

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Kephart, Thomas Ives Senator _____

Represented Clay County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 6 May 1894 Johnson County, Indiana

2. Marriage (s) date place
Ada Belma Kilom 25 Dec 1917

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities By-beauter; American Legion;

C. Profession Education; insurance

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 47th

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State Assistant auditor for 7 years

C. National _____

7. Death 2 May 1967 Spirit Lake, Iowa; buried Lakeland Memory Gardens, Spirit Lake, Iowa

8. Children Darwin; Ives; Delores; Elizabeth; Thomas Gerald (killed in World War II)

9. Names of parents Samuel and Jennie Kephart

10. Education _____

11. Degrees *Attended Indiana State Normal College and Queen's
West College, Storm Lake, Iowa*

12. Other applicable information *Democrat*

- *Military service - World War I - U.S. Army*
- *He taught school 5 years at Colfax, Iowa; 4 years at Hayes
Consolidated School at Storm Lake; superintendent at Peterson for
11 years, and in Joice and Harwin 7 years, all schools in Iowa*

includes the Auxiliary counterpart.

T.I. Kephart Dies; Former State Auditor

Thomas Ives Kephart, 72, a former state auditor, educator and state representative, died May 2 following a heart attack. Mr. Kephart and his wife have resided the past 15 years on the southeast shore of Big Spirit Lake.

Funeral services were conducted May 5 at the Donovan-Leyson chapel with the Rev. B. J. Swede officiating. Burial was in Lakeland Memory Gardens, Spirit Lake. Mrs. Richard Ayres was organist. Pallbearers were Allan Mackrill, Gil Bruns, Hans Froendt, Earl Vint, Richard Dworak and Earl Ransom.

Mr. Kephart was a former mayor of Orleans, retiring from that post because of illness. The Kepharts came to Spirit Lake from Ames 15 years ago.

He was born May 6, 1894 in Johnson county, Indiana, the son of Samuel and Jennie Kephart. He prepared himself for a life of service in the field of public education, attending Indiana State Normal College and also Buena Vista College.

Mr. Kephart served his country in World War I as a member of the United States Army. He was united in marriage to Ida Belma Wilson at Galva Dec. 25, 1917. As a public school instructor and administrator, Mr. Kephart taught five years at Galva, four years in the Hayes Consolidated Schools at Storm Lake; was superintendent of schools at Peterson for 11 years, and in Joice and Harris for approximately seven years.

Before going to Joice he served as state auditor for a period of



ARNOLDS PARK NEWS
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ARNOLDS PARK, May 11—Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomas entertained his son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thomas and family of Minneapolis over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Jones, Damian and Mary were in Mankato, Minn., Sunday where they visited with Tom Hamilton and also attended the Spring Choral Concert at the Good Counsel Academy in Mankato. Miss Sharon Hamilton was a member of the choral group.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gosch of Schaller were Monday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Stolley and Roger.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Dubois of Okoboji returned home Saturday after spending the winter months in McAllen, Texas.

A pre-Mothers Day observance was held at the home of Mrs. LaRaine Kruse, Sunday, May 7. Guests were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Scarcello and family of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kruse and family and Mr. and Mrs. Don Anderson and family both of Estherville.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Anderson of Lake Benton and Mrs. Sylvia Mortensen were Thursday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boers.

Mrs. Sylvia Mortensen was a Saturday and Sunday morning guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mortensen at Milford.

Mrs. Duane Whiting and Vickie of Webb were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Sylvia Mortensen.



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THIS WEEK'S KEY VALUE



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Gene Smith Installed As Commander of VFW

A. E. (Gene) Smith was installed as commander of John W. Kidd post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in ceremonies conducted at the clubrooms Monday evening.

Installing officer was Earl L. Berg of Swea City, department senior vice-commander who becomes commander of the Iowa VFW in June.

Smith succeeds L. M. (Red) MacNabb, commander of the post during the past year.

Other officers seated were Dorrence Hale, senior vice-commander; Maurice Jacobson, junior vice-commander; Don Mitchell, service officer; Derald Thompson, quartermaster; Herbert Boehm, chaplain; Chuck Buchman, Jim Bonsall, and Rocky Duhn, trustees.

Commander Berg complimented the Spirit Lake VFW post for its recognition of servicemen fighting in Vietnam, awarding every Dickinson county man there a free VFW membership.

"With opinion divided in the country over the Vietnam war, it is the VFW's intent to show their support of men actively fighting the war now," he asserted.

Berg said the Spirit Lake post has more Vietnam members than any other VFW post in Iowa.

Local officers will assume their duties June 25, after departmental officers are seated.

Commander Berg said he hopes to bring the VFW Council Administrative meeting to the Lakes Region in July. Officers of all 10 districts in the state attend the sessions, which also includes the Auxiliary counterparts.

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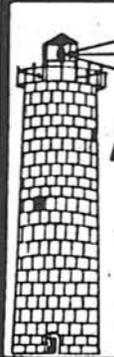
While in Peterson, Mr. Kephart was actively involved in Boy Scout activities and served as Scoutmaster for several years. Seven boys in his troupe attained the rank of Eagle Scout. His work with boys was out of a desire to have them enjoy and appreciate the great out-of-doors. In their many and varied programs, they discovered the wonders of nature, the fellowship and working together in camping, the instruction and fun in swimming and in the art of fishing.

Mr. Kephart was a charter member of the American Legion at Galva; past commander of the Legion post at Peterson, and was a Mason.

While he enjoyed a long life of usefulness and good health, he was always active until his illness approximately seven years ago.

Mr. Kephart is survived by his wife; two sons, Darwin of Mason City and Duane of Dallas, Texas; two daughters, Delores of Camanche, and Elizabeth of Altha, Fla.; 10 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Herschel Atkins and Mrs. Dorothy Brown of Martinsville, Ind.; one brother, Hiram Kephart of Clayton, Ind.

He was preceded in death by a son, Lt. Thomas Gerald Kephart who was a World War II casualty; and his parents.



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NEW VFW OFFICERS — Earl L. Foreign Wars department senior vice-officers of John W. Kidd post in ceremony. From his left are Herbert Boehm, trustee; Commander A. E. Smith, re-

