

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____

Senator

Billingsley,

John H. - Represented Jasper County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place *11 Nov 1889 Lenexa, Kansas*

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary Mabel Smith 25 Aug 1915 Eldora, Colorado

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business *Lifemember of the Iowa Medical Society of which he was president in 1959-1960 as well as being vice-president, trustee and recipient of the Society's merit award over the years.*

B. Civic responsibilities *Veteran of Foreign Wars; American Legion; Chamber of Commerce; Rotary; Elks Club;*

C. Profession *Physician*

4. Church membership *Methodist*

5. Sessions served *46th, 47th General Assemblies 1935, 1937*

6. Public Offices

A. Local *Member of the Jasper County Civilian Defense Health Services 1950*

B. State *Served on the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners*

C. National _____

7. Death *9 Nov 1980 Newton, Iowa; buried Newton Union Cemetery, Newton, Iowa*

8. Children *William Kirk; John Smith*

9. Names of parents *L. K. Billingsley*

10. Education Graduate of East High School in Des Moines in 1906

11. Degrees BA degree Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa in 1910; Advanced degree from Western Reserve University, College of Medicine, Cleveland, Ohio; post-graduate work at a special school in Washington, D.C.

12. Other applicable information Republican

- His wife, Mabel, died in Sept 1975
- Along with his partner Dr. Frank L. Smith, they organized the Newton Clinic in 1926. They also had practiced medicine for a year in Monroe, Iowa
- Military service - World War I - adjutant in an evacuation hospital, U.S. Army, attached to the sanitary train of the 2nd Division and later special duty at Brest, Germany.
- He participated in the first Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa
- He was an intern in the Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa 1914-1915
- He practiced medicine in Newton, Iowa and was the medical chief of staff at Skiff Memorial Hospital in Newton

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The Rev. B. D. Hinegardner, pastor of the Morgan Valley Christian Church, conducted services. Burial was in the Newton Memorial Park Cemetery. He died Friday morning at his home.

Howard Tramel, former Ira resident, dies
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Jetties Tramel, ne was born Jan. 18, 1902 at his farm home west of Ira. He was married to Bertha Knapp Sept. 16, 1933 in Omaha, Neb. Mr. Tramel moved to California 20 years ago.

Dr. John Billingsley, longtime Newton physician, senator dies

Dr. John W. Billingsley, 91, of Midtown Apartments, a physician in Newton since 1919 and Iowa state senator from 1935 until 1939, died Sunday morning at the Hunter Addition of Skiff Memorial Hospital.

Graveside rites will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Newton Union Cemetery following cremation.

Dr. Richard Bentzinger, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, will conduct services. Military rites will be conducted by the Newton Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1655.

Wallace Funeral Home in Newton is handling arrangements.

Survivors are two sons, William Kirk Billingsley of Boulder, Colo., and Dr. John Smith Billingsley of Fort Wayne, Ind.; and six grandchildren.

Memorial contributions to the Skiff Hospital Auxiliary Memorial Fund will be accepted.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Mabel, in September, 1975.

Dr. Billingsley, who along

with his partner, Dr. Frank L. Smith, organized the Newton Clinic in 1926, also had practiced medicine for a year in Monroe.

Dr. Billingsley was a life member of the Iowa Medical Society, of which he was president in 1959 and 1960, vice president, trustee and was the recipient of the Society's merit award.

Head of the Jasper County civilian defense health services in the 1950, Dr. Billingsley also had served on the state board of medical examiners.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, American Legion Post 111, of which he served as commander, Newton Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1655 and the Newton 40 and 8.

He had been a member of the Greater Newton Area Chamber of Commerce, Newton Rotary Club, Newton Country Club, American Association of Railway Surgeons, Elks Club and Hunter Trust Committee.

Dr. Billingsley received the Alumni Achievement Award from Simpson College in In-

dianola in 1963.

Dr. Billingsley, born Nov. 11, 1889 in southern Iowa, was graduated from East High School in Des Moines. He was graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in 1910 from Simpson College in Indianola and received an advanced degree from Western Reserve University college of medicine in Cleveland, Ohio, and did post-graduate work at a special school in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Billingsley, who served in France during World War I as an adjutant in an evacuation hospital, was stationed with the Army of Occupation in Germany, attached to the sanitary train of the Second Division and later was transferred to special duty at Brest.

Dr. Billingsley, a pole vaulter, participated in the first Drake Relays in Des Moines. He also was a letter winner in football, track and debate while at Simpson College and a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

He was married to Mary Mabel Smith Aug. 25, 1915 in Eldora, Colo.

Proxmire says overseas troops are forced to use Susan B. Anthony dollar

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The military has cut the purchasing power of U.S. troops overseas by forcing them to use the Susan B. Anthony \$1 coin in place of bills. Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis., charged today.

had no immediate comment on Proxmire's complaint, contained in a letter to Secretary Harold Brown in Proxmire's capacity as chairman of the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee.

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BUSINESS, ETC.

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and four of the sons are living, Dr. Alfred being the oldest. His brother Dr. William H. Hanchett is practicing medicine at San Pedro, California.

A deceased brother, Frank G. Hanchett, was an attorney who died in Chicago in 1928. Dr. John L. Hanchett practiced medicine in Iowa for over thirty years and is now in California. Dr. James C. Hanchett practiced medicine in Salt Lake for over thirty years and is now medical director for the Knights of the Maccabees at Detroit.

Alfred P. Hanchett attended public schools in Illinois, was a student in Wheaton College at Wheaton and graduated from the Chicago Medical College in 1878. He first practiced at Marenco, Illinois, but in 1880 moved to Council Bluffs, where he kept up the work of his profession to the full extent of his strength until illness caused him to retire in 1923. Doctor Hanchett is a member of the Presbyterian Church, is affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and B. P. O. Elks and is a Republican in politics.

He married in 1878 Miss Grace McMicken, who was born at Aurora, Illinois, and was reared and educated there. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McMicken, were born in Scotland and her father was a clothing merchant at Aurora and later moved out to Iowa. To Dr. Alfred P. Hanchett and wife were born two sons: Alfred Hanchett, born in Council Bluffs, October 19, 1884, attended Abraham Lincoln High School and graduated from Harvard in 1908. He was successfully engaged in the advertising business in New York at the time of his death, in Council Bluffs in 1921. The surviving son is Dr. McMicken Hanchett, a sketch of whom follows.

Dr. McMicken Hanchett was born at Council Bluffs May 22, 1882, and both his liberal education and broad experience equip him for the modern demands made upon his profession. He attended school at Council Bluffs, graduated Bachelor of Science from Harvard University in 1903, then spent two years in Rush Medical College, Chicago, and in 1908 graduated from the Hahnemann School of Medicine at Philadelphia. For one year he was resident physician in a hospital and in 1913 returned to Rush Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1914. He had eighteen months of further training in the Cook County Hospital of Chicago and from 1915 to 1923 practiced in that city, associated with Dr. Dean Lewis. He gave up his work in Chicago in order to take over his father's practice when the latter's health failed. He was a member of the staff of the Chicago Presbyterian Hospital when he left that city and was also chief surgeon of the Children's Memorial Hospital.

He married in 1921 Miss Alice Mark, of Lake Forest, Illinois, who was born in Chicago, and was educated in Miss Hare's School of that city. Doctor Hanchett is a member of the Presbyterian Church, Council Bluffs Lodge No. 531, B. P. O. Elks, was a Chi Psi at Harvard, member of the Nu Sigma Nu medical fraternity and Sigma Psi honor fraternity. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the County, Iowa State and

American Medical Associations, the American College of Surgeons, Chicago Surgical Society and the Chicago Institute of Medicine.

On August 15, 1917, he joined the colors for service in the World war, was in training at the Rockefeller Institute for several months in Philadelphia, and on May 19, 1918, sailed from Camp Merritt for Liverpool. At Limoges, France, he was one of the surgeons who had charge of a 3,000 bed hospital and was also on detached duty as consultant in surgery. He sailed for home in March, 1919, and for a time was in charge of neurological surgery at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and also had charge of the work in peripheral nerve surgery. He was honorably discharged November 1, 1919.

JOHN W. BILLINGSLEY is one of the prominent physicians and surgeons of Jasper County, Iowa, and is one of the founders of the Newton Clinic, occupying offices with elaborate equipment in the Maytag Building at Newton.

Doctor Billingsley, who was a surgeon in the World war, was born at Lenexa, Kansas, November 11, 1889. He is the only living child of Rev. Levi Kirke Billingsley, now a superannuated member of the Methodist Conference of Des Moines. Reverend Billingsley was born in Ohio, was educated in Howze Academy at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, and after his marriage he and his wife both attended the University of Kansas at Lawrence. He taught school in Belleville, Kansas, for three years, and after completing his theological work in the Garrett Biblical Institute of Evanston, Illinois, was ordained to the Methodist ministry in 1888, and his first church was at Lenexa, Kansas. He has been a member of the Iowa Conference for thirty-two years. Rev. Mr. Billingsley married Miss Flora Alice Elliott, of Indiana, and both reside at Newton.

Dr. John W. Billingsley was nine years old when his parents came to Iowa in 1898 and settled at Jefferson. He attended school there, is a graduate of the East Des Moines High School with the class of 1906, and that was followed by four years in Simpson College at Indianola, Iowa, where he was graduated A. B. in 1910. Doctor Billingsley was prominent in all student activities at Simpson, being president of the sophomore class and winning letters for participation in football, track and debating. He was a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He had three years of medical work at Drake University, Des Moines, and in 1914 graduated with the M. D. degree from the Western Reserve School of Medicine at Cleveland, Ohio. At Drake he was a Gamma Sigma Kappa and at Western Reserve an Alpha Kappa Kappa. Doctor Billingsley had a year of interne training and experience in the Iowa Methodist Hospital at Des Moines and in 1915 began practice at Monroe.

In December, 1917, he enlisted for service in the World war, was sent to the Medical School at Washington, D. C., taking post-graduate work

in military orthopedic surgery. He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps, was at Newport News when given his overseas assignment, and on reaching France was stationed at Froidas-Surraure as adjutant in Evacuation Hospital No. 10. He was with the Army of Occupation in Germany, attached to the Sanitary Train of the Second Division, and later was transferred for special duty to Brest.

Doctor Billingsley returned to the United States in November, 1919, and in January, 1920, received his honorable discharge at General Hospital No. 28. He at once resumed practice as a physician and surgeon at Newton, forming a partnership with Dr. Frank L. Smith. In 1926 these two physicians and surgeons organized the Newton Clinic, and their individual capabilities have given it a high standing among such organizations in the state.

Doctor Billingsley is a member of the Jasper County, Iowa State and American Medical Associations, has been secretary of the county society, deputy councilor for the state society, and is a former president of the county organization. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen of America, the Methodist Church, and is a Republican.

Doctor Billingsley married, August 28, 1915, Miss Mary Mabel Smith, daughter of Otis E. and Annie (Slusser) Smith, of Indianola, Iowa. Otis E. Smith was formerly superintendent of schools at Indianola, Iowa, and a prominent educator in the state for many years, having held various offices in the State Teachers Association and Y. M. C. A. Boards; on the State Board of Education Examiners, and as head of the Teachers Placement Bureau.

Doctor and Mrs. Billingsley have two sons, William Kirke, born September 29, 1925, and John Smith, born January 16, 1929.

CHARLES W. KLINE, M. A., LL. D., who is now superintendent of the public schools of the East Side of the City of Waterloo, judicial center of Blackhawk County, has made a record of notably successful achievement in the public-school domain of educational work, and his loyalty to his chosen profession has been on a parity with the effective service he has given therein.

Mr. Kline claims the Sunflower State as the place of his nativity and is a representative of one of its honored pioneer families. He was born on the pioneer home farm in Marion County, Kansas, and the date of his nativity was October 6, 1872. His father, Levi Kline, was born in fine old Stark County, Ohio, September 9, 1843, and was a son of Joseph Kline, who was a native of Germany and who became a pioneer settler in Stark County, Ohio, long known for its sterling German element of citizens, he having later removed thence to Logan County, Illinois, where he became a pioneer farmer near the present City of Lincoln. He had the true pioneer spirit, as was shown in his ultimate removal to Marion County, Kansas, where he passed the remainder

of his life, his children having been seven in number.

Levi Kline was a boy at the time of the family removal from Ohio to Logan County, Illinois, where he was reared to adult age and where he received the greater part of his youthful education. He was but eighteen years of age at the inception of the Civil war, but his youthful loyalty and patriotism were not to be curbed, as evidenced by the fact that he forthwith, in 1861, enlisted in a regiment of Illinois volunteer infantry, proceeded with this command to the front and participated in its various campaigns and battles up to the time when he was taken ill and thus incapacitated for active service, he having been confined in hospital some time and having finally been given his honorable discharge. Thereafter he continued to be identified with farm enterprise in Illinois until 1871, when he proceeded by railroad to Salina, Kansas, whence he made his way on foot to Marion County, the greater part of which was unbroken prairie land at that period. He there entered claim to a homestead of Government land, and then returned to Illinois for his wife and their one child, the return trip to the new home in Kansas having been made overland with team and wagon. On his embryonic farm Mr. Kline erected a small frame house and then turned his attention to the reclamation and development of his land, nine miles distant from Marion, the county seat, which was the nearest marketing and shipping point. He lived up to the full tension of pioneer life in Kansas, suffered his share of losses through droughts and grasshopper invasions, but he kept his courage and faith and eventually developed a productive farm. On the original homestead he continued to reside until 1900, when he retired from the farm and established his residence at Marion, the county seat, where his death occurred May 17, 1916, his wife having there passed away in the year 1910. The maiden name of Mrs. Kline was Amanda J. Long, she having been born in Anderson County, Kentucky, and having been young at the time of the family removal to Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Kline became the parents of five children, of whom three are living.

Charles W. Kline early began to aid in the varied activities of the old home farm, and after profiting by the advantages of the rural school of the district he continued his studies two years in the high school at Marion. He next gave two years to teaching in the rural schools of his native county, and he then entered the Kansas State Normal School at Emporia, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1898. After two years of service as a teacher in the public schools at Mankato, Kansas, and three years at Moran he entered the University of Kansas, in which institution he was graduated as a member of the class of 1904 and with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter he was for three years principal of the high school at Hutchinson, that state, and he then assumed the