

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Perkins, Eli Cushman Senator Perkins,
Eli Cushman - Served from Delaware County

1. Birthday and place 30 Aug 1850 Bethel, York County, Maine

2. Marriage (s) date place
Kate Galpin 13 Sept 1882 Delhi, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:
A. Business He was a trustee of Lewis College 1886 - 1910
B. Civic responsibilities
C. Profession Attorney, teacher

4. Church membership Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 33rd, 34th General Assemblies 1909, 1911 - House of Representatives
35th, 36th General Assemblies 1913, 1915 - Senate

6. Public Offices
A. Local Delaware County attorney 1887-1893; secretary of the Delhi, Iowa School Board 1880-1907
B. State
C. National

7. Death 10 Oct 1916 Delhi, Iowa; buried Delhi Cemetery, Delhi, Iowa

8. Children Gwendolin L. (Mrs. Arthur Bentz); Hazel E.

9. Names of parents Charles and Angina (Cushman) Perkins

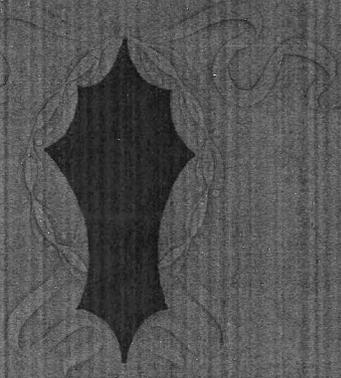
10. Education He was educated in the common schools in his
native and Iowa neighborhoods

11. Degrees Graduate of Leroy College, Appleton, Iowa 1875, graduated from
State University of Iowa Law School 1879, Iowa City, Iowa

12. Other applicable information Republican
He began the practice of law in the fall of 1879 at Delhi,
Iowa and practiced continuously until death.
He came to Iowa with his family first residing in Buchanan County, Iowa.
but later moved to Pomeroy in Calhoun County, Iowa



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SEN. E. C. PERKINS
DIES AT DELHI

SUMMONS COMES AFTER LONG
ILLNESS. SERVED STATE IN
HOUSE AND SENATE.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD THURSDAY

A. A. Strong of Greeley Passes Away
at his Home. Funeral Services
To Be Held Thursday.

Senator Eli C. Perkins of Delhi died at his home at 11:45 Tuesday evening, following an illness of many months.

Funeral services will be held at the Methodist Episcopal church on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The body will be taken to the church at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and lie in state until the hour for the services. Interment will be in the Delhi cemetery.

Eli C. Perkins was born at Bethel, Maine, August 30th, 1850. He attended Lenox college and graduated from that institution in 1875, and from the law department of the state university of Iowa with the class of 1879. He commenced the practice of law in the fall of 1879, at Delhi, Iowa, and has practiced continuously from that time. He was county attorney of Delaware county from 1887 to 1893, and was elected representative in 1908 and re-elected in 1910. In the fall of 1912 Mr. Perkins was elected state senator.

In 1882 Mr. Perkins was married to Miss Kate Galpin, and to this union were born two daughters, Gwendolin L., and Hazel E. He is survived by his wife and daughters.

No member of the Delaware County bar stood higher in the estimation of his associates and the public generally than Eli C. Perkins. He was a trusty man and true to every relation of life. His word was unhesitatingly accepted by courts and lawyers. He wanted to do well his part, and it is believed that the extra work which that desire prompted him to do shortened his life. As a member of the legislature he drew too heavily upon his energies while endeavoring to solve the problems of legislation in a manner most beneficial to the people of the state.

Mr. Perkins' chief desire was to be useful to his fellowmen. In him there was no trace of enmity or prejudice against any human being.

A. A. STRONG.

A. A. Strong, one of the most widely known citizens of Delaware county, died at his home in Greeley Tuesday night, after a very brief illness. Mr. Strong was one of the influential men of Greeley and resided there for a great many years.

We regret very much that it is impossible to notice this week, but shall do so in our next issue.

week will be given, and a successful meeting is assured.

MRS. J. HANSEL KEPHART.

Mrs. Hattie J. Kephart died at her home in Manchester October 7, 1918, aged 43 years, 25 days. Funeral services were held at the home on Tuesday afternoon, and were conducted by Rev. C. K. Hudson, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church. Interment was made in Oakland cemetery.

Mrs. Kephart was born at Ostedock, Iowa, September 12th, 1843. She and her family came to Manchester sixteen years ago, and during that time she endeared herself to a large circle of intimate friends, who mourn because of her passing.

She leaves surviving her the husband, two sons, John V. Kephart and Clifford, and two little daughters, Eva B. and Irma Estella. She also leaves her aged mother, three sisters, Mrs. Stella F. Gray of Colesburg, Mrs. Alice Hanselman of Waukeegan, Illinois; and Miss Pearl Hansel of Gary, Indiana; two brothers, Geo. W. Hansel of Manchester and John W. Hansel of Ostedock.

STATE CONVENTION OF W. C. T. U.

The evening of the 3d of October, 1918, marks an epoch in the beginning of the State Convention of our W. C. T. U. held at Fort Dodge, Iowa, which those in attendance will not soon forget.

The hostess, who was our W. C. T. U. of Fort Dodge, and the host, the Commercial Club of Fort Dodge, very graciously entertained the delegates.

We were met at the depot by autos, decorated with W. C. T. U. banners, conveyed to the M. E. church, where homes for a few days were assigned to the delegates.

The church was beautifully decorated with a large flag in center front beneath an archway of electric lights and hanging above two other large flags which were prettily draped along the railing above the president's seat.

The following program was rendered with a spirit of enthusiasm, our state president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise presiding.

Song—De Brewer's Big Hosses—Audience.

Scripture reading and prayer.

Then our President introduced the different ones who gave addresses of "Welcome to Fort Dodge." Each number of the program was well applauded. The chorus choir of the M. E. church, about 50 voices strong, sang the anthem "Send Thou Thine Arm."

Mrs. Smith told us a story about a man who would like to be a woman for just about one-half a minute, so he could say he was a member of the W. C. T. U.

The Fort Dodge Daily Chronicle says: "Our convention is to be one of practical things rather than theories," declared Mrs. Smith. "What will be heard here this week will be by practical workers, instead of theorists."

DISTRICT CO
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JUDGE CHARLES
OPENS FALL TERM
ON MONDAY

NUMEROUS CASES

Boys Held For
Bridging Works Bulldozed
Will Receive \$

Judge Charles W. Mullen will open the fall term of the district court here on Monday, opening two days and a number of cases.

The grand jury was busy considering cases and the trial jury is on duty.

A number of criminal cases were also disposed of on Monday. Cowles, Hugh Ryan, who have been in county jail, for several days, appeared before the court and pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny, and will receive sentences during the next week.

Judge Mullen made his first trial on the calendar on the first days of the term.

PROBATE

Estate of John V. Bush authorized to make a report. H. Bush, as prayer. Estate of W. M. Smith report approved. Ex and bond released. Guardianship of Dennis P. Coleman approved. charged as to the

Guardianship of Robert Coleman approved. annual report filed.

Estate of Annie I. authorized to sell realty at private sale for the sum of \$300.

Guardianship of Bernard Morman approved. charged as to Bernard Morman.

Estate of Sarah L. appointed executor, bond fixed at \$10,000.

Estate of Anna K. appointed executor, bond fixed at \$15,000.

Estate of D. F. Groves approved. Executor bonds released.

Estate of F. T. Fahn approved. charged and bond released.

Estate of J. H. Lamm approved. charged and bond released.

Outline of Personal History of Eli C. Perkins

RESIDENCE Delhi, Iowa

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

The Historical Department of Iowa

DES MOINES, IOWA

EDGAR R. HARLAN, CURATOR

(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) Eli Cushman Perkins
2. Chief occupation or profession Attorney at Law
3. Former occupation or profession Teacher
4. Date and place of beginning each October 1875 Teaching. Practice Law. Sept 1877 Delhi
5. Present residence address Delhi Iowa
6. Present business address Delhi Iowa & Hopkinton Iowa
7. Date of birth August 30th 1850
8. Place of birth Bethel Oxford County Maine
9. If born abroad, where
10. Emigrated to America, when
11. First migrated to what state and county, whether born abroad or in America
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. Denon College Hopkinton Iowa June 1875
State Normal School Iowa Iowa Department June 1879
15. Date of graduation and degree if any June 1875 B. S. June 1879 B. S.

16. Place of death.....
17. Date of death.....
18. Place of burial.....
19. Name of father in full (all names)..... Charles Perkins
20. Occupation of father..... Preacher Baptist Church
21. Full Maiden name of mother (all names)..... Anahira Cushman
22. Residence when married..... Bethel Maine
23. Military service, if any (exact dates).....
24. Political offices, from the smallest to the largest, with dates: County Attorney of Delaware County Iowa 1887 to 1893 Member of General Assembly of Iowa Secretary Lithio School Board 1880 to 1907
25. Director or trustee of financial, religious and educational institutions: Trustee Lenoxy College 1886 to 1910
26. Politics..... Republican
27. Religious denomination if any.....
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.....
31. Member of what clubs if any.....
32. Belonged to what firms (give names in full and dates if possible).....
33. Officer or director in any corporation.....
34. Enclose business card if possible.....
35. Enclose photograph and autograph.....

36. Author of books or pamphlets, with titles and publishers in full and dates of publication

37. Miscellaneous



FAMILY HISTORY

- 1. To whom married *Kate M. Gaspin*
- 2. Date of marriage *Sept 13 1882*
- 3. Place of marriage *Dehi Iowa*
- 4. Date of his or her birth *Weymouth England 1 May 8 1855*
- 5. Place of his or her birth
- 6. Religious denomination *Methodist*
- 7. Date of his or her death
- 8. Place of his or her death
- 9. Place of his or her burial
- 10. Father's full name *Charles Gaspin*
- 11. Born where and when
- 12. Occupation of his or her father *Merchant*
- 13. His or her mother's full name *Elizabeth White*
- 14. Born when and where
- 15. Parents' residence at time of their marriage
- 16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family

1. To whom married second time
2. Date of marriage
3. Place of marriage
4. Date of his or her birth
5. Place of his or her birth
6. Religious denomination
7. Date of his or her death
8. Place of his or her death

9. Place of his or her burial
10. Father's full name
11. Born where and when
12. Occupation of his or her father
13. His or her mother's full name
14. Born when and where
15. Parent's residence at time of their marriage
16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family

CHILDREN OF *Eli Perkins*

AND *Nate Perkins Sr. was*

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE	MARRIED TO WHOM	WHERE	DATE
<i>Gwendolen I</i>	<i>Des Moines</i>	<i>June 28 1883</i>					
<i>Angel E.</i>	" "	<i>25 1889</i>					

CHILDREN OF

AND

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE	MARRIED TO WHOM	WHERE	DATE

SIGNATURE *Eli Perkins*
 DATE *Des Moines*

HISTORY
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IOWA
And Its People

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residence was a log cabin, but when they were able they replaced this with a more pretentious structure. To their union were born five children, of whom the subject of this review is the only one living.

A. A. Strong was reared in the Buckeye state and received a good education for those days. He remained in Ohio until 1853, when he came to this county and located upon a farm in Honey Creek township which he entered from the government. He lived there until 1880, at which time he removed to Greeley, where he has since engaged in insurance underwriting. He prospered in his farming operations and has also succeeded in his latter occupation, as he is a man of enterprise and excellent judgment.

Mr. Strong was married on the 12th of May, 1853, to Miss Eunice A. Goodsell, who was born in New York state on the 20th of February, 1830, a daughter of Hiram and Sallie (Ferry) Goodsell. Her father was also a native of New York and her mother of Massachusetts, but the family removed to Ohio in 1832 and there the parents spent the rest of their lives. All of the six children born to them have now passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Strong became the parents of four children: Jennie O. is the wife of Dr. Noble, of Howard, South Dakota. Clarissa is deceased. Eva is the widow of Dr. A. S. Beckwith and has one daughter, Vera L., who, after graduating from the Fayette Normal, taught school for one year but is now the wife of A. J. Rector of Oneida. Myra L. is the deceased wife of D. F. Grove of Manchester. The wife and mother died April 3, 1907, and was laid to rest in the Edgewood cemetery.

Mr. Strong is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and for the past thirty years has been one of its trustees. He contributes liberally to the support of the various activities of the church and exemplifies in his life the teachings of Christianity. His wife was also very active in church work and did much to promote many good causes. He is a republican in his political belief and for sixteen years served as secretary of the school board in Honey Creek township. He was also township trustee, township clerk, census enumerator of his township in 1880 and notary public for forty years. Fraternally he holds membership in the Masonic order and is well known and popular in that organization. He has acquired a modest fortune and has also won that which is most to be desired, the sincere respect and esteem of those who know him most intimately.

HON. ELI C. PERKINS.

Hon. Eli C. Perkins, of Delhi, has served acceptably for two terms in the lower house of the state assembly and since 1912 has been state senator. His knowledge of the basis of law and government has enabled him to determine which measures are best adapted to the permanent well being of the people as a whole, and he has been instrumental in securing the passage of such bills and the defeat of unwise measures. He also practices law and has been connected with much important litigation.

Mr. Perkins was born at Bethel, Maine, August 30, 1850, a son of Rev. Charles and Amazina (Cushman) Perkins, both of English extraction. They came west and located at Buchanan, Iowa, but later removed to Pomeroy, Calhoun

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county, where both passed away. They were the parents of six children, two of whom died in infancy, those who grew to maturity being: Charles G., who died in 1914; A. Gustava, the deceased wife of Alpheus Fuller; Eli C., of this review; and Luther, a resident of Bethel, Maine.

Eli C. Perkins received a common-school education in the public schools of Maine and Iowa and subsequently attended Lenox College at Hopkinton, Iowa, from which he was graduated in 1875. He then attended the State University of Iowa, taking a law course, and receiving his degree from that institution in 1879. In the same year he came to Delhi and began the practice of his profession. He was well fitted for his work and industrious in the preparation of his cases, and his clientage grew steadily as his ability became more widely known. His incisive mind enables him to go immediately to the heart of the matter without wasting time on nonessentials, and he displays sound judgment in determining upon the facts and arguments most pertinent to the case in hand. He is skillful in cross examination and effective in his presentation of his case before the court, and as the result of his able work his percentage of cases won is unusually high. From 1887 until 1893 he was county attorney, and in 1908 he was elected state representative, his record in the house winning him reelection in 1910. In 1912 he was elected senator and his work in the senate has been distinguished by the same ability and conscientiousness that marked his record in the house of representatives.

On the 13th of September, 1882, Mr. Perkins was married to Miss Kate M. Galpin, a daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (White) Galpin, natives of Weymouth, England. To Mr. and Mrs. Perkins two daughters have been born. Gwendolyn L., who was a teacher in the high school at Spencer, Iowa, married Arthur Bentz and became the mother of one daughter, Ethel. Hazel E. is a teacher in the high school at Onawa. Mrs. Perkins and the daughters are members of the Methodist church and are interested in all phases of its work.

Mr. Perkins is a republican in his politics and is one of the leaders of the party in this part of Iowa. He has won prominence in his profession and has taken an active part in the public affairs of county and state, and in all that he has done he has placed the public welfare and the principles of justice and right above personal gain. All who know him respect and honor him for his sterling manhood and this esteem of his fellowmen he values even more than the material success that has come to him.

AUGUST WITT.

August Witt has lived in Delaware county for more than a quarter of a century and enjoys an enviable reputation as one of its prosperous and representative agriculturists, owning a valuable farm of one hundred and sixty acres on section 16, Hazel Green township. His birth occurred in Germany on the 12th of August, 1853, his parents being Karl and Charlotte (Wilson) Witt, who passed away in that country. The father was engaged in sheep raising throughout his active business career. He had seven children, four of whom emigrated to the United States, namely: Fred, whose demise occurred in Clinton county,

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and public activities of a former senator from my county, whose earthly career was terminated since last we met here.

The first was the gallant Col. Crawford. For eight years preceding his death we occupied adjoining offices. While differing on many questions of policy, our personal relations were always of a most cordial nature. Everything contained in either office was mutually considered as our common property. I visited his bedside a few days before his demise. That parting I shall always cherish as a sacred memory.

Then followed the death of the talented and genteel B. B. Richards, who was known far and wide as the silver-tongued orator from Dubuque. He and I lived in the same block during the last twenty-four years of his life, and I served as a pall bearer at his funeral. His life was one worthy of the emulation of any public spirited and patriotic American.

The third ex-senator to depart during my incumbency of this position was my constant and intimate friend, James H. Shields, the "little giant" of northeastern Iowa, as he was familiarly called. For twenty-two years we occupied adjoining offices, and during all this time the doors between our rooms were never locked. Our relations were always of the most intimate and cordial nature.

And now during the last closing hours of the last public office I ever expect to occupy, I offer the obituary of my boyhood friend out on the farm, where we attended the same old primitive schools, the same church, and will in due course repose in the same churchyard.

And let me now express the hope that when one of my successors shall be called upon to present my obituary, he may feel warranted in commending my record as honestly and sincerely as I have felt justified in doing in regard to the former senators mentioned.

ELI C. PERKINS.

MR. PRESIDENT—Your committee appointed to draft resolutions commemorative of the life, character and services of Eli C. Perkins beg leave to submit the following report:

Hon. Eli C. Perkins, a member of the Senate of Iowa in the thirty-sixth general assembly, passed away October 10, ~~1915~~¹⁹¹⁶. In the death of Senator Perkins, the state of Iowa, Delaware county, and particularly the Delhi community, suffer an irreparable loss. During the many years of his residence and activities he had endeared himself to the community in a relation that is seldom given to a man to acquire. As a lawyer he commanded the utmost confidence, esteem and friendship of the members of the bar; as a citizen he was known as a loyal supporter of every worthy enterprise looking to the advancement of his town or community; and as a philanthropist, no one is capable of summarizing his many acts of benevolence, so quietly and unassumingly were they dispensed.

Eli Perkins was one of God's noblemen. His obsession, if it may be called such, was to do things that would benefit mankind. His legal knowledge was not used as an instrument for the accumulation of a fortune, but rather as a talent loaned to him, and which he must return with a good report and with usury. His benefactions were many, his

chief recompense was in the love and esteem of all who came in touch with him. As a politician he may not have been as astute as most who engage in the game, but his honesty of purpose was so manifest that he was frequently chosen to responsible official positions without opposition worthy of the name. He was a dispenser of clean politics, a promoter of high ideals, clean morals and a true citizenship.

Mr. Perkins was a native of Bethel, Maine, where he was born August 30, 1850, a son of Rev. Charles Perkins. He came to Iowa in his youth, secured his primary education in the public schools of that time and later graduated from Lenox college with the class of 1875. He attended the state university for his law course and after graduation in 1879 located at Delhi for the practice of his profession. He grew in favor and popularity and was elected to the office of county attorney, serving the county ably in that capacity from 1887 until 1893.

When the republicans were casting about for a candidate for the legislature in 1908, Mr. Perkins was at once recognized as the logical candidate and he was put forward without opposition. He served two terms in the House of Representatives and then was promoted by the people to the office of state senator. He took hold of the problems of state with his customary conscientious devotion to every charge laid upon him and was early recognized as one of the substantial, hard-working members of the legislature. In his capacity as senator added responsibilities were laid upon him and he stood at the head of some of the leading committees. There is no question that the arduous duties of the last session, a strenuous one from the political standpoint, were partially responsible for the breakdown in health which resulted in his untimely death. Toward the close of the session he kept steadily at work upon the mass of legislation piled upon his desk, notwithstanding the premonitory warnings that announced a weakened physical condition.

Mr. Perkins was never a shirker, and therefore he was less concerned for his own condition than for the welfare of his district and the state which he was serving. His friends know now that he sacrificed himself upon the altar of duty. He returned from Des Moines with the disease—pernicious anaemia—fastened upon him and his hosts of friends sorrowfully watched the end approaching.

Mr. Perkins was married on September 13, 1882, to Miss Kate Galpin who has been an inspiration and helpmate during the happy years of their married life. There are two daughters, Mrs. Gwendolyn Bentz and Hazel E., who with their mother survive to mourn the loss of a devoted husband and father, and to cherish in memory his ideal character. There is wide sorrow because of the passing, really in the prime of life, of a useful man and at a time when he was planning to accomplish much more for the benefit of humanity.

In due time there will be a marble monument at his grave to commemorate his life, but on the statute books of Iowa, and along the way of his lifework, he has left invisible monuments that will perpetuate his memory with the generations to come.

One of the last accomplishments of his life and a fitting and enduring monument to his memory was the passage by the thirty-sixth general assembly of what will always be known as the Perkins law for the relief and cure of crippled children. Although the law has been in operation less than two years, yet nearly every community in the state can point with pride to the fact that some little child in that community has been relieved of some physical handicap in life's work. This work has become so popular that the thirty-seventh general assembly has endorsed this most important work by making an appropriation for a children's hospital to accommodate the children which are being sent to Iowa City for treatment.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the journal of the Senate and that the secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an engrossed copy to the family of the deceased.

T. E. TAYLOR,
G. L. CASWELL,
BYRON W. NEWBERRY,
Committee.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Senator Taylor, in moving the adoption of the report, spoke as follows:

Senator Perkins was one of God's true noblemen. He was a real commoner. He came up from among the common people, and though he arose to a high position among his fellowmen, one of the greatest things I can say to his memory is that he never lost the common touch. His was the real sympathetic life. Wherever he saw the people, particularly those who were struggling against the troubles of life, his heart went out to them in sympathy. If I had time I could tell of many instances of the way in which he has benefited those in distress. One of the significant things that happened when his death was announced was that the people who had been in trouble and whom he had helped most wept silent tears as they thought of the blessing this good man had been to their lives. The Perkins law was simply the outgrowth of the feeling in his heart to be helpful to others who were unfortunate. He never looked upon any one suffering from a malady or trouble but what his thought was: What can I do to relieve this distress. The Perkins law was simply an outgrowth of his feelings for others and the children's hospital at Iowa City will always be a monument to his memory. I have hoped that the buildings to be erected for which he is so largely responsible might be named Perkins Hospital.

Senator Newberry spoke as follows:

I have known Senator Perkins for many years. He was a fine lawyer. For many years he was county attorney of Delaware county. For four years he served as a representative from his county and for four years was a member of the state Senate. He has left a monument to his memory on the statute books of this state, and the greatest monument

I take it that has been erected to the memory of any man that has come from this body. The work that is being done in the Children's Hospital at Iowa City is simply marvelous and I came away from there with the determination that if I ever had the opportunity to vote for an appropriation for a building to be used for the purpose outlined by the Perkins law that I would gladly do so and I am glad to say that the opportunity came the other day when such an appropriation was authorized. I trust the new building will be named Perkins Hospital.

Senator Wilson said:

The great world of humanity is divided into two classes: those who want to get the most out of the world, and those who want to put the most into it. Senator Perkins wanted to put the most into it. I am glad to pay this tribute to him.

Senator Whitmore spoke of the wonderful mastery of the English language possessed by Senator Perkins, and of his efforts to secure the children's hospital and of the good accomplished.

Senator Foster spoke as follows:

I became acquainted with Senator Perkins in 1878 at Iowa City, where we were fellow students and chums. He was some six years my senior and was throughout our college career a sort of elder brother to me. After our college days were over, each of us went our way to our respective homes; he back to Hopkinton in Delaware county, and I to Guthrie county, where I had been reared. Both of us engaged in the country law practice in quite distant towns, with poor railroad connections and no automobiles, and for thirty years we met only casually—say once a year, at most, as by chance when we happened to see each other in Des Moines.

In 1909 and 1911 he was here as a law maker in the House, and in 1913 in the Senate, and as I was about the state house a great deal during the legislative session, this afforded an opportunity to renew the sweet companionship of our youthful days. When I came to this Senate in 1915, he was here as a member from the Delaware-Butler district and the old-time relations and intimacies of college days, with him in the role of elder brother, were immediately resumed. When the drawing for seats in the thirty-sixth was about to occur, he arose in his place and asked unanimous consent that I be exempted from the drawing and that I be permitted to occupy seat No. 6 which is especially well located and convenient for a man on crutches. This incident of partiality to myself is but one of hundreds equally kind and considerate which I might relate, for in the nearly forty years of close companionship, he was already looking out for me and helping me over the hard places of which I have encountered my fair share.

This concrete case sheds light on his life and character. He loved his fellow men, was always ready to efface himself for others, and when I say that from day to day I miss his warm greetings, his sound counsel and disinterested suggestions, I express only what is felt, I believe, by every senator who had the good fortune to serve with him here in this chamber.

Senator Perkins was an excellent lawyer and won honorable distinction in his profession. At the time he began his legislative career, he had demonstrated his ability to earn good fees and was in line for attractive professional promotion, such as any lawyer is sorry to give up, but Senator Perkins was superior to the fascination of power or the charms of wealth, and deliberately chose not to employ his talent solely for aggrandizement but devoted his energies largely to the public weal. He was high minded as well as able and deliberately chose his country for his client and her welfare for his retainer fees and compensation. He was a prodigious worker, always ready to do more than his share, giving to the state long hours of patient, painstaking toil during the thirty-sixth general assembly, when he was really stricken with a fatal malady. In spite of the protest of relatives and friends he worked on and on to the last day and last hour of the session, his last utterance here being a strong appeal for an appropriation to stamp out tuberculosis. He promoted many wise benefactions and left behind him a lasting impression for good.

His work is done, and his life is an admonition to do good deeds.

CYRUS S. RANCK.

Senator Byington, from a special committee, submitted the following report and moved its adoption.

MR. PRESIDENT—Your committee appointed to draft resolutions in commemoration of the life, character and services of the Honorable Cyrus S. Ranck, beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, the Honorable Cyrus S. Ranck, a former member of this body, has passed away since the session of the last general assembly and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the members of the Senate that some expression of our sense of loss be made of record,

Be It Resolved, That in the death of the Honorable Cyrus S. Ranck, the state has lost a man of strong virile character, who had given to the state valuable and distinguished service as a legislator, and who attained eminence at the bar. That we deplore his death as a loss to the state, which he served with signal ability and usefulness.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Senate and a copy be transmitted to his family.

O. A. BYINGTON,
F. E. THOMPSON,
A. M. FELLOWS,

Committee.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

EDMUND C. SPAULDING.

Senator Jackson, from a special committee, submitted the following report and moved its adoption:

MR. PRESIDENT—Your special committee appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of Edmund Cole Spaulding, beg leave to submit the following report:



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Name:	Eli C Perkins
Age in 1910:	59
Estimated birth year:	abt 1851
Birthplace:	Maine
Relation to Head of House:	Head
Father's Birth Place:	Maine
Mother's Birth Place:	Maine
Spouse's name:	Kate G Perkins
Home in 1910:	Delhi, Delaware, Iowa
Marital Status:	Married
Race:	White
Gender:	Male
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Members:	Eli C Perkins Kate G Perkins Gwendolyn L Perkins Hazel E Perkins Ethel Bentz

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