

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

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date of  
birth & death*

Name of Representative KENNEDY, John P. Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Served from Lee County Iowa

1. Birthday and place August 1860, Keokuk, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Margaret (Marjorie) Ballou, 14 June 1893., prob. Montrose

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business lawyer, horticulturalist, teacher & principal

B. Civic responsibilities postmaster; Republican co. comm.

C. Profession \_\_\_\_\_

4. Church membership Episcopal

5. Sessions served 42d GA, 1927, Lee Co.

6. Public Offices

A. Local twp affairs; school bd; town council; sch principal

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

C. National Postmaster, Montrose, 15 yrs.

7. Death 11 Nov. 1935, St. Joseph's Hosp., Keokuk

8. Children (1) Catherine (Katharyn) (c. 1898- ) (teacher, Los Angeles);

(2) Margaret (King) (c. 1900 - ) (Los Angeles); (3) Elinor (Benner) (c. 1909 - )  
(4) ason, b/d 18 Apr. 1894.

9. Names of parents William Kennedy (15 July 1831, Westport, Ireland - 1885  
Montrose) shoemaker.

Mina Williams Burns (18 Dec. 1839, Dublin, Ireland; - ); m. Keokuk (her 2d marr.)

10. Education Montrose Pub Sch; Eastern Ia Normal; U of Iowa Law

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11. B. Degrees 892

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12. Other applicable information Although listed as lawyer on 1900 census, he primarily engaged in nursery business (Eagle Nurser), with his brother Charles from 1883 on. Began teaching at age 20, and taught for intervals over 14 year period; was principal of Montrose sdhools for 6 years. Atrended college while t3eaching.

Mason, Odd Fello, Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen.

Chair of Repulbicn co. comm. 1894-1896.

Bro. Charles also in Ia Legis. and weas memberoof Congress several terms. Bro was assistant postmaster while John was pm.

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Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
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Keokuk Daily Gate City, Mon. 11 Nov 1935		x	death/obit
Iowa Cems, Lee Co.		x	parents (mo as Maria); his fam
Bio RFev. Lee Co. 1905		x	bio bro.
Port & Bio Album, Lee Co. 1887	x		
Story of Lee Co, VII, 1914		x	bio
Redbook		x	listing
1900 census Lee Co. 75/19/32		x	" (atty)
1920 " " 89/6/1		x	" (horticulturalist)
1925 " " 239-3/7		x	fam

*Obituary - The Keokuk Daily Gate City, Keokuk Iowa,  
Monday, Nov 11, 1935, p 2, col 1*

## J. P. KENNEDY OF MONTROSE IS SUMMONED

Well Known Resident of Lee  
County, Prominent in  
Community's Affairs  
Dies Today at St.  
Joseph's Hospital.

John P. Kennedy, former post-master of Montrose, and Lee county representative in the state legislature, died at St. Joseph's hospital this morning at 10:40 o'clock after a period of illness. Both of Mr. Kennedy's legs were amputated in an effort to save his life, the last operation occurring just recently, but he failed to rally.

One of the most prominent men in the county in which he was a life-long resident, Mr. Kennedy was accorded a high place in the esteem of all with whom he came into contact and maintained that position throughout his life. Endowed with splendid personal qualities and an inherent honesty and integrity he was respected and admired by the entire county.

### Interested in Politics.

Especially interested in politics, Mr. Kennedy has been a leader in local republican circles for years and has held many important offices, including the chairmanship of county committees as well as state representative and post-master.

In 1897 he was appointed post-master of Montrose by President McKinley and continued in that office for 15 years through ensuing administrations, making a very creditable record through prompt and faithful service. He served as chairman of the republican county committee for several years and his opinions were always sought by party leaders.

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## OLD RESIDENT OF KEOKUK IS CALLED HOME

Adam Weirather Dies at His Home,  
1119½ Main Street at 1 O'Clock  
This Morning—Funeral to  
Be Held Wednes-  
day.

Adam Weirather, well known repairman, died at his home, 1119½ Main street at 1 o'clock this morning, following a period of ill health.

For many years Mr. Weirather has conducted a repair business at 1119 Main street, and was recognized as a most efficient workman, taking the utmost pains in the repair of everything he undertook. He was friendly, kindly and enjoyed the esteem of all who knew him.

Born 70 years ago he has spent most of his life in Keokuk. He was united in marriage with Mary Ziegelmiller, who survives him.

He was a member of the Catholic church.

Surviving besides his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Oscar Mann of Keokuk; two brothers and two sisters, Mrs. Lawrence Miller of Burlington, Mrs. P. C. Finn of Keokuk, John Weirather of Kalamazoo, Mich., and George Weirather of Burlington. There are also two grandchildren, Vernon and Norman Mann.

The body will remain at the Greaves and Hinnerhoff parlors until Tuesday afternoon, when it will be removed to the home of the daughter, Mrs. Oscar Mann, 1526 Bank street. The body may funeral parlors until Tuesday, be viewed by friends at the when it may be seen at the home. The funeral services will be held from St. Mary's church at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The family requests that friends emit flowers.

## ARMISTICE DAY AS OBSERVED IN EUROPE

LONDON, Nov. 11.—(P)—Rearming Europe paused today to commemorate the sacrifices which drenched its soil with blood in the World war.

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## SHOE CUTTING TO COMMENCE AT PLANT H

Shoe cutting operations Merrimac Shoe company's here will commence tomorrow morning. It was the intention of the company to start cutting this morning, but as this is a time was postponed for

## AUTO CRASH AT PONTIAC

NAUVOO, Ill., Nov. 11.—day afternoon A. C. Rahn plumber, and Ben McKoon helper, were returning from when near Pontiosuc to the rear of a car driven by Little and his wife. The car came to a stop on the right side of the road preparatory to make a left turn when McKoon looking for this sudden ran into the rear of the Ben McKoon was thrown from the car and sustained cuts, the worst was on the head where it injured the knee. He was taken to the Fort Harrison hospital, Dr. Kingsberry is attending him. Mr. Rahn had minor cuts and bruises. The car was wrecked. The Little car was overturned but no serious damage either to the car, or Mr. Little.

## CORNHUSKING ENTERS REAL NATIONAL ST

DES MOINES, Nov. 11.—The cornhusking contest of humble origin thirteen years ago has entered the realm of international sport, judging by the interest has aroused among fans.

Thirteen years ago on a winter day in December a contest of farmers turned out in bad weather to settle the question who was Iowa champion husker.

County contests in Iowa have attracted bigger crowds than the national conference football game in 1933 with 25,000 persons and gained it this year.

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The son of William and Miss Williams Burns Kennedy he was born on September 8, 1869, in Keokuk. When he was six weeks of age, his parents moved to Montrose where he has since resided. He attended the public schools in Montrose and the Eastern Iowa Normal school.

#### Leaves Three Daughters.

On June 14, 1894, he was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Ballou. Three children were born to this union, all of them surviving him.

He was a member of St. Barnabas' Episcopal church in Montrose and was fraternally affiliated with Joppa lodge A. F. & A. M., and Cascade lodge No. 66 I. O. O. F.

Surviving besides his wife, are three daughters, Miss Catherine Kennedy, a teacher in the Los Angeles, Calif., schools; Mrs. Margaret King of Los Angeles, and Mrs. George Benner of Montrose. There are also three grandchildren and the following brothers and sisters: C. A. Kennedy, George Kennedy, Timothy Kennedy, Mrs. Frank Kerr, and Miss Lillie Kennedy, all of Montrose, and Mrs. Jennie Butzer of Los Angeles, and William Kennedy of Washington.

The body was taken to the Cunningham Funeral Home.

The funeral arrangements have not been completed as yet.

### CITY NEWS.

- Coal, call Sinton's.
- Picnics 35c and 40c, Stack's.
- Permanents and beauty services at prices you can afford, Winnie Harsch, 324½ Main, Ph. 2281.
- Window glass, Streeter's Store, 415 Main, or Yard, 320 Des Moines.
- The police have been notified of the theft of a Pontiac sedan licensed 285-943 at Carthage, Ill.
- Best coal, call Sinton's.
- "I'll keep you warm and dry," says Buckeye (the better coal). This is good weather to catch colds, keep your home warm and dry with economical Buckeye coal. Order from Cameron's, Phone 96.
- Quality fuels, Sinton's.

### FUNERAL RECORD

Mrs. Carolina G. Philp

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A streak of sunshine in the martial picture presented by the armed camp of Europe was seen by some observers in the fact that more than 50 nations joined at Geneva to denounce the Italo-Ethiopian war and to attempt to restore peace.

## DISPLAY MARK TWIN CRADLE IN ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 11.—(AP)—The cradle in which Sammy Clemens, better known as Mark Twain, the Missouri humorist, slept as a baby has been placed on display here by the Missouri Historical Society.

In 1841, when the Clemens family moved from Florida, Mo., to Hannibal, a baby was a boy of six and needed no cradle. It and other odds and ends of furniture were given to neighbors.

Two other families used the cradle before it came into possession of the family of Mrs. Edna Grigsby McCann in 1867.

In that year, Sammy Clemens was already famous under the pen name of Mark Twain. He had already published his story, "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County," the first of his literary works that brought him world prominence.

With the centennial celebration this year of Twain's birth, Mrs. McCann, who resides at Farber, Mo., lent the cradle to the society to form part of its current exhibition in honor of the humorist-philosopher.

In addition to Sammy, dozens of babies must have used it, but it seems no worse for wear. Now shorn of its wooden rockers, it is otherwise in excellent shape.

## NATIONALIZATION OF SILVER BY CHINA OPPOSED

## CIVILIAN NATION

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The cornhusker's humble origin has entered the sport, judging has aroused a  
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An estimated nearly 20,000 the Ohio Stat ball game—the ruddy-f Audubon cour year's national Ind.

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and acquired her early education in the private schools and public schools of Fort Madison, and in Denmark Academy, in Lee county, the oldest incorporated educational institution of the state. She afterward attended for three years, the Female Seminary at Steubenville, Ohio, where she was graduated with the class of 1860. She has been a most able, helpful and sympathetic assistant to her husband in all of his work and throughout Lee county the names of Dr. and Mrs. George D. Stewart are revered. Nature bestowed upon them many of her rare gifts. They possess minds of broad compass and industry that have brought forth and developed the talents which they received. Their humanitarian spirit and kindly sympathy have been continually manifest in their relations to their fellowmen and have made them honored and respected wherever they have gone.

Dr. and Mrs. Stewart spent three of the early months of 1904 at San Diego and Los Angeles, California, with great pleasure and profit to health. While this volume is passing through the press, they are arranging for a trip to the Southern Mediterranean in "the Bible Student's Cruize," on the White Star steamer, "Arabic." If permitted to carry out their purpose, they will visit Southern Spain, Gibraltar, Algiers, Walta, Athens, Constantinople, Asia Minor, Palestine, Egypt, Italy, England and Scotland. This trip which Dr. Stewart has long desired to make will be a suitable and very pleasant conclusion to his many years of labor, and will show that as he enters his eighty-first year sufficient health, energy and courage remain to enable him to undertake, with Mrs.

Stewart's companionship, a journey over the Atlantic ocean of 15,000 miles and which will take them from the center of this continent to visit the shores of Europe, Asia and Africa.

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#### HON. C. A. KENNEDY.

Among the better known and most successful of the younger business men of Lee county, Iowa, is Hon. C. A. Kennedy, of Montrose, a native of that village, where his birth occurred March 24, 1869. He is the son of William Kennedy, who was born in the year 1830 in County Galway, Ireland, and the father of our subject on coming to America first located at Ogdensburg, New York, whence he removed to Keokuk, Iowa, and there in 1856 he married Miss Maria Williams, who was born in Dublin, Ireland, December 13, 1837, and on the death of her parents accompanied an aunt to the United States, living for a number of years in the State of New York and later removing to Keokuk, where she met Mr. Kennedy. William Kennedy, who learned in his native land the trade of shoemaking, worked in a shoe shop for a time in Keokuk, but in 1860 removed to Montrose, where he worked as a shoemaker until his death, which occurred June 22, 1885. He was a faithful member of the Episcopal church and fraternally was connected with the Masonic order and with the Independent Order

of Odd Fellows, while his political allegiance was given to the Republican party, through which he took an active part in public affairs, being elected to membership in the municipal council and board of education. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy were the parents of eight sons and daughters, as follows: John, now postmaster of Montrose, who married Miss Marjorie Ballou and has two children, Katherine and Margaret; William, who is engaged in the lumber business at Doty, Washington; Eva, who died in December, 1902, was the wife of N. J. Chapman, of Everett, Washington, and is survived by three children, George, Fred and Helen; Jennie, wife of F. D. Butzer, of Bucoda, Washington; C. A., the subject of this review; George, who is superintendent of the public schools of Montrose; Anna and Lilly.

For his formal education Hon. C. A. Kennedy is indebted to the public schools, but as the death of his father occurred when he was but fourteen years of age, and as this event necessitated his leaving school, he owes the extraordinary development of his mental powers to intelligent observation and the reading of good literature, combined with a constant interest in current affairs, as to which he keeps himself thoroughly informed. Since his fourteenth year he has been successfully engaged in the nursery business in association with his brother, John Kennedy, the firm being Kennedy Brothers, and they are proprietors of the Eagle Nursery, which they purchased in 1885 of H. M. Crouse, who had established the enterprise fifteen years previous to that date. Twenty-five to seventy-five men are

employed during the spring and autumn, and Mr. Kennedy travels extensively in order to keep in touch with the work of similar establishments in other states, introducing all modern ideas as rapidly as it is possible to demonstrate their utility and availability. By these energetic and progressive methods a very large and constantly growing business has been built up, covering a very wide extent of territory and supplying dealers who are located at very great distances, even as far, in some cases, as the State of South Dakota, where the products of the Eagle Nursery are well known and highly appreciated. In addition, Mr. Kennedy personally owns the twelve-acre tract on which is located the old family home, where he resides with his invalid mother, and he occupies the position of assistant postmaster of Montrose, giving his attention to the office in the absence of his brother John, whose profession, that of the law, frequently requires his presence at other points.

Mr. Kennedy has always been active in local politics, serving the Republican party as chairman of its county committee at one time and also in various other capacities in which his energy and unwavering loyalty have been important factors in its success, for he is possessed of practical ability of an unusual order. He enjoys vast popularity in his own community and throughout Lee county, and is known to all the leading statesmen of Iowa as a man whose honorable record makes him a power in the state's affairs. He served as mayor of Montrose before he was twenty-one years of age, being then probably the youngest man to

hold that office in the history of the United States, and a fact no less remarkable, his administration was equal in efficiency to that of many a more experienced man, and he was re-elected. He was elected city recorder and to many minor offices, and was treasurer of the board of education for many years. In the year 1903 he became a candidate for the Iowa legislature, and such is the esteem in which he is universally held by his fellow citizens that although his party in Lee county is normally in the minority, he overcame the usual large majority of his opponents, and was triumphantly elected, thus securing entrance into what his friends freely predict will prove new and still greater fields of honor and usefulness. Mr. Kennedy has fraternal connections with the order of the Knights of Pythias and with the Modern Woodmen of America, while his mother and four sisters are members of the order of the Eastern Star, of which Mrs. Kennedy has been Worthy Matron in the Montrose lodge. The career of Hon. C. A. Kennedy is one that should be full of inspiration for all young men, especially for those who depend for advancement upon their own efforts and devotion to duty.

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#### SABERT M. CASEY.

Sabert M. Casey, occupying a prominent position at the bar and in public regard, was born at Sigourney, Keokuk county, Iowa, on the 28th of August, 1858, a son of Judge

Joseph M. and Sarah J. Casey, who was only three years of age when brought by his parents to Fort Madison, where he continuously made his home up to the time of his demise. He arrived in the city about the hour that Fort Sumter was fired upon. His primary education was acquired in the public schools of Fort Madison and he was a member of the first graduating class in the high school. Subsequently he entered Fort Madison Academy and when his literary course was finished he began preparation for the bar as a student in the law office of Casey & Hobbs, the senior partner being his father, who carefully directed his reading and his thorough mastery of the principles of jurisprudence enabled him to successfully pass an examination that secured his admission to the bar on the 1st of November, 1879. On the 1st of May, following, he entered into partnership with his father under the firm style of Casey & Casey and this business relation was maintained until the elevation of Judge Casey to the bench in 1886. For about two years thereafter Sabert Casey was alone, but in 1888 entered into a partnership, whereby the firm of Casey & Stewart was formed. Its existence continued up to the time of Mr. Casey's death and he ranked as one of the leading representatives of the legal fraternity of Fort Madison. For more than twenty-three years he was identified with the legal profession for which by natural attributes and thorough preparation and research he soon proved his fitness. Realizing that in this calling more than in almost any other success depends upon the force of the individual and that an unusual degree of keenness, power of analy-

to the advanced age of nearly one hundred years and resided at West Point, Lee county, up to the time of her death. Mr. Ehart departed this life July 30, 1876, and his wife, long surviving, passed away February 13, 1914, at the home of Dr. Traverse. They were the parents of six children, three of whom are living: John, who is express agent at Fort Madison; Maggie, the wife of Frank Swanson, foreman of the Santa Fe shops; and Mrs. Traverse. Two sons, John W. and Philip E., have been born of the marriage of Dr. and Mrs. Traverse. The younger is now attending school, while the elder is engaged in agricultural pursuits on his father's farm of two hundred acres in Scotland county, Missouri. He married Geraldine Thornber and they have one son, John William.

Politically Dr. Traverse is a democrat, but the honors and emoluments of office have no attraction for him. His life is largely guided by his faith in the teachings of the Presbyterian church, in which he holds membership, and by his oath of allegiance to the Masonic fraternity. He belongs to Claypoole Lodge, No. 13, A. F. & A. M.; Potowonok Chapter, No. 28, R. A. M.; Delta Commandery, No. 51, K. T.; the Consistory and Kaaba Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Davenport, Iowa. He is also identified with several other fraternal organizations, among them the Modern Woodmen and Knights and Ladies of Security. His life exemplifies the beneficent spirit of the craft and he has utilized the opportunities so frequently offered in the medical profession to aid his fellow travelers upon life's journey. Like her husband, Mrs. Traverse is a devoted member of the Presbyterian church and is a most active worker in its missionary society. In her home she is a devoted wife and mother and those who meet her socially find her a loyal friend. Both Dr. and Mrs. Traverse have an extensive acquaintance in Fort Madison, where the hospitality of the best homes is accorded them. No practitioner in southeastern Iowa stands higher in the regard of his professional brethren and none are more deserving of the success and honor which have come to them.

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#### JOHN P. KENNEDY.

John P. Kennedy is well known in Montrose, where he has filled the office of postmaster and where he has made his home since his infancy, having been brought hither by his parents. His paternal grandfather, William Kennedy, died in Westport, Ireland, at the

age of sixty-two years. He had a family of three children, William, Elizabeth and John, the last named being now in Dublin, Ireland. Of this family William Kennedy was born in County Mayo, at the town of Westport, July 15, 1831. His father was in the British army in the East Indies for twenty-two years and was retired on full pay.

William Kennedy became a shoemaker, learning the trade at Westport, Ireland. He became a well informed man and recognized as a citizen of intelligence and public spirit, and during his residence in Ireland he served in the revenue police for three years. In 1853 he crossed the Atlantic to the United States and worked at his trade in Chicago, Dubuque and Keokuk. In the last named city he was married in June, 1859, to Mrs. Mina (Williams) Burns, who was born December 18, 1839, in Dublin, Ireland. She lost her father during her early girlhood and afterward came to the United States with her grandfather, who brought his family to the new world and settled at Port Jervis, New York. He was a stonemason by trade. Mrs. Kennedy acquired her education in the schools of Ireland and of Port Jervis, being but twelve years of age when taken to the latter city. In New York she married a Mr. Burns, who died in that state, and she afterward removed to Keokuk with her one child, Timothy. Here she met and married William Kennedy. In October, 1860, he came to Montrose and established a shoe shop on the levee, conducting the business continuously to the time of his death, which occurred in 1885. He was active in township affairs and served on the school board and was a member of the town council, cooperating in many movements and measures which contributed to the public welfare. His political allegiance was given to the republican party and his religious faith was that of the Protestant Episcopal church. His widow still resides in Montrose. By their marriage they had eight children: John P.; William, now living in Tacoma, Washington; Eva, who became the wife of N. J. Chapman and passed away; Jennie, the wife of F. D. Butzer of Los Angeles, California; Charles A., a member of congress; George W., who married Doris Carnes and is principal of the Montrose schools; Annie, the wife of Frank Kerr of Montrose; and Lillie, at home.

John P. Kennedy was brought to Montrose when but six weeks old. He attended the public schools here, afterward becoming a student in the Eastern Iowa Normal school, and was graduated from the law department of the Iowa State University with the class of 1892. He never practiced law, always preferring to attend to his extensive nursery business, in which he has been engaged in connec-

tion with his brother Charles since 1883. The company still remains intact and the business of the firm is now one of large proportions. His business connections, important and prominent as they are, have made Mr. Kennedy well known and the integrity and enterprise of his methods have gained for him the high regard of all with whom he has been brought into contact. This is the only line of business in which he has engaged save that of teaching, which profession he took up at the age of twenty years and followed at intervals for fourteen years, during part of which time, however, he attended school. During six years of that period he was principal of the schools of Montrose.

Mr. Kennedy was united in marriage to Miss Marjorie Ballou, June 14, 1893, and they became the parents of three children, Catherine, Margaret and Eleanor. Fraternaly Mr. Kennedy is well known as a Mason and Odd Fellow. He also has membership with the Knights of Pythias and the Modern Woodmen of America. His political allegiance has always been given to the republican party, and he has long been a recognized leader in its local ranks. In 1897 he was appointed postmaster by President McKinley and for fifteen years was continued in that office through ensuing administrations, making a most creditable record by the prompt and faithful manner in which he discharged his duties. He served as a chairman of the republican county committee in 1894, 1895 and 1896, and his opinions carry weight in the councils of his party. In fact, he is a recognized leader in his community and his influence is always on the side of progress, advancement and improvement.

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#### KEOKUK INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION.

A real appreciation of the amount of work done by the Industrial Association, as well as an appreciation of the value of the association to the city, can best be determined by a careful survey of the amount of work handled in the office, by officials and by committees. There are hundreds of items of business which come up for consideration in every city which demand careful and immediate attention. They do not pertain to any one particular business, otherwise they would be looked after by that particular business. These items do not come before the city officials for consideration, because they have more to do with the united commercial interests of the city than they do with any municipal matter in itself. A large compilation of data

A. T. ISTD.—Representative from Winneshiek county, was born in Norway in 1862 and in 1869 came to the United States with his parents, who settled in Winneshiek county, where he has lived for fifty-seven years. He attended the rural school and the normal school at Decorah, Iowa, for one winter. He owned and operated a farm for thirty-five years. In 1922 he rented his farm and moved to Decorah. Has held various offices in his township and county, acting as township clerk, assessor and county supervisor. He is married to Bertha Woldt and has two daughters. Member of the Lutheran church. Elected representative from the ninety-first district in 1926. A republican in politics.

FRANCIS JOHNSON.—Representative from Dickinson county, was born in Butler county, Iowa, August 6, 1890. His parents are F. H. and Anna Johnson of Terril, Iowa. Has lived at Terril since ten years of age. He was graduated from the Terril and Spirit Lake high schools and the college of law of Iowa State University. Was admitted to the bar in 1912. Married to Sara E. Thompson in 1914. In his home county he has served as president of the farm bureau, township clerk, member of the fortieth, fortieth extra, and forty-first general assemblies. Elected to the legislature in 1922, 1924 and 1926. He is actively engaged in farming and the breeding of Poland China hogs. Is a member of the Terril Methodist Episcopal church and the Richloyd lodge of A. F. and A. M. Republican in politics.

JOSEPH H. JOHNSON.—Representative from Marion county, was born on a farm in that county July 26, 1878. Attended the district school, graduated from Central college at Pella, Iowa, in 1902, and from the law department of the University of Chicago in 1905. Engaged in the general practice of law at Knoxville. He is president of the board of education of the independent school district of Knoxville, and a member of the Masonic lodge. Married Pearl Eastburn July 31, 1907, and has four children. Republican in politics. Elected to the general assembly in 1924 and reelected in 1926.

RAYMOND JOHNSON.—Representative from Keokuk county, was born in Richland, Keokuk county, Iowa, May 20, 1875. Attended school in Richland, graduated from the Richland high school and entered Cornell college in 1892, studying civil engineering. He then went to Iowa State College at Ames, where he graduated in the veterinary department in 1895. Married Kathryn M. Conner of Savannah, Mo., March 25, 1901. They have two children, Marie C. and Raymond O. He practiced the veterinary profession until Aug. 1, 1899, when he was appointed veterinary inspector for the bureau of animal industry, U. S. department of agriculture. In December, 1912, he gave this up and returned to the practice of veterinary medicine, also entering the farming and live stock business at Richland. Has been active in political matters, is a member of farm organizations, the Methodist church, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Royal Arch and Scottish Rite Masonry. A republican in politics.

J. P. KENNEDY.—Representative from Lee county, was born in Keokuk, Iowa, and came with his parents to Montrose, Iowa, when six weeks of age, and has resided there ever since. Never held any political office except president of the board of education. His father came from County Mayo, Ireland, and his mother the city of Dublin. Educated in the Montrose high school, and the law department of the State University at Iowa City. Is married and has three daughters. Member of Masonic, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Woodman fraternities. Republican in politics.

WM. S. KENNEDY.—Representative from Lee county, was born on a farm in that county May 16, 1879. Educated in the rural schools. Served in the Spanish-American war with the Fourteenth U. S. Infantry, being among the first troops sent to the Philippines. Took part in numerous battles and skirmishes, being wounded in a battle near Malate February 5, 1899. After being discharged worked in the mines through the western states until 1908, returning to Iowa at that time and engaging in farming in Lee county. Mar-