

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Pelzer,

Frank - Represented Cass and Shelby Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 27 Jan 1876 Noble Township, Cass County, Iowa
near Huswold, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Mary Louise Borth 26 June 1900 Montgomery County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mayor

C. Profession Farmer; raised shorthorn cattle and spotted
Poland China Hogs

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th Iowa General Assembly 1937, 1939, 1941, 1943

6. Public Offices

A. Local Cass County Board of Supervisors several years; Atlantic Iowa
postmaster in 1934; Board of education member

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 28 Aug 1944 near Marion, Iowa; buried

8. Children Oliver E.; Elsie (Mrs. McLeod); Albert; Charles;
Maurice; Arthur D.; Gerald

9. Names of parents Henry Archibald and Sophia Margaretha (Hahlenhaus) Pelzer

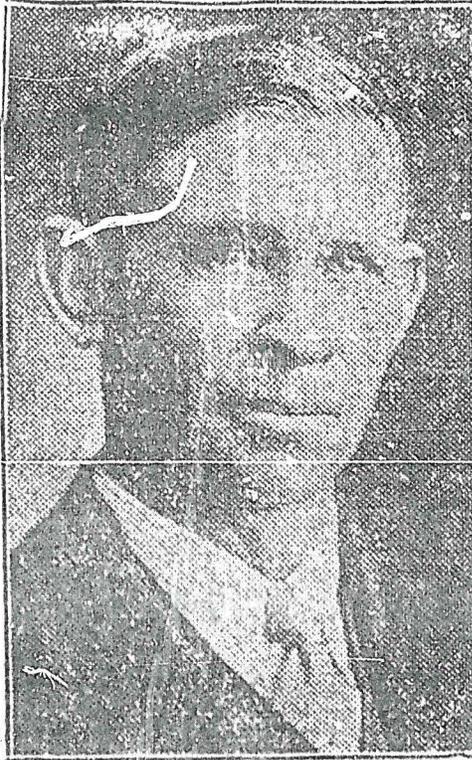
10. Education He was educated in the rural schools of Cass County in his
neighborhood

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He and his wife farmed in Noble Township, Cass County,
Iowa until they purchased a home north of Marnes,
Iowa in 1909

DIES SUDDENLY



SEN. FRANK PELZER

HEAR ATTACK IS FATAL TO SENATOR FRANK PELZER, 68

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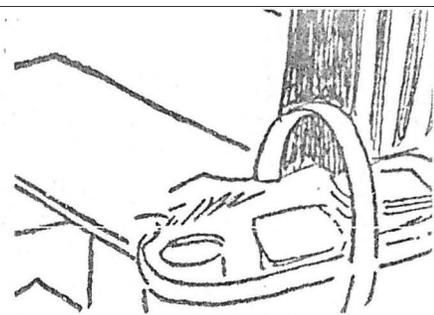
Mr. Kendle Nichols, 1944 graduate of the Cumberland School has been accepted for admission to Simpson College Indianola, Iowa. Enrollment for the fall term will begin on September 4, at nine o'clock. One of the fine fraternity houses has been opened for the boys, and all college dormitories are being prepared for the new students.

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He was a member of the Cass county board of supervisors for a number of years and succeeded C. E. Malone to the state senate when the latter was named Atlantic postmaster in 1934. At the June primary, he was nominated as the republican candidate for re-election. Mr. Pelzer was a producer of Shorthorn cattle and pure bred Spotted Poland China hogs. He was a member of the Methodist church and the A. F. and A. M.

Surviving besides the widow are a daughter, Mrs. Elsie McCord, of Anita; six sons, Oliver, Albert, Charles, and Maurice of Marne, Arthur of Chicago and Gerald Pelzer, C. M. 2/c, who is stationed in Hawaii with the Sea bees; three brothers, William Pelzer of Noble township, Dr. Louis Pelzer, professor of history at the University of Iowa, and E. H. Pelzer Cass county recorder; six sisters, Mrs. Chris Boos of Atlantic, Mrs. Charles Pippert of Mason City, Mrs. C. F. Christensen of Marne, Mrs. Milo Holke of San Antonio, Texas, Mrs. George Birch of Des Moines and Mrs. F. W. Schuler of Noble township and eight grandchildren. A sister, Mrs. R. H. Saemisch, preceded Mr. Pelzer in death.



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While a student in high school, Mr. Nichols was a participant in athletics, glee club, and drama.

Special honors were bestowed on him as a most distinguished student, C. H. S. trustee. He is a member of the Methodist Church. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. James F. Nichols of Cumberland.

ABOUT A NEWSPAPER

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KENNETH A. EVANS, President of the Senate
HAROLD FELTON, Speaker of the House

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he was able to invest his love of botany and music, and also his civic and business interests, in a manner which was reflected in his character in an unselfish and friendly regard for his fellowmen.

He lived to witness a countryside transform from a pathless grassland to a populous city. A portion of virgin woodland he preserved in the form of a park of eighty acres, which bears his name, Oleson Park, located within the city limits. This is one of several park areas given by Mr. Oleson to Fort Dodge.

There is a finality about death that seems to respect the life that appears to be fully spent. If this were prepared as a eulogy instead of a simple biographical sketch designed to commemorate Mr. Oleson's services to Fort Dodge and to Iowa, there are many items that could be mentioned with propriety concerning him.

Be It Resolved by the Senate at the Fifty-first General Assembly. That in the passing of the Honorable Olaf Martin Oleson of Fort Dodge, Iowa, the state has lost a valuable and honorable citizen, and an honest statesman.

Be It Further Resolved. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the Journal of the Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the wife of the deceased.

C. V. FINDLAY,
A. J. SHAW,
G. R. HILL,
RALPH E. BENSON,
J. G. LUCAS,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

FRANK PELZER

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Frank Pelzer of Marne, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

Frank Pelzer was the son of Henry and Sophia Wolenhaus Pelzer, and was born January 27, 1876, in Noble township, Cass county, near Griswold, Iowa, and grew to manhood in that vicinity. He was married there June 20, 1900, to Mary Louise Borth and the couple farmed in Noble township until 1909 when they purchased the home three miles north of Marne, at which place he died suddenly August 28, 1944, as the result of a heart attack. He is survived by his widow, six sons and one daughter.

Mr. Pelzer was a member of the Cass county board of supervisors for six years, and the board of education ten years; a member of the Methodist church and the Masonic Lodge. He was a farmer, stockman and breeder of purebred hogs for forty-two years, specializing in Shorthorn cattle and Spotted Poland China hogs.

Mr. Pelzer represented the eighteenth senatorial district, composed of Cass and Shelby counties, in the Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, Forty-

ninth and Fiftieth General Assemblies. He was a capable, conscientious and honest citizen and his death is a great loss to the citizens of his state and his community. His unswerving loyalty to his country, his fidelity to duty, and his faithfulness to every public and private trust, was an inspiration to all with whom he came in contact.

Therefore Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-first General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of Senator Pelzer the state mourns the loss of an honored citizen, a man of strong and excellent character, a public servant of the highest type, and that by this resolution the Senate of Iowa extends its sympathy to his family.

Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the records of the Journal of the Senate of the Fifty-first General Assembly of Iowa, and that enrolled copies thereof be transmitted to the members of his family.

ED. S. WHITE,
DE VERE WATSON,
AI MILLER,
RALPH E. BENSON,
O. N. HULTMAN,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

CHESTER W. WHITMORE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Chester W. Whitmore of Ottumwa, begs leave to submit the following:

Chester W. Whitmore was born in Burlington, Iowa, January 11, 1869. He attended Lake Forest University in Illinois and the Chicago Law College, receiving a Bachelor of Law degree. He also was affiliated with the Phi Delta Phi Law Fraternity.

In 1896 he was admitted to the Illinois bar and practiced law in Chicago until 1900, when he was admitted to practice in Iowa and immediately established a law office in Ottumwa, Iowa. He also was admitted to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court in 1913.

In politics he was a Republican and took an active and responsible place in the party of his choice. He was elected Senator in 1914, representing Wapello county in the Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth General Assemblies of the State of Iowa. He also served for four years in Company G, 54th Regiment of the Iowa National Guard.

Senator Whitmore, shortly before his death, retired from the practice of law and sold his law office in Ottumwa, Iowa, preparatory to retiring in California. He died on December 4, 1943, in San Francisco, California, four days after his arrival there from his home in Ottumwa, Iowa.

He is survived by his widow; by two sons, Lt. Hobart Whitmore of the U. S. Army, and Kenneth Whitmore, and a step-son, Frank Hook, besides one sister and one brother.

Therefore Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-first General

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FRANK PELZER[Pedigree](#)Male

Event(s):**Birth:** 27 JAN 1876 <Section 9, Noble Twp, Cass, Iowa>**Christening:****Death:** 28 AUG 1944**Burial:**

Parents:**Father:** [HENRY PELZER](#)[Family](#)**Mother:** [SOPHIA WOHLLENHAUS](#)

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Name: Frank PELZER

Given Name: Frank

Surname: Pelzer

Sex: M ¹Birth: 27 JAN 1876 in Noble Township, Cass County, Iowa ²Death: 28 AUG 1944 ²Father: [Henry Acher PELZER](#) b: 24 SEP 1841 in Hamburg, GermanyMother: [Margarethe Sophie Charlotte Dorothee WOHLNHAUS](#) b: 18 JUN in Hanover, GermanyMarriage 1 [Mary BORTH](#) b: 25 MAR 1879 in IowaMarried: 20 JUN 1900 ²

Children

[Elsie PELZER](#)[Gerald PELZER](#)[Maurice PELZER](#)[Arthur PELZER](#)[Living PELZER](#) [Oliver E PELZER](#) b: 10 JAN 1902 in Noble Township, Cass County, Iowa [Charles PELZER](#) b: 22 MAY 1905 in near Grant, Iowa

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 Noble Township, Cass, Iowa, USA
Died: 28 Aug 1944
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[Henry Pelzer](#)

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[Mary Borth](#)
Born: 25 Mar 1879 in Iowa, USA
Died: May 1973 in Atlantic, Iowa, USA

Marriage: 20 Jun 1900

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Children	Sex	Birth
Arthur Pelzer	M	
Living Pelzer	M	
Living Pelzer	M	
Living Pelzer	M	
Oliver E Pelzer	M	10 Jan 1902 in Noble Township, Cass, Iowa, USA
Charles Pelzer	M	22 May 1905 in Grant, Iowa, USA

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