

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Balkema,

Nicholas - Represented Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola and Sioux  
Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 7 Apr. 1865

2. Marriage (s) date place

Clara Van Rooyen 9 Dec. 1886 Newbird, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business \_\_\_\_\_

B. Civic responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

C. Profession Merchant

4. Church membership Reformed Church

5. Sessions served 33<sup>rd</sup>, 34<sup>th</sup>, 35<sup>th</sup>, 36<sup>th</sup>, 37<sup>th</sup>, 38<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1909, 1911,

6. Public Offices 1913, 1915, 1917, 1919

A. Local Town councilman

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

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

7. Death 29 Jan 1954 Sioux Center, Iowa; buried Sioux Center Cemetery, Sioux

8. Children Kate (Mrs. Fred New Bede); Walter; Florence (Mrs. Peter B. Mowbray);

Raymond; Clayton; Lucille (Mrs. Eardley Schuetz); Jeanette (Mrs.

9. Names of parents John Van Rooyen - died before her father

10. Education \_\_\_\_\_

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

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12. Other applicable information Republican

- Came to Newbark in 1884 where he taught school.
- After no longer teaching he entered the mercantile business first in Newbark and then beginning on 13 Mar 1893 in Sioux Center until 1941.

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 onal tournament,  
 February 8-12 in  
 City Town Hall.

d game-times were  
 Wednesday, as fol-

- Alton St. Mary's-  
 ye; Newkirk vs. Al-  
 p.m.; Hospers vs.  
 8, 8:30 p.m.

nd — Alton St.  
 ton, Feb. 10, 7 p.m.;  
 n winner vs. Hos-  
 winner, Feb. 10,

ip game — Friday,  
 10 p.m.

— Orange City vs.  
 en vs. Sioux Cen-  
 :30 p.m.

ip game — Orange  
 arden-Sioux Center  
 11, 7:30 p.m.

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 y morning, present-  
 bly program.



his wife and son, a daughter.  
 Lennice, 12; two brothers, three  
 sisters, and the parents, Mr. and  
 Mrs. Gerd Popken of Craig, sur-  
 vive.

**Rites Monday for  
 Nickolas Balkema**

**Former State Senator  
 Came to County in 1884**

Nickolas Balkema died Friday,  
 January 29, at his home in Sioux  
 Center, at 88 years of age. He had  
 been ailing for some time.

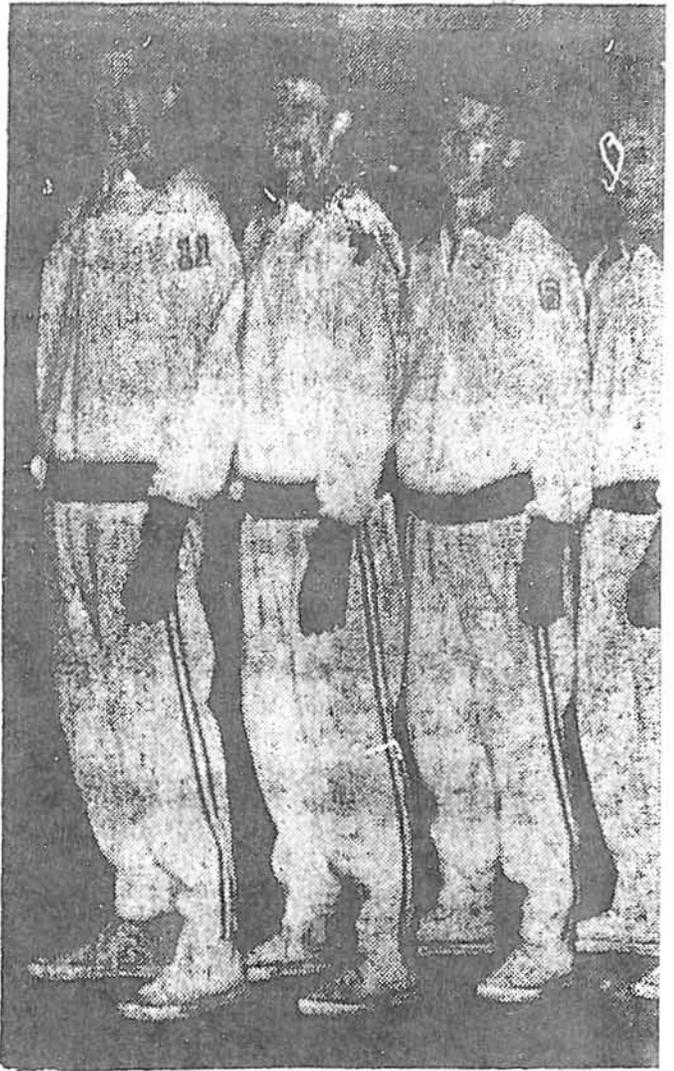
Mr. Balkema served as Iowa  
 State Senator for three consecu-  
 tive terms, from 1910 to 1919, was  
 active in civic and community af-  
 fairs as a member of the town  
 council, and was a member of the  
 Sioux Center school board for 35  
 years. He was also a charter  
 member of the Central Reformed  
 church in Sioux Center, serving  
 as elder and Sunday school  
 teacher for many years.

Mr. Balkema came to Newkirk  
 in 1884 where he taught school  
 until he went into the merchan-  
 tile business there. On March 13,  
 1893 he went into business in  
 Sioux Center, which he continued  
 until 1941.

He was married to Clara Van  
 Rooyen on December 9, 1886, at  
 Newkirk. Besides his wife, he is  
 survived by six children: Kate  
 (Mrs. Fred Den Beste), Sioux  
 Center; Dr. Walter of Sheldon;  
 Florence (Mrs. Peter B. Mouw),  
 Sioux Center; Raymond of Bur-  
 lington; Clayton of Sioux Cen-  
 ter; and Lucille (Mrs. Eardley  
 Schuetz) of Lincoln, Nebr. One  
 daughter, Jeanette (Mrs. Wm.  
 Van Roekel), preceded him in  
 death.

Other survivors include two  
 brothers, Albert Balkema and  
 Jim Balkema, both of Orange  
 City, and a sister, Mrs. John Van  
 Rooyen, in California.

Funeral services were held at  
 the Central Reformed church in  
 Sioux Center Monday afternoon,  
 with interment at the Sioux Cen-



Orange City's Dutchmen eased i  
 pers 50—51, and Maurice. in tou  
 las game to the host-team. Roger  
 match, netting 11 points; while Ko  
 added seven.

**Defending Champs fro**

