were born six children, twins who lived but a short time; Alonzo L. of Postville; Florence (Mrs. LeRoy Sherer) of Marion, Ohio; Norris, deceased; and Vera (Mrs. Wallace G. Nesbit) of Cleveland Heights, Ohio. The family home for many years was at Clarion where she raised her family. The Petersons established a summer home at Lake Okoboji, which was a meeting place for young people. A number of years ago the couple moved to Postville and for the past several years they made their home with their son, A. L. Peterson. In addition to her three living children, Mrs. Peterson is survived by 13 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and a half-sister, Miss Alice Lowe of Vermillion, S. Dak. Going from here to attend the funeral at Clarion were A. L. Peterson, Rev. Eldon Seamans, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Peterson of this city, Dick Peterson of Minneapolis, Mrs. Florence Sherer of Marion, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Nesbit of Cleveland.

Postville Herald, Iowa
ca. November 1946

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Senator Peterson's Record

Senator Cummins' Indorsement

An examination of the Senate and House Journals of the Iowa legislature will disclose no record a first-term member showing more faithful, honest and efficient service for his constituents than the record of Senator Peterson. It discloses the remarkable fact that out of 21 bills introduced by him, 19 passed both houses of the legislature and are now laws upon our statute books. Our space will permit only brief mention of a limited number of the laws that stand to his credit. While he shares with Senator Crossley authorship of our primary election law, each having introduced a bill, he was given charge of the bill on the floor of the senate, defended it against all attacks, and is credited with arranging for the compromise with the Republican faction opposed to it, that resulted in securing sufficient votes for its enactment. He is also credited with the authorship of the amendments to the law enacted by the 33rd General Assembly providing for the nomination of U. S. Senators at the primary election and for the rotation upon the names of all the candidates upon the ballot.

He is the author of the law which bears his name, prohibiting corporations from henceforth issuing watered stocks and bonds, and providing for honest capitalization.

He is author of amendments to our drainage law, one of which has saved the farmers of his district many thousand dollars, by requiring the railroad corporations to pay the cost of bridges where drainage ditches cross their rights-of-way.

He is the author of the law providing for the service of original notices on railway corporations that have leased their property and franchises to operating companies.

He is author of the law providing for special assessments for sidewalk and street improvements in cities and towns, upon the right-of-way of any railroad company, the same as upon other land or lots.

He is author of the law providing that the losing party in a law action shall not be taxed with costs for mileage of any witness for more than seventy miles.

He is author of the law providing for a tax upon motor vehicles.

He is credited with the law passed for the benefit of court reporters and with the amendment to the law relating to the powers of the board of parole.

He had charge in the senate of the bill introduced by Representative Anderson, of Hamilton county, for the creation of a conservation and water-way commission and secured its enactment, accepting it in lieu of his own bill which had already passed the senate with an appropriation.

He is the author of two laws relating to practice in the supreme court to prevent sharp technical practice and to provide for trial upon merits of the case.

He is the author of the new law that will go into effect at the close of the present year providing for the selection of grand and petit jurors, increasing the list from which selections are made to the number equal to one-tenth of the population.

He took charge of the bill for the protection of fish and game and secured several important amendments for their preservation and protection.

His valuable services are not only shown by the many important bills he prepared and introduced that became laws of the state, but equally important and valuable were his services on committees and on the floor of the senate in aiding and assisting the enactment of other important measures of benefit to the people and in opposing others that were against the best interests of the people.

Among the former which he aided and assisted may be mentioned the anti-pass bill; the two cent fare bill; the soldiers roster bill; the bill placing express companies under the jurisdiction of the railway commission conferring power to fix rates; the bill prohibiting unfair discrimination by corporations and trusts, in purchasing dairy, grain and farm products; the bill prohibiting drinking intoxicating liquors on railway cars in service; the bill requiring cars to be furnished on reasonable notice; the bill to require consignment on request of carload shipments from river points to interior towns without extra charge; the bill providing for a short course in agriculture and domestic science; the bill for the aid of farmers;

killed the measure. We quote from the Register and Leader as follows: "Senator Peterson's speech against the Sammis public utility commission bill, delivered yesterday afternoon in the senate, is looked upon by the opponents of the measure as a death blow for the hopes of the Plymouth county senator."

Following this is a two column report of his speech and the incidents of its delivery.

The Marshalltown Times-Republican paid him the unusual compliment of a half column editorial from which we quote as follows:

"Senator Peterson adopted a Socratic method in dealing with the public utility bill yesterday that will bring conviction to the voters who read his speech. Senator Peterson is of the soil, a farm boy before he was a lawyer and a senator. He knows how the hard headed Norwegian farmer stock from which he inherits his ability and his desire to defend common right, will look upon the returning lawmaker who assists in sadling the Sammis bill upon the state. He represents a sensible, clean and aggressive constituency of farmers among whom he has lived his more than fifty years and he is withal a keen lawyer; with an analytical brain entirely competent to turn the Sammis bill inside out as he did yesterday."

SENATOR CUMMINS' INDORSEMENT

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Outline of Personal History of *Charles Fremont Peterson*

RESIDENCE *Clarion, Iowa*

Kindly furnish on this sheet the necessary data for a personal sketch and return at your early convenience. Every question is important.

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This form is for use in collecting data on deceased as well as living persons. Appropriate alterations may be made in matter below.

1. Name in full (all names) *Charles Fremont Peterson*
2. Chief occupation or profession *Attorney at Law*
3. Former occupation or profession _____
4. Date and place of beginning each *Clarion, Wright Co Iowa, Nov. 1878*
5. Present residence address *Clarion, Iowa*
6. Present business address *Clarion, Iowa*
7. Date of birth *September 3rd 1856*
8. Place of birth *Jefferson County, New York*
9. If born abroad, where _____
10. Emigrated to America, when _____
11. First migrated to what state and county, whether born abroad or in America
Wright County, Iowa 1869
12. Emigrated the second time to what state or county _____
13. Further emigration, if any _____
14. Education. Give name and location of rural, high, business or technical school, college or university
*Rural: Jefferson Co N.Y. Wright Co Iowa; High: Alden, Iowa
McClain's Academy Iowa Cal.; State University, Iowa Cal.*
15. Date of graduation and degree if any *June 1878, Bachelor of Laws S.U.I.*

16. Place of death _____

17. Date of death _____

18. Place of burial _____

19. Name of father in full (all names) *Alonso Martin Petersen*

20. Occupation of father *Brick Mfg's & Farmer*

21. Full Maiden name of mother (all names) *Jane A Hunter*

22. Residence when married *Wright County, Iowa*

23. Military service, if any (exact dates) _____

24. Political offices, (from the smallest to the largest, with dates) *Co Supt. Public Schools 1880 & 1881;*

Co Surveyor 1883 to 1889 Inc; Co. Attorney 1891 to 1894 Inc;

State Senator 37th Dist. Iowa 1907 to 1910 Inc.

25. Director or trustee of financial, religious and educational institutions _____

Clarion Savings Bank, Clarion Iowa.

26. Politics *Republican*

27. Religious denomination if any *Congregational*

28. Religious preference if non-affiliated with a denomination _____

29. Member of what societies or associations of learning _____

30. Member of what secret organizations, with honors or offices held, with dates _____

Masonic Order

31. Member of what clubs if any _____

32. Belonged to what firms (give names in full and dates if possible) *"Weber & Petersen" (N.F. Weber & Charles F.P.)*

1878 & 1879; "Petersen & Miles" (Charles F. Petersen & Samuel P. Miles) 1891 & 1892.

Petersen & Humphrey (Chas F. Petersen & W.J.R. Humphrey) 1894 to 1905 Inc; "Petersen & Knopp"

Charles F. Petersen & Frederick Knopp) 1905 to 1909.

33. Officer or director in any corporation *Charles F. Petersen & Northwestern Lumber Company*

34. Enclose business card if possible _____

35. Enclose photograph and autograph _____



FAMILY HISTORY

1. To whom married *Miss Mary C Lowe*
2. Date of marriage *November 7th 1878*
3. Place of marriage *Vinton, Iowa.*
4. Date of his or her birth *Wife born July 14th 1856*
5. Place of his or her birth *" Vinton, Iowa*
6. Religious denomination *" First Presbyterian New Congregationalist*
7. Date of his or her death *" Living*
8. Place of his or her death *"*
9. Place of his or her burial *"*
10. Father's full name *My father Alonzo Martin Peterson*
11. Born where and when *" Windsor Co Vermont Oct 7th 1820*
12. Occupation of his or her father *" Brick mason & Farmer*
13. His or her mother's full name *" Mother Jane A Peterson*
14. Born when and where *" Lisbou North Ireland 1825*
15. Parents' residence at time of their marriage *Wright County, Iowa*
16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family

1. To whom married second time *No Second Marriage* 9. Place of his or her burial
2. Date of marriage _____ 10. Father's full name _____
3. Place of marriage _____ 11. Born where and when _____
4. Date of his or her birth _____ 12. Occupation of his or her father _____
5. Place of his or her birth _____ 13. His or her mother's full name _____
6. Religious denomination _____ 14. Born when and where _____
7. Date of his or her death _____ 15. Parent's residence at time of their marriage _____
8. Place of his or her death _____ 16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family _____

CHILDREN OF *Charles F Peterson* AND *Mary E (Low) Peterson*

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE	MARRIED TO WHOM	WHERE	DATE
<i>Alonzo Low Peterson</i>	<i>Clarion Iowa</i>	<i>Aug 14 '79</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>Edna M Connell</i>	<i>Spencer Ia</i>	<i>Aug 9 1904</i>
<i>Ella Florence Peterson</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>Dec 11 '82</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>Dr Leroy E Sherer</i>	<i>Clarion Ia</i>	<i>Dec 27 1903</i>
<i>Norris Charles Peterson</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>Oct 1 '85</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>			
<i>Vera Ruth Peterson</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>Jan 25 1911</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>			

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THE PRESENT BAR.

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BIOGRAPHICAL.

Benjamin P. Birdsall was born in Weyanwega, Wisconsin, October 26, 1858. His parents were Benjamin and Anna D. (Hyde) Birdsall, both natives of New York state. In 1846 they removed to Wisconsin, where they remained until 1870, when they came to Iowa and located at Alden. In the schools of Alden, Iowa, our subject received his preliminary education, and afterwards attended the State University at Iowa City. He first read law with Hon. C. M. Nagle of Alden. He was admitted at Hampton, Iowa, by the district court in March, 1878. He began to practice law at Alden after his admission, where he remained until 1884, when he entered into partnership with C. M. Nagle at Clarion, Iowa, as Nagle & Birdsall. They dissolved December 1, 1893, when Mr. Birdsall went upon the bench. He served as district judge of the Eleventh judicial district from January 1, 1894, to January 1, 1901. He is a republican in politics, and has taken more or less active interest in the affairs of his party. He served for six years as mayor of Clarion. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, Knights Templar and the Elks, and a member of congress.

Charles F. Peterson was nominated by the Thirty-seventh Iowa senatorial district republican convention on the 3,699th ballot, at the fifth session, in Eagle Grove, recently, over Dr. Ward, of Eldora, and Dr. D. C. Chase, of Webster City. He was born in Jefferson county, New

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whose efforts have accomplished much, in public affairs and in private endeavor, he is today among those without whom the township and county would be at a loss. In fraternal circles Jacob F. Buck takes an active part in the lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In political affiliation Mr. Buck is a Republican.

CHARLES FREMONT PETERSON.

If there is one profession that demands men of action that profession is the law. It is in this field that popular distinction and the holding of public office are won as a result of intellectual attainment combined with strong will power and definite purpose. All of these are found in the character of Charles Fremont Peterson, who has been a prominent figure in local civic affairs for many years. Some idea of Mr. Peterson's public career may be indicated by the fact that he has filled successively the offices of county superintendent of schools, county surveyor, at the same time practicing law, and for four years was senator from the thirty-seventh Iowa district in the state Legislature. The early history of a man so prominent in public life cannot fail to be of interest. Charles Fremont Peterson was born on September 3, 1856, in Jefferson county, New York, where his parents had located, his father, Alonzo Martin Peterson, having gone to that state when a young man. The mother was a bright, capable woman, a native of Ireland, her maiden name being Jane Hunter.

Alonzo M. Peterson was a native of Vermont, where he had only limited educational advantages, and farmed until early manhood. Ambitious for better results, he secured employment in a brick-yard in Huntingtonville, New York, where he worked until he had saved enough to become the proprietor of a brick-yard. Continuing thus until 1869, in which year he brought his family to Wright county, Iowa, locating in Vernon township on a tract of one hundred and sixty acres which he had previously bought. Being a good farmer, he was able to add other land to the original tract until he had accumulated four hundred and forty-five acres. Notwithstanding his lack of school training in his boyhood and youth, Mr. Peterson was remarkably successful. He and his wife were the parents of nine children, six of whom are now living, these being Frank, Fred, George, Charles, Mrs. Hattie Dillman and Mrs. Emma Goldthrite.

Charles F. Peterson attended the county high schools of his native state of New York and of Iowa, and the high school of Alden; this being

followed by a course at McClain's Academy in Iowa City, winding up with a law course at Iowa University in Iowa City. He received his degree in 1878, completing what might be called the academic training for a life of usefulness and influence. Since that time he has become, and has continued to be, an active, able and popular attorney. Coming to Clarion, Mr. Peterson formed a legal partnership with N. F. Weber, this firm continuing until 1879 when Mr. Peterson was elected county superintendent of schools, he himself teaching for two terms during the years 1873 and 1874. This office he held for two years and then resumed the practice of law, at the same time filling the position of county surveyor for four years. In the early nineties he was made county attorney. Mr. Peterson's public career and service extended beyond the limits of his town and county, when, in 1906, he was nominated for senator from the thirty-seventh district by the Republican party, of which he is a member. He was elected and served his constituency with distinction during a period of four years.

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Like most men who are on the firing line of active life Mr. Peterson believes that the church has its place among the great forces which influence human character and achievement, and for this reason he is a church member. For many years he has been affiliated with the Congregational denomination. Fraternally he is a Mason. In private, as in public life, Senator Peterson has held to the highest ideals. In the community in which he has made his home he is looked upon as a man who deserves the confidence of those who place him in office, for every public trust has been honorably discharged and every public office creditably filled. In every circumstance he has been guided by the principles which enabled him to keep his own self-respect, perhaps the highest tribute that can be paid to a man whose life has been characterized by high resolve and positive, constructive action.

ORSON J. PARDUN.

He, concerning whom the present record is written, is among the men who has made this section of the country famous as an agricultural district. Orson J. Pardun, a well-known farmer of Clarion, was born in Washington county, Iowa, on December 8, 1868, and is the son of William F. and Susan J. (Finney) Pardun, both of whom are natives of Indiana, in which state the father grew to manhood.

William E. Pardun was married in Indiana at the age of twenty-three, and then with his wife moved to Illinois, where he lived a short time previous to his residence in the county and state in which the subject of this sketch was born. His was rather a varied career, but, unlike the proverbial stone that gathers no moss, he made important acquisitions. He has the unusual record of having owned, lived on, and cultivated twenty-one farms. Living in Washington county until 1885, he then retired temporarily from



You searched for **Charles F. Peterson** in **Iowa**

1910 United States Federal Census

Name: **Charles F Peterson**
 Age in 1910: **53**
 Estimated Birth Year: **1857**
 Birthplace: **New York**
 Relation to Head of House: **Head [Self (Head)]**
 Father's Birth Place: **Vermont**
 Mother's Birth Place: **Ireland**
 Spouse's Name: **Mary Peterson**
 Home in 1910: **Clarion, Wright, Iowa**
 Marital Status: **Married**
 Race: **White**
 Gender: **Male**
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Charles F Peterson	53
	Mary Peterson	53
	Louis Peterson	24
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Alonzo Lowe Peterson B: 1879

Charles Fremont Peterson

B: 1856-09-03 in ,Jefferson,NY,USA

D: 1946-07-07

Mellie Lowe B:

1920 United States Federal Census

Name: **Charles F Peterson**
 Home in 1920: **Long Beach, Los Angeles, Californi**
 Age: **62**
 Estimated Birth Year: **abt 1858**
 Birthplace: **New York**
 Relation to Head of House: **Self (Head) [Head]**
 Spouse's Name: **Nellie Peterson**
 Father's Birth Place: **Vermont**
 Mother's Birth Place: **Ireland**
 Marital Status: **Married**
 Race: **White**
 Sex: **Male**
 Home owned: **Rent**
 Able to read: **Yes**
 Able to Write: **Yes**
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)
 Household Members:

Name	Age
Charles F Peterson	63
Nellie Peterson	43

Source Citation: Year: 1920; Census Place: Long Beach, Los Angeles; Roll: T625_104; Page: 21B; Enumeration District: 75; Image: 100.



You searched for **Charles F. Peterson** in **California**

1930 United States Federal Census

Name: **Charles F Peterson**
 Home in 1930: **Long Beach, Los Angeles, California**
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 Age: **73**
 Estimated Birth Year: **abt 1857**
 Birthplace: **New York**
 Relation to Head of House: **Head**
 Spouse's Name: **Mary C Peterson**
 Race: **White**
 Occupation:
 Education:
 Military Service: [View image](#)
 Rent/home value:
 Age at first marriage:
 Parents' birthplace:
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Charles F Peterson	73
	Mary C Peterson	73

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