Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Nelson, Christian H. Senator _____

Represented Hancock County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 12 Dec 1859 Lolland, Denmark

2. Marriage (s) date place

Bessie Nelson 8 Nov 1859

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business President of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Association 30 years; he was president of the Farmers National Bank of Garner, Iowa for 3 years

B. Civic responsibilities Farm Bureau

C. Profession Farmer; insurance business

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 42nd, 43rd General Assemblies 1927, 1929

6. Public Offices

A. Local Hancock County Board of Supervisors; assessor for 2 terms; president of the School Board of Concord Township

B. State He held in the Farmers State Grain Dealers Association for 16 years; vice-president of the Farmers Elevator Insurance Association of Iowa

C. National

7. Death 29 Feb 1944 Garner, Iowa; buried Concord Cemetery, Garner, Iowa

8. Children Raymond (died 8 Feb 1954); Elmer; Earl Claire; Lela Ruth (Mrs. H. Jennings Anderson); Harry Arthur (died 1 Sept 1910); Winifred Merine (Mrs. Edward H. Bradwell, and later Mrs. Clifton Daniels); (an additional infant son died 26 Dec 1895)

9. Names of parents Daniel J. and Anna Karoline (Nielsen) Nelson

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Nelson, Christian H.

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He immigrated to the United States in 1871
- He lived on a farm near Clear Lake, Iowa for 15 years
- Before age 21 he purchased his first farm 2½ miles west of Garner.
- After marriage he and his wife lived on their farm near Garner for 11 years.
- Then they moved to a farm in the SE ¼ of Section 28 living there 24 years
- They then moved to Garner, Iowa where he later died.
- His wife, Bessie, was born 16 Nov 1873 at Garner, died 13 July 1947, also buried in Concord Cemetery, Garner, Iowa.

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Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- Hancock County Heritage 1993, p. 301			
- Obituary - The Garner Leader, Garner, Iowa, Thu. Nov 1, 1944, p. 1, col. 1			
- Iowa Official Register 1929-1930, p. 246			
- ancestry.com (accessed 19 Jan 2011)			

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FIELD OFFICE

C. H. NELSON, 84, PIONEER RESIDENT OF GARNER, DIES

FUNERAL WILL BE THURSDAY, 2 P. M. AT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

C. H. Nelson, 84, pioneer resident of this locality, died suddenly of a heart attack about 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in rooms over Kraus store. While Mr. Nelson had not been as well as usual recently, yet he had suffered no definite illness.

Mr. Nelson was born Dec. 12, 1859 in Denmark and immigrated to this country with his parents in 1871. He lived on a farm near Clear Lake about 15 years, and did some work in the Garner vicinity. He was one of the earliest men in Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson were married Nov. 8, 1890 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Nelson, east of Garner. The couple celebrated their golden aniversary in 1940.

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AFTER SHORT WEDDING GROOM WILL REPORT BACK TO NAVY

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Mr. Nelson helped to organize the various community clubs around Garner, and he had been presiden of the Concord Progressive Community club since it was organized.

Surviving are the widow, five children, Ray and Mrs. E. W. Bradwell, Garner; Elmer, Duluth, Minn.; Earl Glendale, Calif.; Mrs. Jennings Anderson, Klemme; eight grandchildren, and one brother, Nels Hanson, Mason City. Two children, an infant son and a son, Harry, age 4, preceded him in death.

The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the United Presbyterian church, with Dr. W. A. Pollock in charge. Burial will be in Concord cemetery.

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"The Nedveds" Dec. 1988: Kim, Mary with Laura, Arlyn and Jill.

Arlyn started working at Hayfield Industries in 1973 and in 1979 he became co-owner of Hayfield Industries. He manufactures fiberglas parts for various companies. His business is in what used to be Hayfield School.

He is very active in many sports — hunting, fishing (summer and winter), basketball and softball. He has just started playing golf.

Arlyn and Mary were blessed with three daughters: Jill Renae, born July 3, 1980 and Kim Marie, born May 27, 1984, and Laura Lynn, born March 29, 1988 who were born at Hancock County Memorial Hospital in Britt, IA. Jill is presently in 3rd grade and Kim is in kindergarten in Garner. Laura is very active just being a little girl.

The family are members of St. Boniface Catholic Church in Garner.

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NELSON, CHRISTIAN H. AND BESSIE (NELSON)

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Christian H. Nelson, the son of Hans J. and Anna Kerstine Nielson, was born December 12, 1859 in Lolland, Denmark. He immigrated to this country with his parents in 1871. He lived on a farm near Clear Lake about 15 years and did some work in the Garner vicinity.

Before he was 21 years of age, Chris purchased his first farm of 80 acres, 2½ miles east of Garner for $500.00.

On November 8, 1890, Chris married Bessie Nelson at the home of her parents, Nels Jr. and Sena (Hanson) Nelson. Bessie was born November 16, 1873 at Garner and educated in the schools of this vicinity.

After their marriage the Nelsons lived on their farm 2½ miles east of Garner, in the northwest quarter of Section 27 of Concord Township, for eleven years. From there they moved to a farm in the southeast quarter of Section 28 where they lived for 24 years. At that time they moved to Garner where they remained the rest of their lives.

Chris was a president of the Hancock County National Bank, an office he held from the time the bank was organized until his death. He was a state representative from Hancock County in the 42nd and 43rd general assemblies and in a special session of the 43rd. He was president of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Association for many years. He was one of the organizers of the Farmers Cooperative Society, held a directorship for four years and was president for several years. He held office in the Farmers State Grain Dealers Association for many years.

He was a past president of Farmers Mutual Elevator Insurance Association of Fort Dodge. He was president of Farmers National Bank of Garner for three years, helped organize Hancock County Co-operative Oil Association, served on the Hancock County Board of Supervisors and served as vice-president of the Hancock County Farm Bureau.

Chris and Bessie were members of the United Presbyterian Church of Garner.

They were the parents of seven children:

1. Raymond was born March 24, 1892 and died February 8, 1954 at rural Garner.
2. Elmer was born January 2, 1894.
3. An infant son was born and died December 26, 1895.
4. Earl Claire was born October 4, 1897.
5. Lela Ruth was born March 21, 1901. She married W. Jennings Anderson, June 26, 1924.
6. Harry Arthur was born June 7, 1906 and died September 1, 1910.
7. Winifred Marie was born February 18, 1909. She married first, Edward W. Bradwell. After his death she married Clinton Daniels.

Christian Nelson died February 29, 1944 of a heart attack. Bessie died July 13, 1947 following a stroke. They both died at Garner and are buried in Concord Cemetery.

by Allen Anderson

NELSON, NELS J. AND SENA (HANSEN)

F425

Nels J. Nelson was born June 3, 1853 in Jutland, Denmark. He came to the United States in 1869 at the age of sixteen. He lived at Mt. Carroll, Illinois for a year before coming to Hancock County, Iowa. He worked for Royal Lovell about six months and then began work for James Elder, who then lived at Concord.

On January 15, 1873 he was united in marriage to Sena Hansen. Sena was born July 19, 1853 in Denmark and came to the United States when about sixteen years of age and located near Clear Lake, Iowa.

Nels and Sena began housekeeping on their farm located four miles east of Garner in the southwest quarter of Section 25 of Concord Township. They lived on that farm one year when Nels began work for John Burnside, who lived two miles east of Garner. Mr. Burnside had a meat market, livery stable, was a stock buyer as well as operating a farm, and in all this work, Nels was Mr. Burnside's right-hand man for thirteen years, before moving back to his own farm where they lived for thirteen years.

He then sold his farm and moved to Ventura where he was in the implement business and handled poultry for twelve years. When he sold out at Ventura, he moved back to Garner, Iowa.

When his health began to fail three years later he sold his home in Garner and went to Colorado where he remained about three months. On returning he built a house in Garner where they lived until 1922 when they moved to Clear Lake, Iowa. There they spent the rest of their lives.

Nels and Sena were the parents of two daughters, Bessie, Mrs. Christian H. Nelson and Ella, Mrs. Andrew Peterson.

Nels and Sena were members of the Garner Congregational Church and on moving to Clear Lake they transferred their membership to the Lutheran Church.

Nels passed away March 9, 1926 at Clear Lake and Sena passed away November 5, 1927 also at Clear Lake. They were brought to Garner for burial in Concord Cemetery.

by Allen Anderson

NIELSEN, NIELS AND GESINA (GERDES)

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Gesina (Sina) Gerdes was born January 31, 1883, the daughter of Fred and Rebecca Marie (Brunsen) Gerdes. Sina's father, Fred, was born October 31, 1851 and her mother, Rebecca, was born October 4, 1861. Gesina married Niels Ludwig Nielsen on March 28, 1901. Niels was born January 14, 1871.

The children of Sina and Niels are Christina, Marie, William, Hilda, Judith, Dorothy, Alberta, Geneva, Hans and Lewis.

Christina was born July 18, 1901 and married Harold Hylen. Their daughter is Gertrude (Hylen) Muehe.

William Nielsen was born November 30, 1902 and married Lucille Bailey. They have no children.

Marie was born August 23, 1904 and married Irvin Reichert. Their children were Arlen, Donald, Eleanor and Ruth. In 1929 she married Elmer Reichert and he died September 21, 1980.

Hilda Judith Nielsen was born December 23, 1906 and died soon after.

Dorothy Nielsen married Wilbert Busse and has one son, Thomas Busse, born September 1, 1942.

Alberta Hilda was born in 1916 and married Clarence Clausen. Their children are George David, born August 26, 1936 and died young in life, and Susan Lynn Clausen, born July 20, 1944. Susan married Timothy Dennis and they have two children: Tad and Danielle. Alberta married William Murphy in 1951. Their children are Brian, born September 4, 1952 and Dedrie, born July 20, 1956.

Geneva was born March 26, 1923. In 1946 she married Chester Busse and they have three children. Kollene Busse was born December 31, 1946 and married Robert Giandonato. Linda Busse was born November 14, 1948 and married Stephen Mueller. Chester Junior was born September 4, 1952 and married Dawn Rossman on June 14, 1978.

Hans Frederick Nielsen married Florence Larson. Their children are Suzanne, Mrs. Gary Reed, and Mark Frederick, who never married.

Louie Niels was born in 1925 and married Darlene Ruzicka. Their children are Kimberly and Scott. Kimberly was born in 1956 and married Michael Feeman. Scott was born 1958 and married Janet Dobas.

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You searched for **Christian H. Nelson** in **Iowa**

Iowa State Census, 1895

Name:	**Christian H. Nelson**
Age:	**35**
Race:	**White**
Birthplace:	**Denmark**
Residence:	**Concord, Hancock**

Source Information:
Ancestry.com. *Iowa State Census, 1895* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2003.
Original data: Iowa. *1895 Iowa State Census*. Des Moines, Iowa: State Historical Society of Iowa.

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