

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Leach, Elmer Merrill Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Represented Henry County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 21. Apr 1865 Henry County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place  
① Allie M. Hall 16 Feb 1893

② Hattie Burton 30 Nov 1910

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a director and stockholder in the Farmers and Merchants Bank

B. Civic responsibilities I. O. O. F.

C. Profession Farmer; livestock feeder

4. Church membership Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 34<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1911

6. Public Offices

A. Local Henry County supervisor;

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 25 Jul 1932, Mount Pleasant, Iowa; buried Forest Home Cemetery, Mount Pleasant, Iowa

8. Children May (died in infancy); Irwin (died at age 17); Gladys (Mrs. Ralph Koenig)

9. Names of parents James M. and N. M. Leach

10. Education His education was obtained in the public schools  
of Henry County, Iowa as well as attending an  
academy

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

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- His first wife, Allie, died 2 April 1899

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source      Non Applicable      Applicable      Information obtained

- Iowa Official Register 1911-1912, p.622
- Obituary - The Mount Pleasant Free Press Mount Pleasant, Iowa, Thurs. July 28, 1932, p.4 col 7 and Thurs. Aug 4, 1932, p.3, col. 7

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## WEEKLY TREND OF THE LIVESTOCK MARKET

ago, Ill.—The season's record prices paid early last week for grade steers and yearlings, in fact all cattle that were "counterfeits" compared with strictly choice offerings went pretty much to pieces late week and during the week under. Additional downturns this week added to a big 50c which on top of that downturn late last week now many steers that were selling the way from \$5.00 up to \$8.00 and a full dollar lower. Meanwhile very choice steers are no more than 50c under the best time and prime are only about 25c off.

A reaction in cattle prices to be expected. For nearly two weeks prices had been climbing consistently higher. Moderate upturns gave way to a scramble on which buyers gained 25 to 45c a day. This reaction on top kinds pulled the lower grades entirely out of price shape, so "cheap" steers were bringing relatively more than top-quality kinds. But at the end of the first break finishers kept their bullish attitude and overdid the market. At the same time weather turned terrifically hot, as well as high prices up-setting the trade. In the face of all this further breaks which engendered fear in the country and brought cattle which made more beef to sell slowly on a market that was rather-wilted every day.

before the market collapsed in the country shut down on cattle. The trade started up again on a week of strictly choice steers. Even the lower grades were wanted. Their 50c to \$1.00 decline, buyers are likely fearing that the squeeze will continue, making next week's offerings better than this week's. Cattle, choice offerings up to

## Mrs. Joe Nelson Of Lockridge Dies

Mrs. Joe Nelson, of Lockridge died at 2:30 Wednesday morning at the Jefferson county hospital where she was taken Tuesday. She had been suffering from diabetes.

Mrs. Nelson, 52, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Johnson, deceased. She is survived by the husband and three children, Victor and Amil of Cedar Rapids and Ed of Lockridge. The Nelsons resided two and one-half miles south of Lockridge.

## Elmer F. Leach Dies on Monday

Elmer F. Leach, 67, died at the home on North Adams St. Monday morning shortly after ten o'clock following a stroke which he suffered on Thursday afternoon and from which he failed to rally.

Mr. Leach, a former Henry county farmer, suffered a stroke a number of years ago and never fully recovered following that illness. Thursday afternoon he complained of not feeling well and while sitting on the front porch at the home he was stricken and slumped over in his chair.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Hattie Burton Leach, county auditor, one daughter by a former marriage, Mrs. Ralph Kinsinger of Chicago and one sister, Mrs. J. L. Hall of Mt. Pleasant.

## Mrs. Fred Beck Funeral Rites Held

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Fred Beck were held on Wednesday morning at the D. L. Cookes funeral chapel. The Rev. J. R. Fraser of Wapello conducted the service.

Mrs. C. R. Willits and Miss Roma Johnson, and G. B. Willits, accompanied on the piano.

THURSDAY,

G. O. P. MEETS  
VIOLA SMITH

The members of the G. O. P. met at the country club Tuesday evening. After assembled, they went where boating a joyed. On returning home a short bus at which camp next meeting was at the home of M.

Later refreshments and cookies were enjoyed.

TUESDAY BRIDGE  
MOTORS TO DAY

The members of the noon bridge club met Tuesday where a bridge luncheon was held. Mrs. L. McClure, Mrs. Ed Mrs. McClure, hostesses were while making the Pleasant.

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Eighteen Cheskamay held a meeting at Margaret Howe Tuesday. Plans were completed for a trip to Marengo. Starry the guard will leave from there where they will turn in one week and Louise Hall a Refreshments of were served.

RICHWOODS LITERARY  
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Richwoods Literary Club, numbering around 100, invited guests held a picnic at the state park at Wapello. A bounteous basket of refreshments was served. Games were played and a very enjoyable time enjoyed. The next meeting which will be in August, will be in

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Mrs. Roxie C. Woods died at the Memorial hospital about noon Thursday following a serious operation. Mrs. Woods was 47 years old.

The funeral services for the late Elmer F. Leach were held at 3 p. m. on Wednesday, July 27, at the First M. E. church. Dr. W. J. Todd of Ottumwa, District Superintendent and former pastor of the Methodist church here, had charge of the services. A quartet consisting of Mrs. Paul B. Galer, Mrs. Howard Moore, Mr. Will H. Evans and Mr. Will Campbell, sang "Lead Kindly Light" and "In the Garden." Mrs. Galer and Mrs. Moore sang "Crossing the Bar." Miss Lydia Dyall was at the organ.

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She is survived by the husband and two children, Waunita and Charles, both at home on the farm one and one-half miles south of town, a sister, Anna Davis of Mt. Pleasant and a brother, G. W. Davis, of Winfield. Mrs. Woods was well known in Mt. Pleasant and surrounding vicinities; she was a member of the local chapter of O. E. S.

The casket was covered with beautiful flowers, and the rostrum of the church literally banked with flowers. Misses Stella Hartquist, Birdie Glashine, Wren Lane, Katherine McCormick and Mrs. Edith Willits, all from the court house offices were in charge of the flowers.

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Funeral services for the late Mrs. Rescoe C. Wood were held at the Methodist church on Saturday afternoon. Rev. E. A. Bentzinger, district superintendent of the Methodist church, conducted the services.

The interment was at Forest Home cemetery where the I. O. O. F. had their service. He was borne to his last resting place by the following neighbors and friends: Messrs. Lee Speaker, Rufus Smith, Elwood Williams, Max Kinney, C. C. Anderson and Ed Miller.

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A quartet composed of Mrs. G. E. King, Mrs. J. T. McConaughy, Raymond Smith and James Chittum, sang "Nearer My God To Thee" and "The City Foursquare." Miss Lydia Dyall was the accompanist. Many beautiful flowers were banked around the casket.

Elmer Franklin Leach

Pall bearers were Dan Slattery, Tom O'Connor, Arthur Hollingsworth, Tom Burns, Elmer Niece and Lee Smith.

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Mrs. Wood was a kind and loving wife and mother and was respected and loved by all who knew her. She had a large circle of friends and acquaintances by whom she will be missed.

## Funeral Is Held For Francis Parks

Salon.—Funeral services for Francis Parks, who died at his home Tuesday morning, were held at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Parks, on Thursday at 10 o'clock a. m. and conducted by the Rev. Baydall of the Methodist church of New London. Three beautiful selections were sung by Mrs. Westerbeck and Miss Ethel Denny of New London. The remains were laid to rest in the Burge cemetery at New London.

## HEAVY RAIN STORM SWEEPS COLORADO

Colorado Springs, Colo.—The most violent rain storm in a decade swept through Colorado Friday.

Thousands of dollars in damage was done by the terrific downpour.

More than 250 houses in Colorado Springs were damaged by the storm as flood waters poured through this section.

The Fountain river, ordinarily almost a dry wash at this time of the year, became a roaring torrent that washed out railroad bridges and sent a wall of water tumbling toward Pueblo, 46 miles to the south. Railroad, automobile traffic was halted.

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It is seldom that all Henry county has been so saddened over the death of one of its residents as it was Monday when the word went over the county that Elmer Leach had passed into the Great Beyond.

Wednesday evening, he, his wife and his sister-in-law went to the Temple Theater for a diversion. He enjoyed it, and slept well that night. The next morning he did not feel very well; the doctor was called but no alarming symptoms. Sitting on his front porch with his sister-in-law by his side, Mr. Leach was suddenly stricken with paralysis and never rallied. On Monday morning at 10 o'clock he slipped peacefully away.

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