

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative James Ellis **Senator** Murray
Represented Woodbury County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 21 Aug 1891 Little Sioux, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Frances Margaret Bodin 21 Apr 1928 Sioux City, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Member of the Sioux City and Iowa State Bar Association

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Shrine

C. Profession Attorney; assistant Woodbury County attorney;
judge of the 4th Judicial District

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 47th General Assembly 1937

6. Public Offices

A. Local Sioux City city attorney; former assistant Woodbury County
Attorney; chief counsel of the District Office of Penal
Administration Area devoted to the office of that district

B. State

C. National

7. Death 9 May 1958 Sioux City, Iowa Buried Graceland Park Cemetery, Sioux City, Iowa

8. Children Thomas Ellis, Jr.; Anne

9. Names of parents Michael and Luella (Ellis) Murray

Murray Tom E.

10. Education Graduate of Little Sioux, Iowa High School, 1908

11. Degrees Graduate of the State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, Law School, 1923

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- 1923-1924 he practiced law in Little Sioux, Iowa
- In 1924 he practiced law with Walter and Loegge in Sioux City, Iowa
- From 1925-1926 he practiced law at Monmouth College, Sioux City, Iowa and from 1926-1933 he practiced law in Sioux City
- Military service - SATC from University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa 1917-1918

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called on Bolan in this capacity. Under federal law, anyone who attempts to influence the actions or decisions of any grand jury by writing to a member can be fined \$1,000 or imprisoned for six months.

tended that Community Builders owns all of the system. "Title Clouded" Because of the conflicting ownership claims and the complex legal problems involved, Tesdell said.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ROOM 1010, the Savings and Loan Building. Attending the meeting were all five council members, Forster, Corporation Counsel Milton W. Strickler, Tesdell, Rosenberg, and Attorneys John H. Nelman, Joseph Brody and Wade Clarke.

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Martha Beeson Dead in Arizona

Miss Martha A. Beeson, 91, a retired Des Moines school teacher, died last Sunday at Tucson, Ariz., the family reported Friday.

Miss Beeson taught mathematics at old West High School and Roosevelt High School. She was the daughter of the late Byron A. Beeson, a former Iowa state treasurer, and was born in Marshall county.

Services were held at Tucson. A burial service is to be held later at Riverside Cemetery in Marshalltown. Miss Beeson is survived by a sister, Mrs. Leslie E. Coffin, with whom she had lived for seven years in Tucson.

"It is my opinion that the title now offered to the city, particularly so far as the mains and laterals are concerned, is clouded and not merchantable according to the best and acceptable standards, and the facts available to me to date."

Tesdell emphasized that the legal problems surrounding the city's proposed purchase of a private sewer system stem from the fact that "there is no legal precedent in Iowa."

New, Complicated "This thing is new, it's big and it's complicated," the title attorney said. "It involves a mixture of phases of law that haven't been decided yet in Iowa."

Tesdell said Community Builders' title to part of the system — the sewage treatment plant and pumping stations — can be made clear without too much difficulty.

"But I haven't seen sufficient and reliable evidence which would enable me to tell whether the title to the sewer mains and laterals is good," he continued. There are about 10 miles of sewer lines in the system.

Urges Caution For this reason, Tesdell advised the city to "go cautiously" on the sewer deal and suggested the alternatives which he said "would remove any reasonable question of title."

"It would be unfair for me to say at this stage that there is a cloud on the title to the entire system, because I don't yet have before me all the evidence of title necessary. Therefore, we agreed to take more time and study it more thoroughly."

Tesdell said he will have to have "an accurate and complete" legal description of the route over which the sewer lines run and will have to study many easements and other title evidence before he can give a definite answer. The title attorney advised against closing the purchase

Nelman and Brody represent mortgage holders who will claim more than \$300,000 of the \$375,000 purchase price. Clarke is attorney for homeowners in the sewer area who claim they bought "an interest in the sewer system" when they bought their homes.

No solution was reached at the meeting, but attorneys agreed to meet early next week to seek an answer in the light of the alternatives suggested by Tesdell.

Mayor Charles F. Iles said it was felt at the meeting that any type of court action "would drag on for months" and would probably end up in the Iowa supreme court, thus delaying expansion of sewer service in the area that could be served by the system.

The suggestion that the sellers of the sewer protect the city against future lawsuits would bring a much quicker solution if it can be worked out, he said.

Pentagon Group Aids Testifiers

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A special unit has been organized at the Pentagon to assist officials who appear before congress in the administration's battle to reorganize the defense department.

The group includes two representatives from each of the military services. One member and the apparent chairman is Robert E. Holt, executive assistant to Perkins McGuire, the assistant secretary of defense for supply and logistics.

Defense Secretary Neil McElroy's order denied that the reorganization group was engaging in propaganda. They said it was a research group but could not, however, reveal the names of the mili-

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Tom Murray, 66, Sioux City, Dies

SIoux CITY, IA. — Services will be here at 2 p. m. Monday for Tom E. Murray, 66, city attorney and former state senator, who died Friday.

Born at Little Sioux, he was graduated from the State University of Iowa law school in 1923. He was a former assistant Woodbury county attorney, chief counsel of the district Office of Price Administration and area director for the office of rent control.

Survivors include his wife, a son, a daughter and a sister.

Ralph Finkbine Dies at Atlantic

ATLANTIC, IA. — Ralph L. Finkbine, 60, for many years a Green Bay Lumber Co. auditor, died in a hospital here Friday.

A lifelong resident of Atlantic, he was a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley and attended Harvard University.

Survivors include his wife, the former Kathryn Holland of Des Moines; his mother, Mrs. H. M. Finkbine, and two sisters. Services will be Sun-

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Mullaney, both of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, six grandchildren and three sisters. A son, Thomas W., Jr., was killed in an auto accident three weeks after his father's death.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-eighth General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the Honorable Thomas W. Mullaney, the state of Iowa has lost an able and honored citizen and the Senate tenders, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread on the Journal of the Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the members of the family of the deceased.

GEORGE L. SCOTT,
J. J. O'CONNOR,
R. R. RIGLER,
LYNN POTTER,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

TOM E. MURRAY

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Tom E. Murray, begs leave to submit the following:

Tom E. Murray was born at Little Sioux, Iowa on August 21, 1891. He was graduated from the State University of Iowa, College of Law, in 1923, where he was All-Senior President and also president of Phi Alpha Delta. From 1923 until 1924, he practiced law in Little Sioux, Iowa; from 1924 until 1925 in Sioux City, Iowa with the law firm of Walter and Loepf; from 1925 until 1933 in his own law office in Sioux City. He was first assistant county attorney in Woodbury county from 1933 until 1937.

Mr. Murray, a Democrat, was elected to the Iowa State Senate from the Thirty-second District and served there during the Forty-seventh General Assembly. He resigned from his Senate seat when nominated for District Judge of the Fourth Judicial District, but was not successful in the general election of 1938. From 1943 until 1944, he was Chief Counsel for the Office of Price Administration in the Sioux City District; from 1944 until 1953, he served as Area Rent Director for the office of Rent Control in Sioux City and was city attorney for Sioux City from 1954 until his death.

He was a member of both the Sioux City and the Iowa Bar Associations, was the first president of the Morningside Commercial Club, was a member of Tyrian Lodge 508, A.F. & A.M. in Sioux City, Iowa, the Sioux City Consistory and the Abu Bekr Shrine.

The Honorable Tom E. Murray passed away in Sioux City, Iowa on May 9, 1958. He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Anne.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-eighth General Assembly: That in the passing of the Honorable Tom E. Murray the state has lost a valuable, loyal and honored citizen, and by this resolution tenders its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of the family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread on the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to forward an enrolled copy to each member of his family.

JACK MILLER,
LEROY GETTING,
J. T. DYKHOUSE,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

CAROLYN CAMPBELL PENDRAY

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Carolyn Campbell Pendray of Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

Mrs. Pendray was born at Mount Pleasant on December 9, 1881, the daughter of the late Thomas Franklin Campbell and Harriett Emily Dutton. She was married in 1920 to W. J. Pendray, a merchant in Maquoketa.

Her professional record of twenty-three years of teaching included seven years as County Superintendent of Schools of Henry County, and teaching of methods in summer school sessions at Iowa Wesleyan College.

Mrs. Pendray was the first woman to serve in the Iowa legislature and the only woman to serve in both the Iowa House of Representatives and the Senate. She was elected to office in 1928, 1930 and 1932.

Mrs. Pendray was a Democrat. She worked for legislation on women's rights and education. She was a member of the P.E.O., the D.A.R., and the Congregational church.

Death came to Mrs. Pendray on November 23, 1958, and she was buried at Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-eighth General Assembly: That in the passing of the Honorable Carolyn Campbell Pendray the state has lost an able and honored citizen, and by this resolution tenders its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of her family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread on the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to forward enrolled copies to the members of her family.

A. G. FROMMELT,
EARL ELIJAH,
IRVING D. LONG,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

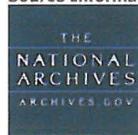
You searched for **Thomas E. Murray** in **Iowa**

1920 United States Federal Census

Name: Thomas E Murray
Age: 28
Birth Year: abt 1892
Birthplace: Iowa
Home in 1920: Little Sioux, Harrison, Iowa
Race: White
Gender: Male
Relation to Head of House: Son
Marital Status: Single
Parent's Name: Luella Murray
Father's Birthplace: Scotland
Mother's Birthplace: Ohio
Able to Read: Yes
Able to Write: Yes
Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Luella Murray	73
	Adah G Murray	44
	Thomas E Murray	28
	Lillian A Murray	46

Source Citation: Year: 1920; Census Place: Little Sioux, Harrison, Iowa; Roll: T625_493; Page: 9B; Enumeration District: 83; Image: 302.

Source Information:

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Description:

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You searched for **Thomas E. Murray** in **Iowa**
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1930 United States Federal Census

Name: **Thomas E Murray**
 Gender: **Male**
 Birth Year: **abt 1892**
 Birthplace: **Iowa**
 Race: **White**
 Home in 1930: **Sioux City, Woodbury, Iowa**
[View Map](#)
 Marital Status: **Married**
 Relation to Head of House: **Head**
 Spouse's Name: **Frances W Murray**
 Father's Birthplace: **Scotland**
 Mother's Birthplace: **Ohio**
 Occupation:
 Education:
 Military Service: [View image](#)
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 Age at first marriage:
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Household Members:	Name	Age
	Thomas E Murray	38
	Frances W Murray	25
	James W Murray	0

Source Citation: Year: 1930; Census Place: *Sioux City, Woodbury, Iowa*; Roll: 690; Page: 31A; Enumeration District: 61; Image: 770.0; FHL microfilm: 2340425.

Source Information:

Ancestry.com. *1930 United States Federal Census* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2002.
 Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1930. T626, 2,667 rolls.

Description:

The 1930 Census contains records for approximately 123 million Americans. The census gives us a glimpse into the lives of Americans in 1930, and contains information about a household's family members and occupants including: birthplaces, occupations, immigration, citizenship, and military service. The names of those listed in the census are linked to actual images of the 1930 Census. [Learn more...](#)



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Thomas E. Murray
Birth August 1891 in Iowa USA
Death

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Timeline (View details)

- 1891** Birth
Aug Iowa USA [2 source citations](#)
- 1900** Residence
Age: 9 Little Sioux town, Harrison, Iowa [1 source citation](#)
- 1900** Residence
Age: 9 Little Sioux town, Harrison, Iowa [1 source citation](#)
- 1910** Residence
Age: 19 Little Sioux, Harrison, Iowa [1 source citation](#)
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Age: 19 Little Sioux, Harrison, Iowa [1 source citation](#)

Comments

No comments have been added yet.

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Family Members

Parents

- Michael Murray**
1840 -
 - Luella Ellis**
1846 - 1926
- Show siblings

Spouse & Children

No Spouse

Family group sheet

Source Information

1900 United States Federal Census

1 citation provides evidence for Name, Birth, Residence

1910 United States Federal Census

1 citation provides evidence for Residence, Birth, Name

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Death: May, 1958

Note: Interment date 5/12/1958

Burial:
[Graceland Park Cemetery](#)
Sioux City
Woodbury County
Iowa, USA
Plot: Corinne 77

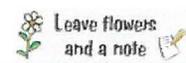
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