

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Cowles,
La Monte - Represented Des Moines County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 30 Sept 1859 Oskaloosa, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
(1) Walter E. Kane 15 Sept 1886

(2) Ada S. Miller 24 Nov 1892 Burlington, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Admitted to the bar in 1886; President of the National
Assurance Life Insurance Company

B. Civic responsibilities Elks Club; Mason; Burlington Iowa public
Library board; Mason; Shriner; Ancient Order of United Workmen; Workmen
of the World; Attorney

C. Profession Attorney

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 34th, 35th General Assemblies 1911, 1913

6. Public Offices

A. Local Burlington city attorney - for 3 terms;

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 24 Feb 1942 Burlington Iowa buried Asper Grove Cemetery, Burlington, Iowa

8. Children Ethel (Mrs. Warren Knapp)

9. Names of parents Rev. H. J. and Maria Elizabeth (La Monte) Cowles

10. Education

11. Degrees B.A. from Iowa Wesleyan College in 1879, later
earned an M.A. degree

12. Other applicable information

- Republican
- After college he went west and worked as a civil engineer
for railroads for four years.
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Kansas and some other western states he still had a
desire to study law.
 - He came to work Burlington Iowa and began to study law under
Judge Poore. He was joined with his law studies in 3 years.
 - He quickly opened a law office in Burlington Iowa with C. B. Jackson.
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 - His first wife, Mattie E., died 11 Nov 1889.

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The U. S. destroyer Truxtun, which with the cargo ship Pollux, ran aground off the rocky east coast of Newfoundland during a storm and broke

up. At least 189 officers and men are missing. (NEA Telephoto.)

La Monte Cowles, An Attorney Here Since 1886, Dies

Services Thursday for Man Long Prominent Here

LaMonte Cowles, 82, former city attorney and state senator, prominently identified with community life since coming to Burlington nearly 60 years ago to study law, died at Mercy hospital at 8:30 Tuesday night after an extended illness. Rites will be held here Thursday.

Death resulted from complications caused by the early stages of pneumonia and a heart ailment. He became ill in Chicago Jan. 15, came to Burlington and entered the hospital, but returned to his home a week later. He was re-admitted to the hospital Feb. 2, but failed to rally. Cowles, who had been ill previously, was confined to the hospital for some time last year after suffering a fractured hip in a fall near the court house Jan. 21, 1941. He had been active, however, until his last illness.

Native Iowan

A native Iowan, Cowles was born in Oskaloosa Sept. 30, 1859, the son of Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Cowles. His mother was Maria Elizabeth LaMonte. His father, a clergyman, was active in Methodist circles for half a century, coming to Iowa in 1851 from Michigan. Rev. Cowles was a leader in every community in which he lived—and like so many Methodist clergymen, moved frequently. He served as an internal revenue collector under Abraham Lincoln.

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They are Mrs. Phoebe Powell, 1217 S. Third street, native of England, and John Wegman, Oakville, native of Switzerland.

Naturalization hearing dates have been established for the last Monday in February and the first Monday in July.

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KBUR will be making the announcement, this to be use of the telephone through regular meetings. Following the meeting, scouts and present a short program.

Western Bell Telephone operators to handle phone calls at the mobilization.

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Republican Worker

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Red Cross Benefits Must Be Approved

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Numerous such benefits are held without such permission, he pointed out. "While the chapter is appreciative of this volunteer effort, I must call public attention to the fact that such benefits using the name of the Red Cross must not be undertaken without previous clearance with the proper chapter officials," Baxter stated.

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Natural Gas Use Curtailed

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On Library Board

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The attorney has been affiliated with numerous business interests during his life, many of them playing an important part in de-velopment of Burlington. He at one time was president of the Na-tional American Life Insurance Co. Cowles was attorney for the Cit-izens Water company the past 30 years.

Leaves Four Granddaughters

Surviving the attorney are four granddaughters, children of his daughter, Ethel Cowles Knapp, and a brother, Gardner Cowles, Des Moines, widely known newspaper publisher. The granddaughters are

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BIRTHS

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Gray, 502 S. Leebrick street, at Burlington hospital Tuesday night.

Knapp of Tulaski, Va., Mrs. Charles Henske, Jacksonville, Ill., and Caroline Knapp of this city. Cowles' daughter preceded him in death, and his wife died last June.

Funeral services will be held in Frugh's chapel Thursday after-noon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Alfred Cave of Christ Episcopal church will officiate. Interment will be

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