Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Darrah John Hamilton Senator

Represented Franklin and Hancock Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 16 Feb 1857 Franklin County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Kate Elliott 9 Oct 1881

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Merchant; farmer

4. Church membership

5. Sessions served

6. Public Offices Representative 36th 37th General Assemblies 1915, 1917 House of

A. Local County appraiser; mayor of Hampton Iowa for 10 years

B. State

C. National

7. Death 19 Feb 1956 Belmond, Iowa; buried Hampton Cemetery, Hampton, Iowa

8. Children Gladys; Max; Merle; R. J.

9. Names of parents Robert A.

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10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information Republican

His parents were from the north of Ireland, coming to Ohio at an early age. They moved to Ohio and to Franklin County, Iowa in 1856.

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Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
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WRIGHT COUNTY, IOWA—THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1956 OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER THE FAMILY NEWSPA

Demonstrations Three Days Next Wee

Curtis Mennenga Wins Recognition As "Best" Pilot

Outstanding ability in flying the T-28 training craft of the U. S. Air Force recently won Lt. Curtis Mennenga a new cigaret lighter. But more significant than the gift, received personally from the commander of Marana Air Force Base, Tucson, Ariz., was the fact that the honor stamped him as top pilot in his class of 100 USAF officers.

From the entire class, just four student pilots were selected to compete in a "landing stage." This competition consisted of three landings each by the four participants. They were graded on their ability to fly the traffic pattern and land on a designated spot on the runway.

Receipt of the engraved cigaret lighter from the commander was Lieutenant Mennenga's reward for placing first. He was chosen by his flying supervisors as one of the "landing stage" contestants due to his prior demonstration of over-all flying ability.

On Feb. 7, Lieutenant Mennenga reported to Loredo Air Force Base, Loredo, Tex., to enter basic single-engine jet training. Upon graduation from Loredo, he will receive his Silver Wings as a pilot in the USAF. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Mennenga.

LT. CURTIS MENNENGA
Wins Honor as Pilot

DAIRY CATTLE SALE

Belmond Sales Pavilion an-

John Darrah Dies Eight Days After Reaching Age 99

Death came about 11:30 Sunday morning to John H. Darrah at Belmond Community hospital, where he had been cared for since August of 1954. Mr. Darrah just eight days before his death had reached his 99th birthday. Funeral services were held yesterday at 2:00 p. m. at Greenfield Funeral Home, Hampton, conducted by Rev. Ralph E. Baker, pastor of the Hampton Methodist church. Burial was in the Hampton cemetery.

Father of the late Gladys Darrah, Belmond school teacher who died Jan. 7, Mr. Darrah was a member of one of the earliest pioneer families to settle in Franklin county. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Darrah. He was the first white child to be born in Hamilton township and only the fourth to be born in Franklin county. His birthplace was a log cabin nine miles southwest of Hampton.

He was a farmer up to the time of his retirement in 1912, when he and his family moved to Hampton. Thereafter he was engaged in various capacities by the county, including that of appraiser, and for some years was active in politics. He was state representative from Franklin county for two terms, 1915-1918, and served 10 years as mayor of Hampton.

In addition to his wife, who died in 1914, and the daughter who passed away just recently, Mr. Darrah was preceded in death by two other daughters. He is survived by three sons: Dr. Max Darrah, of Des Moines, Merle Darrah of Dallas, Tex., and R. J. Darrah of Silverton, Ore.; and by a brother, Wallace Darrah of Kanawha.

School Election On March 12th

Nomination papers are due in to Helen McNulty, secretary of the school board, by March 2 for candidates seeking election in the balloting for two directors and board secretary that is to be conducted March 12.

Mrs. Lee Mussell, who has been serving as president of the Belmond Community School district board of education, and Robert Garms are the two directors whose terms are expiring. C. C. Benson is the current president.

Both Mrs. Mussell and Mr. Garms have indicated that they

JEWEL GRAHAM
She'll Divulge Cooking Secrets

Start These Mementos Coming

The Independent has been selected as a clearing house for old-time photographs and early-day anecdotes that might be included in a centennial booklet commemorating Belmond's 100th birthday. If such a booklet is to be published, work will have to be started on it promptly and Gus Taylor, centennial chairman, says an idea must be gained soon of what its general contents should include. Articles based on reminiscences of pioneer days may be brought or mailed to the Independent office. The same with pictures, but these should be carefully wrapped or enclosed in a manilla envelope and clearly labeled as to ownership.

ENLISTS IN USAF

Marlys Christensen, a 1953 graduate of Belmond High school and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Christensen, on Monday of this week enlisted in the U. S. Air Force. She will receive her basic training at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Tex.

CHICKEN-N-BISCUITS

Esther Circle of the Methodist church will hold a rummage sale and will also serve a chicken-and-biscuit lunch at the church building this Saturday. Serving will start at 11:00 a. m.

More Than 175 Prizes Lined Up 27 Store Booth

Capacity crowds are confi expected at all three sessi the cooking and refrig demonstration which the Bureau of the Belmond Cl of Commerce will conduct Odd Fellows hall on Tu Wednesday and Thursday o week. Jewel Graham, Iowa college food specialist, ha engaged to present the dem tions. Arrangements were m Mrs. Geraldine Steele, county home economist.

Prizes in great abundan be awarded during the th event, according to Dave K and Lloyd Lewis, who are c men of the Retail Bureau tee that has planned it. A mately 150 door prizes awarded during the three the basis of registration first floor of the IOOF hall 27 business places will have to display their wares.

Demonstrations 2:00 to

Women are urged to reg each of the three days an tend each of the three af sessions, each of which concerned with different matter. In addition to the prizes, sponsors of the var plays will be giving separa based on registration booths.

Doors of the hall will each day from 1:00 to 5: The demonstrations in t ment of the hall will be c from 2:00 to 4:30 p. m., women and hour beforeh a half hour afterward to at the booths and look displays of merchandise t will contain.

Home Freezer Tip

On Tuesday afternoo Graham will confine her stration to matters of p paration for storage in ho ers. Not only will she p number of dishes that le selves admirably to pr and freezing, but she w useful tips in regard to with a view to keeping w minimum and retaining n of the foods stored.

Wednesday afternoon will be "Broiler Meal Graham will have many offer regarding how to n use of a broiler and how

Pork in Preferred

Particularly timely wi

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