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Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Berg, John Peter – Represented Black Hawk and Grundy counties

1. Birthday and place 10 Jul 1888 Savannah, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place

Edith Schuneman 6 Oct 1920 Cedar Falls, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a member of the Iowa and National Pharmacy Associations; Independent Merchants Association; National Academy of Political Science; Retailers Association

B. Civic responsibilities Chamber of Commerce; Rotary; American Legion; Elks; Mason; Cedar Valley Fair Association; Shriner

C. Profession Pharmacist

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th General Assemblies 1935, 1937, 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1953

6. Public Offices

A. Local

B. State

C. National

7. Death 15 Oct 1965 Marshalltown, Iowa

8. Children John Richard; Phillip

9. Names of parents Peter J. and Ida (Dahl) Berg

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Berg, John Peter

10. Education Attended public schools in Cedar Falls, Iowa graduating in 1906

11. Degrees Graduate of Bebcock School of Pharmacy, Des Moines, Iowa; Attended State College of Iowa, 1907

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He founded two drug stores in Cedar Falls with his brother, Anton Berg. He was active in this business until 5 years before his death.
- His family moved to Cedar Falls when he was a boy.
- At first after graduating from pharmaceutical school, he worked as a pharmacist in Waterloo and later got his own stores at Parkersburg.
- Military service – World War I – 88th Division, 349th Infantry, Medical Detachment

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Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- Obituary - The Daily Record, Cedar Falls, Iowa, Mon. Oct. 18, 1965, p. 1, col. 9			
- Iowa Press Association of Who's Who in 1945 p. 93			
- Iowa Official Register 1953-1954, p. 42			

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to yield the right of way after the car she was driving collided with one driven by David Newton Parks, Rockwell, Friday afternoon at the intersection of 27th and Walnut streets. Damage to the Parks car was put at $200 while the Pierpont car had $125 damage.

Jerry Dean Dietrick, New Hartford, was treated at the scene for minor injuries after the car he was driving went out of control and crashed Sunday night near the city limits on West 1st street.

Dietrick told police the steering mechanism of his car broke, sending it into a ditch and against a utility pole. The vehicle received $275 damage.

2 Charges Against Waterloo Man

Police are holding Eldon Paul Nolting, Waterloo, in the city jail under $1,000 bond on charges of consuming beer on a public highway and carrying a concealed weapon after he was arrested by Iowa Highway Patrol officers yesterday.

Nolting and two other Waterloo men, Frank Orvill Webster and Richard Louis Schmitt, were apprehended north of Waterloo.

Webster was charged with possession of beer as a minor, and making beer available to a minor, while Schmitt was charged with consuming beer as a minor.

Nolting appeared in municipal court today and asked that his case be continued. Judge Forest Eastman set a preliminary hearing for Oct. 27.

Webster pled guilty to both charges filed against him and received 10 day suspended jail sentence and a $53 fine.

Schmitt has not appeared in court yet.

Nicholas Zubak, reported to police that four cases of beer were stolen from the back room of his tavern at 406 Main, sometime between Oct. 11 and Oct. 15. He said the value of the beer was about $16.

Mental Health Association Is Being Formed

The number one health problem in America today is that of mental and emotional illness. A group of concerned citizens of Black Hawk county are forming a local Association for Mental Health and are holding a meeting Tuesday evening to become organized. The purpose is to acquaint the public with the problem of mental illness, to promote research, and to further the treatment of the mentally ill.

William Scully, Waterloo, is serving as temporary chairman and Mrs. Henry Cutler, Waterloo, as the temporary secretary. The group is taking steps to become affiliated with the Iowa Association for Mental Health. A preliminary meeting was held with approximately 50 persons indicating interest in such a group.

An invitation is extended to anyone interested in the problems of mental health to attend this organizational meeting and to help shape the nature and future course of the group.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the temporary recreation center in Waterloo at Commercial and West

White House Press Secretary Bill D. Moyers said the President had conferred by telephone with Atty. Gen. Nicholas Katzenbach about his investigation into possible Communist involvement in the demonstrations.

Moyers said he was sure that Johnson wanted Katzenbach and the Justice Department to bring the investigation to a conclusion as soon as possible.

"The president feels concern as strongly as that expressed by the Attorney General. . . concern that even well-meaning demonstrators can become victims of exploitation," Moyers said.

Katzenbach telephoned the President at the Bethesda Naval Hospital during the weekend to report on his investigation.

Asked whether Johnson felt that the demonstrations might be misconstrued in Hanoi, Moyers said the President feels "it is always possible for our adversaries to misread events in this country and attach too much significance to demonstrations which do not reflect the widely known, widespread feeling of the American public which in every poll shows strong support for helping the people of South Viet Nam.

Moyers said Johnson "expressed surprise that any one citizen would feel toward his country in a way that is not consistent with the national interest and which would give our adversaries a false picture of

Dr. Robinson Gets National Legion Award

Dr. George C. Robinson, 1934 Campus street, has received first place in the National American Legion's post history contest according to an announcement just made.

Dr. Robinson compiled volume three of the post history of the Cedar Falls post 237 which emphasized veteran service. It is this volume which was submitted for the contest. It covered the period of the past 20 years, from 1944 to 1964. His previous histories were from the time of the post's organization in 1919 to 1933 and from 1933 to 1944. He won second prize in the national contest for the first history which stressed community service. The second volume dealt with Legion personnel.

Dr. George Robinson

Dr. Robinson, former member of the social science department at State College of Iowa, joined the local post in November 1938. He has served as post commander and for many years

tice Department investigation, but there were no arrangements for him to report to the President today.

Katzenbach said in Chicago Sunday that the Justice Department was investigating the attempts to urge young men to avoid military service.

Rites Today For John P. Berg, 77; Ex-Senator Of Iowa

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. today at the First Presbyterian church for John Peter Berg, 77, 324 Ellen street, who died Friday in a nursing home at Marshalltown.

Mr. Berg represented Black Hawk county in the Iowa State Senate as a Republican for 20 years, from 1934 to 1964. He was a pharmacist, having graduated from the Babcock School of Pharmacy in Des Moines and founded two drug stores in Cedar Falls with his brother, Anton Berg, one at 323 Main street and the other at 2227 College street. He was active in the business until about five years

John P. Berg

ago.

He was active in community affairs having been a past president of the Chamber of Commerce, past president of Rotary club, past commander of the American Legion post 237, and was a member of the First Presbyterian church, the Elks, El Kahir Shrine and of the Masonic lodge for 50 years.

Mr. Berg was born at Savannah, Ill., July 10, 1888, the son of Peter and Ida Berg. His family moved to Cedar Falls when he was a boy. He attended public schools here and what is now State College of Iowa, taking his degree in pharmacy in Des Moines. He worked as a pharmacist in Waterloo and later operated his own store at Parkersburg until World War I. In World War I he served overseas.

He married Edith Schmeman at Cedar Falls, Oct. 6, 1920.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, John of 1210 West 11th; Philip of 1720 Gibson street; three brothers, Anton, 218 West 9th; Louis, St. Louis, Mo.; Harry, East Lansing, Mich., and five grandchildren.

Friends wishing may still contribute to memorials either for Sartori hospital or the First Presbyterian church.

The Dahl Funeral home was in charge of the services at which Rev. Doyle Hansen, pastor of the First Presbyterian church officiated.

ROTARY CLUB

"The Next Five Years in Cedar Falls" will be the program topic at the weekly Rotary club luncheon today. Speakers will be Mayor William McKinney, Jim Hansen is in charge of

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