Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Cochrane, Williams Co. - Represented Mills and Montgomery Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 10 Feb 1867 Harrison County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
   (1) Mrs. Myrtle Murphy 9 Apr 1935
   (2) Clara Lou Cowgill 1 Feb 1939

3. Significant events for example:
   A. Business Helped establish and president of the Red Oak Chautauqua; Montgomery County Welfare League president; 15 yr director of Iowa Manufacturers Assn.
   B. Civic responsibilities
   C. Profession Manufacturer; general merchandise clerk

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 43rd 44th General Assemblies 1929, 1931

6. Public Offices
   A. Local Chr. Montgomery Co. Roads Commission; Red Oak city council; city alderman; Red Oak park commissioner
   B. State
   C. National Delegate from Iowa in 1936 at the Republican National Convention in Cleveland, OH.; president of National Advertising Specialty Assn.

7. Death 28 Mar 1941 Los Angeles, California; buried Evergreen Cemetery, Red Oak, Iowa

8. Children Anna (Mrs. Malcolm L. Lomax); Josephine (Mrs. J. Lyman Turner); Frances Marion (Mrs. Crofts)

9. Names of parents William L. and Catherine (Brunt) Cochrane

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Cochrane, William C.

10. Education He was educated in the Des Moines, Iowa and the Monroe, Iowa High School

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information Republican

- At age 5 he and his parents moved to Des Moines and five years later to Monroe, Iowa
- His father died when Willis was age 13, so he helped his mother with family responsibilities.
- Began working with a mercantile store in Monroe at age 18 and 7 years later he bought half interest in the business
- First wife, Myrtle, died 13 May 1924
- In 1900 he organized a company for manufacturing art calendars at Red Oak, Iowa. He was sales manager for the first 18 years, later becoming general manager and then president.

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Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- Obituary - The Red Oak Express, Red Oak, Iowa, Mon. Mar 31, 1941, p.1, col 5, 6, 7 and p 3, col. 6			
- Iowa Official Register 1931-1932, p. 230			
- Iowa Press Association of Who's Who for Iowa 1940, p 870			

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WILLIAM COCHRANE

Given His Opportunity Here:

William Cochrane Served Red Oak And Business Ably for 41 Years

Murphy and Bank President During Depressed Years

Red Oak gave William Cochrane the opportunity for success, and, in achieving it, William Cochrane brought greater success to the city's chief industrial concern.

He was actively associated with the Thomas D. Murphy Co. for 41 years, death ending his career after 12 years' service as president.

His career in the Red Oak calendar business dates back to the inception of the Murphy company. Mr. Cochrane joined his brother-in-law, Thomas D. Murphy, in organizing the company in 1900 for the manufacture and sale of art calendars. As the sales manager, he was one of the first men in the field in the spring of 1901, when the new concern introduced its initial products to the midwest.

President in 1928.

Increasing business and the multiple duties of sales manager soon called Mr. Cochrane back to his office in Red Oak from which he directed the large, efficient sales force for the first 18 years. During the period from 1918 to 1928, his duties encompassed those of general manager for the company. On Thomas D. Murphy's death on Sept. 15, 1928, Mr. Cochrane became the president.

In 1935, he bought the controlling interest in the company, thus insuring permanent retention of the factory in Red Oak and employment for many local residents.

Although his managerial work demanded close attention, Mr. Cochrane contributed largely of his efforts in numerous lines of public service.

When the United States entered the world war, President Wilson appointed Mr. Cochrane to the Iowa exemption board for the southern district. He served throughout the war, a part of the time as president of the board.

At the same time, he assumed the chairmanship of the Montgomery County chapter of the American Red Cross, a position he held continuously for 26 years until his death.

Republican Worker.

A republican all his life, Mr. Cochrane had an active interest in politics, firmly convinced that every citizens' duty is to work for the political principles in which he believes. He was selected as presidential elector for the Ninth congressional district in 1912 and for the Seventh district in 1940.

He was elected state senator for the Mills-Montgomery county district to the 42nd extra session and re-elected to the 43rd and 44th sessions of the state legislature. In 1936, he was an Iowa delegate to the national republican convention in Cleveland.

Mr. Cochrane's public work included several other organizations and positions.

Locally, he was chairman of the Montgomery County Good Roads Commission, when the bond issue for the first paved highway was voted; he served on the city council for six years and, as president of the city park commission for four years, he was instrumental in the work of acquiring Red Oak's extensive park system and improving its facilities; helped established and acted as president of the Red Oak chautauqua for several years, and served as the Montgomery County Welfare league president until two years ago.

Business interests called for Mr. Cochrane's service as director for 15 years of the Iowa Manufacturers' association, part of this time as its president. He also was a past president of the National Advertising Specialty association, and, in that capacity, he was its official representative at the international convention in Berlin, Germany, in 1928.

For many years, he was a director of the Employers' Mutual Casualty Co. of Des Moines, one of

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WILLIAM COCHRANE

FUNERAL HELD AT METHODIST CHURCH TODAY

Murphy Co. President Died Friday Morning in Los Angeles.

Exceeding the capacity of the First Methodist church, friends and business associates of William Cochrane, president of the Thomas D. Murphy Co., paid final respects this afternoon.

Mr. Cochrane died Friday morning at 12:15 o'clock at a Los Angeles, Calif., hospital after a brief final illness. He was 74 years of age.

Ministers in charge of the services were the Rev. Guy J. Fansher and the former Methodist minister, Dr. Orville W. Morrow.

Organ Music.

Music included two selections, "Lead, Kindly Light," and "One Sweetly, Solemn Thought," by Mrs. Harold Avery, soloist. The organist, Mrs. Ray Cozad, played soft music throughout the entire service.

Beautiful floral displays filled the entire front of the church auditorium, in waves concealing the railing, pulpit, choir loft and the organ.

Honorary pallbearers were N. N. Turner, George C. Hirst, S. O. Culver, George E. Wood, D. E. Lomas, Dr. L. A. Thomas, Charles E. Carey, Dan Turner, F. B. Lawton, David Artz, A. H. Remy and F. Marion Wright. Members of the Murphy sales force formed an honorary escort.

The active pallbearers were Henry L. Heckert, Otto C. Pierson, M. A. Olson, Joseph C. Brown, Thomas A. Wright, Banner Shay, Jr., R. W. Jackson and T. B. Lomas.

Floral Committee.

Members of the floral committee were Laura Evans, Florence Blume, Louise Artz, Kate Trapnell, Floss Combs, Mrs. Darwin Sellergren, Mrs. George Rushton, Mrs. C. T. Rambaugh, Mrs. Paul Wheeler, Mrs. Verne Hysham and Maude Heckert.

Ushers were A. M. Hawkins, Oscar Shepard, Leland Replogle, Max Brown, F. E. West, Charles Briggs, George Artherholt and Harry Mahony.

Interment was made in Evergreen cemetery, with the Perryman service in charge.

Business Houses Close.

The Murphy Company remained closed today, in respect to its latest president who had been an officer since its organization, while other business houses in Red Oak were closed this afternoon during the services, including The Express and the Montgomery County National bank, in which Mr. Cochrane was an officer.

Rotary and Rotary Anns, the 20-Year club of the Murphy company and staff of The Express attended the services in bodies.

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Mrs. Oliver Anderson left this noon for Iowa City for a general check-up at University hospital. She recently returned from there having submitted to two operations. Enroute she will stop in Des Moines and spend the night in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed Mercer, continuing her trip to Iowa City tomorrow morning.

Charles Remy, student at the University of Iowa, was taken ill and removed by ambulance Wednesday night to University hospital. He is in the isolation ward with a "strep" throat. His father, A. H. Remy, superintendent of the Thos. D. Murphy company, went to Iowa City upon word of his illness and returned home Saturday night. While he was unable to see his son, physicians assured him that he was getting along well.

HOSPITAL NOTES
(Murphy Memorial Hospital)

LaVone LaFollette, 6, is recovering from a major operation.

Mrs. Lottie Anderson of Shenandoah is taking medical treatment.

Miss Wilma Botten, 13, of Macedonia had a major operation Saturday.

Mrs. Howard Kenworthy of Grant and her infant daughter, are both doing nicely.

Mrs. Cal Shapcott of Emerson is getting along well since a major operation of ten days ago.

Mrs. Betty Nelson is doing nicely She is suffering with a broken hip, which was the result of a fall.

Mrs. Claude Farlin of Villisca is improving since a major operation which she underwent on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Turner of Griswold are parents of a baby daughter, who arrived at the hospital Sunday morning.

Neta Harold, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byrl Harold of Emerson, who has been ill with pneumonia, is improving.

Baby Ellen Waltz of near Red Oak, was admitted for medical attention yesterday. Her father is coach and principal at the Wales school.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester A. Nelson of Red Oak are parents of a baby boy. He was born by caesarian operation Friday. Mother and baby are both doing nicely.

Miss Eleanor Cheney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cheney of Emerson, was taken to her home Saturday, having made a nice recovery from a recent major operation.

George Maher, World-Herald carrier boy, who was injured in a bicycle-auto accident, was treated at the Murphy and later taken to Mercy hospital in Council Bluffs.

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year old, in Iowa from Sweden. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Larson and was born Oct. 6, 1874.

Survivors are his widow, the former Selma Johnson, to whom he was married Oct. 28, 1908; two sons, Sylvester and Elmer Larson, and two grand children.

Services Sunday

Services were held at the Sellergren funeral home at 1:30 p. m. and at the Nyman Lutheran church at 2:30. Dr. W. Albert Ericson was in charge.

Pallbearers were Nathan Linder, Frank Lindquist, Aron Nelson, Charles Peterson, Charles Lundberg and Dave Johnson. In charge of flowers were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lefgren and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Lefgren. Music was furnished by organist Floyd Quist, and a quartet, Raymond Linder, Ellis Lefgren Louise Lefgren and Arlette Kamps.

William Cochrane

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the largest insurance companies of its kind.

Mr. Cochrane was chairman of the official board of the Red Oak Methodist church and for 25 years taught in the Sunday school. He was a Rotarian, Shriner and a member of the Masonic bodies.

Born at Hartford, Ia.

The son of William and Catherine Brunt Cochrane, he was born in Hartford, Warren county, Iowa, on February 10, 1867. At the age of five, he and his parents moved to Des Moines and, five years later, to Monroe, Ia. The father died when William was 13 and, being the eldest son, he shared with his mother the responsibility of raising and educating the younger children.

At the age of 18, Mr. Cochrane was offered a position with the leading mercantile firm of Monroe. After seven years, he bought a half interest in the business. The first payment of $1,500 was made with funds which he had saved from his modest salary.

He was married April 9, 1905, to Mrs. Myrtle Murphy, who died on May 13, 1924. They were the parents of three daughters, Mrs. Anna Lomas, Mrs. Josephine Turner and Mrs. Frances Marian Crofts all of Red Oak.

Survivors are his widow, the former Miss Clara Lou Cowgill of Villisca, to whom he was married Feb. 1, 1930; three daughters, four granddaughters, Mary Jo, Louise and Margaret Lomas and Joanna Turner; one grandson, William C. Turner; two brothers, James H. Cochrane of Des Moines and L. W. Cochrane of Joplin, Mo.; one sister, Mrs. John Gray of Maryville, Mo.

George Trout Sent to Chanute Field Study

George L. Trout of Red Oak, a private in the U. S. army air corps, has been transferred from Jefferson Barracks, Mo., to Chanute Field, Ill., where he will receive training in airplane mechanics.

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DES MOINES MAN TO HAYS' OFFICE

Dr. and Mrs. Shutt of Des Moines made arrangements Sunday to take over the dental practice of the late Dr. C. T. Hays in the same office quarters. He will start April 14.

The new dental surgeon is a University of Iowa graduate and has been located in Des Moines for 10 years. He has three children.

Overholsers Begin a Trip Through South

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Overholser, accompanied by their children, Joan and Dick, left Saturday morning on an auto trip to the south, where Mr. Overholser seeks beneficial effects of a dry and warmer climate to combat a sinus infection. He has been ill for about 10 days. The family expects to return within two weeks.

Chamber Secretaries Plan State Program

Clair Russell, Hans Morgan and H. Frank Lunsford, of the Shenandoah, Clarinda and Red Oak Chambers of Commerce Sunday afternoon outlined plans and programs for the annual meeting of the Iowa Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries to be held at Shenandoah May 18, 19 and 20. The three-day program at Shenandoah for secretaries and their wives will feature a number of prominent defense and civic leaders.

GILLESPIE NAMED STAFF SERGEANT

CAMP CLAIBORNE, La.—Col. Folsom Everest, commander of the 168th infantry regiment, has announced several changes in the personnel of the organization.

Charles R. Gillespie, Red Oak, and Elwin W. Day of Villisca, were promoted to staff sergeants in their respective companies. M and F. Dennis T. Smith, with Company M, was advanced to a specialist rating.

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