

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Ritchie, Frederick James Senator Ritchie,  
Frederick J. - Represented Cherokee, Ida and Plymouth counties

1. Birthday and place 12 Feb 1879 Bedford, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary M. Layton 11 Feb 1905 Cherokee, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a director and vice president of the Marcus State Bank,  
Marcus, Iowa; director of the Farmers Elevator at Marcus, Iowa

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Iron Bureau

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership

Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 48<sup>th</sup>, 49<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1939-1944 House of Representatives

6. Public Offices

51<sup>st</sup>, 52<sup>nd</sup> General Assemblies - 1945-1948. Senate

A. Local Marcus school board, member four years; township clerk;  
township assessor

B. State

C. National

7. Death 15 Jul 1957 Marcus, Iowa; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Marcus, Iowa

8. Children Louis Dell; Kenneth Layton

9. Names of parents John Forsyth and Nellie C. (Koblit) Ritchie

10. Education He was educated in the public schools of Cherokee County, Iowa graduating in 1897

11. Degrees He attended Buena Vista College, Storm Lake Iowa 1898-1899;  
attended National Beekeepers Training School, Simplicity, Iowa  
1900-1901

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- He came to Cherokee County as a child with his parents in 1882
- From 1902-1903 he worked for farmers in Cherokee County, Iowa
- From 1903-1915 he was a farmer, cattle and hog feeder
- He later owned and operated his own farm near Marsden Iowa  
where he also raised cattle and hogs along with purchased Belgian  
horses
- He was the past director of the Cherokee County Mutual Insurance  
Association



union funds in the purchase of homes" in a Washington suburb for UTW President Anthony Valente and Secretary - Treasurer Lloyd Klenert "and the purchase of clothing, furniture and costly vacations in fashionable resort areas by Klenert."

## Deaths

Fred J. Ritchie

MARCUS — Fred J. Ritchie, 78, died Monday afternoon, July 15, in LeMars following a brief illness.

Mr. Ritchie had lived in Cherokee County for the past 70 years and in the Marcus community since 1919.

He was a member of Seba Lodge No. 463 A. F. & A. M. of Marcus. For many years he had served on the Marcus school board. He also served in the Iowa legislature, three terms in the House of Representatives and one term in the Senate.

A daughter, Mrs. Lois Ritchie of Dixon, Ill., and one son, Kenneth L. Ritchie of West Union, Ia., and three grandchildren, Mrs. Rolf Buschhaus of Ephraim, Wis., Fred J. Ritchie II and Karen Kay, both of West Union survive.

Other survivors include two brothers, John Ritchie of Salinas, Calif., and W. H. Ritchie of Santa Maria, Calif.; and three sisters, Mrs. J. B. Wiley of Santa Maria, Mrs. J. C. Fluke of Fresno, Calif., and Mrs. Daisy Baxter of Whittier, Calif.

Funeral services for Mr. Ritchie will be at 2 p. m., Thursday, July 18, from the Grace Methodist Church at Marcus. Oak Hill Cemetery is to be the burial place.

The body will lie in state at the Nelson Funeral Home, Marcus, until 10 a. m. Thursday.

## 5-Day Iowa Forecast

Temperatures will average near to slightly below normal Thursday through next Monday. Normal highs 88 north to 90 south. Normal lows 63 north to 66 south. Turning cooler Friday. Maximum temperature changes thereafter. Rainfall will average one-half inch to

trying to transform the Lloyd Love residence at 509 Sumner into a parking lot!

Three times this year, the Loves have discovered wayward cars invading their yard and home.

Last fall the side of the Love house was damaged to the tune of \$175 when an auto shoved it in.

Three weeks ago a car misplaced itself again on the Love lawn. No damage was done this time, but the vehicle was headed straight for the house.

The third in this string of strange events occurred Tuesday — a car ran into Love's cornfield planted beside the house.

The latest mishap broke down some stalks of corn with no serious damage incurred.

The Loves are still laughing, but we hope it doesn't happen again.

## Speelmon to Open Banquet Room

Don Speelmon announces the opening of a new banquet and party room — an addition which will give Speelmon's Steak House a seating capacity of 140 people.

Speelmon plans to host club meetings, banquets, private parties and gatherings of all kinds in the new addition, large enough to accommodate 50 guests.

The brick and hydite block building will feature new, light oak banquet tables and chairs, brass wall trimmings, a fireplace and a 20-foot copper planter.

Acoustic tile ceilings and speakers continuously playing music will add to the atmosphere of the party room.

Wayman Construction Company, builders of the Speelmon addition, hope to complete work this week.

## Weather

IOWA — Partly cloudy, warmer extreme northeast, fair hot elsewhere Wednesday night. Thursday mostly fair and hot with chance of scattered afternoon thunder-showers northwest portion. Low Wednesday night in the 70s.

Cherokee Temperatures  
Wednesday

Maximum — 93 (For 24 hours)

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## **FIFTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Convened January 12, 1959

Adjourned May 7, 1959

**HERSCHEL C. LOVELESS, Governor**  
**EDWARD J. McMANUS, President of the Senate**  
**VERN LISLE, Speaker of the House**

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## FRED J. RITCHIE

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

Fred J. Ritchie was born February 12, 1879, son of John F. and Mary C. (Hoblit) Ritchie, and came to Cherokee county with his parents in 1882 where he subsequently resided. He died July 15, 1957, at the age of seventy-eight.

Mr. Ritchie was educated in the public schools of Cherokee county, attended Buena Vista College and took a course in business training at Sioux City, Iowa. He was a farmer, held various township offices, was a member of the school board in Marcus for twelve years, and was a Mason.

Mr. Ritchie married Mary Layton of Cherokee, Iowa, February 11, 1905. He was the father of one daughter, Lois D., and one son, Kenneth L.

Mr. Ritchie served three terms in the House of Representatives from 1939 through 1943 and was a State Senator from 1945 to 1949.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-Eighth General Assembly:* That in the passing of Fred J. Ritchie, the state of Iowa has lost a valuable and honorable citizen and by this resolution tenders its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his 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 directed to forward an enrolled copy to each member of the family of the deceased.

LAURENCE M. BOOTHBY,  
GEORGE L. SCOTT,  
X. T. PRENTIS,

*Committee.*

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

## LORIN B. SAYRE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Lorin B. Sayre, begs leave to submit the following:

Lorin B. Sayre was born at Marne, Cass County, Iowa October 16, 1882, son of Dr. Samuel N. and Lura Sayre. He passed away at Winterset on June 23, 1957.

He moved to St. Charles in 1883, spending his entire life, except for eleven years, in Madison County.

Mr. Sayre was graduated from St. Charles High School, received a degree from Des Moines University and did graduate work at the State University. He was a teacher and superintendent at St. Charles, Macksburg, Van Meter, Otho and Goldfield. From 1936 to 1948 he was superintendent of schools for Madison County. Senator Sayre spent thirty-three years in educational work and ten years in the general merchandise business.



You searched for **Fred J. Ritchie** in **Iowa**

### 1930 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Fred J Ritchie</b>	
Home in 1930:	<b>Marcus, Cherokee, Iowa</b>	
	<a href="#">View Map</a>	
Age:	<b>51</b>	
Estimated birth year:	<b>abt 1879</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Illinois</b>	
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>	
Spouse's name:	<b>Mary N Ritchie</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Occupation:		
Education:		
Military service:	<a href="#">View image</a>	
Rent/home value:		
Age at first marriage:		
Parents' birthplace:		
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>
	<a href="#">Fred J Ritchie</a>	<b>51</b>
	<a href="#">Mary N Ritchie</a>	<b>46</b>
	<a href="#">Lois W Ritchie</a>	<b>23</b>
	<a href="#">Keneth L Ritchie</a>	<b>18</b>
	<a href="#">James Wacey</a>	<b>27</b>

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#### Description:

Containing records for approximately 123 million Americans, the 1930 United States Federal Census is the largest census released to date and is the most recent census available for public access. 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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