

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Norland, Norman Senator _____

Represented North County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 26 Feb 1888 Sumner, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Alta Berdina Brunsvold 23 June 1918 Keosauqua, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Educator; farmer

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947, 1949, 1951

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 15 Sept 1952 Mason City, Iowa

8. Children Robert; Donald Richard; Phillip Norman; Ruth Kathryn;
Lowell E.

9. Names of parents Nels and Rachel Norlands

Norland, Norman

10. Education Attended several schools in his local neighborhood

11. Degrees Graduate of Waldorf College, Forest City, Iowa in 1911;
He later attended St. Alex. College, Northfield, Minnesota and Iowa
State College, Ames, Iowa, graduating in 1916

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He moved with his parents to Palo Alto County, Iowa in 1891
and Cylinder, Iowa became his boyhood home.
- For a time he taught school at Blair, Nebraska, Spirit Lake,
Iowa and was school superintendent at Laurens, Iowa for
12 years.
- He bought a farm near Kensett, Iowa in 1932
- He moved from Kensett, Iowa in April 1952 to Mason City, Iowa
where he died

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known as "CRASH" construction. Because the advance engineering essential to enlightened estimates of cost couldn't be arranged, for lack of time, the construction had to be on a cost-plus basis.

It's Always Expensive

Anybody, of course, who ever had anything to do with cost-plus operations knows it to be the most expensive way ever devised for doing anything. Because the profit is figured on the gross, there's a hand-engraved invitation to see that the gross is as large as possible. That's just too much of a strain to place on mortal man.

To hedge against the calculated dangers of this course, the Defense Department entered into an arrangement with five great building firms of demonstrated ability and integrity. They ranged from the Carolinas and Virginias in the East to Idaho on the West. One of the five, Bates & Rogers, was from Chicago. All had the best of reputation.

These firms were joined under the name of Atlas Constructors, Inc., prompted by the Atlas mountains, visible in the background from all five of the Moroccan installations. Supervising the operation was the U.S. Corps of Engineers, with the District Engineer approving every purchase order.

With each of the five bases there had to be a sizable city with all the facilities, for housing those stationed there. There are 125 miles of streets and some 50 miles of railway tracks to carry supplies in the vast amounts needed. On a single base, warehousing alone requires a plot of ground about the size of the Pentagon Building's site in Washington.

150 Miles of Paving

It's a reflection of the enormity of the project that the paving for the completed runways—some of them as much as 11,000 feet long—is equivalent to that in 150 miles of Pennsylvania Turnpike construction. French airports already constructed couldn't be used because of their utter inadequacy for giant bombing planes.

Two of the five bases are now completed and in use. One is nearing completion and two others are

our necks. We're in a mood to recognize and regret our fiscal follies—and perhaps even to find a goat we can blame for them!

N. Norland, 64, Dies Suddenly Was Representative of Worth 10 Years

Norman Norland, 64, democratic representative from Worth County for five sessions of the state legislature, died suddenly at his home, 1113 Third S. W., at 6:45 a. m. Monday.

He had served 10 years in the state legislature, but did not run this year because of failing health. He moved to Mason City from Kensett in April, and had made his home here during the summer.

Mr. Norland was born at Dunbar, Feb. 26, 1888, the son of Nels and Rachel Norland. They moved to Palo Alto County in 1891, and Cylinder became his boyhood home.

He attended rural school and was graduated from Waldorf Lutheran College, Forest City, in 1911. After teaching rural school, he attended St. Olaf College at Northfield, Minn., and Iowa State College, Ames, where he was graduated in 1916.

For a time he taught school at Blair, Nebr., and Spirit Lake, and served for 12 years as superintendent of schools at Laurens. He purchased a farm near Kensett in 1922, and later operated it.

Surviving are his wife, Aletta, and four sons, Robert, radar technician at Broadstairs, Eng., Donald, Washington, D. C., Philip, Des Moines, and Lowell, Kensett, and a daughter, Miss Ruth Norland, who teaches in the Northwood schools, and two grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete. Connor's Funeral Home at Northwood is in charge.

Power Co. Officer
Roscoe Taylor Dies

Dr. Malone
... (2:45 p. m.) An understanding police officer tries to help Sam get his deep feeling of remorse over Anne's fatal accident on Procter and Gamble's, "Young Dr. Malone" serial.

Monday P. M.

- 5:00 News and Markets, Doughboy
- 5:15 Clear Lake Show
- 5:30 Curt Massey, Alka-Seltzer, CBS
- 5:45 Lowell Thomas, Procter & Gamble
- 6:00 News, F. G. & E. (Minshall)
- 6:15 Jack Smith, Procter & Gamble
- 6:30 Club 15, Campbells Soups
- 6:45 Edward E. Murrow, Hamm's, C
- 7:00 Suspense, Autolite
- 7:30 Talent Scouts, Lipton, CBS
- 8:00 Lux Radio Theater, Lever Bros.
- 8:00 Bob Hawk Show, Camels
- 9:30 Bob Trout, News, Ford
- 9:35 Chuck Foster, CBS
- 10:00 News, First National Bank
- 10:15 Sports Camera, Globe-Gazette
- 10:30 Beniah, Procter & Gamble
- 10:45 This I Believe
- 10:50 Evening Serenade
- 10:55 It Happens Every Day, Toal
- 11:00 News, CBS
- 11:15 Dance Bands, CBS
- 12:00 Sign Off

Tuesday A. M.

- 5:30 Morning Rouser
- 5:35 News (Tenney)
- 6:00 Keystone Wire
- 6:15 Foxbill Serenade, Foxbill Dealers
- 6:30 Farm Reporter, State Brand
- 6:45 News, Mid-Continent Petroleum
- 7:00 Johnny Lee Willis, Gen. Mills Farm
- 7:15 Musical Clock
- 7:30 News, Cashway Lumber Co.
- 7:35 Checkerboard Almanac, Purina
- 7:45 Keep Time With Damon's
- 8:15 Holsum Headlines, Holsum Bread
- 8:30 Yesterday's Music, Cool Spring
- 8:40 Mystery Melody, M. C. Merchant
- 9:00 Bible Broadcast, Radio Chapel
- 9:15 Today in Osgo, Osgo Merchants
- 10:00 News, Jacob E. Decker & Sons
- 10:15 Waltz Time
- 10:30 Grand Slam, Wonder Bread, CBS
- 10:45 Hometown News, Stiles
- 11:00 Wendy Warren, Gen. Foods, CBS
- 11:15 Doug Sherwin Show, Borden's
- 11:30 Helen Trent, Am. Home Products
- 11:45 Our Gal Sunday, Am. Home P
- 12:00 Markets

Tuesday P. M.

- 12:05 The Man on the Street, Fritchard
- 12:15 Musical Varieties
- 12:30 News, North Iowa Co-ops
- 12:45 South St. Paul Institute
- 1:00 Second Mrs. Burton, General Wo
- 1:15 Ferry Mason, Tide, CBS
- 1:30 This is Nora Drake, Seaman Bro
- 1:45 The Brighter Day, Cheer, CBS
- 2:00 Hilltop House, Miles Lal., CBS
- 2:15 House Party, Pillsbury, CBS
- 2:30 House Party, Lever Bros., CBS
- 2:45 Dr. Malone, Crisco, CBS
- 3:00 Arthur Godfrey, CBS
- 4:30 Chapel of the Air, Rev. J. D. Jo
- 4:45 Ma Perkins, Gyrdel, CBS

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MBS—DIAL 1490
Program List:
6:40 a.m.—11:55 a.m.—4:55 p.m.

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of the
FIFTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Convened January 12, 1953

Adjourned April 29, 1953

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LEO ELTHON, President of the Senate
WILLIAM S. LYNES, Speaker of the House

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County Mutual Fire Insurance Company and also served on the cemetery board. He was a member of A.F. & A.M. and I.O.O.F.

In 1912 he was married to Mary E. Taylor of Lucas county and to this union were born a son and daughter.

Mr. Newsome served the state of Iowa as a Representative in the Fiftieth and the Fiftieth Extra General Assemblies, and was sent to the Fifty-first and Fifty-second General Assemblies as Senator from the Fourth District.

He is survived by his wife; son, Wright, and a daughter, now Mrs. Margaret Newsome Crawford. He is also survived by five grandchildren.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fifth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable James A. Newsome, the people of Lucas county and of the entire state of Iowa have sustained a great loss and the House expresses its appreciation of his character and public service and tenders, by this resolution, its sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his beloved family in their great sorrow and loss.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

RAYMOND T. PIM,
GUS T. KUESTER,
DEWEY GOODE,

Committee.

NORMAN NORLAND

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Norman Norland, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

The Honorable Norman Norland was born February 26, 1888, at Dunbar, Iowa, the son of Nels and Rachel Norland. He died September 15, 1952, in his home at Mason City, Iowa, at the age of 64 years.

He attended rural school at Waldorf Lutheran College, graduating in 1911. He later attended St. Olaf College at Northfield, Minnesota, and Iowa State College, graduating in 1916.

He taught in the schools of Blair, Nebraska, and Spirit Lake, Iowa, and served for twelve years as superintendent of schools at Laurens, Iowa.

On January 23, 1918, Mr. Norland was united in marriage to Miss Aletta Brunsvold of Kensett, Iowa. To this union were born five children: Robert of Broadstairs, England; Donald of Rabat, French Morocco; Phillip of Des Moines; Ruth of Northwood, Iowa; and Lowell of Kensett, Iowa.

In 1922, Mr. Norland purchased a farm near Kensett, and had operated it since 1926.

He ran for Representative from Worth County in 1940, and was eliminated in an election contest. He was elected to the House of Representatives from Worth County in 1942, and served in the Fiftieth, Fiftieth Extra, Fifty-first, Fifty-second, Fifty-second Extra, Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth sessions of the General Assembly. In politics, he was a Democrat. He was always interested in problems concerning education, agriculture and the state's general welfare.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fifth General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of the Honorable Norman Norland, the state has lost a valued and honored citizen, and the House would tender 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 upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

W. R. CHRISTIANSEN,
W. H. TATE,
J. HENRY LUCKEN,
Committee.

JOHN G. ODDEN

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable John G. Odden, begs to submit the following memorial:

John G. Odden was born on a farm in Winnebago County, December 11, 1878, and died January 12, 1953, at the age of 74 years. He was the son of Karen and Aanon J. Odden. He attended school in Lake Mills, Iowa, and later attended St. Ansgar seminary. Subsequently he moved to North Dakota, where he served for six years as a County Auditor before he returned to Lake Mills.

On August 19, 1926, he was married to Anna Johnson at Salem Lutheran Church in Lake Mills. The couple moved to Forest City that year, following Mr. Odden's election to the office of County Treasurer, and remained there for the next 10 years, as long as he held that post.



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WORTH COUNTY HERITAGE 1853 - 1976



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Minnie Johnson reported in 1946 that "with regret, we learned that the returning soldiers we thought would run for county offices — took jobs elsewhere — no seekers at this time to go on the ticket."

A count of the names in the secretary's record book showed a total of 361 active Democrats since 1944. They were lead by the following office holders in the Worth County Democratic Central Committee:

Chairman — Walter A. Wagner 1944-46; W. E. Connors 1946-54; Olger Tenold 1954-62; Lowell Norland 1962-66; Richard Holstad 1966-70; Robert Smith 1970-71; Dennis May 1971.

Vice Chairman — Ruth Carey 1944-46; DeEtta Peterson 1946-54; Ola Randall 1954-60; Lois Reinsmoen 1960-66; Norma Smith 1966-71; Gaylis Tenold 1971-74; Donald Bork 1974.

Secretary — Minnie Johnson 1944-46; Ruth Carey 1946-58; Lois Reinsmoen 1958-60; Nan Garnas 1960-61; Daryl McCready 1962-66; Constance Ford 1966-68; Marcie Mueller 1968-; Rosemary Heneman 1974; Randy Wirtzes 1974-74; Julie Brunsvold 1974.

Treasurer — Wm. J. Mitchell 1944-44; John Tietz 1944-58; Lowell Norland 1958-62; Richard Holstad 1962-66; Richard Slattum 1966-74; Richard Tuttle 1974.

Since 1932, Worth County Democrats have successfully gained state and county offices. There have been seven county supervisors serving in all three supervisor districts, Art Doebel, Clarence Slattum, Harvy Bartz, Ralph Harris, Archie Bilyeu, Arnold Buechele, and Robert Smith. Harvey Gaarder has served consecutively as county recorder since 1934. Democrats who have served as county treasurer are Howard Erdmann, Harold Mueller and James Hanson. The office of sheriff has been held by Ansel Connors and Mike Leraaen. County Attorney positions have been filled by L. E. Plummer and Phil Norland.

The only state office held by Worth County Democrats was that of State Representative. Until the last term of Harold Mueller each county had its own representative. In 1964 Worth and Winnebago shared the same representative. This changed in 1972 when Worth was grouped with part of Cerro Gordo.

State Representatives — Paul I. D. Ostby 1933-34; Lewis Blattspieler 1935-36; Norman Norland 1942-50; Harold Mueller 1959-66; Lowell Norland 1973.

There were two attempts at the state ticket when L. E. Plummer, now a district judge, ran for Attorney General in 1954 and in 1956 ran in the Democratic primary against Hershel Loveless for the office of Governor.

Ruth Carey tells of the meeting in 1956 when W. W. (Woody) Hudson spoke briefly on a Plummer for Governor campaign. Some of the local democrats were enlisted to help "Larry in driving some of the long distances while on his speaking campaign. This was one of the finest Democratic meetings attended by close to 100 people ever held in the county."

In contrast was the successful campaign in 1974 of incumbent, Dale Schultz, for Union Township Trustee. In a time when local government was being minimized, Mr. Schultz appeared in parades, distributed campaign materials, and twice was mentioned in Flansberg's column

in the "Des Moines Register."

While the methods of campaigning have changed, the problems of running a political party have remained pretty much the same. Harvey Gaarder, County Recorder (1934), did most of his campaigning early in the morning at the local creameries. He shook hands and placed his cards on the cream can lids. Modern campaigns make more use of newspapers and television. Also computerized voter identification has produced a more effective mailing campaign and a system of poll watching for better party voting participation.

In 1974 voters in Worth county were required to register prior to voting in the next election. At the present time more county Democrats are registered than Republicans. It is a credit to the Worth County Democrats that the gains of the protest movement of the 30's have been sustained into the nation's bicentennial year. And it can be added that Worth County now has a healthy two-party system.

KENSETT CITIZENS IN GOVERNMENT

Kensett has had a small share in the formulation of the laws of our state, and in National foreign policy.



In 1932 Paul I. D. Ostby was elected State Representative from Worth county in the Democratic landslide of that year. He had been a resident of the state of Iowa but one year and seven months on the day of election. Mr. Ostby served in the 45th General and the 45th extra sessions of the House of Representatives.

Norman Norland was elected State Representative from Worth county on the Democratic ticket in 1940. He served one-half session, being unseated by a contest. He was re-elected and served in 1942, 1944, 1946, 1948, and 1950.

In 1973 Lowell Norland, son of Norman Norland, was elected State Representative from the 12th Congressional District, the district made up of Worth, and part of Cerro Gordo, and Winnebago counties. At this time he is continuing to serve in the Legislature.

Another member of the Norland family chose to serve his country in the field of International politics. In 1952, Donald Richard Norland joined the State Department, serving as a member of the Foreign Diplomatic Corps. He has served in the United States Embassy in The Hague, Netherlands; Rabat, Morocco; and Canakry, Guinea. He is presently with the State Department in Washington, D. C.



1930 United States Federal Census

Name: **Norman Norland**

Home in 1930: **Kensett, Worth, Iowa**
[View Map](#)

Age: **42**

Estimated Birth: **abt 1888**

Year:

Birthplace: **Iowa**

Relation to Head of House: **Head**

Spouse's Name: **Aletta Norland**

Race: **White**

Occupation:

Education:

Military service: [View image](#)

Rent/home value:

Age at first marriage:

Parents' birthplace:

Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Name	Age
Members: Norman Norland	42
Aletta Norland	36
Robert Norland	8
Donald Norland	5
Phillip Norland	3
	11/12
Ruth Norland	1
	4/12

Source Citation: Year: 1930; Census Place: *Kensett, Worth, Iowa*; Roll: 691; Page: 3B; Enumeration District: 15; Image: 410.0.

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:

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...](#)