

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Clark, Marley D. Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Linn County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25. Nov 1868 near Mount Vernon, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place  
① Cora Wyatt 1893  
② Byrd Snyder 31 Jul 1929

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business \_\_\_\_\_

B. Civic responsibilities Old Settlers Association; Iowa State  
Historical Association

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 46<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1935

6. Public Offices

A. Local Served 2 terms as a Linn County trustee of Linn Township

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

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 23 Jan 1958 Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Buried Mount Vernon Cemetery, Mount Vernon, Iowa

8. Children No children

9. Names of parents Oliver and Barbara Ellen (Byrnes) Clark

Clark, Marley F.

10. Education \_\_\_\_\_

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11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

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12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He was born on the Clark homestead 2 miles west of Mount Vernon, Iowa which was his home from birth until he moved into Mount Vernon on 5 Feb 1954
- His first wife, Cora, died in 1925.

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Governor Herschel C. Loveless will visit Mt. Vernon on Thursday, Feb. 6. He will speak at the Cornell chapel at 10 a.m. and will have a question and answer period at the close of his talk.

At noon he will be a guest at a luncheon at the Holiday House sponsored on a non-partisan basis by the Mt. Vernon Chamber of Commerce and Cornell college.



## Services Held For Lifetime Resident

Funeral services for Marley D. Clark, 89, a lifelong resident of the Mt. Vernon community, were held at the Mt. Vernon Presbyterian church on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 26, in charge of the Rev. Karl F. Swanberg, pastor of the church.

Burial was in the Mt. Vernon cemetery. Pallbearers were Howard Neal, Denny Neal, Willard Neal, Gordon Neal, Wayne Clark and Irvin Clark. Arrangements were in charge of Baxter Mortuary.

Mr. Clark died on Thursday, Jan. 23, at Mercy hospital, Cedar Rapids, where he was taken on the previous Friday afternoon after he had fractured a bone in his hip in a fall at his home.

Marley D. Clark was born on Nov. 25, 1868, to Oliver and Barbara Ellen Bryce Clark on the Clark homestead, two miles west of Mt. Vernon which was his home until he moved to Mt. Vernon on Feb. 5, 1954. This farm has been owned in the Clark family for over 120 years. Marley was the last of the six children of this honored pioneering family.

Oliver Clark, Mr. Clark's grandfather, was one of the first settlers in Linn county. He came here in the late summer of 1836 with his brother Julius and William Abbe. With tools brought with them they erected a shack near the buildings on the present Eddie Pitlik farm. Mr. Clark entered a half section of land, the west half of which includes the present Clark farm.

Oliver Clark plowed the first furrow ever turned in Cedar Rapids, plowing a 20-acre tract which includes the site of the post office. He was offered as pay a choice of \$1 per acre or the tract of land he had plowed. He took the land. Mr. Clark also hauled the first load of merchandise to enter the city of Marion, from Muscatine, then called Bloomington.



Marley Clark was proud of the

Work of remodeling the former Carnegie library building on the Cornell campus into a modern chemistry building is proceeding on schedule. It is now planned that the chemistry department will move from Old Sem to their new quarters during spring vacation.

A lecture room has been built in the east end of the main floor of the library building. A new partition has been erected to the right of the entrance. The lecture room will have rows of raised seats so that everyone will be able to see the lecture platform along the northside of the room.

Opening off this room is a preparation room which has been built in the east end of the library stack room on the first floor level.

Space occupied by the desk on the main floor of the library has been made into a reading room. Immediately back of it, using the rest of stack room floor, will be a chemistry library.

What was the children's room at the west end of the first floor has been divided by a partition. The northwest corner contains a laboratory with a secretary's office in the space formerly occupied by the librarian's office.

The southwest part of the room will be the private office of Dr. James B. Culbertson, head of the chemistry department.

Each end of the second floor is being remodeled into a laboratory. Each one of the laboratories will have four large hoods with ventilating fans. Each laboratory table will have water and gas.

At the top of the stairway is an office with balance rooms on each side.

The glass floors of the stack room have been covered with plywood and asphalt tile. The second and third floor levels of the stacks will be used for library purposes and chemistry storeroom. An electric elevator has been installed in the northeast corner for the use of people and for taking supplies to the upper floors.

The office of Dr. William Deskin, chemistry professor, is located in the southwest corner of the ground floor. In the northwest corner will be a research laboratory with an instrument room adjoining it.

Under the stack room on the ground floor level is a class room. A receiving room is at the northeast corner with space above the class room available for storage. A new one-story room has been built on the rear of this room for storage of inflammables.

Space under the south central part of the library which was not previously finished, has been remodeled into a very pleasant room for the physical chemistry department. Opening off it under the entrance are the steam controls for the heating system and a hot water heater.

The east end of the ground floor is a laboratory.

One of the major parts of the remodeling has been installation of

Plans call for an informal luncheon so that a give-and-take discussion will develop between the governor and townspeople, Dr. Gordon Rahn, chamber president, announced.

While the small size of the main private dining room at the Holiday House will limit the number of guests, it will also facilitate the discussion and give the townspeople a chance to become personally acquainted with the governor, Dr. Rahn added.

Tickets for the luncheon can be obtained while they last from Lee Evans at the Mount Vernon Bank.

## Judy Busenbark Wins Homemaker Award

The Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow at Mount Vernon high school is Judy Busenbark, daughter of the Dick Busenbarks. She received the highest score in a written examination on homemaking knowledge and attitudes given Dec. 3rd to girls in the senior class. For her achievement she will receive an award pin and her examination will be entered in state competition.

Judy studied Home Economics as a freshman with Mrs. L. C. Ross. She is a member of the high school young homemakers club and has been active in band and other music groups throughout her high school career. Following graduation from high school she plans to enroll at the University of Iowa.

## Dr. Rogers Will Edit Iowa Science Proceedings

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After a lapse of three years, the editorship of "The Proceedings of the Iowa Academy of Science" has returned to Cornell. Dr. T. Edwin Rogers has been appointed by the executive board of the Iowa Academy of Science to hold the position. Three years ago, the late Dr. F. G. Brooks of Cornell was editor.

The "proceedings" included research papers in all fields of natural science such as zoology, botany, math, and biology.

For the last three years the editor was David G. Mobberley of Simpson college, who has left the state.

## Suspect Is Picked Up Here By Officers

A young man was picked up at the Mt. Vernon Hotel last Wednesday noon by two Cedar Rapids detectives and a deputy sheriff and taken to Cedar Rapids for questioning in connection with a tavern robbery.

The young man came in late Tuesday evening and did not sign the register so his name is not known here. He was nice appearing and was very polite. However the officers handcuffed him after talking to him about 20 minutes and took him with them.

## Bauman's White Elephant Sale Occurs This Week

Bauman's White Elephant sale is advertised on page 8 of this issue. Reduced prices will be in effect for two days on the Bauman stock of regular merchandise.

## Public Invited to KRNL Open House Sunday

Cornell's radio station, KRNL will hold open house in the studios located in the west side of the basement of Armstrong Hall. Townspeople are invited to come and see the new equipment recently installed.

## WILL ATTEND ELECTRICAL SCHOOL AT DES MOINES

Jim Seehusen, local telephone Co. representative, will spend the next three weeks attending an electrical school of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. at Des Moines. Service here will be taken care of by Al Underberg and John Punke while he is gone.

## PLAN PASTRY SHOP

Mrs. Jake Studt and Mrs. Leonard Becicka have leased the Kold Kastle building and plan to open a pastry shop in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hedges left Wednesday morning by train for New York City. They will sail on Jan. 31 on the Canadian Pacific liner, Empress of England, on a 19-day Caribbean cruise: Ports of call will be St. Thomas, Fort-de-France, Grenada, LaGuaira, Curacao, Castebal, Kingston, Port-au-Prince and Havana.

Marley Clark was proud of the farm which had been owned in his family such a long time. He was proud that in 1946, 100 years after the farm was purchased from the government, a field of corn yielded more than 100 bushels to the acre without use of commercial fertilizer. This was evidence that sound soil building practices had maintained the fertility of Iowa land. Don Good-year, a great-nephew, lived on the farm and was farming the land at that time. Wayne Clark, another great-nephew, is now residing on the farm.

Marley Clark was married in 1893 to Cora Hyatt who died in 1925. On July 31, 1929, he was married to Byrd Snyder of Cedar Rapids who is his only immediate survivor. One nephew, Fred Clark of Ames, and several great-nieces and great-nephews also survive.

In 1934 he was elected as state representative from Linn county on the Democratic ticket and served in the 46th General Assembly and special session.

He was for many years affiliated with the Linn County Farm Bureau served two terms as a trustee of Linn township, was president of the Linn County Old Settlers' association in 1939 and a member of the Presbyterian church. He was also a member of the Linn and Franklin Corn Club and held a life membership in the Iowa State Historical Association.

Mr. Clark was a very public spirited citizen who always wanted to do his part in community projects.

## Will Prepare Plat Of Area In Fire District

Rystrom Engineering Co. of Marion, was hired by the Linn County Board of Supervisors Tuesday to prepare a plat of the area within the proposed benefited fire district in Bertram, Linn and Franklin townships.

This plat must also show the assessed value of each tract of land within the area according to the recent law which provides for establishing benefited fire districts.

Cost of preparation of the plat is not to exceed \$400. It will be figured at the rate of \$20 a day for clerical work and \$40 a day for engineering work.

## Buresh Sell-A-Bratton Occurs On Thursday

Thursday, Jan. 30, will be Buresh Implement Co.'s Anniversary Sell-A-Bratton. Free hot dogs and coffee will be served at their store all day. There will be a complete display of IH farm machinery. See ad on page 6.

One of the major parts of the remodeling has been installation of all new plumbing, heating and electrical equipment. The work tables in the laboratories require a maze of plumbing and electrical installations.

The remodeling was managed by Charles E. Hedges, secretary-treasurer of the Cornell Board of trustees, who is chairman of the building committee. J. W. Bensmiller has been supervisor of the project. It is anticipated that the remodeling will be completed at less than the budgeted cost of \$100,000.

The library equipment was moved last fall to the new library-social center. After the chem. department is moved to their new quarters, Old Sem will be remodeled to house the administrative offices of the college. When this step is completed the rooms in Main Hall now used for offices will be remodeled for class room use.

The carpenter and plumbing work on the remodeling was done by Kruse Construction Co. of Lisbon and the heating work by Martin Bros. Electric of Tipton.

## PART OF PLAN

Completion of this project marks another major step in the several years' program of reorganizing activities on the Cornell campus.

## FIND OLD SAFE

Found in the basement of the library was an old safe which belonged to the Upper Iowa Conference of the Methodist church. Since no way was found to work the combination the front door was finally removed. District Supt. Clarence Pettersen of Clarence picked up the records in the safe on Friday, Jan. 24.

## OLD HOTEL REGISTER

A book left in the library which will be of interest to old-timers is the hotel register of the Mt. Vernon House, which is now Guild Hall. It was operated by E. L. Guild when the register was used during the first years of this century. First name in it is that of Ben R. Groff of Cedar Rapids.

The names of Theodore Roosevelt and John Hay, Washington, D. C., appear in a large hand writing under date of March 26, 1902. However, an examination of the Mt. Vernon Record files for that date does not disclose any mention of Theodore Roosevelt being in Mt. Vernon. The names apparently were the work of some joker.

## Over \$400 Received From March Of Dimes

The March of Dimes Tuesday night, sponsored by the Mt. Vernon Legion Auxiliary, brought in \$405.90 contributed by the townspeople of Mt. Vernon.

No report had been received at press time of money expected from other townspeople. One woman, 62 years of age, was contributed in the 1957 March of Dimes.

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