

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Rees, Sylvester Calvin Senator Rees,
Sylvester Calvin - Represented Missouri and Piquette Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 5 May 1849 near Cislister, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Lulu Harris 18 Mar 1881 Missouri County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business

B. Civic responsibilities Mayor

C. Profession Farmer; real estate; insurance; teacher; store clerk

4. Church membership Baptist

5. Sessions served 36th, 37th General Assembly 1915, 1917 - House of

6. Public Offices 40th, 41st General Assembly 1923, 1925 Senate Representative

A. Local Hamburg City Councilman; Mayor of Hamburg; school board member; "Lodgeship Club"; City of Hamburg

B. State

C. National

7. Death 1 Mar 1929 Hamburg, Iowa; Buried Hamburg Cemetery, Hamburg, Iowa

8. Children Paul (Mrs. Jones); Bertram (predeceased his father in death); Mamie (predeceased her father in death); John Paul; James Elaine; Edith L. (Mrs. Dykes)

9. Names of parents Daniel Carley and Mary Steele (Edgerton) Rees

Rees, Sylvester Calvin

10. Education He was educated in schools of Carlisle, Iowa

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

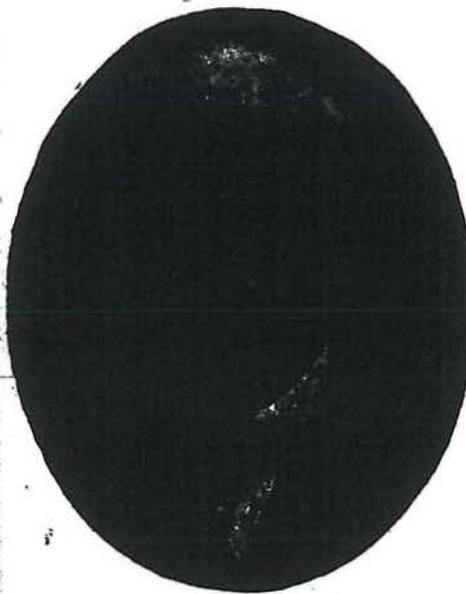
- In 1868 he moved to Fremont County, Iowa where he taught school and worked as a store clerk. He also engaged in farming.
- In his later years he engaged in real estate and insurance business.



**Senator S. C. Rees Died
Early Friday Morning**

Senator S. C. Rees, a pioneer settler in Fremont county, died at his home early Friday morning, following an illness of some weeks, in which he grew steadily weaker. Mr. Rees had been active and up and around until a few weeks before his death. His condition was such that it was realized that he could not recover and the children, brother and sisters were called to be with him during his last hours.

Senator Rees had always lead an active life, being of pioneer stock he knew the hardships of the early days, and his life in the open gave him a rugged constitution, which accounted for his youthful appearance. Mr. Rees was one of the republican leaders in this county for many years, and served as state



HON. S. C. REES

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During his earlier life he followed the business of farming, in which he was successful, and had considerable land holdings at the time of his death, and took an active part in the management in them. Mr. Rees made many friends, and enjoyed being in their company.

Brookshier Enlarging Business.

M. F. Brookshier commenced the first of the week to remodel his building on Main street, and will also enlarge the scope of his business. Moris has conducted a battery station for a number of years and this has steadily grown until the business is requiring more man power to operate, and along with this particular branch of business has come a demand for another line. When he has completed the work he will have provided for a modern wash and grease rack. The very latest methods will be used in the washing and cleaning of cars as well as the greasing. This service station will be equal to those of the city, and will be complete in every way except the sale of tires.

Joe Brookshier has been in the city of Omaha for some time taking training in the washing and cleaning of cars, and observing the best methods being used at the super service stations. We are glad to note this expansion on the part of Mr. Brookshier, and in providing this service he is filling a real want in our town.

Public School Drawing.

The Monday Study club met at the home of Mrs. R. F. Hickman, with Mrs. R. W. Stewart as leader for the afternoon.

A feature most thoroughly enjoyed by all present was the talk, "Drawing in the Public Schools," given by Mrs. Harold Martin, with posters of the work done by pupils to illustrate her subject. Mrs. Martin traced the development of free hand cutting, drawing by both crayon and water color, problems of form, tint and shade, from the first to eighth grades. Supplementing her talk was an exhibit of many beautiful sketches in photography from the collection of A. S. Workman, of Glenwood. Mr. Workman is a brother of C. M. Workman, of Hamburg, and has a hobby for photography which takes him into the realms of art and places him in the front ranks as a winner at these exhibits. His camera sketches, enlarged, tinted and shaded under his able hand, are as beautiful as the works of the American artists, whose pictures grace the homes and galleries of America. It was an inspiration to

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Sylvester Calvin Rees was born in Carlisle, Iowa, May 5, 1849, and died at his home in Hamburg, on March 1, 1929 aged 79 years, 9 months and 26 days. He received his education in the schools of his home town, and as a young man came west to Fremont county. In 1881 he was married to Miss Lula Harris, who survives him. To this union were born five children, four of whom survive, Mrs. Jack Dyke, of Des Moines, Mrs. Parl Jones, of New York City, Paul and James of this city. He also leaves one brother, L. A. Rees, of this place, and two sisters, Mrs. Iva Smythe, of Springview, Neb., and Mrs. Del Sheldahl, of Buena Vist, Colo.

Funeral services were held from the home Sunday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. J. O. Staples, and interment was made in the Hamburg cemetery.

Death of Young Man.

Willie May Borders, died near Knox on Saturday, following a short illness. The young man was born in Douglas county, Missouri, Jan. 12, 1903 and died March 2, 1929, aged 26 years, one month and eighteen days. He leaves to mourn his loss one brother, Vernie, and one sister, Miss Alice, both of Douglas county, Missouri. His parents died when he was one year old, and since that time he had made his home with Mr. and Mrs. John Moody. Funeral services were held at Knox Sunday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. D. N. Gillett, and interment was made in the Sidney cemetery.

Given Farewell Reception.

On Wednesday evening of last week the friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jaeckel gathered in at their home to give them a farewell reception. The party was given at the new home on the Frank Beckstead

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"American Realists" was the subject of Mrs. P. L. Van Meter's talk. Among these are, Robert Henri, George Luks, George Bellows, John Sloan, Guy Pene DuBois. "Modern Artists we Should Know," was the subject of Mrs. C. C. Connor's interesting paper. These include Rockwell Kent, Malvina Hoffman, Mahonri Young, and John Marin. The next meeting is with Mrs. L. A. Rees, Monday afternoon.

Former Hamburg Woman Dies.

Mrs. Henry C. Zach, 69, formerly of this place, but residing in Sidney for a number of years, died in a Council Bluffs hospital Monday, following an illness from influenza. The body was brought to Hamburg that evening, and taken to the home in Sidney.

Mrs. Zach was born in Des Moines, August 17, 1859. She is survived by her husband, four daughters, Josie Bunker, Sidney, Iowa; Nora Clemens, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Mrs. Ray Stewart, Shenandoah, Iowa three sons, Wilbur and Ernie Zach, of Sidney, and Esta Zach, of Shenandoah, Iowa. She also leaves two brothers, Levi and Russell Dimmitt, of this place. Funeral services were held at the M. E. church in Sidney, Tuesday afternoon, and interment was made in the cemetery at that place.

Lost Your False Teeth?

We have had many things brought to our office in times past, but we believe that a set of false teeth was never numbered among the missing articles brought here to find the owner. The Sidney Argus some months ago came into possession of a wooden leg which had lost its owner, and if the other articles will come forward with a few articles we may be able to make

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ninth year. His father, George Norris, was a native of Scotland, but when an infant, was brought by his parents to America. He was a miller by trade, and in the prime of life was injured by a water-wheel of the mill so seriously, that death resulted. His wife was in her maidenhood Miss Julia Ann Logan, and her family was of German descent. She survived her husband about forty years, and cared for her children until they were able to earn their own livelihood and depend upon their own resources. The family consisted of six children, three sons and three daughters, but only three are now living: Maria, now Mrs. Beck, is a resident of Dayton, Ohio; William died a number of years ago; George, who is also deceased; Mrs. Harriet Snyder is a resident of Dayton, Ohio; Charlotte, who became the wife of Mr. Motto, died in Dayton.

Our subject spent the days of his boyhood and youth upon his father's farm, and throughout his business career followed agricultural pursuits. His mother removed to Dayton, when he was a child, and in Montgomery County, Ohio, on the 23d of September, 1828, having attained to mature years, he was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Hilderbrand, a native of Allegheny County, Pa., and a daughter of James and Elizabeth Hilderbrand, who removed to Montgomery County, Ohio, in an early day. In 1839, Mr. Norris and his wife became residents of Johnson County, Ind., where they dwelt until becoming residents of Polk County, Iowa, in the year 1845. The first settlement which Mr. Norris made was at Saylor Grove, on what is now the county farm. He improved that place, and made it his home for ten years, when he sold out and removed to the city of Des Moines. He obtained the position of crier in the county, State, Supreme and United States Courts, which position he held for years, but resigned the three first-named when, in 1868, he resumed farm labor. He purchased land in Bloomfield Township, on which he lived until 1884, when in consequence of his advanced age, he could no longer operate his farm, and, selling out, returned to Des Moines. He purchased his land for \$50 per acre, and on disposing of it sold at an increase of \$100 per acre. He was one of the leading agriculturists of this section of the State, and, possessing all the elements

essential to success, his career as a farmer was a prosperous one. Although he resigned his position as caller in three courts, he filled that position in the United States Court until 1888, covering a period of thirty-two years. He is one of the oldest and one of the earliest citizens of Des Moines, and is respected and esteemed by all who know him. He has led a useful and upright life, and may now look back over the past with no regret for unimproved opportunities and time illy spent.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Norris includes only two children, daughters: Elizabeth, who is now the widow of Benjamin Saylor, and Eve, wife of Thomas Gnadle.



DANIEL B. REES, M. D., of Des Moines, was born in Vermillion County, Ill., May 19, 1824, and is the son of Thomas and Sarah (Haworth) Rees. His father, a Virginian by birth, removed to Clinton, Ohio, in early life, and was there married, after which he engaged in farming. Later he left the Buckeye State and became a resident of White River, Ind., when, in 1820, he removed to Vermillion County, Ill. He was one of the earliest pioneers of that region and continued to make his home in that county until 1846, when he emigrated with his family to Polk County, Iowa, using ox-teams and wagons as a means of transportation. Arriving in Polk County on the 1st of June of that year, they found Iowa's capital to be a small military post called Ft. Des Moines. Mr. Rees settled on what was subsequently known as the "six mile strip," which, in January, 1853, was separated from Polk County and attached to Warren County. The death of his wife occurred in 1848, and he subsequently married Lydia Henshaw. He continued his residence on the claim which he had made for a period of twelve years, when he went to Kansas. Three years later he returned to Iowa and settled near Stuart, Guthrie County, where he passed the latter years of his life, his death occurring in 1863. By his first marriage were born six children, three sons and three daughters, but Dr. Rees and two sisters are the only

surviving ones. The eldest of these, Sidney Smith, married John Pearson, of Ohio. They came to Iowa in 1846, settled in Polk County, where they they lived for about twenty years, then moved to Guthrie County, Iowa, where Mr. Pearson died about 1876. His widow was again married and now resides in Stuart, Iowa. Martha Rees, three years younger than the Doctor, married James W. Dowell, February 3, 1848, and now lives in Des Moines, Iowa.

Doctor Rees came to Iowa, with his parents, in June, 1846. Having received a common school education, he entered upon the study of medicine and was graduated from the Eclectic Medical College, of Cincinnati, Ohio, in the class of 1859. Previous to that time, however, he studied two years with Dr. Beck, of Palmyra, Iowa. On receiving his degree he at once entered upon the active duties of his profession in Guthrie County, continuing in that field until 1864, when he removed to Palmyra, Warren County, of the same State, where he spent fourteen years in successful practice. Coming to Des Moines at the expiration of that time, he has since been actively employed in professional work in this city.

On the 2nd of February, 1848, in Polk County, Dr. Rees was united in the holy bonds of matrimony with Miss Mary S. Edgerton, a native of Grant County, Ind., and a daughter of William Edgerton. Her father died while she was yet a child, and in 1847, she accompanied her brother and family to Polk County. The Doctor and his wife have five living children and have lost four, three dying in infancy, the other reaching womanhood. S. Calvin, the eldest, married Miss Lula Harris, and is engaged in farming in Fremont County, Iowa; William W. married Miss Emma Snow, and is a druggist of Schuyler, Colfax County, Neb.; Celissa J., wife of Hiram Griffin, died in May, 1875; Lewis A. is engaged in the drug business in Hamburg, Fremont County, Iowa; Della Celesta is the wife of Louis Sheldahl, of Des Moines; Ivie E. is a teacher in the city schools, and makes her home with her parents. Mrs. Rees and family attend the Congregational Church.

In politics, Dr. Rees is a Republican, but has never sought political preferment. After coming

to Des Moines, he took a post graduate course in King's Eclectic Medical College, graduating in 1884. He is professor of Theory and Practice in the Iowa Eclectic Medical College, of Des Moines, and has filled that chair for the past three years. He is a member of the Iowa State Eclectic Medical Society, of which he has served as Vice-President, and is also a member of the National Eclectic Medical Society. The Doctor has now been engaged in active practice in Des Moines for twelve years, having his office at No. 422 East Sixth Street, and residence at No. 1209 Lyon Street. He is recognized as a physician and surgeon of superior ability, and is a gentleman of culture. His skill in his profession and close application to business have won him an extensive and lucrative practice, which is well merited.



EDWIN H. CARTER, Physician and Surgeon, was born in Prince William County, Va., July 9, 1836. His father, Rhodam C. Carter, and his grandfather, John Carter, were born in the same place. His great-grandfather, Nathan Carter, emigrated from London and settled in Prince William County, where he became a planter. Rhodam was born August 6, 1806, and in 1826 married Miss Lucy, daughter of William Hulitt, a native of Virginia, whose wife, Margery Ball, belonged to a noted family of Virginia. Both the Doctor's grandfathers served in the War of 1812-15.

In 1847, Rhodam C. with his family removed to and settled on a farm in Henry County, Iowa. Subsequently he removed to Afton, Iowa, where Mr. Carter died January 1, 1881, when in the seventy-sixth year of his age. Mrs. Carter, who was born in Virginia, September 26, 1808, died December 25, 1888. They were the parents of five sons and five daughters who grew to maturity, and eight of that number are living in 1890, viz.: Levi, Elizabeth, Ranzel, Rhodam S., Edwin H., Harriet, Maria and Juda. The deceased are: Margery, the second daughter and fifth child, who died at the age of eighteen years; and Allen, the

Outline of Personal History of

St. Lee
RESIDENCE *Hamburg Ia*

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

The Historical Department of Iowa

DES MOINES, IOWA

EDGAR R. HARLAN, CURATOR

10th Dist.

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

1. Name in full (all names) *Sydney Calvin Rees*
2. Chief occupation or profession *Farmer and insurance agent*
3. Former occupation or profession *"*
4. Date and place of beginning each *Permanig in 1875 - Ia's Bus as a side bus in 1895*
5. Present residence address *Hamburg Ia*
6. Present business address *"*
7. Date of birth *May 15 + 1849*
8. Place of birth *Warren County Iowa*
9. If born abroad, where *"*
10. Emigrated to America, when *Came to America in 1875*
11. First migrated to what state and county, whether born abroad or in America *worked on a farm by the month for 7 years*
12. Emigrated the second time to what state or county *"*
13. Further emigration, if any *"*
14. Education. Give name and location of rural, high, business or technical school, college or university *Common school Education*
15. Date of graduation and degree if any *"*

16. Place of death
17. Date of death
18. Place of burial
19. Name of father in full (all names) *Daniel Bailey Rees*
20. Occupation of father *Physician*
21. Full Maiden name of mother (all names) *Mary S. Edgerton*
22. Residence when married *On a farm 4 1/2 miles south of Des Moines*
23. Military service, if any (exact dates) *None*
24. Political offices, (from the smallest to the largest, with dates)
Mayor
Township Clerk
City Alderman
School Board
25. Director or trustee of financial, religious and educational institutions
26. Politics *Republican*
27. Religious denomination if any
28. Religious preference if non-affiliated with a denomination *Baptist*
29. Member of what societies or associations of learning
30. Member of what secret organizations, with honors or offices held, with dates *Master Masonic*
Warden
N. B. and Service
31. Member of what clubs if any
32. Belonged to what firms (give names in full and dates if possible) *The First Clothing Co.*
33. Officer or director in any corporation *The First Clothing Co.*
34. Enclose business card if possible
35. Enclose photograph and autograph

Q. 36?

What is your age? *Sixty five years*
 How long have you lived in Iowa? *Was Born in Warren County*
May 5th 1849 - War
 What is your occupation? *Farming and Real Estate*
 For what are you a candidate? *Representation*
 On what ticket are you nominated? *Republican*
 What is the number of your district? *10th*
 What is your post office? *Hamburg Iowa*
Respectfully *C. E. Stee*

Recd, S. C.

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9. Place of his or her burial
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11. Born where and when
12. Occupation of his or her father
13. His or her mother's full name
14. Born when and where
15. Parent's residence at time of their marriage
16. Miscellaneous remarks on their family

CHILDREN OF

A. Rees

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Lula Rees

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE	MARRIED TO WHOM	WHERE	DATE
<i>Pearl</i>	<i>Mar Hamburg</i>	<i>1854</i>			<i>George D. Jones</i>	<i>Des Moines</i>	<i>1904</i>
<i>Mary</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>1858</i>			<i>Ralph C. Jones</i>	<i>Hamburg</i>	
<i>John Paul</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>1890</i>					
<i>James B</i>	<i>Hamburg</i>	<i>1892</i>			<i>Evalyn Donaldson</i>	<i>Hamburg</i>	<i>1912</i>
<i>Edith</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>1897</i>					

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A. Rees
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JOHN R. PRICE.—Senator from the fifteenth district, composed of the counties of Marion and Monroe, was born in Glamorganshire, South Wales, Great Britain, on June 23, 1875. Moved with his parents to the United States in May, 1881, and has been a resident of Marion and Monroe counties since that time, except two years spent in the state of Washington. Attended the public schools until eleven years of age, then secured a position in the mines, but continuing his education. At the age of eighteen he sustained an injury from which he has never fully recovered. Entered Central university at Pella, Iowa, from 1894 to 1897, then taught school for several years and read law under the direction of John T. Clarkson, of Albia. Was admitted to the bar and began the practice of law at Albia in 1900 which vocation he still follows. Was deputy clerk for about one year. Was married April 27, 1899, to Mary E. Welch. Elected senator in 1916 and 1920. A republican in politics. Serving as grand master of Odd Fellows of Iowa for fiscal year 1920-1921.

CARL W. REED.—Senator from the forty-second district, Howard and Winneshek counties, was born at Cresco, Iowa, May 6, 1873, and has always lived at Cresco; is a graduate of the Cresco high school, and of the college of law, University of Minnesota. Engaged in the practice of law at Cresco with his father, Henry T. Reed, who was a member of the general assembly, from 1896 to 1904, then practiced alone until December, 1910, when he formed a co-partnership with Charles Pergler, now the representative to the United States from the new Bohemian republic. Has been city solicitor of Cresco, and county attorney of Howard county. Is married, and has three children; a member of the Masonic, Odd Fellows and Elks lodges. Elected to the senate in 1918, and re-elected in 1922. A republican in politics.

S. C. REES.—Senator, was born in Warren county, Iowa, educated in common and high school; took Horace Greeley's advice, went west and located in Fremont county. Married Miss Lula Harris in 1881. They have four children living, two sons and two daughters. Represented Fremont county in the thirty-sixth and thirty-seventh general assemblies; was elected to the senate in 1922. Politics, republican; business, farming; sideline, real estate and insurance.

E. W. ROMKEY.—Senator from the ninth district, was born on farm near Burlington, Iowa, July 3, 1869. Attended rural schools and business college. Resides at present on old homestead. Was married to Nellie Lloyd in December 27, 1894, and has one daughter, Helen, and one son, Donald. Has held public office almost continuously since 1900. Elected to the fortieth general assembly from the ninth senatorial district in 1922. A republican in politics.

WILLIAM SCHMEDIKA.—Senator from the thirty-seventh district, composed of the counties of Hamilton, Hardin and Wright, was born in Shellsburg, Wis., August 19, 1869. In 1875 his parents moved to Hardin county, Iowa, settling in the western part of the county. His early boyhood days were spent on the farm and attending the rural school. Later he attended the Dexter Normal school at Dexter, Iowa. He has lived on the farm all his life, for years farming in the summer and teaching school in the winter. Later he quit teaching and farmed extensively, together with buying, feeding and shipping live stock. Also a heavy writer of fire insurance, being with the Farmers of Cedar Rapids thirty years. In 1889 he was united in marriage with Clara Awe. To them were born two boys and two girls. His wife died in 1907. He is a member of the K. of P. lodge. Was elected representative in 1914; and in 1923 was elected senator to fill vacancy caused by the death of D. C. Chase. Elected senator as an independent.

RAY PAUL SCOTT.—Senator from the twenty-eighth district, born in North Eaton, O., June 8, 1884. Came to Marshalltown in 1899, graduated from Drake university in 1909. Served as county attorney of Marshall county from 1914 to 1918. Elected to the legislature in 1918. Elected senator in 1920. Republican in politics. Thirty-second degree Mason, Knight Templar and Shriner.

eral Assembly of Iowa, that in the death of John E. Wichman, the people of the Forty-third Senatorial District and the people of the entire State of Iowa have sustained a great loss. Everywhere he was known as a man honored and trusted, a man of sterling quality and irreproachable character.

Therefore, Be It Further Resolved, That we extend to his estimable wife and to his family the deepest sympathy of this Body, and that we join with them in mourning the departure of so good a man. Their husband and father we shall ever remember as our friend and a true public servant of the people.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the journal of this Senate and that the secretary be directed to send an engrossed copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

E. W. CLARK,
O. E. GUNDERSON,
GEO. W. CHRISTOPHEL,
Committee.

Senator Clark spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND SENATORS: It was my privilege to have been acquainted with John E. Wichman ever since boyhood. I always admired him for his ability as a lawyer and for his sterling manhood. He was straightforward and when he believed in a certain principle he had the moral courage to advocate and defend it. He was uniformly courteous and kind, a good husband and a good father. He was considerate of the views of those with whom he could not agree, according to them the same honesty of purpose that always guided his actions. I feel a personal loss in his passing.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

SYLVESTER CALVIN REES

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life and public service of the Honorable Sylvester Calvin Rees, State Representative and State Senator, reports as follows:

Mr. Rees was born on a farm near Carlisle, in Warren county, Iowa, on the 5th day of May, 1849. He was educated in the common school and in the high school of Carlisle. In 1868 he removed to Fremont county, where he taught school, and also worked as a clerk in different stores. He was engaged in farming, in which he was quite successful and acquired considerable land. In his later years he also engaged in real estate and insurance business.

In 1881 he was married to Miss Lulu Harris and to this union were born the following children: Paul Rees, J. R. Rees, Mrs. Edith Dyke and Mrs. Pearl Jones.

Mr. Rees served Hamburg as a councilman and as mayor. In 1914 he was elected State Representative and was reelected in 1916, serving in the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh General Assemblies. In 1922 he was elected State Senator and served in the Fortieth, Fortieth extra and

Forty-first General Assemblies. Mr. Rees died at his home in Hamburg, Iowa, on March 1, 1929.

Mr. Rees was a man of honor and stood high in the confidence and esteem of his associates. He was kind, considerate and generous and served well in every capacity in which he was engaged. In public or private life, Mr. Rees was a man of pronounced convictions, candid and outspoken, and there was never room for doubt as to his stand on any public question; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Hon. Sylvester Calvin Rees, the State has lost a worthy and influential citizen, and that we extend to his relatives and friends our sincere sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution of respect and appreciation be printed in the journal of the Senate and that the Secretary be directed to forward an engrossed copy to the family of the deceased.

DENVER L. WILSON,
OSCAR ULSTAD,
F. C. GILCHRIST,

Committee.

Senator Wilson spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND SENATORS: I am glad to say a word by way of commemorating the life and public work of Senator Rees. He was a product of Iowa, born within the borders of this state, in 1849 and died at his home March 1, 1929. He was a success in business and in his legislative service. He was a man of pronounced convictions, backed up with sound judgment. His work as a legislator was a credit to his district and the state, and in his going this state has lost a valuable citizen.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

GEORGE FRANKLIN COBURN

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee which was appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character, and services of the late George Franklin Coburn of Marcus, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following:

George Franklin Coburn was born at Belvidere, Illinois, on the twelfth day of May, 1856. At the age of twenty-one years he moved to Iowa and located upon a farm near Marcus. Later in the same year Mr. Coburn married Mary Ann Pettengill. To this union were born five children.

He was the proud owner of a stretch of prairie which was transformed largely by his own personal labor into one of the best farms in Iowa. Upon this same farm Mr. Coburn passed away on the seventeenth day of March, 1929. From this farm home the funeral party proceeded on twenty-first day of March to the Mount Pleasant Presbyterian church. Inside accommodations were available to less than one-half of the crowd of friends who had gathered. Interment was made in the little cemetery near the church. Mr. Coburn was one of the founders of this cemetery in earlier years.

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- *ID:* I3510
- *Name:* Sylvester Calvin Rees
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 5 MAY 1849 in Iowa
- *Death:* 1 MAR 1929 in probably Hamburg, Fremont County, Iowa
- *Burial:* Hamburg Cemetery, Fremont County, Iowa
- *Note:*

- (1) Was a farmer in Fremont County, Iowa in 1890.
- (2) District Court at Sidney from the "Shenandoah World" newspaper, Shenandoah, Iowa, Friday, January 5, 1906 (copied from George Waterman's Tuesday "Sidney Herald" newspaper): J.F. Baldwin brings action against S.C. Rees for damages to the amount of \$10,000. This case grows out of the shooting affray last spring when Baldwin was shot by Rees.
- (3) By 1900, Sylvester Calvin Rees and Lula Harris had had 6 children, but only 5 were living. One child had died before 1900.

Father: [Daniel Bailey Rees](#) b: 19 MAY 1824 in Vermilion County, Illinois
Mother: [Mary Steele Edgerton](#) b: 8 APR 1829 in Wayne County, North Carolina

Marriage 1 [Lula Harris](#) b: JUL 1865 in Iowa

- *Married:* ABT. 1881

Children

1. [Pearl Rees](#) b: JAN 1884 in Iowa
2. [Mamie Rees](#) b: JUL 1888 in Iowa
3. [Paul J. Rees](#) b: OCT 1890 in Iowa
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Birth Year: abt 1850

Birth Place: Fremont

Gender: Male

Marital Status: Married

Census Date: 1885

Residence State: Iowa

Residence County: Fremont

Locality: Madison

Roll: IA1885_188

Line: 1

Family Number: 120

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Household Members:	Name	Age
	Sylvester C Rees	35
	Lula Rees	20
	Pearl Rees	1

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Born: 5/5/1849
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Location:
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