

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____ Senator Meyer,
Louis H. - Represented Bremer and Butler Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 17 Dec 1876 near Readlyn, Bremer County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary Robinson 25 May 1899 Bremer County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer; grain farmer; livestock buyer; elevator
manager; marshal; constable

4. Church membership Lutheran

5. Sessions served 45th and 46th General Assemblies 1933 and 1935

6. Public Offices

A. Local Readlyn marshal; Mapfield Township constable

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death Apr 1960 Inglewood, Colorado, First Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Readlyn, Iowa

8. Children Paul D.; Otto (predeceased his father in death); Elizabeth (predeceased her father in death)

9. Names of parents Henry D. and Sophie (McEllen) Meyer

Meyer, Louis S.

10. Education He attended public schools at Readlyn, Iowa

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Democrat

They moved into Readlyn, Iowa in 1906.

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Services Set For Former Area Man

READLYN (Special) — Funeral services for a former Readlyn resident, **Louis H. Meyer**, 86, who died Wednesday morning at Inglewood, Colo., will be Saturday afternoon at the Zion Lutheran church in Readlyn. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

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Mr. Meyer had resided in Readlyn until moving out to Inglewood with his son, Paul, the only survivor, of Colorado.

He was preceded in death by his wife.

Body will arrive at the Matthias funeral home at Denver Friday.

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On the 15th of November, 1900, Mr. Tietje married Miss Ida Gehrke, a daughter of Ernst Gehrke, a retired farmer of Sumner. They have become the parents of a daughter, Elsie. Mr. Tietje is a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church of Sumner and is known throughout the township as a man of exemplary character, enjoying the confidence and good-will of all who know him.

F. H. TEGTMEIER.

F. H. Tegtmeier is operating the farm of one hundred and seventy-five acres in Fremont township upon which he was born September 26, 1870, a son of Henry Tegtmeier, deceased. He acquired his education in the district schools and at the age of twenty-two married, and purchased one hundred and seventy-five acres of land from his father. Upon this property he has since resided, engaging in dairy farming in which he has met with gratifying success. He has improved the place with excellent buildings and has neglected nothing which would add to its appearance or value. In addition to this he owns a residence in Tripoli, where he is widely and favorably known.

In 1892 Mr. Tegtmeier married Miss Sophia Haase, who was born in Bremer county, a daughter of Henry Haase. Mr. and Mrs. Tegtmeier have become the parents of two children: Amanda, at home; and William, who died at the age of three years. Mr. Tegtmeier is a member of the Evangelical Association of Tripoli and is a democrat in his political beliefs. He is a man of energy, resource and capability, and is numbered among the successful farmers and progressive citizens of this locality.

LOUIS H. MEYER.

For the past three years Louis H. Meyer has had charge of the elevator at Readlyn and he is also a well known stock dealer of that town. He is a native son of Bremer county, born in Maxfield township, December 17, 1876, his parents being H. O. and Sophia (Moeller) Meyer, natives of Germany, the former born January 23, 1840, and the latter March 8, 1843. The father came to Bremer county in 1866 and was one of the earliest settlers in this part of the

state. He can still remember the hardships endured by the pioneers at a time when there was practically no money in the community and when labor was extremely scarce. The trading points were a great distance apart and all the necessities of life were secured by barter. The price paid for produce was very low, a large load of wheat often selling for ten dollars. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer raised their family amid these pioneer conditions and worked together for the accomplishment of success, attaining finally a comfortable fortune. The father has now retired from active life and is living in his modern residence in Readlyn. In this family were five children: Herman H., who was born November 8, 1871, and who now resides in Maxfield township; F. H., born November 16, 1873, also a resident of Readlyn; Louis H., of this review; Mrs. Wilhelmina Kehe, who was born November 5, 1879, and who makes her home in Readlyn; and Anna, who was born April 24, 1884, and who resides at home.

Louis H. Meyer grew to manhood in Maxfield township, acquiring his education in the district schools. When he began his independent career he turned his attention to farming and continued to engage in this occupation until 1905. He then moved to Readlyn and engaged in the stock-buying business, with which he is still successfully connected. He buys all kinds of live stock and does an extensive business, shipping many carloads annually from Readlyn. For the past three years he has had charge of the elevator at this point in the interests of an Omaha firm and he has proven capable and trustworthy in this position. He owns two farms in Bremer county, one of one hundred and twenty acres on section 25, Maxfield township, and another of eighty acres on section 9, Franklin township. He has also a modern home in Readlyn and five vacant lots in the town.

On the 25th of May, 1899, Mr. Meyer married Miss Mary Rohrssen, who was born in Maxfield township, August 14, 1876, a daughter of Henry and Carolina (Tahlman) Rohrssen, natives of Germany, the former born September 27, 1839, and the latter June 10th of the same year. They were among the early settlers in Maxfield township and the father died here in November, 1905. His wife survives him and makes her home with a son in Tripoli. The father was twice married and had two children by his first union, namely: Henry, a resident of Blackhawk county; and Mrs. Carolina Diekmann, residing in Denver, Iowa. To his second union were born the following children: William, who was born March 30, 1872, and died at Readlyn, November 2, 1909; Louis, who was

born June 4, 1874, and who now makes his home in Tripoli; Mrs. Meyer, wife of the subject of this review; and C. H., born November 2, 1878, a resident of Maxfield township. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer became the parents of three children: Otto, who was born May 15, 1890, and who has passed away; Elizabeth, born July 18, 1891, also deceased; and Paul L., who was born December 4, 1907, and who is attending school in Readlyn.

Mr. Meyer is a member of St. Matthew's German Lutheran church of Maxfield township and he gives his political allegiance to the democratic party. He has served as marshal of Readlyn and for the past fourteen years has been constable of Maxfield township. He is a broad-minded, well informed and liberal man and his interests, extending to many fields, have made him valuable as a factor in general advancement.

JOHN ROACH.

Among the men who took an active part in promoting the business development of Plainfield and of Bremer county was numbered John Roach, who in 1870 established the elevator business now conducted by the firm of Roach Brothers. Through his energy, enterprise and capable management John Roach laid the foundation of the present large concern and he developed the business along progressive and modern lines until his death. He was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, and was a son of Peter Roach, also a native of the Emerald isle. The father came to America in 1853 and settled first in New York, whence he moved to Chicago, Illinois, where he had some brothers engaged in building steamboats for the lake trade. Peter Roach invested in this business, which, however, eventually failed, causing an estrangement between the partners.

John Roach lost his mother when he was still a child and was adopted by an English family named Ainsworth, under whose care he acquired a limited education. He remained with them until he was fifteen years of age and then enlisted in Company B, Eighth Illinois Cavalry, and after participating in many of the most important engagements of the Civil war was wounded in a skirmish at Rector, Virginia. He served faithfully until the close of hostilities and was honorably discharged June 5, 1865. After the war he went to Illinois and settled in McHenry county, where he

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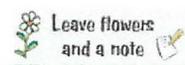
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