

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Sjulin

Carl Oscar - Represented Mount and Pegele Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3 Mar 1890 Sherranbock, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Una Della Hines 22 Oct 1919 Hamburg, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Co-founder and president of Inter-State Nurseries with his brother Leslie in 1920; became a radio personality boosting products of his nurseries over the radio

B. Civic responsibilities American Legion; Mason

C. Profession Nurseryman; farmer; bred pure bred Belgian horses

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 48<sup>th</sup>, 49<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 51<sup>st</sup> General Assemblies 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945

6. Public Offices

A. Local Hamburg city councilman

B. State Member of the Iowa Association of Nurserymen

C. National Member of National Mail Order Association of Nurserymen

7. Death 29 Mar 1974 Hamburg, Iowa - buried Rose Hill Cemetery, Sherranbock, Iowa

8. Children David Sterling; Carl Dudley; Richard Paul

9. Names of parents John Ludwig and Alma (Orberg) Sjulin

## 10. Education

Educated in schools of Sherrard, Iowa  
 Iowa graduating in 1908

## 11. Degrees

University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, earning B.A. in 1913

## 12. Other applicable information

- Republican
- He came to Hamburg from Sherrard, Iowa in 1919
  - Military service - World War I - U.S. Army
  - In college he founded the Student Directory, owned the Daily Iowa College newspaper, managed the mens and women's glee clubs and was cadet major of the university cadet corps.
  - In 1919 he was a partner of his brother, Leslie, in the Hamburg Nurseries, Hamburg, Iowa
  - Beginning in 1931 he operated the Interstate Nurseries which included 8 nurseries and general farms of 1300 acres in Fremont and Page Counties, Iowa and Atchison County, Missouri
  - He became a radio personality in the 1930's as he hosted Inter-State Nurseries Products over several broadcast radio stations. He went by "Uncle Billy, the Nurseryman."



# Country Tub Thumping

BY JOHN FIELD

Something has gone wrong with my green thumbs this spring, and the results are such that it may become necessary to plant some commercial seedlings in the garden. And it would have to happen to me when garden plants will be the most expensive in history.

Father Frank would probably tell me that the seeds were not planted under the right moon sign -- and he may be correct -- almost a total crop failure on half a dozen items. The only seed that came back in abundance was marigolds, and those fool things would sprout on concrete.

For an example: A rather expensive tray of pre-planted "fertitubs" tomato seeds (all you do is add water and jump back) produced just six little tomato plants in a tray of 24 possibles. A flat of yellow tomato seeds (Yellow Globe, I think) produced just three sprouts. Bell Boy peppers were a complete crop failure.

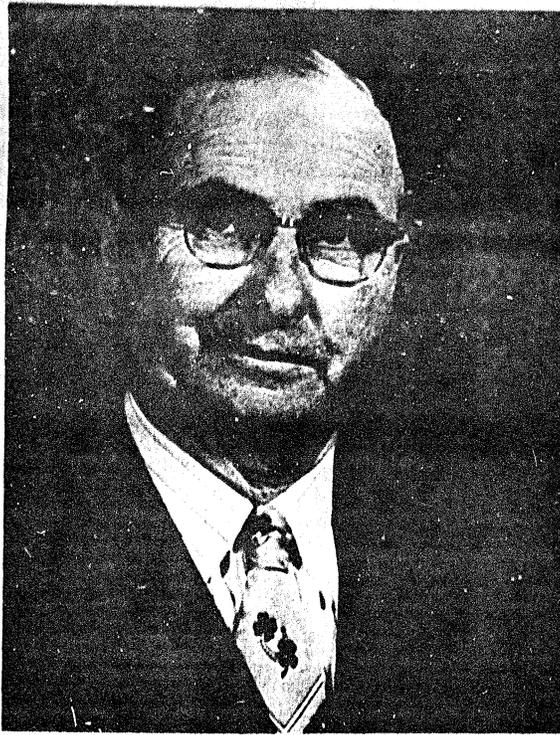
Another new idea, the seed tapes, did do better. Supposed to be a "better idea", most folks wouldn't call a dozen petunia seedlings from 48-inches of seed tape a great success. There's a new breed of outdoor bedding begonia with orange blossoms -- sounded great. Would you believe that a dollar packet of seed to date has produced just three visible plants?

I think they are all mad at me for going off to Spain after they were planted and not staying home to talk to them. Some of the most interesting studies underway in the plant world deal with the pros and cons of whether or not plants "understand". All I can tell you is that our orchid plants last year, while we were gone two months, did practically nothing, although given excellent care.

This January and February they were gorgeous, and in March even more spectacular. There have been at least 25 of the large purple corsage-type blooms from a half-dozen plants. Our big, beautiful, broad-leaved moth orchid has been blooming steadily since last November, and Sunday even topped itself when there were 23 separate blooms nodding from graceful stems. There's a little "cocktail" type orchid, bronze in color, that a month ago when we returned from Spain was covered with a dozen blooms. Since then another dozen have come out, and in all more than two dozen separate flowerings, far and away its best performance in years.

Why? Why because I told them all that they were loved and appreciated, handled with loving care, watered and talked to, and fussed over. Don't knock it, folks, something is surely working.

But the seedlings, ah ha! They never heard my voice, there was no one around to



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## Carl O. Sjulín burial at Shenandoah Mon.

Carl O. Sjulín, one of Hamburg's most influential businessmen and long-time southwest Iowa booster, died at Grape Community Hospital Fri., Mar. 29. The 84-year-old pioneer nurseryman had been in failing health for several months.

Co-founder and president of Inter-State Nurseries, Mr. Sjulín came to Hamburg in 1919 from Shenandoah after an active college career and tour with the Army in World War I. He was born at Shenandoah and attended schools there before entering the University of Iowa in 1913, where he founded the Student Directory, owned the Daily Iowan college newspaper still published, and managed the mens and womens glee clubs. In addition, he was cadet major of the university cadet corps.

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Always interested in promoting the company, he was instrumental in having a complete Inter-State Nurseries rose bed planted at the Chicago Worlds Fair in 1934, which was in full bloom when the Fair was at its height that summer.

It was widely acclaimed, and helped give the company its nation-wide reputation.

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He was a city councilman here for many years, and had been active in Methodist Church affairs until recent years, serving on the board of trustees.

Other memberships included Jerusalem Lodge 253 AF & AM, the Hamburg American Legion Post 156, the American Nurserymen's Assn., Iowa Nurserymen's Assn., and the National Mail Order Nursery Assn.

He was a substantial contributor to the original Grape Community Hospital building fund, and purchased for Tarkio College the present Mule Barn Theater and golf course area.

Survivors include his wife, Una; three sons, Sterling, Carl and Paul; three grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Sherman Tidball at the Hamburg Methodist Church at 2 p.m. Mon., Apr. 1. Interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Shenandoah. Johnson Funeral Home was in charge of services.

# The Hamburg



VOLUME 80 HAMBURG, IOWA

## 275 SPEED MAY REMAIN THE SAME

The City of Hamburg has won a partial, and perhaps temporary reprieve over speed limits along Highway 275.

Mayor Herman Solzman, after writing directly to Gov. Ray to protest higher speed limits along Washington and E Streets has been informed that for the time being, limits will be kept at 30 miles an hour, exactly as now posted.

Solzman said he has been informed by the Highway Dept. that if the city wants to maintain a 30-mile limit, it must be enforced. The number of arrests for speeding down Washington and along E will be checked by the state during the next few weeks--and if the number of speeders brought into court isn't increased, the speed limit itself will be increased to 35 mph.

Solzman says it is likely a radar unit will be brought in, if for no other reason than to check the accuracy of the state's speeding claims. The Highway Dept. says cars are now averaging well over 35 mph down the street, and the limits should be raised to meet what drivers are actually driving.

So beware, local residents, a crack-down on speeders is forthcoming.

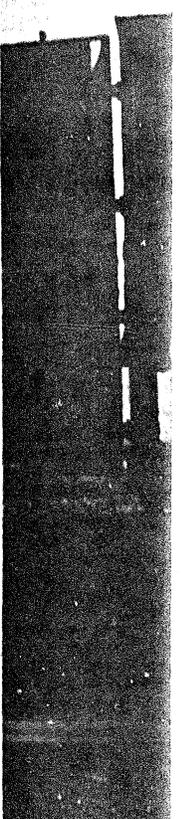
## TOP HONORS TO MUSIC STUDENTS

A new record may have been set by Hamburg High School music students this past weekend when they participated in the state music contest. Of 20 entries in the contest, 11 students received a No. 1 rating. Eight groups were awarded a No. 2 rating, and one entry received a No. 3 rating.

Awarded the highest rating were the girl's trio, Candy Bridgeford with a solo, boy's double quartet, miscellaneous woodwind group, Brian Beam with a solo, Tom Pierce and Kris Beattie in a duet, Susan Allis with a solo, sextet A, sextet B, Susan Allis and Kris Beattie with a duet, and Kris Beattie with a solo.

No. 2 ratings were given to Debbie Mitchell with a solo, the saxophone quartet, trombone quartet, Candy Bridgeford and Charlie Zanker with a duet, Jeff Nook with a solo, and South with a solo. Brian Johnson, solo, Teresa Doolley and Star Smith, duet. John Watton received a No. 3 on his trombone solo.

## Countdown

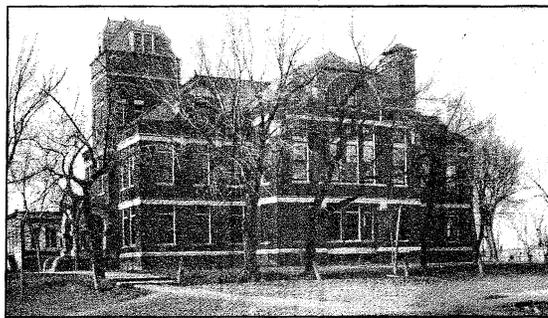


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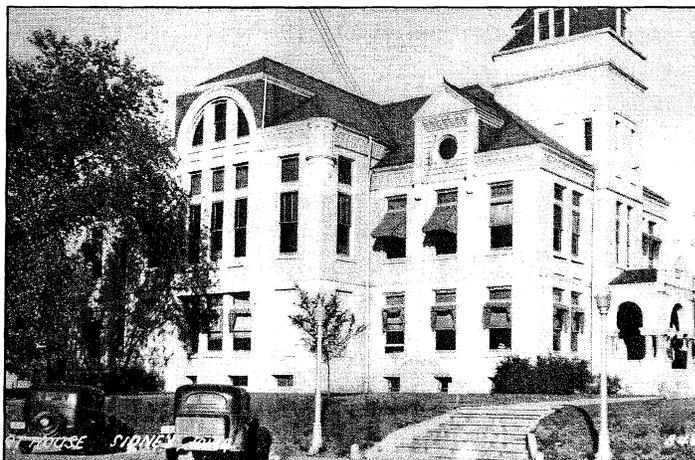
## Final sewer action

# FREMONT COUNTY IOWA



Top: Lightning struck high tower on this original building. Left: The courthouse before hitching chains were removed and there was no pavement. Above: Early courthouse photo. Below: Courthouse with paved roads. Photos courtesy of: Fremont County Historical Society and Robert and Evelyn Birkby.

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Written by:  
The People of  
Fremont County

## SJULIN NURSERIES, INC.

Hamburg, Iowa

Sjulin Nurseries was founded in 1985 as a partnership by Ted, Dick, Eric and Terry Sjulin. All were employees and/or owners of Inter-State Nurseries which went out of business that year. With the help of a generous loan from Iowa State Bank the partners were able to buy nursery stock in the field, some equipment and the storage building from the now defunct Inter-State Nurseries as these items were auctioned to satisfy the terms of the bankruptcy.

Sjulin Nurseries began as a grower and wholesaler of bare root deciduous ornamental shrubs. To this day (1995) we are still doing the same thing. The original partnership of four was incorporated and Dick's stock was bought out by the company in 1987.

In 1986, Sjulin Nurseries listed twenty varieties of ornamental shrubs, seventeen varieties of lilacs and seventeen varieties of flowering crabapples. Gross sales this year were \$114,000.

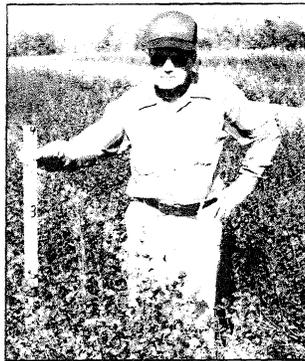
From 1987 through 1989 the number of varieties of shrubs offered increased to sixty-two. The annual volume of sales, however remained at less than \$150,000.

With more inventory finally coming out of the field by 1990, sales began to take off. Sales surpassed half a million dollars by 1994.

As of 1995, Sjulin Nurseries had dropped the crabapples but increased the shrub varieties to over two hundred. We sell to garden centers, nurseries and landscape companies north of the Mason-Dixon line from coast to coast. About 80% of our customers are in the upper Midwest from Denver to Chicago.

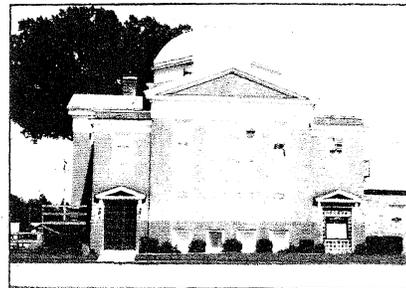
Most of our shrubs are grown in our field for two years. We dig them bare root in the fall for sale the following spring. Our customers receive our shrubs in early spring and plant them in pots for sale to their retail customers throughout the spring and summer.

We have six full time employees. Seasonal help ranges from another six to as many as thirty during early summer. With the passing of Ted Sjulin in July of 1995, the company is now controlled by Eric and Terry Sjulin.



Ted Sjulin of Sjulin Nurseries

## FARRAGUT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Methodism was introduced to Southwest Iowa in 1850-1854 by Samuel Farlow, a circuit rider who rode horseback over hills and swollen streams. The first Sunday School was held in a school house 2 1/2 miles Southeast of Farragut. Church services were held every two weeks at the C.B. & Q. Railroad Depot. Lumber for seats was borrowed from Sam Chandler.

Rev. W.A. Wiseman was the first pastor when Farragut was voted into the Circuit in 1876. Zack Coy gave \$25.00 to start a building fund for a new church in 1887. The Methodist Episcopal Church was built costing \$2100.00 (a balance of \$592.00 was collected at the dedication). A new parsonage was built in 1879 with Rev. Wiseman as the first occupant.

Ladies "Methodist Mite" Society was organized in 1878. Mush and milk suppers were held to raise money for chandeliers.

As the congregation grew the building became too small. In June 1918 a church was built. Rev. Roy Harvey was the Pastor in charge at the time. The Farragut Methodist Church was dedicated at a cost of \$18,077.00. The parsonage was built in 1919 with Rev. Harvey being the first occupant (over 400 people attending the dedication).

Through the efforts of Pastor John C. Turner (1935-38), and much research and study, a 60th Anniversary Book was published.

In 1946 the W.S.C.S. Women's group served lunches at the Sidney Rodeo. Mildred Warner and Dorothy Yates directed the project with a profit of \$1,341.00.

Many memorials have been given to the church: stained glass windows, altar sets, piano, reredos and cross, altar, oak railing, oak doors, sanctuary lights, kitchen stoves, ramp and many other items. In 1947 a Hammond Organ was given by Mr. & Mrs. W.T. Lorimor in memory of their son, Captain Fred Lorimor, Jr. Organ chimes were given in memory of Donn Troxel by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. O.F. Troxel. A permanent Missionary fund was given by Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Cox in memory of Richard Cox, killed in World War II in Burma (1942). The amplifying system was given in memory of Dwight McMahon, who lost his life in Korea, by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Hal McMahon.

In 1958 an ordination service for Rev. George Yetter was held by Bishop G. Insley.

Faith Parish was formed in 1968; Farragut, Riverton, Locust Grove, Summit and Madison. Madison had been in the Farragut Circuit since 1906 and was in Faith Parish for one year when it closed in 1969.

A Church parking lot was given in memory of wife, Nellie L. Cox and son, Alvin Wayne by Smith Cox.

The 100th Anniversary was observed with Reverends Réginald and Karen Merrill, co-pastors, and District Superintendent Leroy Moore as speaker. The corner stone was opened by Reg Merrill, Jack Hodges, Don and Dennis James. The contents were: document records, pictures, small American flag, and arm band. It was replaced with records and pictures.

In 1987 forty acres of land was given to the church to be used for ministerial purposes in memory of a devoted lifetime member, Smith Cox.

The Church has been blessed by many dedicated persons. Mr. & Mrs. Newt Beezly, custodians for over 25 years; Mr. & Mrs. Harold Penwell, both teachers in public school, loved the church and community and will always be remembered.

Bernice Herriman, who has been a member since 1919 and has served as our church organist for over 70 years and continues to serve when needed.

II Timothy 3:15, God will say, "Well done good and faithful servant."

Fifty eight ministers have served the Church during the years.

Duane Churchman answered the call to the ministry and was ordained in the Iowa Methodist Conference.

Several students have served our Parish while preparing for the ministry during their seminary training.

Pastor Carl Corrie passed away during his term in 1942. Pastor Wayne Willcoxson passed away while serving Faith Parish in 1991.

We have come to where we are because of God's guidance, our ancestors, and the present leaders who believe in His teachings.

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will be faithful and strive to further God's Kingdom for years to come.

Submitted by the Memorial Committee of the First United Methodist Church, Farragut, Iowa

## STONER DRUG CO.

Hamburg, Tabor, Rock Port, MO and Villisca, IA.  
-1896 to 1996-

Serving you our first 100 years

Crosby Stoner, the youngest of 17 children of John Stoner founded Stoner Drug in the year 1896. For the first 20 years, daughter Sade, along with various family members and pharmacists, operated the business.

In 1916, Ralph Stoner became owner and operator of the business and remained active until the time of his death in 1975.

In 1961, Marvin and Mary Helen (Stoner) Voltertsen purchased the store. Marvin began duties with the firm in 1947. The store was moved from the original location to larger quarters in 1956 to the present location. The 1929 soda fountain became part of the new location and is still in operation today.

At this writing, STONER DRUG is a closely held corporation presently operating six drug stores in various locations.

Plans are being made for a Centennial celebration in 1996.



SIXTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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Leon M. Miller was born July 3, 1905, in Knoxville, Iowa, and spent his entire life in Knoxville.

He attended Iowa Wesleyan College and was a graduate of Drake University Law School. He was a member of the IOOF Lodge No. 90 of Knoxville, Oriental Lodge No. 61 AF and AM, all Masonic orders including the Za-Ga-Zig Shrine of Des Moines and the Marion County Shrine Club.

Mr. Miller served as an Iowa Senator representing Marion and Monroe Counties during the Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth General Assemblies, and was Iowa State Tax Commissioner from July 1, 1955 to July 1, 1961.

Mr. Miller passed away on March 31, 1974. He is survived by his wife, Esther; two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Youngberg of West Des Moines and Mrs. Eleanor Ogden of Northfield, Minnesota; and five grandchildren.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-fifth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Leon M. Miller, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the Senate by this resolution would express its appreciation of his services to his community, state and nation and tender its sympathy and kindest regards to the members of his family.

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

BASS VAN GILST, Chairman  
 EUGENE M. HILL  
 RICHARD R. RAMSEY  
 Committee

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

CARL O. SJULIN

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Carl O. Sjulín, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

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

CALVIN O. HULTMAN, Chairman

JAMES E. BRILES

JAMES F. SCHABEN

Committee

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

#### CHARLES S. VAN EATON

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Charles S. Van Eaton, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Charles S. Van Eaton was born August 10, 1889, in Tacoma, Washington, and moved to Iowa three years later. He spent his boyhood in Iowa and western Canada.

He was graduated from Iowa Business College in Council Bluffs in 1908 and from Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa in 1911.

Mr. Van Eaton was elected to the Iowa General Assembly in 1943 and served two terms in the House of Representatives and three terms in the Senate.

He was one of the founders of the Iowa Development Commission, serving on its board of directors for eight years. He worked for and gained passage of Iowa's Revenue Bond Bill permitting cities and towns to issue revenue bonds to industries deciding to locate in the state.

Mr. Van Eaton came to be known throughout the state as "Mr. Toll Road" for his promotion in the legislature of a toll road across Iowa.



You searched for **Carl O. Sjulín** in **Iowa**

### 1910 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Carl O Sjulín</b> <b>[Carl C Spulín]</b>	
Age in 1910:	<b>20</b>	
Estimated birth year:	<b>abt 1890</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Student</b>	
Father's Birth Place:	<b>Sweden</b>	
Mother's Birth Place:	<b>Sweden</b>	
Home in 1910:	<b>Shenandoah Ward 3, Page, Iowa</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Single</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">Addie A Shultz</a>	<b>46</b>
	<a href="#">Jesse Shultz</a>	<b>25</b>
	<a href="#">Carl O Sjulín</a>	<b>20</b>
	<a href="#">Leslie R Sjulín</a>	<b>18</b>
	<a href="#">Roy Tond</a>	<b>19</b>

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# Individual Record

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**Carl Oscar SJULIN (AFN: 875J-0G)****Sex:** M

Pedigree

Family

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**Event(s)****Birth:** 3 Mar 1890

&lt;Hamburg, , Ia&gt;

**Death:** 1974Hamburg, Fremont, Ia

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**Parents**

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**Marriage(s)****Spouse:** Una Dilla HINES (AFN: 8258-9K)

Family

**Marriage:** 22 Oct 1919

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