

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Normley, John Mason <sup>"Jack"</sup> Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Plymouth County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25 Nov 1862/1863 Macomb, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place  
① Frances Cook 21 Sept 1893 Lin Co, Iowa

② Vera A. Low 14 Feb 1923

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Had a great interest in civic affairs, consequently, many of the public improvements in Kingsley occurred under his leadership.

B. Civic responsibilities I.O.O.F., Elks Lodge;

C. Profession Attorney; farmer; stockman; real estate.

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 37<sup>th</sup>, 38<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1917, 1919

6. Public Offices

A. Local Mayor of Kingsley starting in 1904 and served 5 terms; Board of Education member; policeman; city councilman

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

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

7. Death 12 Nov 1942 Sioux City, Iowa; buried Kingsley Cemetery, Kingsley, Iowa

8. Children Edna (Mrs. McQuire); Susan Marie (Mrs. Barber); Henry H.; Francis B. (Mrs. Clark); George H.; Andrew Wilson; Charles H.; John H.; Paul (predeceased his father in death in 1913)

9. Names of parents Samuel Street and Susan (Thompson) Normley

10. Education Attended Hazel Dell Academy at Newton, Iowa and  
the common schools of Jasper County.

11. Degrees Attended Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa; received law  
degree from University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa in 1889

12. Other applicable information Republican

- At age 3 he moved with his parents to Newton in Jasper County, Iowa  
where he grew to maturity.
- When he was admitted to the bar, he moved to Kingsley, Iowa. There  
he established his law practice. He lived in Kingsley 59 years.
- Military service - World War I - chairman of the county defense council
- He contributed both money and services to the building of every church  
in the community in Kingsley.
- He was a member of the Plymouth County and Iowa Bar Associations
- He retired from law practice in 1916 to devote time to his real  
estate interests, raising stock and farming
- His first wife, Frances, born 14 Mar 1868 in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, died  
17 Apr 1917, Kingsley, Iowa, buried Kingsley Cemetery, Kingsley, Iowa
- His son, Gordon Nelson Wornley, died 15 Apr 1959 in a car  
accident

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
-			<u>Obituary - The Kingaley News Times, Kingaley, Iowa</u> <u>Source Nov 18, 1948, p. 1, col. 6</u>
-			<u>Iowa Official Register 1917-1918, p. 342</u>
-			<u>Outline of Person's History by the Historical department of Iowa (located in the</u> <u>library/clipping files)</u>
-			<u>Portrait - the original portrait is located in the archives of the Iowa State</u> <u>Historical Library, 600 E. Locust Des Moines, Iowa</u>
-			<u>familysearch.org (accessed 14 Sept 2009)</u>
-			<u>History of Plymouth County, Iowa Vol II, 1917, p. 336-337</u>
-			<u>Honor Guard 1949, p. 1703-1704</u>
-			<u>This is Kingaley, Iowa - A Century of Memories 1884-1984, p. 577-578</u>
-			<u>Iowa Genealogy - WPA - Plymouth County, Iowa</u>



PORTRAIT

WORMLEY, JOHN M.

## Juniors To Present Class Play Tuesday

"Going On Seventeen" A Clever Comedy

The Junior class of Kingsley high school will present the play: "Going on Seventeen," Tuesday, evening Nov. 23rd in the school auditorium at 8:00 o'clock.

This is a comedy of youth by Hilda Manning who has written many charming plays for young people. It is a notable addition to the gallery of portraits of young America, and further than that, it is a quickly paced comedy replete with action, humor and gorgeous characterizations.

The plot revolves around the central character, Buddy and his machinations and his two young henchmen, Paul and Shrimpie. This play witty and charming, accurately reflects the lives of our younger generation and all their trials and tribulations.

The characters in order of appearance are:

Elsa	Dorothy Kranz
Buddy Carhart	Arthur Schroeder
Mrs Kate Carhart	Joan Bleil
Florence Carhart	Darlene Pierre
Craig Vincent	Vernon Ohlendorf
Tom Williams	Darlo LeMoine
Paul	Keith Stratton
Shrimpie	Ronald Smid
Joan Lansing	Darlene Coles
Lillums	Nancy Spaan
Frank Carhart	Milton Madden
Helen	Dixie Roepke
Doris	Connie Puttmann
Agnes	Evelyn Mathers
Messenger	Marvin Wilson

Guests :Dorothy Seuntjens, Janice Christopherson DeLora Sheeler, Wayne Conry, Marvin Wilson, Marlin Wilson, Darrel Fitzpatrick, Don Moser.

## Everett Johnson Married in Cleveland November 9th

## Rites For John M Wormley Held Monday

Esteemed Business Man A Resident 59 Years

Funeral rites were held Monday afternoon of this week for John M. Wormley, a resident and business man of Kingsley for the past 59 years.

John Marion Wormley, the third son of Samuel S. and Susan Wormley, was born November 25, 1862, at Macomb, Ill., and passed away Nov. 12, 1948, at the Methodist hospital in Sioux City. When a small child of three years he migrated with his parents to Newton, Jasper county, Iowa where he grew to manhood and where the family home was maintained until the death of his parents. Mr. Wormley was the third of a family of 12 children, six of whom preceded him in death. He attended Hazel Dell Academy at Newton Iowa State College, and in 1889 received his Law Degree from the University of Iowa. He was admitted to the Iowa bar and came to Kingsley, which was virtually the end of the railroad. He established a law practice and resided here continuously for fifty-nine years.

In 1904 he was elected mayor of Kingsley and became actively interested in politics. He was subsequently elected mayor five times. He was a member of the Board of Education, served as postmaster, and was a member of the Iowa legislature for two sessions. He took an active part in all community affairs and politics until the time of his death.

Mr. Wormley was one of the sponsors of the 1917 War Bond sale which gained a wide recognition for Kingsley because more than \$30,000 was accumulated for Red Cross work.

He was vitally interested in civic affairs, and most of the public improvements found in Kingsley were accomplished under his leadership. He contributed both money and services to the building of every church in the community, and whenever the town could be improved he was always one of the leaders of the movement.

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**Everett Johnson  
 Married in Cleveland  
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Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Johnson return-  
 ed last week from Cleveland Ohio,  
 where they attended the wedding of  
 their son, John Everett and Jane  
 Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
 Fred L. Walker, of Lakewood, Ohio.  
 The wedding was solemnized at the  
 Church of the Asencion on Tuesday,  
 November 9th at 4 p m. The cere-  
 mony was attended by the immediate  
 families, including Mr. and Mrs. J.  
 Russell May (the former Ruth John-  
 son) of Erie, Penn.  
 After the ceremony a wedding  
 dinner was held at the Lake Shore  
 hotel.  
 The couple are now on a wedding  
 trip to Iowa, and at present are  
 visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Johnson,  
 in the groom's parents, in Grand Mea-  
 dow.  
 The bride and bridegroom are grad-  
 uates of Iowa State College. They  
 will reside at 132 East 233 st Euclid,  
 Ohio. Mr. Johnson is sales engineer  
 of the Ingersol Rand Co., and Mrs.  
 Johnson has been Home Economics  
 columnist on the Cleveland News .

Before returning home Mr. and  
 Mrs. A. B. Johnson visited in the  
 home of their daughter and family, in  
 Erie, Penn.

**W. T. Campbell Buys  
 Out Geo. Anderson**

A business deal was completed this  
 week whereby W. T. Campbell becomes  
 owner of the Geo. Anderson Appliance  
 Store on December 1st. Mr. Camp-  
 bell has previously been employed by

Knowles & Clark and plans to close  
 out some of the stock and add new

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 were born; Edna McGuire, Sioux City;  
 Sue Sanborn Whitefish Bay, Wis.;  
 Henry W. Wormley, Des Moines;  
 John W. Wormley, Davenport; Fran-  
 ces Clark, Ida Grove,; George Worm-  
 ley, Milwaukee; Wis.; Woodrow  
 Wormley, Kingsley; Charles Wormley  
 of Davenport, and Paul Wormley, de-  
 ceased .

On the 14th day of February 1923,  
 Mr. Wormley was married to Vera A.  
 Low, of Marshalltown, Iowa ,who  
 survives her beloved husband. All  
 of the surviving children and wife  
 were present to pay their final re-  
 spects to a loving husband and de-  
 voted father.

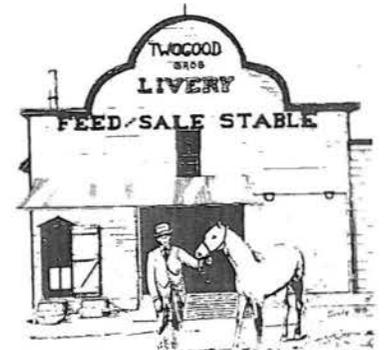
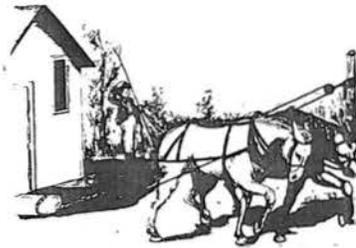
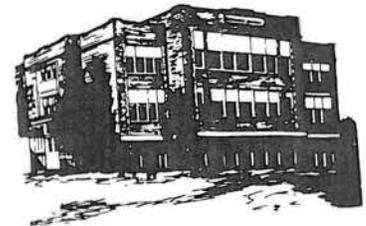
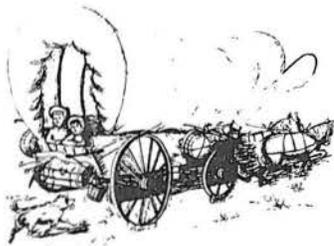
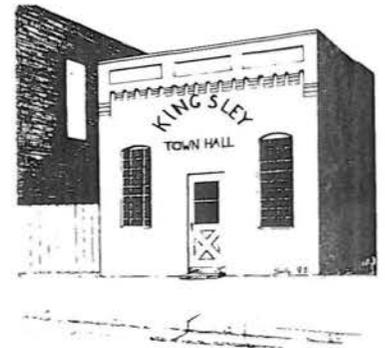
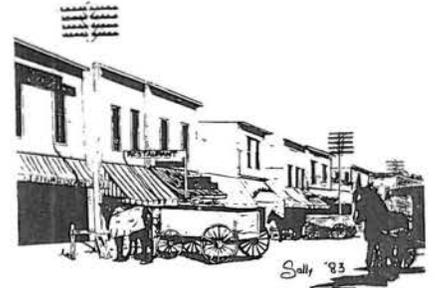
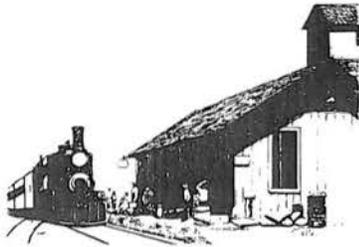
Mr. Wormley is also survived by  
 three brothers and two sisters; Thom-  
 as J. Wormley, of Hollywood Calif.;  
 Jay Wormley, Newton Ia; David  
 Wormley of Newton; Patience Korf,  
 of Newton; Mary Harriman, Ames;  
 fifteen grandchildren, a host of  
 nieces and nephews and countless  
 friends.

Funeral services were held at the  
 Wormley home in Kingsley, and at  
 the Congregational church on Nov.  
 15th with Reverends J. F. Hutchin-  
 son ,of Storm Lake and Paul Jack-  
 son, of Kingsley, officiating. He  
 was laid to rest in the Kingsley cem-  
 etery beside his wife and son who  
 died in 1917.

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ord. In 1973 they returned to Kingsley, built a house and retired there. Louis passed away January 18, 1977.

## W.W. WORMLEY



**Woodrow Wilson ("Pete") Wormley**

W.W. (Pete) Wormley was born July 9, 1912, the son of J.M. Wormley and Frances Rock Wormley.

Woodrow was named after the President of the United States, Woodrow Wilson. His father was a very active political figure and chose this name for his young son. The name Woodrow did not follow him long, for to most of his friends he soon became known as "Pete."

He attended Kingsley High School and was active in both music and sports, both of which he enjoyed all his life. He attended the University of Iowa for a time and returned home to Kingsley.

June 10, 1932, he married Marion (Bainbridge) Wormley and to this union four daughters were born, viz; Marian Lee, Frances Lou, and identical twins, Barbara Ann and Roberta Ruth.

Pete farmed for some time and then assisted his father, J.M., in the management of his farms until his father's death. He was also employed by Knowles and Clark Hardware, and later became the manager of Knowles Pan Manufacturing Co.

He served his country in World War II in the Seabees, division of the Navy, and was stationed in England. He was a member of Nash Post 140, American Legion, Cosmos Lodge 47, Sioux City Consistory, and was a 32nd Degree Mason.

He was a member of the Methodist Church, altho most of his life he and his original family attended the Congregational Church.

On April 15, 1959, Pete was fatally injured in a car accident. He is buried in the Kingsley Cemetery beside his father, mother, and infant brother.

He was a special person and was a father and grandfather that is well remembered and never forgotten by his children and his grandchildren.

## JOHN MARION WORMLEY



**Hon. J.M. Wormley**

John Marion Wormley was born November 25, 1863 and died November 12, 1948. He was the son of Samuel Stuart Wormley and Susan (Shoopman) Wormley. The story of the Wormley family in this country goes back to the early years of the 18th century, when Germany was torn by religious wars between Catholics and followers of Martin Luther.

William Penn was establishing his colony for religious and political refugees in what now is the state of Pennsylvania and personally financed three ships, which were sent to Europe to pick up anyone who wished to try fortunes in the new world.

Johannes Warmle (ancestor of J.M. Wormley) arrived in Philadelphia on the *Patience* in 1753. The new colonist first settled in Lancaster County, and moved to Cumberland County in 1776, where he settled on the west bank of the Susquehanna River. At one time Johannes owned 600 acres of Pennsylvania farmland. Three of his sons fought for freedom in the revolution. Englehart, the first to change the spelling of the family name, was a private in the Cumberland County Militia and took part in the battle of Long Island. He was the commanding officer of a regiment in the War of 1812.

The town of Wormleysburg, Pennsylvania is built on part of Johannes Warmle's original land holds. Grandsons of the founder of the family line moved westward, seeking new homes for their families. Succeeding generations of Wormleys lived in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

J.M. Wormley was born at Macomb, Illinois and came to Iowa with his parents when he was three years old. The family traveled up the Des Moines river valley to Newton, Iowa.

Mr. Wormley attended Hazel Dell Academy at Newton and Iowa State College and in 1889 received his law degree from the State University of Iowa. He was admitted to the bar and moved to Kingsley, Iowa to establish his law practice.

On September 21, 1893 he was united in marriage to Frankie Rock, who preceded him in death November 17, 1917. To this union nine children were

born; Enda, Sue, Henry W., John M., Frances, George, Woodrow, Charles, and Paul (deceased at birth).

He became actively interested in politics and community affairs and in 1904 was elected Mayor of the town of Kingsley in which capacity he served five terms. Mr. Wormley served as postmaster, member of the Kingsley Board of Education, and as State Representative of Plymouth County in the 37th and 38th General Assemblies. He served in many other capacities as a community leader. On the 4th day of February, 1923, he married Vera Lowe of Marshalltown, Iowa. J.M. also was chairman of the county defense council during World War I. He was proud that two of his sons served in the First World War, and three served in the Second World War.

John Marion was a staunch Republican, even though he named his one son (Woodrow Wilson Wormley) after a President of the United States not of the same party.

One son, Henry W., followed in his father's footsteps by serving the town of Kingsley as a Mayor, and State Representative from Plymouth County in the 50th and 51st sessions of the General Assembly.

Mr. Wormley's ability as an organizer and his untiring efforts in the interest of community welfare were reflected in many ways in the development and progressive community of which Kingsley, Iowa is the center. His sincerity, his kindly nature and his ever readiness to champion a just and worthy cause gained for him an enviable number of friends.

John was a member of the Plymouth County and Iowa Bar Associations, Elks, and Congregational Church. He was blessed with good health and carried on an active and useful life to the time of his passing on November 12, 1948. He is laid to rest in the Kingsley Cemetery beside his wife and two sons; Paul Wormley and Woodrow Wilson Wormley.

His sons and daughter still living are: Sue Sanborn (Arizona), Henry (Des Moines, Iowa), John (Bettendorf, Iowa), Frances Clark (Ida Grove, Iowa), and Charles (Davenport, Iowa).

This gentleman not only left his mark in Kingsley and the State of Iowa, but also in the lives of all his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was, indeed, the "Honorable John M. Wormley."

## DOUGLAS AND GAYLE ROEPKE WRAGGE

Gayle Jean Roepke, born in 1947 in Kingsley to Eldon and Rowena Roepke, attended District #8 for grades K-3 and Kingsley Public Schools for grades 4-12. She graduated from Kingsley High School in 1965. She graduated from Concordia Teachers College in Seward, Nebraska in 1969, teaching near Columbus, Nebraska in two rural Lutheran schools for six years and rural public school for three years, and in the Columbus city schools for two years.

Gayle married Douglas R. Wragge in October 1980 and moved to Howells, Nebraska. Doug was widowed in 1978 and left with two sons, Scott Lowell, born in 1971, and Aaron Douglas, born in 1974. In



**Doug and Gayle Wragge  
Scott, Aaron and Rachel  
Taken 1982**

and Gayle.

Doug owns and operates, in partnership with his brother, the Wragge Hatchery and Purina Feed Store in Howells.

## MELVIN AND FLORENCE WRIGHT

Frank Keller, son of Karl and Bertha Keller, natives of Germany, was born in Jamestown, North Dakota, March 7, 1884. When still a young boy he came with his parents to Iowa and lived on a farm northwest of Merville.

He married Sadie Mahin on April 24, 1907, at Bronson, Iowa. They were both educated in rural schools. In 1910, he, along with his wife and small daughter, Frances, who was born in 1908, moved to Kingsley, into the house now occupied by Marie Timmins.

Frank and his brother, John, went into partnership and bought the pool hall, that was located in the old liquor store building.



**Keller Pool Hall - 1912**

On April 15, 1911, another daughter, Florence,

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Genealogical Records of Many of the Old Families

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Grand Army of the Republic, and belonged to the Masonic Order and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, including the Daughters of Rebekah.

Robert H. Woolworth grew to manhood on the home farm, where he worked when a boy. He received a common-school education. On June 6, 1901, he married Leslie McGilvra, a native of South Dakota and a daughter of Nathaniel and Laura McGilvra, and to this union five children have been born, Sylvester, Roy, Laura, Lawrence and Glenn. Mrs. Woolworth's parents were farmers in South Dakota. Her father died there and her mother is now living in North Dakota.

Mr. Woolworth has always been a farmer and has been quite successful. He bought his present place of sixty acres in Hungerford township in 1899 and has made a comfortable living by mixed farming. Politically, he is a Republican, but has never aspired to public office. Fraternally, he belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

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#### HON. J. M. WORMLEY.

The office of biography is not to give voice to a man's modest estimate of himself and his accomplishments, but rather to leave upon the record the verdict establishing his character by the consensus of opinion on the part of his neighbors and fellow citizens. The life of the Hon. J. M. Wormley, mayor of Kingsley, representative in the Legislature from this district, and for many years one of the leaders of the bar in Plymouth county, has been such as to elicit just praise from those who know him best.

J. M. Wormley was born in Macomb, Illinois, November 25, 1863. He is a son of Samuel and Susan (Shoopman) Wormley, and a grandson of George Wormley, of Pennsylvania, a cooper by trade, who came to Ohio from Pennsylvania, but a few years later moved on to McDonough county, Illinois. He married Patience Smedley. Samuel Wormley, mentioned above, was born in 1833 and grew up in Ohio, where he was educated in the common schools. His death occurred on July 3, 1905, and his widow died on December 11, 1915. They were parents of the following children: George, T. J., John M., Samuel A., Armenta A., Cora B., Lulu E., Mary E., Henry W., Patience, James G., and David F. The father of the above-named children was a brickmason by trade but he spent the latter part of his active life as a farmer. He was living at Newton, Iowa, at the time of his death.

J. M. Wormley attended Hazel Dell Academy at Newton, Iowa, and the State Agricultural College at Ames and later took a law course at the Iowa State University, from which he was graduated in 1889. Mr. Wormley began the practice of his profession at Kingsley and was soon enjoying a large and lucrative practice, which he continued until his retirement in 1912. During the period of his active practice, Mr. Wormley was a conspicuous figure in the local courts, and was one of the leading general lawyers in the county.

Mr. Wormley also has been quite successful in a business way, and is the owner of one thousand and eighty acres of excellent land in Plymouth county and of three hundred and twenty acres of valuable farming land in Woodbury county. He has for a number of years been a speculator and real-estate dealer. He located in Kingsley in the year 1889 and has since made his home there. He has long been active in Republican politics; in fact, a leader of his party in Plymouth county. In the campaign of 1916 he made the race for representative in the Legislature from Plymouth county, and was elected to that office. Mr. Wormley also has served his home town as recorder and as councilman and is now mayor of Kingsley, having held that office longer than any other incumbent. As a public servant he has been true to the trusts reposed in him and is popular with all classes.

In September, 1893, J. M. Wormley was married to Frankie Rock, who was reared and educated in Marshall county, Iowa, a daughter of George Rock, a native of the state of Pennsylvania, and to this union the following children have been born: Edna B., Sue M., Henry W., John M., Francis B., George F., Woodrow W. and Charles Hughes.

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#### CHARLES BENNETT.

Charles Bennett, one of Plymouth county's best known farmers and the proprietor of a well-kept farm in Hungerford township, was born in Whitley county, Indiana, March 13, 1852, a son of Aaron and Hattie (Moore) Bennett. George Moore, his maternal grandfather, was a native of Germany, from which country he came to Indiana and lived most of his life in the neighborhood of Columbia City, dying there. Isaac Bennett, the paternal grandfather, was a native of Ohio, spending the latter part of his life on a farm near Columbia City, Indiana, where he died. Aaron Bennett,

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## Memorial to the Honorable John M. Wormley of Plymouth County

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable John M. Wormley, begs leave to report the following memorial:

John Marion Wormley was born at Macomb, Illinois, November 25, 1863. His parents, Samuel S. and Susan Wormley, moved to Newton, Jasper county, Iowa, when he was a child of three. Here he grew to manhood and the family home was maintained there until the death of his parents. He attended Hazel Dell Academy at Newton and Iowa State College and in 1889 received his law degree from the State University of Iowa. He was admitted to the bar and moved to Kingsley, Iowa, to establish his law practice.

On September 21, 1893, he was united in marriage with Frankie Rock, who preceded him in death November 17, 1917. To this union nine children were born: Edna McGuire, Sioux City, Iowa; Sue Sanborn, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin; Henry W. Wormley, Des Moines; John M. Wormley, Davenport, Iowa; Frances Clark, Ida Grove, Iowa; George Wormley, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Woodrow Wormley, Kingsley, Iowa; Charles Wormley, Davenport, Iowa, and Paul Wormley, deceased.

He became actively interested in politics and community affairs and in 1904 was elected mayor of the town of Kingsley in which capacity he served five terms. Mr. Wormley served as postmaster, as a member of the Kingsley board of education and as state Representative of Plymouth county in the Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth General Assemblies. He served in many other capacities as a community leader. On the 4th day of February, 1923, he was married to Vera Lowe of Marshalltown, Iowa, who survives her beloved husband.

One son, Henry W., followed in his father's footsteps by serving as state Representative from Plymouth county in the Fiftieth and Fifty-first sessions of the General Assembly.

Mr. Wormley's ability as an organizer and his untiring efforts in the interest of community welfare were reflected in many ways in the development of the prosperous and progressive community of which Kingsley, Iowa, is the center. His sincerity, his kindly nature and his ever readiness to champion a just and worthy cause gained for Mr. Wormley an enviable number of friends. He was a member of the Plymouth County and Iowa Bar Associations, Odd Fellows, Elks and the Congregational Church. He was blessed with good health and carried on an active and useful life to the time of his passing on November 12, 1948. He was laid to rest beside his wife and son in the Kingsley cemetery.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-third General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable John M. Wormley, the state has lost a valued and honored citizen, and the House would tender its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow.

*Be It Further Resolved:* That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journals of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

J. HENRY LUCKEN,  
ROBERT P. MUNGER,  
LAURENCE M. BOOTHBY,

*Committee.*

Outline of Personal History of John Marion Wornley

RESIDENCE Kingsley, Iowa.

Kindly furnish on this sheet the necessary data for a personal sketch and return at your early convenience. Every question is important.

EDGAR R. HARLAN, CURATOR  
**The Historical Department of Iowa**  
DES MOINES, IOWA

(This form is for use in collecting data on deceased as well as living persons. Appropriate alterations may be made in matter below.)

1. What is your name in full? John Marion Wornley
2. What is your present profession or occupation? Farmer
3. Where and when did you begin? 1912 Plymouth County, Iowa.
4. What other occupation have you followed; where and when? was practicing law for some  
place now retired
5. What is your residence address? Kingsley, Iowa
6. What is your business address? Kingsley, Iowa.
7. What is the date and the place of your birth? Nov 23rd. Macombe Ill.
8. If born abroad, when and where did you first settle in America?
9. If you removed again before settling in your present home, where and when was such removal?  
came to Newton Iowa at 7 years of age and from there to Kings-  
ley, Iowa in 1889
10. What schools have you attended; if a graduate, when and with what degree? Iowa University 1889  
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11. What was your father's full name? S.S. Wornley
12. What was your father's occupation? Farmer and mason
13. What was your mother's full maiden name? Susan Shepley

14. Where did your parents reside at the time of their marriage? Macombe Ill.
15. What military service had your father; give as complete as you can? None
16. What military service have you had? none
17. What political offices have you held; do not omit even the smallest, and give date and place of service, if you can?  
Mayor of Kingsley 1891 to 1902
18. Of what financial, religious, or educational institutions are you a trustee or director; give dates if you can?  
none
19. With what political parties have you been affiliated; give dates?  
Republican
20. In what religious denominations have you a membership? none
21. If you have no church membership, to what sectarian faith do you incline? Protestant
22. In what societies of learning have you a membership? none
23. Of what secular orders or secret societies are you a member? IGP Elks and V.C.W.
24. What honors or offices have you held in your society or lodge; give dates? Secty 15 years
25. Of what social clubs are you a member? none
26. Of what business firms have you been a member? none
27. Please enclose both a business card and your photograph for permanent record in the Historical Department
28. For which of your works (as writer, sculptor, artist, architect, politician or other constructive influence) have highest esteem?

West Fork and Darling Farms

J. M. WORMLEY, Proprietor  
Kingsley, Iowa

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
HON. A. M. DEYOE  
SUPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Oct. 19, 1914.

My dear Mr. Wormley:

As yet I have not received your biographical outline, almost imperative for me to have before November 1st in order to supply indispensable data to the office of Secretary of State.

If for any reason you do not wish us to permanently preserve full biographical information, I trust you will at once give me at least the information called for below.

Sincerely,

*R. Harlan*

Hon. J. M. Wormley,  
Kingsley, Iowa.

What is your age? *50*  
How long have you lived in Iowa? *49*  
What is your occupation? *ally (Retired) you looking time to black raising and farming (est. 1880)*  
For what are you a candidate? *Representative*  
On what ticket are you nominated? *Rep*  
What is the number of your district? *80*  
What is your post office? *Kingsley Iowa*

29. Please supply for permanent preservation in the Historical Department of Iowa a list of all your works.....
30. Will you attach your autograph to one or more of your works and present the same to the Historical Department of Iowa for permanent preservation?.....
31. ....

## DOMESTIC HISTORY OUTLINE

### FIRST MARRIAGE.

32. With whom was your first marriage? Frankie Rock
33. Where and what date was this marriage? Sept 23rd 1893
34. When and where was your wife (or husband) born? Penna
35. In what religious denomination did your wife (or husband) hold membership? None
36. Where did your wife (or husband) die, if not surviving, and where and when was the interment?.....
37. What was the full name of the father of your wife (or husband) and where was he born?  
Joe Rock Penna
38. What was the full maiden name of the mother of your wife (or husband)?  
Frankie Rock
39. Where and when was she born? Penna

**CHILDREN OF FIRST MARRIAGE.**

Full Name.	Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.
1. Edna B. Wornley	July 7th 1894	Kingsley. Iowa.
Susan Marion Wornley	April 16 1896	.. ..
2. Henry W. Wornley	May 13 1898	.. ..
3. John W. Wornley	March 26th 1891	.. ..
4. Frances B. Wornley	June 28th 1903	.. ..
George Thomas Wornley	July 29th 1910	.. ..
5. Woodrow Wilson Wornley	July 9th 1912	.. ..
6. Charles Hughes Wornley	Sept 27th 1916	.. ..

**SECOND MARRIAGE.**

40. With whom was your second marriage? .....
41. Where and what date was this marriage? .....
42. When and where was your wife (or husband) born? .....
43. In what religious denomination did your wife (or husband) hold membership? .....
44. Where did your wife (or husband) die, if not surviving, and where and when was the interment? .....
45. What was the full name of the father of your wife (or husband) and where was he born? .....
46. What was the full maiden name of the mother of your wife (or husband)? .....
47. Where and when was she born? .....

**CHILDREN OF SECOND MARRIAGE.**

Full Name.	Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.
1. ....	.....	.....
2. ....	.....	.....
3. ....	.....	.....
4. ....	.....	.....
5. ....	.....	.....
6. ....	.....	.....

## Individual Record

FamilySearch™ Pedigree Resource File

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**JOHN MARION WORMLEY** Compact Disc #41 Pin #132379  
Sex: M

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### Event(s)

**Birth:** 25 Nov 1863  
MACOMB, ILLINOIS  
**Death:** 12 Nov 1948  
SIOUX CITY, IOWA

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### Parents

**Father:** [SAMUEL STUART WORMLEY](#) Disc #41 Pin #132384  
**Mother:** [SUSAN SHOOPMAN](#) Disc #41 Pin #132385

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### Marriage(s)

**Spouse:** [VERA LOWE](#) Disc #41 Pin #132386  
**Marriage:** 4 Feb 1923  
**Spouse:** [FRANCES ROCK](#) Disc #41 Pin #132380  
**Marriage:** 21 Sep 1893  
LINN COUNTY, IOWA

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### Other Event(s)

**AKA:**  
**Elected:** bet 1917 and 1919  
STATE OF IOWA  
**Elected:** 1915 TO 1925  
KINGSLEY, IOWA

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### Personal Information

#### Scholastic Achievement:

IOWA CITY, IOWA UNIVERSITY OF IOWA LAW SCHOOL

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### Notes and Sources

**Notes:** None  
**Sources:** Available on CD-ROM Disc# 41

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### Submitter

Dan MOSER

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### Submission Search: [146546-0224102143145](#)

#### URL:

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**CD-ROM Features:** Pedigree View, Family View, Individual View, Reports,  
Downloadable GEDCOM files, Notes and Sources.



You searched for **John M. Wormley** in **Iowa**

1910 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>John M Wormley</b>	
Age in 1910:	47	
Estimated Birth Year:	<b>abt 1863</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>	
Father's Birth Place:	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	
Mother's Birth Place:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Spouse's Name:	<b>Frances</b>	
Home in 1910:	<b>Garfield, Plymouth, Iowa</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	John M Wormley	47
	Frances Wormley	42
	Edna B Wormley	15
	Susie M Wormley	14
	Henry W Wormley	11
	John M Wormley	9
	Frances B Wormley	6

**Source Citation:** Year: 1910; Census Place: Garfield, Plymouth, Iowa; Roll T624-418; Page: 84; Enumeration District: 108; Image: 198.

**Source Information:**  
Ancestry.com. 1910 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2006. For details on the contents of the film numbers, visit the following NARA web page: NARA Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1910. T624. 1,178 rolls.

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You searched for **John M. Wormley** in **Iowa**

### Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	<b>John M Wormley</b>	
Birth Year:	<b>abt 1864</b>	
Birth Place:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Census Date:	<b>1 Jan 1925</b>	
Residence State:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Residence County:	<b>Plymouth</b>	
Locality:	<b>Kingsley</b>	
Relation to Head:	<b>Head</b>	
Mother:	<b>Shoopman Susan</b>	
Mother's Birthplace:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Father:	<b>Samuel S Wormley</b>	
Father's Birthplace:	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	
Marriage Place:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Spouse Name:	<b>Vera A Wormley</b>	
Roll:	<b>IA1925_1879</b>	
Line:	<b>13</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	John M Wormley	61
	Vera A Wormley	37
	Henry W Wormley	26
	John M Wormley	24
	Gus T Wormley	17
	Wordner W Wormley	12
	Chas H Wormley	8
<b>Source Information:</b>		
Ancestry.com. <i>Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925</i> [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2007. Original data: Microfilm of Iowa State Censuses, 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1925 as well various special censuses from 1836-1897 obtained from the State Historical Society of Iowa via Heritage Quest.		
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## WORMLEY, Frankie Rock

**Born:** 1868  
**Died:** 1917  
**Cemetery:** KINGSLEY  
**Location:** KINGSLEY  
**County:** PLYMOUTH CO. - IOWA  
**Record Notes:**

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### Kingsley in Plymouth County

**Population:** 1,266

**Founded:** 1884

**How it was named:** One account says it was for a Vermont man hired to lay out the town.

"From Ackley to



Zwingle, The Origins of Iowa Place Names" says it was for the man who sold the land for the town site.

**Top employers:**

Kingsley-Pierson  
Community School.

**Claims to fame:**

Appreciation Day sponsored by local businesses on the last Saturday each July, with a parade and free supper.

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