

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Griggs, Thomas Watson Senator _____

Represented Scott County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 15 Feb 1875 Davenport, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Elizabeth Gilmore 16 Aug 1911

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Past president of the Davenport Water Company; director of the American Commercial and Savings Bank; president of the Chicago Copper and Chemical Company; vice president Davenport Elevator Company and Davenport Machine and Foundry Company

B. Civic responsibilities

Davenport Chamber of Commerce

C. Profession Investment Broker

4. Church membership

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

6. Public Offices

A. Local

B. State

C. National

7. Death 1 Oct 1930 Davenport, Iowa; buried Oakdale Cemetery, Davenport, Iowa

8. Children Elizabeth

9. Names of parents Francis Henry

10. Education Educated in the Davenport schools and Phillips Exeter Academy, New Hampshire

11. Degrees Harvard University - BS in 1899

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- During World War I, he was secretary of the Draft Board #2
- He entered the advertising business after college in Davenport, but later he was affiliated with his father in the Security Investment Company of which he was in charge.
- In 1919 he was named president of the Davenport Water Company, having been vice-president. He was president 1919-1927

T. W. Griggs, Prominent

EXPIRED AT ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL

But Little Hope Entertained for Recovery After Operation Sunday.

WAS 55 YEARS OF AGE

Former President Davenport Water Co., American Bank Director.

Thomas Watson Griggs, known in Davenport as Tom Griggs during all of his 55 years of life here, died at 8 o'clock this morning at St. Luke's hospital, where he underwent a serious operation Sunday.

Among many business connections here, Mr. Griggs was best known as former president of the Davenport Water company, and as a director of the American Commercial and Savings bank.

During the World war he was secretary of Draft board, No. 2, of this city, and took much interest in the practical patriotic work which that office put in his hands.

For the last year he had been in failing health, and the operation Sunday was performed with the hope of aiding him, but it proved fruitless.

Funeral Friday.

The body was removed to the Hill & Fredericks mortuary, and will be taken to the late home, 14 McClellan boulevard Thursday afternoon. The funeral will be held from there at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, with burial in Oakdale cemetery. The Very Rev. R. F. Philbrook, dean of Trinity cathedral, will officiate at the home and at the grave.

Personally, Tom Griggs was generally liked and State Legislators could not find it difficult to name a Davenport man who had more friends.

DEAD



Thomas W. Griggs (above), prominent Davenport businessman and financier, died today at St. Luke's hospital. Death followed an operation performed Sunday. He had been in failing health for some time.

ANNOUNCE LOW BIDS ON IOWA ROAD PROJECTS

Contracts Due to Be Let Today Total Over \$250,000.

Ames, Ia., Oct. 1.—(AP)—Approval of low bids aggregating more than a quarter of a million dollars for further primary highway projects in Iowa was reported today, following their announcement at a fortnightly meet-

Bandits in China Loot Villages

8,000 Citizens Massacred At Lihsian; Girls Abducted.

Peiping, China, Oct. 1.—(AP)—Advices received here state that 8,000 persons have been massacred by an army of bandits at Lihsian, south of Kansu. The town was attacked four weeks ago following a siege of months and the bandits were said to have killed all of the inhabitants except some girls whom they carried off.

Peiping, China, Oct. 1.—(AP)—Reports from Nanking asserting that Feng Yu-Hsiang had decided to retire from the civil war owing to serious reverses in Honan province were generally regarded in this northern coalition capital today as propaganda designed to cover up the government's failure to dislodge Feng, known as the "Christian general," from his stronghold in Chengchow.

Dispatches from independent sources stated that President Chiang Kai-Shek's government forces were repulsed with heavy losses after getting within two miles of their objective, while the Kuomintang army of Feng made vigorous counter attacks and regained most of the ground which the government troops had previously won at high cost.

Plans Final Drive

Feng, aided by several fresh Shansi divisions, is now reported to be planning a final drive in the hope of forcing the government troops out of Honan.

Foreign military observers point out that the recent intervention by Manchuria has greatly aided the northern coalition by removing the threat of a flank attack from Shantung, thus enabling the rebellious northerners to concentrate on the Lunghai campaign.

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Personally, Tom Griggs was genial and likeable, and it would be difficult to name a Davenport who had more friends and fewer enemies.

He was born in Davenport, Feb. 15, 1875, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Francis Henry Griggs. His father was for many years president of the Citizens National bank, an institution that was later merged with the American Commercial and Savings bank.

He received his early education in the Davenport schools and after completing his studies at Davenport High school he entered Phillips Exeter academy in New Hampshire. Following a year of preparatory work there he entered Harvard university, from which he was graduated with the degree of bachelor of science in 1899.

Heads Water Company.

Returning to Davenport he entered the advertising business, but later became affiliated with his father in the Security Investment company, of which he took active charge.

It was in 1919, following the death of T. N. Hooper, head of the Davenport Water company, that Mr. Griggs, then vice president, was named president. He continued in that capacity until 1927, when the company was sold to the American Water Works and Electric company. He had since been retired from active business.

Mr. Griggs married Miss Elizabeth Gilmore of Rock Island, Aug. 16, 1911. Mrs. Griggs was a member of one of Rock Island's best known families. Besides the widow there are surviving a daughter, Elizabeth, and a sister, Mrs. Arthur M. Judy of Montpelier, Ia.

Other Interests.

Besides his office as director of the American Commercial and Savings bank, Mr. Griggs had been president of the Chicago Copper and Chemical company, and vice president of the Davenport Elevator company and of the Davenport Machine and Foundry company.

In politics he had been affiliated with the Democratic party and had served in the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth General Assemblies of the Iowa legislature.

Mr. Griggs was a member of the Davenport Chamber of Commerce, the Davenport Country club, and the Rock Island Arsenal Golf club.

M'CARTHY TO MANAGE YANKS

Today Total Over \$250,000.

Ames, Ia., Oct. 1.—(AP)—Approval of low bids aggregating more than a quarter of a million dollars for further primary highway projects in Iowa was anticipated today, following their announcement at a fortnightly meeting of the state highway commission.

Paving in three counties to cost \$87,294.90 accounts for the major portion of the sum, with bridges and culverts coming second with \$75,712.

The bid of \$21,119.29 by Thompson and Willies of Shellrock on 118,750 of guard rail was the lowest bid received by the commission.

GEORGIA MOB HANGS NEGRO

Cartersville, Ga., Oct. 1.—(AP)—A motorcade of 45 or 50 masked men took John Clark, negro, from the county jail here early today and hanged him to the crossbeam of a telephone pole on the fair grounds a mile away.

Clark, charged with murder of Chief of Police Jenkins, was removed from the custody of the three deputies sheriff on duty at about 1 o'clock. At dawn local police reported finding the body hanging by a rope from the telephone.

A previous effort to lynch Clark was made two weeks ago. National guardsmen were called out and he was then removed to Atlanta for safe keeping, but returned yesterday for trial.

The lynching party came to the jail in nine or ten automobiles. Ten of the men entered the jail office where the deputies were on duty, took the key to Clark's cell from Deputy A. J. McCoy, unlocked the cell, seized their prey, and departed.

Clark was taken a few hours after his attorneys had appealed to the higher courts for a change of venue on the grounds he could not obtain a fair trial here.

FIND BODY OF M'NULTY, PLANE CRASH VICTIM

Conneaut, O., Oct. 1.—(AP)—The body of William McNulty, Columbus, O., salt manufacturer, was found in Conneaut harbor. He had crashed with Pilot Willard Parker, of Cleveland, in an airplane, into the water. The plane was evidently drowned while trying to swim ashore. Parker's body was

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ROOSEVELT SAYS TUTTLE EVADING STATE ISSUES

Syracuse, N. Y., Oct. 1.—(AP)—The subject of prohibition was in the gubernatorial campaign today in the form of a question by Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, asking Charles H. Tuttle, Republican nominee, whether he would sign a state enforcement bill if elected.

In a speech thanking the Democratic convention for his renomination yesterday, Governor Roosevelt said information had come to him that the price of support of drys among Republican leaders for Tuttle's candidacy was a promise that the Republican organization will pass a state enforcement act.

Governor Roosevelt accused Tuttle of evading state issues such as public utility control, taxation, old age pension, unemployment, cheap power, prison reform labor laws and state institutions.

He said the prohibition plank of the Republicans was "an attempt to make the Grand Old Party of this state an amphibious ichthyosaurus, equally comfortable whether wet or dry, whether in the sea or on the land or up in the air."

HUNT IOWA MAN AFTER SLAYING OF FORMER WIFE

Des Moines, Oct. 1.—(AP)—A search was being made today in central Iowa towns for the former husband of Mrs. Ethel Saxton, 28, whose body, bearing marks indicating strangulation, was found yesterday in a Chicago hotel. A check-up last night failed to reveal any relatives.

Meanwhile Chicago police were seeking Albert Mareno, who was last seen with Mrs. Saxton Sunday night by Mrs. Nettie Fuller, a friend, who found the body yesterday.

Mrs. Saxton registered at the hotel three weeks ago with a man, as Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith. She had a room of her own, detectives learned. Her brother, Lyle Langdon, of Chicago, took charge of the body.

WATERLOO VET CRUSHED WHEN TRUCK FALLS

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