

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Powers, Thomas Edwin Senator _____
Served from Clarinda in Page County

1. Birthday and place 29 Nov 1857 Clarinda, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Anna Peterson 25 May 1882 Clarinda, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Member of The American College of Surgeons

B. Civic responsibilities Mayor

C. Profession Physician

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 40th and 41st General Assembly 1923 and 1925

6. Public Offices

A. Local Prison warden for Page County 1898-1906

B. State Asst superintendent of Clarinda State Hospital 1891-1893, member of the State Board of Health; president of the Iowa State Medical Society

C. National _____

7. Death 14 Feb 1929 at Clarinda, Iowa, buried in the Clarinda Cemetery, Clarinda, Iowa

8. Children No children

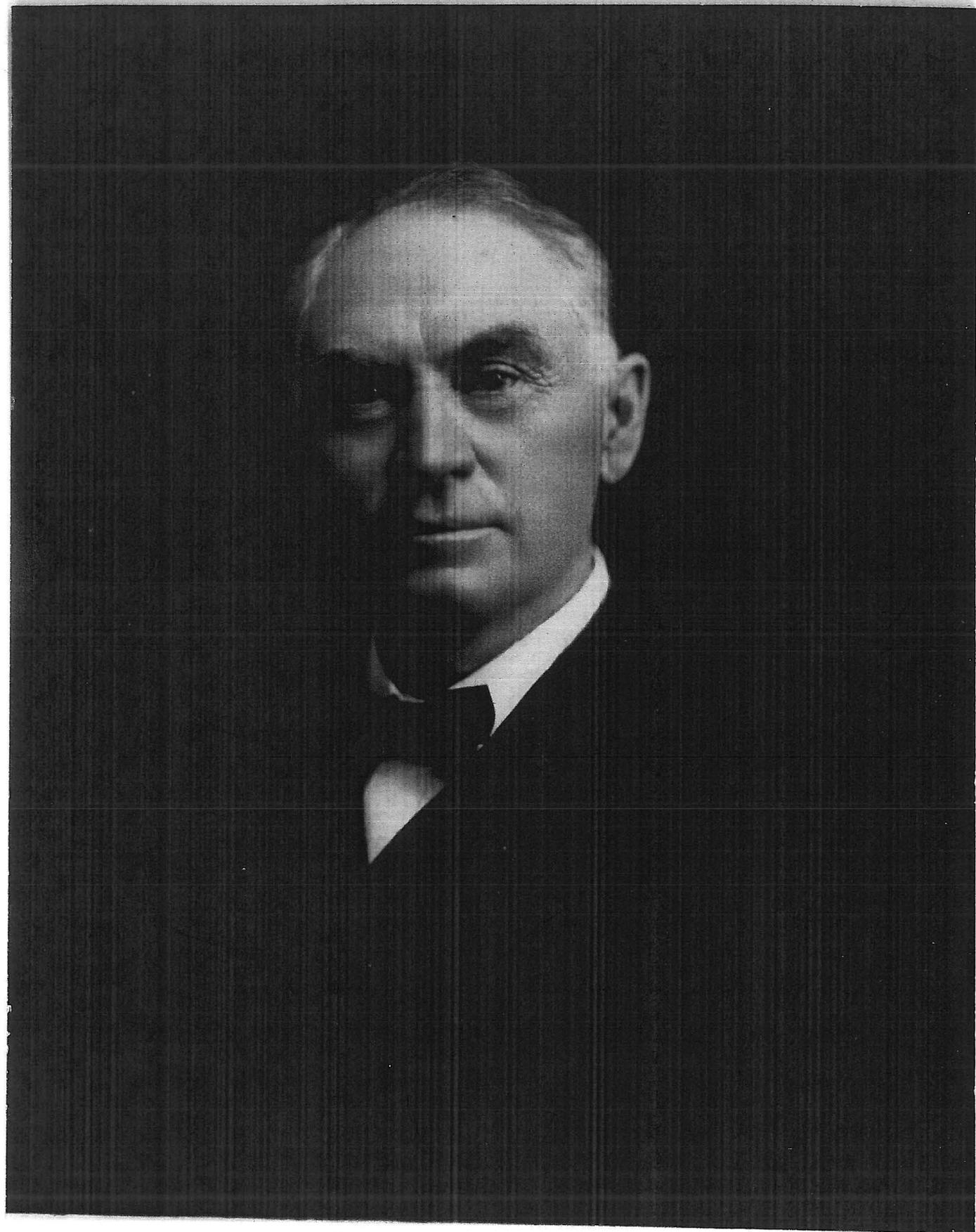
9. Names of parents Jacob H. and Eliza B. (Silver) Powers

10. Education Educated in the Clarinda - Iowa
public schools, graduating in one of the
earliest classes of Clarinda High School

11. Degrees Missouri Medical College in 1929 called the
Medical College of Washington University, St.
Louis, MO Graduating 4 May 1881

12. Other applicable information Republican

- Started a medical practice in St. Louis after graduating
medical school, but called back to Clarinda by
father's illness.
- Practiced medicine in Clarinda up to his death
- He was the local surgeon for the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy
Railroad Co as well as for the Rockwell and Western
Railroad Co.
- In 1904 studied surgery techniques in Berlin, Germany
- He established the Powers Private Hospital in Clarinda
He was assistant superintendent of the Clarinda State Hospital for the insane
1891-1893.



Ticket Completed

The "Citizens' Ticket" will be formally filed this Monday at the city hall for the election March 25th. So far this is the only ticket to be filed.

Due to V. A. Crosthwait's refusal to be a candidate for councilman from the first ward, Paul Opitz was substituted and his papers filed with the necessary signatures and left with the city clerk Saturday morning. Election papers for Mrs. I. W. Shambaugh, for a six year term on the park board to succeed herself, were filed Friday and will go on the same ticket.

Other members of the ticket include R. J. McCurdy for mayor; Sam Barron for councilman from the second ward; John Driftmier and Dr. P. E. Newport for councilmen at large; John A. Swanson for treasurer, and J. V. Pfander for assessor.

Elect Weaver Supt. For Three Years

The Scottsbluff, Nebr., Herald, of Feb. 10, brings to Clarinda friends of E. L. Weaver news of his having been elected by the school board as superintendent of schools there for the coming three years. This action following his first year as superintendent, indicates that our former superintendent has made a success in Scottsbluff. "The present salary of \$4500 will be increased to \$4750 the first year of the new contract, and to \$5000 for final two years of the contract. His work has met with general endorsement, and the board feels pleased at being able to secure him for at least three more years," the newspaper article says.

LAUGH WITH THE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Love, Business, and Lunatics All Mixed in "Dulcinea"

In a charming home within commuting distance from New York lives Dulcinea Smith and her husband, Gordon, who have been married only three months. It is about these two and their associates that the Junior College Play is laid, and will be presented at the Armory theatre next Wednesday evening.

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His Passing Removed Prominent Citizen Active in Many Affairs

The death of Dr. T. E. Powers Thursday evening marked the passing of one who has been most influential in local, county and state affairs. For more than forty years he had enjoyed a wide medical practice which he truly merited and as a result was honored in many ways by the community and county.

At the funeral service held Sunday from the Presbyterian church, the pastor, Dr. A. B. Thutt, paid tribute to Dr. Powers' life of service in the community, the church being largely filled with friends, besides sixty members of the Nodaway Lodge, No. 140 A. F. & A. M., who came to pay the last respects to their fellow citizen. Pall bearers included Dr. Max E. Witte, Sr., Dr. E. T. Farrans, Dr. R. J. Matthews, Dr. R. D. Smith, Dr. J. F. Benning, and Wall Hoskins. At Clarinda Cemetery the Masonic service was used, W. S. Day, a past master of Nodaway Lodge, leading.

Dr. Powers' parents were among the early settlers of Clarinda, his father, Jacob H. Powers coming here the year the city was platted from Muncie, Ind. in order to look over the country, returning the following year with his family. The father entered mercantile business which grew to considerable volume and became prominent in local affairs in which his son was to follow. Dr. Powers was born here November 29, 1857, and received his elementary education in the Clarinda schools, graduating among the earliest classes of the Clarinda high school.

He entered the Missouri Medical College, now the medical college of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., and graduated on March 4, 1881. After starting practice at St. Louis, he was called to Clarinda by the illness of his father and from that time on has been one of Clarinda's prominent physicians. He was assistant superintendent of Clarinda State Hospital from 1891 to 1893, his connection making with the present superintendent, Dr. Max E. Witte, a friendship which has continued over many years.

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Dulcy, taken by Fausta Wycoff, endeavors to make all arrangements and schemes necessary to further the business interests of her husband, and invites the Forbes' and a few other influential people to be her guests. Among these friends is Schuyler Van Dyck, played by Ralph La Shaum, who is a noted musician but unfortunately is also a harmless lunatic who has an hallucination that he is a millionaire. Another guest is Vincent Leach, a scenario writer who creates, in his own opinion, a masterpiece, showing "Sin" through the ages. This part is taken by Herbert Rope.

An Experienced Cast

Mr. Leach is in love with Angela but is left in the lurch, by Mr. William Parker, Dulcy's brother, whose part is taken by Oliver Cook, who wins Angela for himself. Tom Sterrett, taken by Burton Owen, a young advertising engineer who has business with Mr. Forbes and also falls in love with Angela. Henry, the butler is a former criminal but, according to Dulcy has turned over a new leaf. This role is played by Hugh McMillan. There is also Blair Patterson, a young business man, who saves the day of the Smith's.

Every member of the cast has a successful record for former acting. Plan and scheme with Dulcy; cry with Mrs. Forbes; thrill with Angela's affairs; be stirred by Van Dyck's music; praise the business ingenuity displayed; let Mr. Leach take you through the ages of Sin; and laugh at everyone, at the Armory, February 20.

The Weather

For this week beginning Monday: Temperatures mostly below normal in north and central portions and normal in extreme south portion. Probably one or two precipitation periods.

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Being made a Mason in 1897, he rose rapidly in the estimation of the lodge members, serving four years as Master of Nodaway Lodge, and for a number of years has held the position of district lecturer.

He was again honored by his home county during the years of 1923 to 1925 when he served as representative in the state legislature, also attending the extra session of the legislature which revised the state code when he was instrumental in improving health laws of the state. For the past two years he has been a member of the State Board of Health.

Through all these activities, he never lost sight of his chosen profession, continuing his medical practice and managing his private hospital on W. Clark Street which he gave up only recently. His ability as a physician was recognized by the fraternity upon his elevation to the presidency of the Iowa State Medical Society.

A great lover of music, in which he was joined by Mrs. Powers, he accumulated perhaps the best musical library in the city and together he and Mrs. Powers have heard personally many of the great singers. Their home for years has been one of Clarinda's beauty spots, combining their love of music with that of flowers.

Dr. Powers had the respect of his own community, which is the greatest tribute which can be paid to anyone.

The following obituary was read at the Sunday afternoon service by Dr. Thutt:

Dr. T. E. Powers

Thomas Edwin Powers was born on Nov. 29, 1857, at Clarinda, Iowa, in the house now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Anderson. He died at 8:30 o'clock on Thursday evening, February 14th, 1920. He was the son of Jacob H. and Eliza B. Powers. When he was seven years old they moved into the present home where he has lived ever since.

Dr. Powers was educated in the Clarinda schools, a member of the

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second class to graduate from the city high school. The girl who after was to become his wife and three other boys constituted the class. Later he entered the medical department of the State University of Iowa for one year. Then he entered the Missouri Medical College at St. Louis from which institution, he graduated on March 4th, 1881. He located at once at St. Louis for practice but on account of the illness of his father, he returned to Clarinda and entered upon active practice of medicine in the town where he was born, and with the exception of two years, he has been in constantly active practice. Thoroughly equipped by collegiate training, natural ability, and continuous study, he was eminently successful in his chosen profession of physician and surgeon, building up for himself a large practice. For many years he conducted a private hospital.

Twice during these years of practice, Dr. Powers went to Germany to study surgery, and to receive instruction from the eminent surgeons of the old world. He also attended their clinics, and in this way added much to his knowledge concerning the methods that they used.

His ability has been recognized by his brethren in the profession. For two years he was assistant superintendent of the State Hospital of Clarinda, fourteen years he was one commissioner on the board of insanity. During the year 1926-27 he was president of the state medical society, and last year he was appointed to the state board of health by Gov. Hammill.

Dr. Powers represented his county in the state legislature for two terms, elected first in 1922, and re-elected in 1924. During his term of office he attended three sessions of the legislature. The two regular sessions and the called session in 1924 for the revision of the Code.

Dr. Powers was also interested in all the movements for the building up of the community in every way, will always to take his share of the burden.

Dr. Powers was a member of the Presbyterian church, a Royal Arch Mason, being master of the Clarinda Lodge from 1900-1905, and was a district lecturer in connection with the Grand Lodge, S. A. R. and Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

In the 25th of May, 1882, Dr. Powers was united in marriage with Miss Anna Peterson. Together they lived their life of service for others. And in his passing she is left to mourn his going, but she does not mourn alone, for their many friends mourn with her.

WEDDINGS

Hutchinson-Twaddle

Frank Hutchinson of Coin and Margery F. Twaddle of Shambaugh visited the Methodist parsonage in Clarinda Thursday morning and were united in marriage by Dr. D. J. Shenton. They were accompanied by Harold Twaddle.

The Herald joins in extending best wishes.

Bellis-McCreary

A Red Oak young man and a Shenandoah young lady, Glenn Bellis and Miss Pauline McCreary, were united in marriage last Tuesday by Justice E. A. Pendergraft at the latter's office.

Daniels-Stickelman

(Bedford Free-Press)

Miss Hazel Stickelman of Siam, Iowa and Mr. Francis Daniels of Hopkins, Mo., were united in marriage Tuesday, February 12, at the Christian parsonage in Bedford, by the minister, J. C. Harris. Mr. Harold Mothershed and Mrs. Mabel Mothershed were witnesses to the ceremony.

Ross-Gibson

Miss Evelyn G. Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gibson of College Springs, was united in marriage to John Ross Thursday at the Red Oak Baptist parsonage by the pastor, Rev. T. S. Kesterman. They were attended by Miss Ruth Ashbaugh of Griswold and Delbert Gibson, a brother of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross will make their home on a farm 4 1/2 miles west of Red Oak where they will go accompanied by the best wishes of Page county friends.

Park-Hopson

Miss Ruth Irene Hopson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hopson of Bedford, Iowa was united in marriage, Saturday, February 16 to Mr. Arthur M. Park, son of Thomas Park Sr. of Bedford. The wedding took place at 12:30 P. M. at the home of the Christian Minister, Rev. B. F. Hall.

They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Park Jr., brother and sister-in-law of the groom who were also married at the Hall home in May of last year.

The bride is engaged in teaching near Bedford. The newlyweds spent the week end in Shenandoah and will be at home to their friends after March 1, six miles southwest of Bedford where they will engage in farming.

Hayes-Koger

A wedding on Valentine day, Feb. 14 at 2 P. M. took place at the home of the Christian minister, B. Franklin Hall. The contracting parties were Mr. Carl Hayes of Clarinda, Mo., and Miss Irene Koger of Clearmont, Mo. Mr. and Mrs.

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By W. L. KERSHAW

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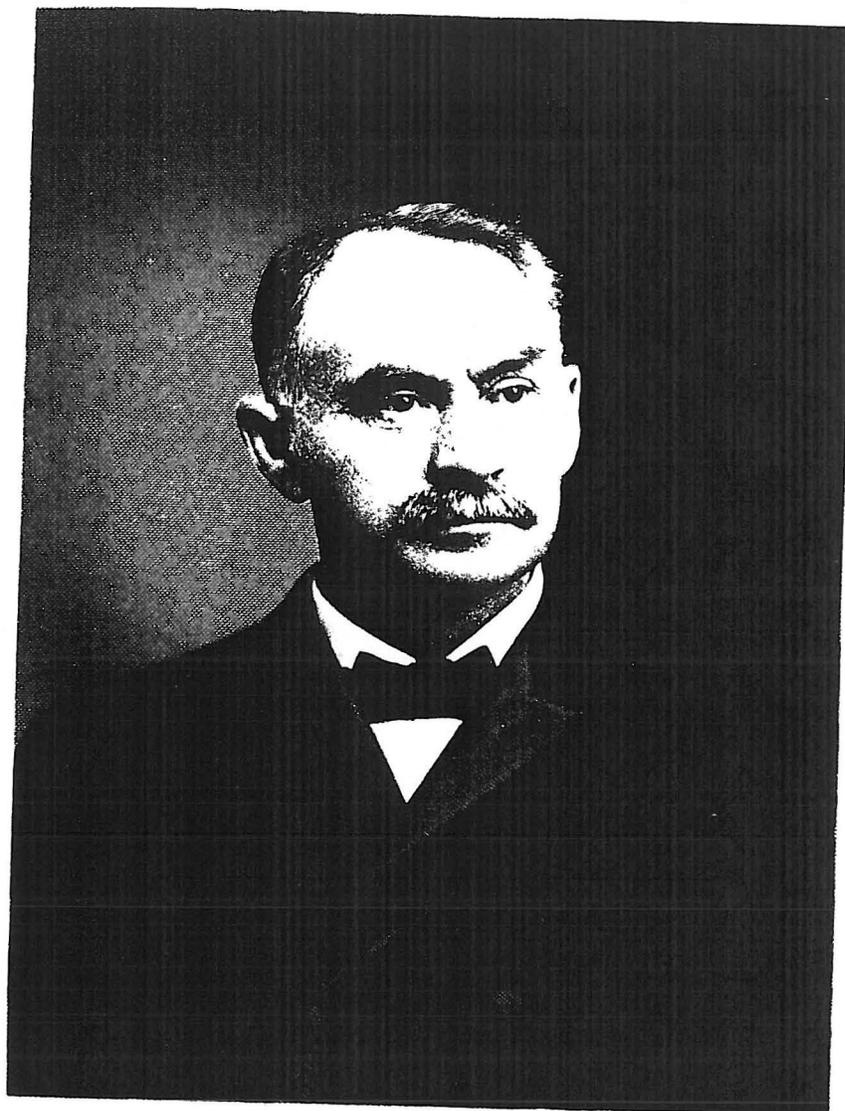
for the office of county superintendent of schools. She had been nominated at the primary for this position while she was still in Montana and was elected in that year without opposition and again in 1908, so that she is now serving for the second term. She is superintendent of one hundred and thirty country schools and thirteen town and village schools, with a total enrollment of five thousand pupils.

Miss Field is thoroughly interested in her work, zealous and active in behalf of the cause of public instruction and puts forth every effort in her power to further qualify herself for the responsibilities of her chosen calling. She keeps in touch with the foremost educators of the day through her membership in the National Educational Association, has been vice president of the Iowa State Teachers' Association and belongs to the Southwestern Iowa Teachers' Association, of which she was formerly president. She is likewise a member of the Iowa Educational Council and is a member of the Congregational church and is interested in all those things which work for permanency and improvement and are factors in the world's progress and civilization. Her work in connection with the schools of Page county is of a most practical character, attended with direct and tangible results and that it has received the endorsement of the general public was indicated in the fact of her reelection.

THOMAS EDWIN POWERS, M. D.

Thoroughly equipped by collegiate training and private research and investigation for the onerous and responsible duties of his profession, Dr. Powers has made continuous progress since entering upon his chosen life work as a physician and surgeon. Broad reading and study keep him in touch with the advanced ideas of the day and from experience he also learns many valuable lessons, while through the faithful performance of each day's duties he finds inspiration and encouragement for the labors of the succeeding day.

His parents, Jacob H. and Eliza B. (Silver) Powers, arrived in Clarinda in 1854, coming from Muncie, Indiana. The father had visited the state in the previous year and then returned to Indiana, after which he brought his family to Iowa, driving the entire distance across the country. He was a native of Virginia, while the grandfather of Dr. Powers was also a Virginian, removing from the Old Dominion to Indiana when his son, Jacob H., was a lad of twelve years. The latter was there reared as a farm boy, early becoming familiar with all the duties and labors that fall to the lot of the agriculturist as he converts wild land into productive fields and annually brings forth rich crops. Not desiring to give his entire attention, however, to the tilling of the soil, he entered mercantile circles and for some time conducted a tannery. In 1853 he sold out and made the aforementioned visit to Clarinda, where he established a general mercantile store upon his return to this county with his family. He also purchased considerable property, including both city real-estate and farm lands and became an active



J. E. Powers

factor in the development, upbuilding and improvement of this part of Iowa. He was one of the pioneer merchants of the town and conducted stores on both the west and north sides of the square. In his mercantile ventures he was successful, carrying such lines of goods as the public demanded, while his reasonable prices and honorable dealing won him a continually increasing trade. His lands were adjacent to the city and with the growth and development of the county increased rapidly in value. Later he made investment in lands in Missouri, Texas, Florida and Kansas. As the years passed by, he conducted important business negotiations, prospering in his undertakings. During his later years he spent half of his time in Florida and the remainder in Clarinda. He was regarded as one of the city's best and foremost residents, staunchly supporting every cause for the public good and giving liberally where aid was needed. While he conducted important and extensive business affairs, he was ever reliable in his transactions, his negotiations being in harmony with the strictest business ethics. He is survived by four children: Amanda T., now the wife of Harvey White, of Chino, California; Sarah E., who is the widow of Charles Lindeman and resides in Clarinda; N. Olive, a resident of this city; and Thomas E.

Dr. Powers pursued his preliminary education in the public and high schools of Clarinda and his more specific literary course in the Iowa State University. He also attended the medical college there and finished his course in the Missouri Medical College, now the medical department of Washington University at St. Louis, Missouri, being graduated therefrom on the 4th of March, 1881. He at once located for practice in St. Louis but on account of the illness of his father returned home and entered upon active practice at Clarinda and with the exception of two years he has been constantly in active practice here. For two years he was assistant superintendent of the Clarinda State Hospital for the Insane, acting in that capacity from 1891 until 1893. He was also health officer of the city for one term and for the past fourteen years has been one of the commissioners on the board of insanity. He was also pension examiner for the county from 1898 until 1906, when he resigned. His private practice is extensive and of an important character, for he long since demonstrated his ability to successfully cope with the intricate problems that continually confront the physician in his efforts to check the ravages of disease and restore health. He has for the past ten years been local surgeon for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company and also for the Keokuk & Western Railroad Company. In 1904 he spent six months in Berlin, Germany, in the study of surgery, receiving the benefit of instruction from some of the most eminent surgeons of the old world. He also attended their clinics and in this way added much to his knowledge concerning the methods of practice followed in Germany. He belongs to the Page County Medical Society, the Iowa State Medical Society, the Southwestern Iowa Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the Anglo-American Medical Association at Berlin. Dr. Powers' clientele became so large and the demands upon his time so constant that in 1890 it practically became imperative for him to establish a hospital. Consequently, in that year the

Powers' Private Hospital came into existence and since that time has been devoted to surgical and gynecological cases. From the first instance the hospital has been a success and has met the anticipations of its friends and many patrons.

On the 25th of May, 1882, occurred the marriage of Dr. Powers and Miss Anna Peterson, of Clarinda, daughter of Andrew Peterson. She was a teacher in the schools of this city for a number of years before her marriage. The Doctor and his wife attend the Presbyterian church, although they do not hold membership therein. He is a Royal Arch Mason and was master of Clarinda Lodge from 1900 until 1905 and is one of the district lecturers in connection with the work of the grand lodge. He is an exemplary representative of the craft and frequently embodies its teachings in his practice, rendering brotherly aid to those in need when he has no hope of pecuniary recompense. In all of his professional service he is actuated by high ideals and his study and reading, combined with his ready adaptability, have placed him prominently before the public as one of the leading representatives of the profession in this county.

THOMAS WOODMANSEE.

Thomas Woodmansee, one of Page county's highly respected citizens, who passed away August 20, 1906, was born near Cincinnati, Ohio, September 22, 1830, a son of Joseph Woodmansee, who was of French origin. When eighteen years of age, Thomas Woodmansee came to Iowa, locating near Fort Madison in Lee county, where he rented and operated a farm for about ten years. In 1857 he came to Page county, Iowa, and entered an eighty-acre tract of land located in Amity township. Being industrious and ambitious to follow agricultural pursuits on a larger scale, he worked untiringly and persistently until he was enabled to trade his small farm for one of twice its size, located in the same township. At length he sold this property and bought eighty acres just south of Amity, now College Springs, and in 1865, by additional purchase, he added eighty more acres to that farm. Not being strong physically, at times he was compelled to rent part of the farm out on shares and often hire most of the work done. However, in this way he followed general farming and devoted some attention also to stock raising until 1876, when he retired to College Springs, Amity township, where he lived until his death.

In the fall of 1861 was celebrated the marriage of Thomas Woodmansee and Miss Margaret Scroggan, a daughter of Alexander and Mary (Featheringill) Scroggan, both of whom were of Scotch-Irish descent and were living at that time in Clay county, Missouri. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodmansee; Mary Alice, who died when she was nine years old; and Charles Herbert, who lived to the age of thirty-two years. They also adopted and reared Burdette Gurnsey, whom they took from a Milwaukee foundling institution when he was eight years old.

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1929

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ARCH W. McFARLANE, President of the Senate

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Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the passing of Honorable Levi Franklin Potter, this Assembly express its realization of the loss of one of the leaders in the state, a man of strong character and sterling worth, a man of high ideals in Christian living, and the House would tender by this resolution its sympathy to the family who survive.

Be It Further Resolved, That a duly enrolled copy of this resolution be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

WILBER F. HUBBARD,
GEO. E. MILLER,
HARRY M. GREENE,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

HON. THOMAS EDWIN POWERS

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare memorial resolutions commemorating the life, character and public services of the Honorable T. E. Powers, a former member of the General Assembly of Iowa, begs leave to report the following:

Thomas Edwin Powers was born in Clarinda, Page county, Iowa, on November 29, 1857, and received his elementary education in the Clarinda schools, graduating in one of the earliest classes of the Clarinda high school. Later he entered the Missouri Medical College, now the Medical College of Washington University at St. Louis, Missouri, and graduated therefrom on March 4, 1881. Dr. Powers started the practice of his profession at St. Louis, Missouri, immediately after his graduation but practiced there for only a short time, and returned to his native city because of the illness of his father, and from that time on had been a resident of Clarinda, Iowa, and one of its prominent citizens and physicians. He was assistant superintendent of the Clarinda State Hospital for the Insane from 1891 to 1893, at which time the present superintendent of the hospital, Dr. Max E. Wittee, and Dr. Powers formed bonds of affectionate friendship that continued on down through the years.

Dr. Powers was married to Miss Anna Peterson, then a teacher in the Clarinda high schools, on May 25, 1882, and she survives him.

In the year 1897, Dr. Powers became affiliated with the Masonic lodge and became an active and esteemed member of the lodge; served four years as Master of the Nodaway Lodge of Clarinda, Iowa, and for a number of years immediately preceding his death he served in the position of district lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, A. F. & A. M.

He was first elected as a member of the House of Representatives of this state in 1922 and reelected in 1924, serving in the two regular sessions and in the special session in 1924. During the years 1926-1927, Dr. Powers was president of the Iowa State Medical Association and in 1928 was appointed to the State Board of Health by Governor Hammill.

Dr. Powers died at his home where he had resided since he was seven years of age, on February 14, 1929, and was buried at Clarinda, Iowa, February 17, 1929.

In recognition of his valued services to the state of Iowa throughout his long career and as an expression of our appreciation of his exemplary life and character,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable T. E. Powers the state has lost an honored and valued citizen, a man of high ideals and sterling character, one who was faithful in every public and private trust, and a friend to all.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy of the same to Mrs. Powers who now resides at Clarinda, Iowa.

LENUS HAGGLUND,
L. O. CLARK,
HOMER HUSH,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929. .

HON. PERCY L. PRENTIS

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions in commemoration of the life, character and services of the Hon. Percy L. Prentis, beg leave to submit the following report:

Percy L. Prentis, United States district director of immigration, stationed at Detroit, Michigan, died June 22, 1928, following an illness of more than a year.

Dr. Prentis had been in the service of the government continuously since 1901, having been stationed at several border posts both in the United States and Canada. Born on a farm near Rich Valley, Indiana, in 1870, he migrated with his parents in a covered wagon to Delphos, Ringgold county, Iowa, when he was a lad ten years old. The family settled on a prairie farm near Delphos, and cultivated the frontier homeland until 1884, when both parents died.

Dr. Prentis, with his young sister and brother, spent the rest of their childhood in Bedford, Ohio, in the home of their mother's youngest sister, Mrs. Mary L. Davenport.

He was graduated from Bedford high school in 1887, and from the Euclid Avenue Business and Shorthand College in 1888. Five years later he was graduated from the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College, and entered the practice of medicine at Delphos.

The following year he was married to Anna Pfeffer, in Cleveland, and returned to Delphos, where he continued in the practice of medicine until 1901, at which time he accepted an appointment in the immigration service. He was first stationed at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

In 1902 Dr. Prentis was transferred to Winnipeg, Man., as a medical examiner. His work proved that a large percentage of applicants refused admission at eastern United States ports were reshipping from Europe and entering the country by way of Canada. As a result of his endeavors, the Dominion government took drastic steps to stop the traffic.



You searched for **Thomas E. Powers** in **Iowa**

Iowa State Census, 1895

Name: **Thomas E. Powers**

Age: **37**

Race: **White**

Birthplace: **Iowa Page**

Residence: **Clarinda, Page**

Source Information:

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