

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Bumley, Ralph Lewis Senator _____
Represented Decatur County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 2 Nov 1891 Leon, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Bettrice Pitty 16 Apr 1923

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; American Legion

C. Profession Farmer; Teacher; employed at Campbell's Repairing Company, Enid, Oklahoma

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 39th General Assembly 1921

6. Public Offices

A. Local Decatur County Clerk 1916 until September 1917

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 15 Aug 1941 Wichita, Kansas; buried Leon Cemetery, Leon, Iowa

8. Children Patricia Ann

9. Names of parents John S. and Avis (Strong) Bumley

Rumley, Ralph L

10. Education He was educated in rural school near Leon, Iowa and then attended the Van Wert, Iowa High school until 1910, he attended the last two years of high at Leon, Iowa graduating in 1912

11. Degrees He attended Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He was born and raised on the family farm.
- Military service - World War I and in National Guard 1916 until Aug 1939
- After his term in the service he returned to his parents on the farm and taught school for 2 years in Decatur County.
- He and his wife moved to Enid, Oklahoma in 1925 where he was employed by the Chaplain Refining Company.
- He was discharged from the National Guard in Aug 1939 due to heart ailment.

Bunley, Ralph L.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source Non Applicable Applicable Information obtained

- Portrait - Two original photo is located in the archives of the
State of Iowa Historical Library, 600 E. Locust, Des Moines, Iowa

- ancestry.com (accessed 31 Oct 2010)

- Death notice and obituary - The Iowa Journal Reporter, Iowa Journal
News, Aug 21, 1944, p. 1, col 6 and p. 7, col. 3



Leon August 25, at 1:30 p. m. Miss M. Root of the McMillan Publishing Company, will present instruction on the use of the new readers.

The next preliminary meeting of the rural teachers will be held at the Leon high school assembly at 1:30 p. m. 29. An instructor in penmanship and music will be the guest speaker. Miss Minnie Starr of Iowa State Teachers college will give the music discussions.

The rural schools and their teachers:

- Bloomington Township
- No. 1, Baker: Mrs. Lulu Pitkin, Lamoni.
- No. 2, Battle Hill: Alice Board, Lamoni.
- No. 3, Tuskeego: Alice Munton, Lamoni.
- No. 4, Center: Ruth Bartlett, Lamoni.

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MAX HENRYSON ROTARY SPEAKER

Talked Upon Farm Security —Was a Fine Talk

Max Henryson, who is in charge of the farm security office in Leon, was the speaker at the Rotary luncheon last Monday noon. Mr. Henryson talked upon the farm security plan and the tenant farm purchase plan. He gave the Rotarians a most interesting outline of the purposes and methods through which his department operates.

William Cherrington, who is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cherrington, was a guest at the luncheon. He spoke briefly.

Silas Holland Passes Away

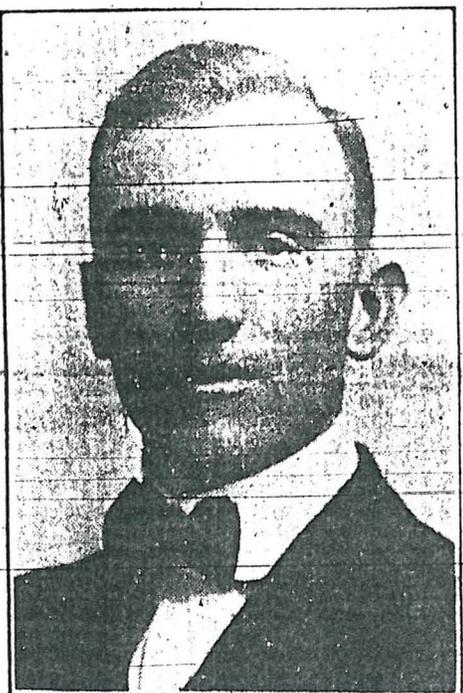
Silas Holland, 70, passed away at the Decatur County Hospital Monday evening. Funeral services were held at the Slade Funeral Home Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, burial following in the Leon cemetery.



Pictured above is Herb Pollard, in custody of Deputy Sheriff John A. Fulton, as he arrived at the Decatur county jail Saturday. Pollard, captured at Al-

bany Missouri, is held here for trial being charged with participation in the murder of Deputy Sheriff Clint McConnell north-west of Leon fourteen years ago.

Ralph Rumley Dies



Ralph L. Rumley, 49, former Leon resident, passed away last Friday in the Veterans Hospital, Wichita, Kansas. Ralph was born near Leon, his parents being Mr. and Mrs. John Rumley. He graduated from the Leon high school and then attended the State college at Ames. He taught school for a couple of years. He was elected twice as clerk of the district court in Decatur county resigning during his second term to enter the service of his country during the first world war. He served three terms in the state legislature. For several years he has been with the Champlin Refining Company at Enid, Oklahoma. Funeral services were held at the Stewart Funeral home last Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Miles Tabor. Interment followed with military honors in the Leon cemetery.

LAMONI MAN IS FOUND DEAD AT MARSHALLTOWN

Benjamin L. Cracroft Had Been Visiting in Chicago

Benjamin L. Cracroft, 70, a resident of Lamoni for many years, was found dead at Marshalltown early Sunday morning near a Great Western railroad crossing.

The body was found lying between a switch and the main tracks. There were no marks or scars on the body. A billfold containing money was in the man's pocket and his suitcase was lying beside the body. Authorities believed that he may have died from a heart attack.

He had been visiting in Chicago, leaving there Saturday, to return to Lamoni.

WORK STARTED ON NINE EAGLES LAKE PROJECT

Force of Men Now at Work Locating Rock Base for Dam

A force of five men are at work drilling to the rock for the purpose of locating proper foundations for the "Nine Eagles Lake" dam between Davis City and

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was tenderly laid to rest in the Davis City cemetery.

Card—We wish to express our most sincere appreciation and thanks for the many kindnesses shown us during the illness and passing of our loved one and for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Douglas Davis and family.

Obituary

Ed Cory Smith, son of Thomas J. and Angeline Smith was born in Madison Mills, Ohio, July 14, 1868 and passed away at his home in Long Beach, California, August 5, 1941, at the age of 73 years and 22 days.

At the age of thirteen, Mr. Smith moved with his parents to Iowa, where they located on a farm North of Leon. It was on this same farm that he dwelt for the next 38 years, leaving it when he moved with his sister to Long Beach, California in 1919.

Mr. Smith joined the Presbyterian church of Leon at an early age and became one of its faithful members. He was elected elder at the age of 26 and continued to serve as a member of the session until he moved away 25 years later. Upon moving to Long Beach he transferred his membership to the First Presbyterian church of that place. He not only served as elder in that church but also taught a large class of young men in the Sunday school. He had the happy experience of seeing his class grow from an enrollment of six to a membership of forty under his teaching.

Mr. Smith leaves to mourn his death his twin sister Eva C. who is the only surviving member of a large family, three sisters and four brothers having preceded him in death. Nine nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. L. L. Spalding, pastor of the Leon Presbyterian church, were held at the Stewart Funeral Home in Leon, Wednesday afternoon, August 13, 1941. Burial was in the Leon cemetery.

Obituary

William Riley Strickland, the youngest son of Riley and Nancy Jane Strickland, was born in Harrison county, Missouri, April 1, 1876 and departed this life August 10, 1941 at the age of 64 years 4 months and 10 days.

He spent his entire life on the home place with the exception of two years which was spent on a farm two miles southeast of Powners.

Will we see thy heavenly face.

Obituary

Ralph Lewis Rumley, son of John F. Rumley and Avis Strong Rumley, was born on a farm near Leon, Iowa, November 2, 1891. He was united in marriage on November 16, 1923, to Beatrice Siltz of Lamoni, Iowa. To this union one daughter, Patricia Ann, was born.

Ralph attended rural school near Leon then graduated from Van Wert high school in 1910. The next two years he attended school in Lamoni and Leon, graduating from the Leon high school in 1912. He then attended college at Ames where he took an active part in one of his best beloved sports, baseball.

He was elected county clerk in 1916 and was still holding this position when he enlisted in the service of his country in September, 1917. After his discharge he returned to his parents' home and taught school two years in Decatur county. In 1920 he was elected state representative and served for three terms in the Iowa legislature. He and his wife moved to Enid, Okla., in 1925, where he worked until the time of his death for the Champlin Refining company. He was a member of the Masonic lodge and the American Legion. He had held a captain's commission in the National Guard since 1926 but was discharged from this until in August 1939 because of heart disturbance. He entered Veterans' hospital in June of this year, then returned to Enid and worked two weeks but had to give this up and was at home for three weeks before he returned to the hospital where he passed away.

He was a devoted and faithful husband, a kind and affectionate father, a patriotic, honest and trustworthy citizen and an obliging neighbor, kind to the suffering and always ready to help a friend in need.

Beside his wife and daughter, he leaves his mother, Mrs. Avis Rumley, who lives in Leon, two sisters, Mrs. Frank Young of Decatur and Mrs. O. L. Leeper of Leon, his father and only brother having preceded him in death. He also leaves numerous relatives and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Aug. 17, at the Stewart funeral home with the Rev. Miles Taber officiating. Interment with military honors was in the Leon cemetery.

Obituary

on the sick list a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mallatt and son, Eldon, were callers in the S. C. Johnson home Sunday evening.

Mrs. Melvin Worden delightfully entertained the J. N. Club Thursday afternoon. Delicious refreshments were served.

James Worden and Miss Faye LaFayette of Weldon drove to Princeton, Mo., Saturday where they were married. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Worden of this neighborhood. Congratulations.

Mrs. Passmore visited her husband in the Stroy hospital in Osceola Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Lawrence Meacram and daughters called on Mrs. Donald Price Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Boles and Eugene and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boles attended a reunion in Grand River last Sunday.

The Kings Daughters met at the church basement Wednesday afternoon with a good crowd present.

Buell Passmore was taken to the Stroy hospital in Osceola on Tuesday evening. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mallatt and son were Osceola callers Monday afternoon.

Don Cochrane was an Osceola caller Tuesday evening.

Dr. Stroy of Osceola was a professional caller here Tuesday evening.

Buddy Price combined sweet clover for Ernie Fry Wednesday afternoon.

Mesdames Levi Cochrane, Don Cochrane and Charley Johnson attended a Blessed Event Shower on Thursday evening in the Harry Redman home, honoring Mrs. Roland Redman. Mrs. Redman received many beautiful gifts. Delicious refreshments were served at a late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. James Worden returned home from Bloomington, Ill. Thursday afternoon. They had been visiting his sister and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Watson were Leon callers Thursday morning.

John Blair was an Osceola caller Wednesday afternoon.

Eari Lamoree of Osceola was calling in the Ralph Lamoree home one day last week.

Mrs. Donald Price and son Edmond and Jerry Boots were supper guests in the E. A. Lockwood home in Weldon.

Friday in the Donald Price home Mrs. Stottlemeyer was a caller

were present, at the club, at the committee. Edgar H. Epper, A. Bowman, W. J. Absent, W. J. Councilman, E. J. dined and cause (from next month) resolution for I Fund Tax and I Fund Bonds of I Councilman. Eminent said resolution by Councilman mayor (at the) and the roll he named council (Ave. Fred A. Edgar H. Epper. Say: None. Whereupon the motion duly carried adopted as RESOLUTION F IMPROVEMENT THE ISSUANCE OF BOND

WHEREAS, the County of Des Moines is a city duly and existing under general laws of the State of Iowa; and any special legislation to amend all the laws a lawfully ordered street improvement east of which City Improvement all the taxable city; and

WHEREAS, the Board and hear required by law and the issuance Bonds, as hereinafter provided of the NOW, THESE SOLVED BY THE CITY OF Section 1. It is hereby levied Improvement of the property in Iowa, to-wit: Seven-tenths or sufficient of \$500, to be levied collection in the Eight-tenths or sufficient of \$500, to be levied collection in the One and one-half of sufficient \$500, to be levied commencing with 1943 for collection ending with the for collection in One and one-half, or sufficient \$500, to be levied commencing with collection in the

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Friday in the Donald Price home Mrs. Stottlemeyer was a caller



You searched for **Ralph L. Rumley** in **Iowa**

1910 United States Federal Census

Name: **Ralph L. Rumley**

Age in 1910: **18**

Estimated Birth Year: **1892**

Birthplace: **Iowa**

Relation to Head of House: **Son**

Father's Name: **John Rumley**

Father's Birth Place: **Iowa**

Mother's Name: **Abrf Rumley**

Mother's Birth Place: **Iowa**

Home in 1910: **Decatur, Decatur, Iowa**

Marital Status: **Single**

Race: **White**

Gender: **Male**

Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	John Rumley	49
	Abrf Rumley	45
	Earl B Rumley	20
	Ralph L Rumley	18
	Helen Rumley	15
	Lula Rumley	11

Source Citation: Year: 1910; Census Place: Decatur, Decatur, Iowa; Roll: T624_400; Page: 9A; Enumeration District: 0046; Image: 114; FHL Number: 1374413.

Source Information:



Ancestry.com. 1910 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2006.

Original data: Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910 (NARA microfilm publication T624, 1,178 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C. For details on the contents of the film numbers, visit the following NARA web page: [NARA](#)

Description:

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1920 United States Federal Census

Name: **Ralph Rumley**
 Home in 1920: **Decatur, Decatur, Iowa**
 Age: **28**
 Estimated Birth Year: **abt 1892**
 Birthplace: **Iowa**
 Relation to Head of House: **Son**
 Father's Name: **John F Rumley**
 Father's Birth Place: **Iowa**
 Mother's Name: **Afese Rumley**
 Mother's Birth Place: **Iowa**
 Marital Status: **Single**
 Race: **White**
 Sex: **Male**
 Able to read: **Yes**
 Able to Write: **Yes**
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	John F Rumley	59 [39]
	Afese Rumley	55
	Ralph Rumley	28
	Lula A Rumley	20

Source Citation: Year: 1920; Census Place: Decatur, Decatur, Iowa; Roll: T625_486; Page: 6B; Enumeration District: 51; Image: 619.

Source Information: Ancestry.com. 1920 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2010. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.



Original data: Fourteenth Census of the United States, 1920. (NARA microfilm publication T625, 2076 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C. For details on the contents of the film numbers, visit the following NARA web page: [NARA](#). Note: Enumeration Districts 819-839 are on roll 323 (Chicago City).

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World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918

Name: **Ralph Lewis Rumley**
 County: **Decatur**
 State: **Iowa**
 Birthplace: **Iowa;United States of America**
 Birth Date: **2 Nov 1891**
 Race: **Caucasian (White)**
 FHL Roll Number: **1642998**
 DraftBoard: **0**
 Age:
 Occupation:
 Nearest Relative: [View image](#)
 Height/Build:
 Color of Eyes/Hair:
 Signature:

Source Citation: Registration Location: *Decatur County, Iowa*; Roll: *1642998*; Draft Board: *0*.

Source Information:

Ancestry.com. *World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2005.



Original data: United States. Selective Service System. *World War I Selective Service System Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. M1509, 4,582 rolls. Imaged from Family History Library microfilm.

Description:

This database contains an index and images of World War I draft registration cards completed by approximately 24 million men living in the U.S. in 1917 and 1918. Information that may be found for an individual includes: name, place of residence, date and place of birth, race, country of citizenship, occupation, and employer. [Learn more...](#)

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my favorite band on a cross-country tour policy?



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Name: Ralph L RUMLEY ¹

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Name: Ralph RUMLEY ²Birth: 1892 in Iowa ^{2 1}Residence: 1920 Decatur, Decatur, Iowa ²Residence: 1910 Decatur, Decatur, Iowa ¹

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Sources:

1. Title: 1910 United States Federal Census
Author: Ancestry.com
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Note: United States of America, Bureau of the Census, Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910, Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1910
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Text: Online publication - 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: <http://www.archives.gov/publications/microfilm-catalogs/census/1910/>>NARA.Original data - United States of America, Bureau of the Census. Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910. Washington, D.C.: National Archives



1930 United States Federal Census

Name: **Ralph Rumley**

Home in 1930: **Enid, Garfield, Oklahoma**
[View Map](#)

Age: **38**

Estimated Birth Year: **abt 1892**

Birthplace: **Iowa**

Relation to Head of House: **Head**

Spouse's Name: **Beatrice Rumley**

Race: **White**

Occupation:
 Education:
 Military service: [View image](#)

Rent/home value:
 Age at first marriage:
 Parents' birthplace:
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Ralph Rumley	38
	Beatrice Rumley	28
	Patricia Ann Rumley	1
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Source Citation: Year: 1930; Census Place: *Enid, Garfield, Oklahoma*; Roll: 1902; Page: 5A; Enumeration District: 21; Image: 926.0.

Source Information:
 Ancestry.com, 1930 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2002.



Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1930. T626, 2,667 rolls.

Description:
 Containing records for approximately 123 million Americans, the 1930 United States Federal Census is the largest census released to date and is the most recent census available for public access. The census gives us a glimpse into the lives of Americans in 1930, and contains information about a household's family members and occupants including: birthplaces, occupations, immigration, citizenship, and military service. The names of those listed in the census are linked to actual images of the 1930 Census. [Learn more...](#)