

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Durbin, Fred Senator _____

Represented Mills County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 31 May 1876 near Emerson, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary Christy 27 Nov 1901

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Has been cashier and director of the Malvern National Bank, Malvern, Iowa

B. Civic responsibilities Mason

C. Profession Banker; farmer; breeder of Percheron horses and shorthorn cattle

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 31st, 32nd General Assembly 1917, 1919

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 14 Dec 1946 Malvern, Iowa buried

8. Children Dorothy (Mrs. Leo Koepfer)

9. Names of parents Joshua and Almira Durbin

Darbin, Jack

10. Education He was a graduate of Western Normal College,
Shenandoah, Iowa, 1896

11. Degrees Graduate of the law school at the University of Iowa,
Iowa City, Iowa in 1898

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He spent his boyhood on the farm near Emerson, Iowa
where his parents settled four years before, moving
from eastern Iowa to Miller County.
- After graduating from college he returned to Miller County,
Iowa taking a position in the Straban and Christy
Bank in Malvern.
- He worked as a cashier when the bank was renamed
the Malvern National Bank. Then he became the
president of the bank. Under his direction the bank
changed its organizational plan and became the
Malvern Trust and Savings Bank in the 1920's
- He was president of the bank until spring 1946 when
he sold the majority interests, but continued on as
director until only a few days before his death.

IDER TO PRINT ESDAY NEXT WEEK

Because Christmas will
be a holiday the day before
the Leader's regular publica-
tion date next week, the paper
will be printed on Tuesday in-
stead of Thursday.

Correspondents, those hav-
ing news, advertisers and oth-
ers interested are requested to
bring the change in the printing
schedule and to have copy at
the office as early as possible
not later than Tuesday
morning.

The Leader staff, which has
an unusually heavy sched-
ule of work during the fall
months, will take an extra day
of vacation following Christ-
mas but the office will be open
on Friday.

SILVER CITY PEOPLE KILLED IN CALIFORNIA

Car and Truck Collide Head-on in Mojave Desert Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. V. Sell, 70
and 69 respectively, of Silver City
were killed Tuesday and Mrs. E.
Catterlin, 70, of Council Bluffs
suffered a broken hip when their
car and a truck collided head-on
in the Mojave desert three miles
west of Amboy, Cal.

The couple were enroute to Los An-
geles in a car driven by E. N.
Catterlin, 72, who was only
slightly injured. The driver of the
truck was critically injured.

The two couples left a week
ago for Texas, thinking
that a warmer climate would be
beneficial to Mrs. Catterlin's
hip. They decided to go on to
the west coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Sell were life-
time residents of the Silver City
community. They farmed five
miles west of Silver City.

The bodies are being return-
ed to the Raynor Funeral home
in Glenwood where arrangements
will be made.

Surviving Mr. and Mrs. Sell
are two daughters, Mrs. Ed-
ith and Mrs. Conrad Kruse,
of Silver City and a son

FRED DURBIN DIED AT HOME HERE SATURDAY MORNING

Had Been in Banking Business in Malvern for 47 Years

Death claimed another of Mal-
vern's older business men early
Saturday morning when Fred
Durbin died at his home here. Mr.
Durbin had been in poor health
for a number of years, having
suffered a paralytic stroke nearly
11 years ago, but had continued
active in his banking interests
until last spring.

Funeral services were held
Monday afternoon in the Mans-
field Funeral home.

Fred Durbin, the son of Joshua
and Almira Durbin, was born in
the farm home of his parents
near Emerson, May 31, 1876. His
parents had come to Mills county
from eastern Iowa only four years
before, traveling in a covered
wagon which they had continued
to use as their residence until a
new house could be built. He
passed his boyhood on the farm,
learning the skills and resource-
fulness which such an environ-
ment demanded. The Durbin
farm home was considered one of
the most hospitable in eastern
Mills county and in later years
Mr. Durbin often recalled the
many guests which they had en-
tertained in the large family
home where the board was near-
ly always set with an extra plate
and a special room was kept in
readiness for any who might wish
to stay the night.

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With a Christmas party planned
entirely for the kids, Malvern
will entertain all youngsters who
can crowd into town next Satur-
day, Dec. 21, when the Commer-
cial club and Volunteer Fire de-
partment cooperate in a special
party.

The organizations have extend-
ed a cordial invitation to every
boy and girl in the area to attend
this and be their guests for that
afternoon. Features of the party
will include:

1. A free movie starting at 1
p. m. This will include two show-
ings of a feature every kid will
like and will be entirely free. It
will be in the Empress Theater.
2. At 4 p. m. Santa Claus will
appear, riding into town on the
big Malvern fire truck in a pro-
cession of screaming sirens, bells,
excitement and hilarious wel-
come.
3. Santa Claus will at once
unlimber his big pack and will
have a big Christmas treat for
every kid present. It is rumored
that his treat will include not
only candy and fruit but also a
special gift as well.

Firemen will assist Santa in
the distribution and provide a
special safety patrol for the busi-
ness district streets to insure con-
stant safety for every kid here,
no matter how young.

So don't forget this big event,
kids! Be in town promptly for
the big free show. And be ready
to greet old Santa when he roars
into town at 4 o'clock Saturday
afternoon.

News of the County Seat

Marriage licenses were in de-
mand by a number of Glenwood
people last week. Those going to
the local court house were Albert
McCollister and LeVon M. Har-
mon, Edward L. Jens and Flora
L. Johnson, Fred M. Johnson and
Mary J. Fisher of Glenwood. Ad-
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Mrs. Orville Starr
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IS FILM TO BE FRIDAY NIGHT

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Mr. Durbin also maintained his
interest in farming throughout
his life, always taking an active
interest in the operation of his
land. He was also active in civic
and community affairs. In 1917
he was elected as county repre-
sentative in the state General As-
sembly and was reelected in
1919. For many years he was a
member of Silver Urn Masonic
lodge, serving a term as master
of this organization. He was a
member of the Methodist church.

On Nov. 27, 1901 he was mar-
ried to Mary Christy and they at
once established their home in
Malvern. The Durbins had one
daughter, Dorothy, now Mrs. Leo
Hoefler, of Omaha. He is survived
by Mrs. Durbin, Mr. and Mrs.
Hoefler and two grandchildren,
Freddie and Joan; two sisters,
Mrs. R. L. Hale and Mrs. J. W.
Baer, of Malvern; a brother
James of Emerson.

Funeral services were held
Monday afternoon at the Mans-
field Funeral home, conducted by
the Rev. L. C. Hall, Mr. Durbin's
pastor in Malvern, and the Rev.
I. B. Allen of Sidney, a former
pastor. Music for the service was
furnished by Mrs. J. E. Ellison
and his former associates in the
bank served as casket bearers,

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Treasurer's office reports that
county citizens are obtaining
their auto licenses earlier this
year. They are well past the
1,000th plate which indicates an
increase of more than 200 over
last year at the present date.

Masons and Stars Hold Election of Officers

Mrs. Helen Landis was elevat-
ed to worthy matron of the Order
of Eastern Star at their election
Tuesday. Lloyd Landis was elect-
ed worshipful master for the Ma-
sons and also worthy patron of
the Star.

A list of other elective officers
follows:

For the Stars: Mildred Byng-
ton, associate matron; W. R. By-
ington, associate patron; Mrs.
Doris Beckwith, secretary; Mrs.
Ruth Salyers, treasurer; Mrs.
Grace Hall, conductress; and Mrs.
Verna Bennett, associate conduc-
tress.

For the Masons: Gerald Wilcox
will be senior warden; Robert
Campbell, junior warden; Dr. J.
W. Baer, treasurer; and S. J. An-
derson, secretary.

Joint public installation will be
held early in January.

E. W. Burdick, J. R. Hall, Louis
J. Knop, Keith Adams, F. J.
Iwert and Charles Wright. Mrs.
Hall, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Frank
Chamberlain, Mrs. Amy Sloth-
ower and Mrs. W. D. Slothower
cared for the flowers.