

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Pickford, Arthur Senator _____

Represented Iowa Gordon County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place July 1855 Shepley, Yorkshire, England

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mrs Nell Sears 8 Oct 1885 Monticello, Green County, Wisconsin

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was editor of the farm page of the Mason City Globe Register newspaper from 1920-1933

B. Civic responsibilities Modern Woodmen of America; member of local fair board

C. Profession Ironer; woolen factory employee; teacher; salesman for the Mason City Brick and Tile Company; newspaper editor

4. Church membership Congregational

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

6. Public Offices

A. Local Secretary of Postpaid Township; school board 25 years; township clerk; member of the Iowa South County Board of Education

B. State President of the North Iowa Fair

C. National _____

7. Death 19 Mar 1943 Mason City Iowa; buried Rock Falls Cemetery Rock Falls, Iowa

8. Children Lyle Sears; Arthur Harold; Rollo Sears; Hugh Sears (died in 1928)

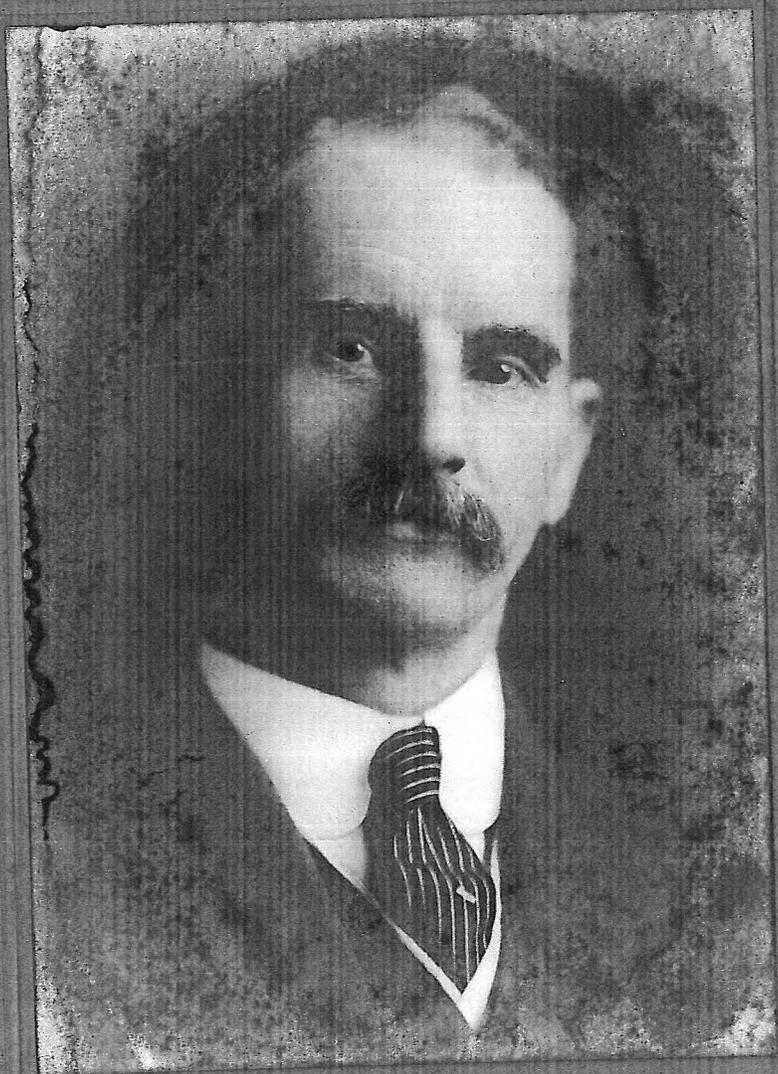
9. Names of parents Benjamin and Sarah Wood Pickford

10. Education Educated in common schools until age 12 and then
self-educated and learned by teaching school

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He came to America with his parents 18 April 1866, settling for a time at
Freeport, Illinois. In 1871 they moved to Monticello, Wisconsin
and in 1876 they moved to Cerrro Gorda County, Iowa.
- From age 12 to 21 he was a woolen factory employee in Wisconsin.
- He and his brother established themselves on a farm 6 miles east
of Mason City, Iowa where he farmed for 44 years. He
sometimes taught school in the winter.
- His wife, Therese born 22 Aug 1858, died 3 Apr 1928, also buried
in Rock Hall Cemetery, Rock Falls, Iowa.
- For 13 years he served as editor of "The Globe Gazette" newspaper of
Mason City.
- At his death he had lived in Cerrro Gorda County for 67 years.



Arthur Dickford
of Nora Springs.

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Arthur Pickford, Cerro Gordo

BEGAN FARMING IN COMMUNITY 67 YEARS AGO

Former Farm Editor, 87, in Failing Health for Past 4 Years

(See Pictures on Page 14)

Arthur Pickford, 87, former farm editor of the Mason City Globe-Gazette and pioneer resident of this community, died Friday afternoon at the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Pickford, 204 Seventh street northeast.

For four years, since suffering a stroke, Mr. Pickford had been in failing health.



ARTHUR PICKFORD

Mr. Pickford had been a resident of Cerro Gordo county 67 years, a period which spanned the time from pioneer days. He operated a farm in this community 44 years and served in the 34th and 35th general assemblies. He was one of the early directors of the North Iowa fair and was always intensely interested in betterment of country life.

Funeral services will be held at the Major Memorial chapel at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, with the Rev. Roy C. Helfenstein, pastor of the First Congregational church, in charge. Interment will be at the Rock Falls cemetery.

Mr. Pickford is survived by three sons, Lyle, with whom he made his home; Arthur Harold, Des Moines, and Rollo S., Cedar Rapids. A fourth son, Hugh S. Pickford, died in 1928.

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Mr. Pickford's activity in the community started in pioneer surroundings. He took his first examination for a teachers' certificate, in the bare courtroom of the first courthouse, long since torn down. Ira Kling was county superintendent. Other teachers of that period in town and country, some of whom became famous, were Herbert Quick, L. L. Klinefelter, Art Sale, Dick Montague and Sue Treston. Mr. Pickford estimated that he taught a total of 15 terms of rural and small town schools.

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WARSHIPS SET JAP POSITIONS IN BURMA AFIRE

Nippon Infiltration Tactics Continuing East of Mayu River

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

British warships laid down a fire-setting barrage on Japanese positions Friday in the Donbaik area in Burma, a communique said Thursday, and vanguards of Field Marshal Sir Archibald P. Wavell's forces driving down the coast "made progress" toward the town of Donbaik itself.

Donbaik lies near the tip of the Mayu peninsula, just north of the big Japanese base at Akyab on the Bay of Bengal.

British headquarters said numerous fires were started in the naval bombardment and declared that Japanese shore batteries inflicted "neither damage nor casualties" in attempting to break up the assault.

"East of the Mayu river, our positions have been maintained and in the past 24 hours there has been no important change in the situation," the British command said.

Japanese infiltration tactics east of the Mayu river, which separates the peninsula from the mainland, had previously forced the British to withdraw north of Rathedaung, 25 miles above Akyab, and threatened to cut off British forward troops along the coast.

In the southwest Pacific, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters reported continuing allied aerial attacks against a 2,000-mile arc of Japanese bases above Australia, with bombing and machine-gunning attacks from the Banda sea to New Britain.

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"A child born and reared in the country after the year 1900 can have little conception of the isolation of country life before the coming of the daily mail, the rural telephone, the good road and the automobile," he wrote in this book. "But children were born, deaths came and accidents happened then, as now. Perhaps the country folks, then, were more self-reliant than now and depended more on old time remedies. Certain it is that they could not call the doctor for every little ailment. One would have to be really sick before a trip was made to town to consult or summon a physician."

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Interested in all efforts to better the lot of the farmer, he served for many years on the board of the local fair. For two years he filled the position of president.

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He also worked on farmers' short courses which were established here by Professor Holden when the latter became connected with the extension work of Iowa State college.

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In those early years there were thousands of acres of original prairie sod not yet touched by the plow. Many of the roads were not yet established on section lines and travel selected the ridges and avoided the low spots.

Prairie fires were common the late fall and spring, some of them accidental but more of them intentional so that the grass would be better feed for cattle which were herded on the lands owned by the non-residents or so that a better quality of hay might be cut. It was free for all and men established a claim on it by mowing around what they thought they might need and custom gave them a right to it.

Mason City was a stripling youth, growing fast but gawky and unkempt with perhaps 3,000 inhabitants.

Mr. Pickford left a brief obituary, which he closed with this:

"As old age came on his outlook was expressed in these lines: 'I know the night is near at hand. The mists lie low on sea and bay. The autumn leaves go drifting by,—

But I have had the day.'"

Mme. Chiang Receives Cordial Reception on Arriving in Chicago

CHICAGO, (U.P.)—Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek, dainty envoy of united nations friendship, received a cordial welcome from the grass roots of middle America Saturday as she rested from her long train trip to this crossroads city.

Her physicians, fearing her frail physique had been weakened by her tumultuous welcome Friday, ordered China's first lady to remain in bed before resuming a strenuous four-day schedule that includes addressing a public rally, conferences with government and Chinese leaders and a visit to Chicago's Chinatown.

Throngs of well-wishers gave the tiny lady a rousing welcome at the station Thursday, pushing past cordons of police to view Mme. Chiang as she stepped from the train for the only midwestern trip.

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Dispatches said it was believed that the Japanese were now resorting to submarines to run supplies to their garrisons in Upper New Guinea, fearful of allied air power since the recent destruction of a 22-ship Japanese convoy in the Bismarck sea.

The Japanese, however, were showing a marked increase in air strength and Friday sent 18 bombers escorted by 32 fighters in a daylight raid on Porlock Harbor, New Guinea, 50 miles below the old Buna battle sector on the Papuan peninsula.

A communique said the enemy planes dropped 70 bombs, damaging a wharf and a launch, but there were no casualties.

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On the China front, a Chinese communique reported that Generalissimo Chiang-Kai-Shek's armies had crushed a Japanese counter-attack launched after the retreat of eight enemy columns south of the Yangtze river.

The Japanese, who crossed the river on a 100-mile front, started their counteroffensive Thursday, but were driven back despite aerial cover.

8 DEAD IN BUS, TRAIN COLLISION

25 Others Injured Near Granite City, Ill.

GRANITE CITY, Ill., (U.P.)—At least eight persons were killed and 25 others injured in the collision of an Illinois terminal electric train and a bus on the outskirts of Granite City. Most of the dead were women and children.

Victims were taken to a Granite City hospital. An emergency summons was issued for all doctors, nurses' aides and civilian defense workers in the area.

The fast, two-car train was enroute from Peoria to St. Louis, the railroad's divisional office at Springfield said.

The bus, driven by Emmett Warden of Granite City, had stopped a few feet from the railroad crossing to take on passengers. Most of them were residents of Nameoki. Warden was only slightly injured.

The bus was hurled into a ditch between the railroad tracks. Pieces of the vehicle were dragged to the State Historical Society of Iowa library. The train came to a stop.

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In Life of Arthur Pickford

cage Daily News last Monday. Rose Young, a Chinese girl, was shown explaining the rhythm of Chinese music to the other three.

Railroad Lore

In Mason City this week to make preparations for the big Milwaukee railroad dinner Tuesday, F. J. Newell, assistant public relations officer from Chicago, told some interesting stories of the rough and ready days of the railroad business.

Some decades ago when there was a big difference in interstate and intrastate rates for travel, it was the custom to pull the little station carrying the sign Big Stone City back and forth over the state line between Minnesota and South Dakota. That little job would make a difference of a cent a mile in the fares.

Newell grew up at Rosemount, Minn., where the following incident took place about in 1905:

The town council informed the Milwaukee railroad that unless a stop was made at the crossing there the whole train crew would be arrested. When the next train came through, the council made good on the threat and placed the conductor and engineer in the town bastille.

But the railroad men were not to be outdone. A crew came along, lifted the jail on a flatcar, took it outside the city limits and battered open the door.

Said a 6 year old Mason Cityan to his mother: "Is Missolini Hitler's wife?"

Alaskan Poet

Had it not been for the building of the Alaskan highway, the world might never have known about the poetic talents of Frank C. Lee, for many years a restaurant operator in Mason City. But the course of human events is like that.

Lee spent his time cooking for the road workers on the Duesenberg gang, while he allowed his poetic soul to react to the mighty mountains, canyons and streams.

The result was that there has been added to the great lore of Alaskan literature a small book of poems about man's epic struggle against the mighty forces of nature. A few were put out with native bark binding.

Lee wrote:
"When the great winds hurled defiance,
When the crushing snow swept the ground,
We of the Duesenberg's fighting gang
Bitterly stood our ground;
Stood with our face to the mountain slides
Hoped for a break at the crest;
Lifted our heads to God on high,
Muttered a prayer for rest."

Plan to buy the book "The Mighty Rocks" from the State Historical Society of Iowa, 2 Des Moines, Iowa. Swinging an axe through the shrub.



RECEIVES PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD



STURDY PIONEERS



TALL CORN

Above are three characteristic views of Arthur Pickford, Globe-Gazette farm editor, who died Friday afternoon at the age of 87 years.

In the top picture he is shown receiving the first prize award in an amateur photography contest sponsored by the library.

Left below he is shown with part of an old rail fence of the pioneers he found on the Bryant farm north of Mason

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Source: Iowa Territorial and State Legislators' Collection compiled by volunteers and staff at the State Historical Society of Iowa Library, 2 Des Moines, Iowa

Outline of Personal History of Arthur Pickford
 RESIDENCE Nora Springs 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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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) Arthur Pickford
2. Chief occupation or profession Farmer
3. Former occupation or profession Employed in a woolen Mill
4. Date and place of beginning each Farming, Cerro Gordo Co Ia 1876 woolen mill Foxport Ill 1865
5. Present residence address Nora Springs Ia
6. Present business address "
7. Date of birth July 9 1855
8. Place of birth Shepley - Yorkshire England
9. If born abroad, where "
10. Emigrated to America, when April 18 1866
11. First migrated to what state and county, whether born abroad or in America Stephenson Co Ill
in June 1866
12. Emigrated the second time to what state or county from Co Wis 1871
13. Further emigration, if any Cerro Gordo Co Ia 1876
14. Education. Give name and location of rural, high, business or technical school, college or university
Common school until 12 yrs old after then
self educated by teaching school for 15 terms
during the winter season.
15. Date of graduation and degree if any "

16. Place of death _____
17. Date of death _____
18. Place of burial _____
19. Name of father in full (all names) *Benjamin Pickford*
20. Occupation of father *Supt of wooden mill*
21. Full Maiden name of mother (all names) *Sarah Wood*
22. Residence when married *Shepley, Yorkshire, England*
23. Military service, if any (exact dates) _____

24. Political offices, (from the smallest to the largest, with dates)
Township Clerk 1881-1882
Secretary of School Board Portland Sup. Caru gordo Co Ia 1885 to 1910

25. Director or trustee of financial, religious and educational institutions
Trustee Congregational Church Norwaspung Ia 1902-1910

26. Politics *Republican*
27. Religious denomination if any *Unitarian*

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
Modern Woodmen of America

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 *Director North Iowa Fair*

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 *Theo Hall Sears*
2. Date of marriage *Oct 8 1855*
3. Place of marriage *Monticello Wisconsin*
4. Date of his or her birth *Aug 28 1858*
5. Place of his or her birth *Monticello Wisconsin*
6. Religious denomination *Unitarian*
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 *David Sears*
11. Born where and when *Knox Maine Aug 19 1813*
12. Occupation of his or her father *Farmer*
13. His or her mother's full name *Sarah^m Walker*
14. Born when and where *Albion Maine Apr 17 1815*
15. Parents' residence at time of their marriage *Maine*
16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family *Emigrated to Wis in 1855*

1. To whom married second time
2. Date of marriage
3. Place of marriage
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5. Place of his or her birth
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7. Date of his or her death
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10. Father's full name
11. How where and when
12. Occupation of his or her father
13. His or her mother's full name
14. How where and when
15. Parents' residence at time of their marriage
16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family

CHILDREN OF *Arthur Picketford* AND *Theo H. Sears*

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE	MARRIED TO WHOM	WHERE	DATE
<i>Lytle Sears</i>	<i>Portland, Me</i>	<i>June 10 1888</i>					
<i>Arthur Harold</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>April 13 1891</i>					
<i>Rollo Sears</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Feb 5 1895</i>					
<i>Hugh Sears</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Mar 13 1902</i>					

CHILDREN OF

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SIGNATURE *Arthur Picketford* DATE *Sept 3 1910*

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KENNETH A. EVANS, President of the Senate
HAROLD FELTON, Speaker of the House

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first General Assembly, That in the passing of the late Honorable H. C. Pattison, the State has lost a valued and honored citizen, and the House would tender, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

WILSON REED,
ARCH W. MCFARLANE,
BERT E. DODDS,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted.

ARTHUR PICKFORD

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Arthur Pickford, of Cerro Gordo county, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

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HENRY C. KRUEGER,

H. B. BLEWETT,

NORMAN NORLAND,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted,

HENRY H. REITZ

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Henry H. Reitz, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Henry H. Reitz, Representative from Lee county, was born in Brooklyn, New York, November 6, 1854. His parents were born in Germany. He attended school in his home city until his father's family came to Fort Madison, Iowa, in 1867. In 1868 they moved to Franklin, Lee county, where he worked on a farm in the summer months and attended high school in the winter.

He was married in 1876 to Matilda Vornkahl of Primrose, Iowa. He had a family of six children, three girls and three boys. He had been a member of the school board for twenty years and had held various township offices. He was elected Representative in 1906 and re-elected in 1908. In politics he was a Democrat.

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- *ID:* I04106
- *Name:* Arthur Pickford
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 9 JUL 1855 in Hardingly, Kirkburton, Yorkshire, England
- *Death:* 19 MAR 1943

Father: [Benjamin Pickford](#)

Mother: [Sarah Wood](#)

Marriage 1 [Theo Hall Sears](#) b: 28 AUG 1859 in Monticello, Green Co, WI

- *Married:* 8 OCT 1885 in Monticello, Green Co, WI

Children

1. [Lyle Sears Pickford](#) b: 10 JUN 1888
2. [Arthur Harold Pickford](#) b: 13 APR 1891
3. [Rollo Sears Pickford](#) b: 5 FEB 1895
4. [Hugh Sears Pickford](#) b: 13 MAR 1902



1880 United States Federal Census

Name:	Arthur Pickford																					
Home in 1880:	Portland, Cerro Gordo, Iowa																					
Age:	24																					
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1856																					
Birthplace:	England																					
Relation to head-of-household:	Son																					
Father's name:	Benj.																					
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Mother's name:	Sarah																					
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1900 United States Federal Census

Name:	Arthur Pickford	
Home in 1900:	Portland, Cerro Gordo, Iowa	
Age:	43	
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1857	
Birthplace:	England	
Relationship to head-of-house:	Head	
Spouse's name:	Theo	
Race:	White	
Occupation:		
Immigration Year:	1865	
Neighbors:		
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<u>Arthur Pickford</u>	43
	<u>Theo Pickford</u>	42
	<u>Lyle Pickford</u>	11
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	<u>Rollo Pickford</u>	5

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1920 United States Federal Census

Name:	Arthur Pickford	
Home in 1920:	Portland, Cerro Gordo, Iowa	
Age:	64 years	
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1856	
Birthplace:	England	
Relation to Head of House:	Head	
Spouse's name:	Theo H	
Father's Birth Place:	England	
Mother's Birth Place:	England	
Marital Status:	Married	
Race:	White	
Sex:	Male	
Home owned:	Own	
Year of Immigration:	1866	
Able to read:	Yes	
Able to Write:	Yes	
Image:	567	
Neighbors:		
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<u>Arthur Pickford</u>	64
	<u>Theo H Pickford</u>	61
	<u>Rollo S Pickford</u>	24
	<u>Hugh S Pickford</u>	17
	<u>Marie Sears</u>	71

Source Citation: Year: 1920; Census Place: Portland, Cerro Gordo, Iowa; Roll: T625_483; Page: 1A; Enumeration District: 45; Image: 567.

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the United States, 1920. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1920. T625, 2,076 rolls.

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Birth: Jul. 9, 1855
Settle, England

Death: Mar. 19, 1943
Cerro Gordo County
Iowa, USA

Son of Benjamin and Sarah Pickford. Husband of Theo Hall Sears. State Representative. General Assembly: 34 (01/09/1911 - 01/12/1913) Author of "Westward to Iowa" and regular contributor to the Mason City Globe Gazette. Main genealogist for the Sears-Pickford families.

Family links:

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Sarah Wood Pickford (1826 - 1884)

Spouse:
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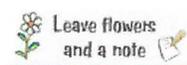
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