Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Findlay, Charles V. Senator Findlay, Charles V.

Represented Calhoun and Webster Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 12 Sept 1866 Pawpaw, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mabel Southwick 29 June 1899

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business President of Iowa College in Fort Dodge 1900-1931; president of the Iowa State Library Association 1928;

B. Civic responsibilities Mason;

C. Profession Farm owner; teacher; college president

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 37th 38th General Assemblies 1917, 1919 - House of Representatives
49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd General Assemblies 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947 - Senate

6. Public Offices

A. Local Fort Dodge mayor 10 years; Webster County superintendent of schools 1892-1900; board of trustees of Fort Dodge Public Library and president 1903-1950

B. State

C. National

7. Death 3 Mar 1951 Fort Dodge, Iowa; buried Otho Cemetery, Otho, Iowa

8. Children James Bradley; Maurice Southwick (preceded his father in death)

9. Names of parents James A. and Olive J. (Hodgson) Findlay

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Findlay, Charles V.

10. Education Educated in schools of Clay and Webster counties

11. Degrees Graduate of Highland Park College in Des Moines, Iowa BA in 1891 and MA in 1898

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He came to Iowa with his parents in 1870 in a covered wagon.
- The Findlays homesteaded in Clay County, Iowa and moved to Hancock County in 1877
- He taught in rural schools in and near Kalo in Webster County for several years.
- After marriage he and his wife both taught at Johns College in Fort Dodge
- He was editor and publisher of a typebook - "Parliamentary Law Made Easy".

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Findlay, Charles V.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

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for Sioux City where he will visit his brother, Harley Farnham, superintendent of the Sioux City district of the Methodist church.

Call Off Strike In 31 Plants Of General Electric

NEW YORK, (AP) —Leaders of the CIO Electrical Workers Union Sunday called off a threatened strike against 31 plants of the General Electric company.

The action was taken at a closed meeting attended by 165 members of the union's General Electric conference board. No strike date had been set.

The strike was averted, a union spokesman said, because of modification of the government's wage freeze of Jan. 25. The modification, authorized by Economic Stabilization Administrator Eric Johnston, permits cost of living wage increases provided in escalator clauses of contracts written before the freeze.

The CIO union threatened to pull its 68,000 members off their G-E jobs if the escalator increases were outlawed. The present contract was written last September 15.

The contract permits increases of from nine to 10 cents an hour—effective March 15—on the basis of a cost-of-living formula agreed upon by the company and the union, a union spokesman said.

In a statement issued Saturday, Lemuel R. Boulware, vice president in charge of G-E's employe relations, said that the company "will live up to any contract as long as we are allowed to do so."

WRIGHT SPELLING WINNER

CLARION, Ia., —Bonnie Abbas of the Belmond independent school district Saturday won the Wright county spelling bee for the second consecutive year. Her teacher is Mrs. Duane Sandage. The Clarion Lions club awarded cash prizes to winners in the contest.

C. V. Findlay, 84, Long Prominent in Community, Dies

C. V. FINDLAY

Charles V. Findlay, 84, one of the best known of Fort Dodge's citizens, died Saturday afternoon at Mercy hospital where he had been a medical patient for nearly a year.

A former mayor of Fort Dodge, Iowa state representative and senator, Mr. Findlay had long been prominent in the fields of education and politics in the state of Iowa.

Surviving him are his wife, a son, Dr. James Franklin Findlay, president of Drury college at Springfield, Mo., and two grandchildren, Mrs. G. T. Odom Jr. of Norman, Okla. and J. F. Findlay Jr., of Springfield. A brother, J. L. Findlay of Anaheim, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. J. A. Bargar of Lakota, Ia.; a nephew, Raymond Findlay of Otho; and a niece, Miss Eleanor Findlay also survive.

One son, Maurice Southwick Findlay, preceded him in death, as did his parents, the late James A. and Olive F. Goodyear Findlay, and one brother.

gregational church of Fort Dodge, and served as a deacon of the church. His leadership as a churchman was recognized by the Congregational Christian conference of Iowa with his election in 1931 as moderator of the state group.

Active in Community

His community activities have been many.

In 1903 he became a member of the board of trustees of the Fort Dodge public library. He served as president of the board from June 15, 1911, until August of 1950 when he resigned because of ill health.

A member of the Iowa State Library association, he served as president of that group in 1928.

For many years a member of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. here, he was also on the board of directors of the Fort Dodge Chamber of Commerce. He spent several terms as a member of the local Boy Scout council.

Mr. Findlay also belonged to Ashlar Masonic lodge, Delta chapter of Royal Arch Masons ,and Calvary Commandery of Knights Templar.

A farm owner, Mr. Findlay had a great deal of interest in agriculture and his hobbies included gardening and outdoor sports.

Iowan Recalls Experiences of Pioneer Period

SIOUX CITY, Ia.— (AP)— Being kidnaped by Indians is only one of the rugged experiences that happened to Mrs. Anna Straw.

The 74-year-old pioneer woman doesn't remember being kidnapped. She was only seven weeks old at the time.

But she does remember vividly warding off with a corn knife Winnebago Indians who wanted to steal her horses when she was traveling from southern Minnesota to Sioux City several years later.

And before she left Minnesota, a big wind demolished the little house she had just completed for herself and her four small children.

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Catch Convict Who Tunneled To Liberty

BALTIMORE, (AP) —Police investigating a hoodlum-type street robbery Saturday night recaptured Joseph Holmes, sensational escape artist who burrowed his way out of the Maryland penitentiary 13 days ago.

The 39-year-old Negro was subdued by a detective sergeant after a four-block chase in which several shots were fired.

He was hustled off to police headquarters, where top officials gathered to hear him describe how he made his way to freedom Feb. 18 through a 70-foot tunnel.

At that time Warden Edwin T. Swenson termed it "the most fantastic escape I've ever heard of."

[illegible] said Holmes, working with th[illegible]atience of a beaver and skill of an experienced engineer, had dug a passageway from his cell to a grassy plot beyond the prison wall.

From there it was a short hop over an iron rail fence to an East Baltimore street and liberty.

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WOI-Television

MONDAY, MARCH 5

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1:30—First 100 Years, with Jimmy Lydon; CBS
1:45—Winner Take All, with Barry Gray; CBS
2:30—Test Pattern; local
3:00—Kate Smith Hour; NBC
4:00—NBC Comics; NBC
4:15—[illegible]ack Wagon Playhouse [illegible]th Bob Dixon; CBS
5:00—[illegible]on Corbett, Space Cadet; local
5:15—Gabby Hayes; NBC
5:30—Kukla, Fran and Ollie; NBC
6:00—Captain Video; Dumont
6:30—Let's Look at America; local
6:45—WOI Tele News Reel; local
7:00—To Be Announced
7:30—[illegible] Stevens; NBC
8:00—[illegible]
8:30—The Victor Borge Show; NBC
9:00—Starlight [illegible]

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Funeral Monday

Funeral services were at 2:30 p. m., Monday at the First Congregational church. The Rev. H. Lee Jacobs, pastor of the church, officiated.

The body was at the Wilder-Bruce funeral home until the time of the service. The casket was closed during and following the rites. Burial was in the Otho cemetery.

Born at Pawpaw, Ill., on Sept. 12, 1866, Mr. Findlay came to Iowa with his parents in 1870 in a covered wagon drawn by a yoke of oxen.

Here Since 1877

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He was graduated from Highland Park college in Des Moines in 1891 with a bachelor of science degree. In 1898 he received his master's degree.

Mr. Findlay was Webster county superintendent of schools from 1892 until 1900 when he became president of Tobin college in Fort Dodge. He served in that capacity until 1931.

He was married on June 29, 1899, to Miss Mabel Southwick of Lake Mills, whom he met while both were students at Highland Park college

Following [illegible]ding trip to California the couple took up residence in an apartment at Tobin college where both taught classes. Hundreds of young men and women from northwest Iowa farms and communities were pupils of the Findlays at the college.

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Mrs. Straw was born on a farm near Wilber, Neb. She was lying in a crib in the yard of their farm home one day while her mother was working indoors. Her father was in the fields.

An Indian galloped into the yard, snatched the baby from the crib and rode swiftly away.

The frantic mother summoned her husband. Neighbors formed a posse which combed the countryside for the child.

Two days later the posse came upon the Indian kidnaper. He had hidden the baby Anna in the woods.

For a ransom of 100 pounds of flour, some wheat and bread and a promise that there would be no reprisals, the Indian led the posse to the child. She was unhurt and lay safely cradled in a hollow log.

As a girl, Mrs. Straw often did farm work. It stood her in good stead after she married and her husband got sick.

When her family numbered three boys and a girl, Mrs. Straw's husband died. She put her family into a covered wagon and traveled to Pipestone, Minn., where she expected to take up a homestead.

The family could find no place to live and so stayed in the wagon Mrs. Straw worked in the fields in summer and at cooking jobs in winter.

Blown Away

She managed to save $50 and bought a "little tumbledown shack and a half acre of ground" and fixed up the shack in her spare time.

"I just got it finished when a Minnesota hurricane spread it all over the state," she said.

That was when she headed for Sioux City. Some Indians tried to take her horses, but she defended the stock with her corn knife.

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7:30—Rise Stevens; NBC
8:00—Mama, with Peggy Wood; CBS
8:30—The Victor Borge Show; NBC
9:00—Studio One, One Pair of Hands; CBS
10:00—At Home Show with Earl Wrightson; CBS
10:15—John Conte's Little Show with the Honeydreamers; NBC
10:30—The Showroom with Roberta Quinlan; NBC
10:45—Perry Como Show with Fontane Sisters; CBS
11:00—Sign Off

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

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1:00—Test Pattern; local
1:30—First 100 Years, with Jimmy Lydon; CBS
1:45—Winner Take All, with Barry Gray; CBS
2:15—Bride and Groom, with John Nelson; CBS
2:30—Test Pattern; local
3:00—Kate Smith Hour; NBC
4:00—NBC Comics; NBC
4:15—Chuck Wagon Playhouse with Bob Dixon; CBS
5:00—Test Pattern; local
5:30—Super Circus; local
6:00—Captain Video; local
[illegible]—Medical Society Program; local
WOI Tele News Reel; local
Milton Berle; NBC
[illegible]—Cavalcade of Bands, Claude Thornhill; Dumont
8:30—Original Amateur Hour with Ted Mack; NBC
10:00—Film Playhouse, "Drums"; local
11:30—Sign Off

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A special inspection made of the plane showed there was no structural damage and both the pilot and the airline dispatcher agreed that the flight should take off for Sioux City, he said.

The plane was near the end of its landing roll when it veered off the runway and then returned to the landing strip, Blackstock said.

The weather, though unpleasant, was above minimum requirements both at Omaha and Sioux City.

Meanwhile federal authorities had begun a full scale investigation into the fatal crash, the worst in Iowa's history.

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