

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Turner,

Richard C. - Represented Pottawattamie County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 30 Sept 1927 Avoca, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

(1) Charlotte Morgan

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He practiced law with his father for some years; he was a
member of the Board of Directors, Pottawattamie County, Polk County, Iowa and American Bar
Association

B. Civic responsibilities American Legion; Elks; Eagles;

C. Profession Lawyer

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 59th, 60th General Assemblies 1961, 1963

6. Public Offices

A. Local Avoca town clerk 1953-1960; Pottawattamie County assistant County Attorney,
1952-1956

B. State Iowa Attorney General 1966-1978

C. National U. S. Attorney in Iowa's southern district 5 years - 1981-1986

7. Death 28 Sept 1986 Des Moines, Iowa; buried Grandland Cemetery, Avoca, Iowa

8. Children Joseph W.; Mark; Amy Elizabeth

9. Names of parents Joseph and Elizabeth "Betty" (Clark) Turner

10. Education He graduated from the Avoca, Iowa High School in 1945

11. Degrees University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa BA 1950;
law degree in 1953

12. Other applicable information Republican

- Military service - just after World War II - U.S. Army Air Corps 1945-1947, served in Guam
- He practiced law at Avoca, Iowa with his father in the firm of Turner and Turner 1953-1954
- He practiced law in Council Bluffs starting in 1956
- He was a member of the Academy of Iowa Trial Lawyers, American Jurisdiction Society,

wreckage 'not to die'

Jean Goldberg sat upright in her seat, high above the ground. She knew in her heart that her husband of 49 years, Albert, was dead. She would never see him again. What was left for her now? Without thought, she pulled on her seat belt buckle and fell 15 feet to the field below. Oh, Albert, she thought, as she lay there face down.

Her face was to the side and she could not move. Her toes felt hot. Then her feet, her ankles, her legs. The sensation traveled up her body until it reached her neck and then her body turned numb.

"Help me," she cried. "Help me." Johnny Meier looked up and saw flight attendant Vicki Chavis unbuckle her seat belt. She started to climb down. "Unbuckle your seat belts!" she shouted. "Get down. Get away!"

Mike and Marilyn Steinberg didn't move at first. Mike looked around at what was left of the jumbo jet. Then he glanced left and saw that he could just step down to the ground. He unhooked his seat belt and got out. There were others slowly climbing out of the wreckage.

Accountant Ron Harris lost consciousness in the crash. When he awoke moments later, he was still in his seat. But he wasn't still in the plane. The seats that he and his client

friend, Bill Lackey, rode in were by side on the ground. Harris somehow had been turned around in his seat. He tried to move but couldn't. Lackey lay in his seat on his side, his back to Harris.

"Hey, Bill, are you all right?" Harris asked. There was no answer. Harris and Lackey were on a concrete

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Tornadoes tear through rural Iowa landscape

By TOM ALEX
Register Staff Writer

A tornado damaged several rural homes, destroyed farm buildings and uprooted trees Sunday evening in a swath from northern Polk County through Jasper County.

The National Weather Service said tornadoes also were reported Sunday in Tama, Benton and Clay counties. Preliminary reports indicated no serious injuries, officials said.

Ken McNichols, whose residence is four miles north and two miles east of Bondurant, said he watched the twister form near his home.

"My wife saw the green clouds and came running, saying we were about to have a tornado," said Ken McNichols. "She was in the Oelwein tornado in '68 and she knows what she's talking about, but I still couldn't believe it."

Watched Building Soar

"It started out as a gigantic wind storm with a lot of debris in it," he said. "And then it swirled together into a twister. I saw my neighbor's brand new machine shed with the galvanized roof take off — It must have

Soviets show N-test site to outsiders

Tour aimed at swaying
U.S. to join moratorium

IN THE GEGELEN HILLS, KAZAKHSTAN, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Army generals opened their secret nuclear test range here for a group of Soviet and foreign journalists, showing a silent, rusted site that they said proved the Kremlin had banned nuclear tests.

Two Soviet generals on hand for the tour Saturday made it clear the visit was arranged to reinforce the Soviet Union's appeals to the United States to join the moratorium on nuclear tests begun by the Kremlin in August 1985.

"The aim of our journey is to show you that our test site is silent. We would like it to remain that way forever," said Gen. Yuri Lebedev, who flew with the group to the Central Asian site.

In Unnamed Town

The journalists and official escorts left Moscow Friday in a special Aeroflot Tu-134 jet to the city of Semipalatinsk in the northeast corner of Kazakhstan, about 370 miles from the border with China.

A smaller plane ferried the group from Semipalatinsk to the garrison for the test area, an unnamed and uncharted town along the Irtysh River. From there the visitors traveled by Mi6 helicopter over salt lakes and herds of wildlife to the foothills of the Gegelen range.

Rusted piles of abandoned machinery and huge natural granite formations crumbled by the force of earlier nuclear blasts give the steppes the look of an open-pit mine.

The only signs of life at the test site are a lone guard in a wooden watchtower near a sealed-off tunnel and a herd of mountain goats scrambling over the granite hilltops.

Before the Ban

The moratorium was declared on the 40th anniversary of the Aug. 6, 1945, nuclear attack on Hiroshima, Japan, by the United States toward the end of World War II.

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ARMS

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Teacher snorted cocaine in class

TAMPA, FLA. (AP) — A seventh-grade science teacher arrested on drug charges snorted cocaine at his desk in the back of the room while about 20 students watched a biology film, police said.

A detective posing as a teaching intern reported buying cocaine from the Franklin Junior High science teacher Monday, then saw him snort the drug in class Thursday.

"We like to think our teachers are above this," school Superintendent Raymond Shelton said. The 40-year-old teacher, who has been in the district since 1970, has been suspended with pay pending a school board re-



Richard C. Turner
Lifelong commitment to justice

U.S. Attorney Turner dies of heart attack

By BOB SHAW
Register Staff Writer

U.S. Attorney Richard C. Turner, who served 12 colorful and controversial years as Iowa's attorney general, died of a heart attack early Sunday morning.

He will be buried on his 59th birthday Tuesday. According to Dr. R.C. Wooters, Polk County medical examiner, Turner awoke at his home at 3 a.m., collapsed and was pronounced dead at Iowa Methodist Medical Center at 4 a.m.

"He was a real warrior, in the legal sense. The state is missing a great defender of the Constitution," said Richard Haesemeyer, one of dozens of friends and family members who gathered at Turner's black-and-white West Des Moines home Sunday.

Turner's record of public service is a long one, beginning as clerk of his hometown of Avoca. He served in the state senate, as attorney general from 1986 to 1978, and was U.S. attorney in Iowa's Southern District for the past five years.

"Paid His Dues"

"He really paid his dues to society," said Robert Ray of Cedar Rapids, who was governor for some of the years Turner was attorney general.

"Turner dedicated a great deal of his life to protecting the public here in Iowa. He was a strong defender of law and order and a fair-minded prosecutor," Gov. Terry Branstad said in a statement released by his office.

On Sunday, about a dozen birthday cards lay on the foyer table at Turner's house.

Mourners talked in Turner's den, surrounded by drawings by former Des Moines Register cartoonist Frank Miller poking fun at the dauntless Turner's controversies during his years as attorney general.

One shows him bombing a bingo game in 1973, a reminder of the raid he ordered on a church in North Buena Vista, arresting a priest to make a point about what he considered obsolete anti-bingo laws.

Another shows Turner as a nutty captain of a tugboat, ramming into a much larger ship, representing the time in 1977 when Turner and other

TURNER

62 are killed in east Beirut militia clash

Christian forces crush
ousted commander's raid

BEIRUT, LEBANON (AP) — Christian militia hardliners crushed a comeback attempt by a pro-Syrian, ousted commander Sunday in 24 hours of street battles in Christian east Beirut that police said killed 62 people and wounded 198.

Fighting began at dawn Saturday when about 600 supporters of Elie Hobeika, former commander of the Lebanese Forces Christian militia, stormed across Beirut's dividing Green Line from the Moslem western sector.

"The last pocket of resistance was mopped up at daybreak, when 12 infiltrators from Elie Hobeika's supporters surrendered," said a communique issued by the Lebanese Forces, the nation's largest Christian militia.

Police confirmed that loyalists of Lebanese Forces commander Samir Geagea defeated the pro-Hobeika attackers.

Location Unknown

There was no word on the whereabouts of Hobeika, who was ousted from the command of the Lebanese Forces by Geagea's hardliners Jan. 15 for signing a Syrian-sponsored peace pact with Moslem militia leaders. President Amin Gemayel, himself a Maronite Catholic, was among the Christians who considered the accord's power-sharing provisions conceded too much to the Moslems.

One report Sunday, not confirmed, said Hobeika was in Chtaura, the Bekaa Valley town that houses command headquarters of 25,000 Syrian troops stationed in Lebanon under a 1976 peacekeeping mandate from the Arab League.

The collapse of Hobeika's thrust consolidated Geagea's position as the strongman of Lebanon's 1.8 million Christians.

Pro-Geagea militiamen in armored personnel carriers and jeeps mounted with 106mm recoilless rifles on Sunday patrolled all four residential districts where street fighting raged all day Saturday in east Beirut. Hundreds of residents trapped in

LEBANON

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223 lawsuits filed; enough, judge cries

BOULDER, COLO. (AP) — Albert Carter has filed 223 federal lawsuits in Colorado and elsewhere, and a federal judge has told him to stop doing it without a lawyer.

Carter has appealed the ruling. U.S. District Judge Sherman Fine-silver earlier this month said the Boulder man was using the legal process to "harass innocent citizens" and criticized his willingness to "make bald assertions with complete disregard for their accuracy." He said Carter appeals repeatedly, and when appeals are exhausted he refiles the cases in slightly different form.

Carter couldn't be reached for

Turner often gregarious, tenacious in public service

TURNER

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attorneys general sued the United States to halt the Panama Canal Treaty.

There are airplanes in many of the cartoons. Turner argued through most of the 1970s that the three-passenger airplane furnished to him by the state was inadequate, to the hoots of the media and political foes.

"We called it the Bamboo Canoe," said Turner's former pilot, Al Grier, who was at Turner's home Sunday. "They didn't realize how kind and gentle he was."

Conservative

A conservative Republican, Turner said the Iowa House "has a lot of starry-eyed, bleeding heart liberals" when that group opposed the death penalty in 1971.

He may have been conservative, said Ray, but "he could be the life of the party, too."

"He loved his country, he loved law and he loved politics," said Russell Laird, a Des Moines lobbyist who played golf with Turner Thursday at the Des Moines Golf and Country Club.

"But he was a lousy golfer. He took 50 cents from me Thursday. We were playing for 25 cents a hole, but he played like it was \$250," said Laird. "We might have played today if the weather had been right and circumstances had been different."

Turner ate pork chops at a birthday dinner Saturday night at the home of childhood friend Bob Anderson. "He went home at 11. He was cheerful. He looked great," said Anderson.

History of Heart Trouble

But Turner's history of heart problems caught up with him. He had a heart attack in 1973, and in November of 1983 doctors installed five bypasses to help Turner's ailing heart.

Colleagues said Turner's humor and steadfastness earned respect in all levels of government.

Behind the scenes, the humor of the maverick attorney was present.

During a celebrated 1983 federal case in which AGRI Industries was charged with stealing government grain, said Robert Dopf, an assistant U.S. attorney, Turner would privately produce a cartoon by James Thurber. It showed a lawyer confronting a witness by pointing to a kangaroo and asking, "Does this refresh your memory?"

It was Turner's way of doubting that AGRI officials were being truthful when they said they couldn't remember certain key documents — as crazy to Turner as forgetting seeing a

kangaroo.

Friends described a man destined for a career in law. Turner was born Sept. 30, 1927. His father and a grandfather were lawyers.

In high school, said Anderson, now a Des Moines insurance agent, Turner "said he was going to be attorney general."

In 1945, Turner began two years in the Army Air Corps in the South Pacific. In 1947, as a freshman at the University of Iowa, Turner met long-time friend Haesemeyer, who shared a Quonset hut with him.

He graduated in 1950, and in 1953 got his law degree from the university's college of law.

Turner then became assistant county attorney in Pottawattamie County, and his public career advanced until 1978, when he was defeated in his bid for another term as attorney general by Democrat Tom Miller.

He then practiced law until he was appointed U.S. Attorney in 1981.

There, he inspired fierce loyalty from his subordinates. "I can't convey it strongly enough — his sense of being a public servant made a lasting impression on me," said Dopf.

"He would drive us crazy. He talked to everybody, even when we attempted to screen him from the kooks — we get a share of them over there — Dick would talk to them," recalled Dopf. "He felt public officials should be accessible."

Said Dopf: "If he felt a crime was being committed, it wouldn't matter if it was a \$10 crime or a \$10 million crime. I developed one hell of an admiration for him. Dick lived his life the way he wanted to."

The U.S. attorney's office will be closed Tuesday in observance of Turner's funeral. Above the door of his empty office, a framed quotation still hangs — a reminder of Turner's humor and crusading verve. It is attributed to Marshal Ferdinand Foch, a French officer trapped in a World War I battle, and reads:

"My center is giving way, my right is pushed back. Situation excellent. I am attacking."

Survivors include his wife, Charlotte; two sons, Joe W. and Mark, both of Des Moines; a daughter, Amy Elizabeth of West Des Moines; a sister, Barbara Turner of Des Moines; and a brother, David of St. Louis, Mo.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. today at McLaren's Resthaven Funeral Chapel in West Des Moines. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Windsor Heights Presbyterian Church, 63rd Street and University Avenue.

Burial will be in Avoca at Grace-land Cemetery.

NELS J. HANSEN

Nels J. Hansen, infant son of Kenneth and Marcia Hansen of 410 S.E. Seventh St. in Ankeny, died from complications of premature birth Wednesday at Mercy Hospital Medical Center in Des Moines. Memorial services will be today at 10 a.m. at Ankeny Evangelical Free Church. Burial will be in Merle Hay Mausoleum in Des Moines.

Survivors in addition to his parents include a brother, Jens of Ankeny; two sisters, Erica and Kaarin Hansen of Ankeny; and his grandparents, George and Virginia Moell of Houston, Texas, and Milton and Bunny Aunan of Ankeny.

Merle Hay Funeral Home in Des Moines is handling arrangements.

Soviet chemist Semyonov dies

MOSCOW, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Nikolai Semyonov, a pioneering Soviet scientist who was awarded the 1956 Nobel Prize in chemistry for his work in exploring chain reactions, has died, the official news agency Tass said Sunday. He was 90.

Tass said Semyonov died Thursday, but gave no other details.

The news agency hailed Semyonov for work that benefited the economy, adding that his research "made a considerable contribution to the strengthening of the country's defense potential." It did not elaborate.

Tass said the scientist "developed a general theory of chemical chain reactions and a theory of the burning and explosion processes," and credited him with laying the foundations of a new branch of science, chemical physics.

Afghan rebels say 3 copters downed

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN (AP) — Afghan guerrillas said Sunday they shot down three helicopters with missiles in eastern Afghanistan in the past two weeks, indicating that the anti-Marxist rebels are getting more anti-aircraft weapons.

The Yunis Khalis group, one of the seven main Afghan guerrilla organizations, said it downed two helicopters with missiles on Sept. 25 near Jalalabad. A spokesman said four bodies were found inside the wreckage, but the guerrillas could not say what type the helicopters were or if they were of the Afghan or Soviet forces.

Rebels of another group, the Jamiat-i-Islami, said they shot down a helicopter in the third week of September in Kunar province with a SAM-7 portable missile.

People Express announces discount

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — People Express Airlines announced Sunday that tickets for all domestic flights between Oct. 2 and Nov. 19 will be discounted 50 percent if purchased from Monday through Wednesday of this week. The discount does not apply to flights from London or Brussels, Belgium, or to 14-day advance purchase prices.

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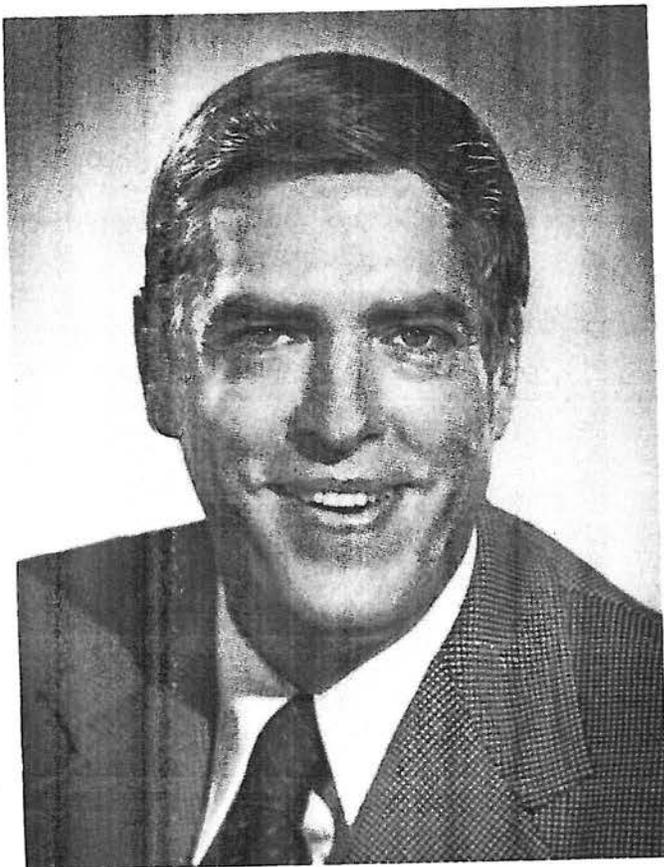
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The attorney general is a constitutional officer within the judicial department of government elected by popular vote every four years. As head of the department of justice and chief legal officer of the state, the attorney general prosecutes and defends all cases in the supreme court in which the state is a party or interested. He also represents the state in other actions and proceedings both civil and criminal, when, in his judgment, the best interests of the state require him to do so, or when he is requested to appear by the governor, the executive council or the general assembly.

The attorney general is charged with the responsibility of supervising the 99 county attorneys in all matters pertaining to the duties of their offices and in this capacity he frequently counsels and advises them with respect to problems which occur during the course of their official duties.

All drafts of contracts, forms and other legal documents which may be required for the use of the state are prepared by the attorney general.

When requested to do so, the attorney general gives his written opinion upon all questions of law submitted to him by the general assembly or by either house thereof or by an elective or appointive state official. At the close of each biennium the attorney general submits a report to the governor setting forth the condition of his office, opinions rendered and other business transacted which is of public interest.

Attorney General**RICHARD C. TURNER**

Council Bluffs
Republican

Born Sept. 30, 1927, in Avoca, Iowa, son of Joe W. and Elizabeth C. Turner. Graduated from Avoca High School 1945. Served in the Air Force 1945-47. Graduated State University of Iowa (B.A.), 1950, and College of Law (J.D.), 1953. Practiced law in Avoca and Council Bluffs 1953-1967, with father in firm Turner & Turner. Served as Avoca Town Clerk 1953-60; assistant county attorney, Pottawattamie County, 1954-56; State Senator from Pottawattamie 1960-64, [59th and 60th General Assemblies and 60th Extra Session]. Elected Iowa Attorney General Nov. 8, 1966 and re-elected in 1968, 1970, 1972, and 1974. Married Charlotte Forsen of Modale, Iowa. Member of Theta Xi and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity; Bar Associations; American Bar Association, Iowa State Bar Association, Polk County Bar Association, Southwest Iowa Bar Association, Pottawattamie County Bar Association, Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers, American Judicature Society; American Legion; 40 & 8, and member of Presbyterian Church. Two sons, Joe W. and Mark H., and one daughter, Amy Elizabeth.

Meet Regularly

The Elderberries Senior Citizens are having noon dinners on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday.

Entertainment on Monday is cards or other games, Wednesday is card playing and Friday is other games.

All Senior Citizens are welcome to come and join for dinner and for an afternoon of fun and cards.

Legion Auxiliary To Meet Oct. 9

Fred Funston Unit No. 227, American Legion Auxiliary will hold the regular meeting Thursday morning, Oct. 9 at 9:00 a.m. at the Legion Hall.

Membership cards for 1987 will be handed out. Initiation of new members will be held.

The serving committee is Betty Langer, chairman; Charlene Grulke, Betty Hoge-land, Victorine Jensen, Helen Pattee and Virginia West.

Social Farmerette Club Tours Museum

The Social Farmerette Club toured the Arion Eastern Museum at the Hortense Pautsch home near Arion Tuesday afternoon with seven members participating.

The club will meet in October with Mrs. Alvin Jensen.

RICHARD TURNER

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Turner, who would have been 59 years old Tuesday, began his tenure as attorney general by winning election in 1966. He remained in office until defeated in 1978 by Democrat Tom Miller.

At the time, Miller said he won because Turner was "too flamboyant" to be attorney general in Iowa.

"I rather enjoy being colorful," Turner said during the 1978 campaign against Miller.

Turner was a conservative Republican whose style gained him considerable publicity as attorney general. One of his most controversial actions was to order law enforcement raids of chess bingo games in order to convince the

of four children, the first of whom died as an infant.

She attended school at Underwood and graduated with the Class of 1940. She attended Dana College at Blair, Nebraska, before attending a program affiliated with the Iowa State Teachers College in Red Oak, Iowa where she received her teaching certificate. She taught school for several years in country schools in Neola and Boomer Townships.

Bernice was united in marriage to Reuben Iversen on Jan. 6, 1946 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church near Neola.

They made their home in the Shelby area, where Reuben farmed with the support of Bernice. In 1958 they bought their own farm north of Minden and have resided there ever since. Reuben and Bernice entered the service station business in 1965, with Bernice handling the book work. They have been in business ever since, most recently with a tire and battery business operated on the farm.

They are the parents of one son, Wesley.

She was involved in church activities at the Shelby Lutheran Church. She was a member of the church choir for several years and was active in the United Lutheran Women. For the past several years she has managed the church Memorial Fund. For Bernice, the spiritual side of life was always very important. At home, she also enjoyed music, sewing and gardening.

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Shelby Garden

Club Plans

To Meet Oct. 22

The Shelby Garden Club held their second annual cookie tea Wednesday, Sept. 24 at the Shelby Community Building.

Fifty registered for the afternoon. Entertainment was provided by the Alff Family Band from Carson-Macedonia area.

Mrs. Edgar Stidham, president and Martha Peterson were at the tea and coffee service as guests enjoyed the cookie walk.

Door prizes of boxes of cookies were drawn, for lucky winners.

The club held election of officers following the tea.

The club will meet Oct. 22 at the Shelby bank room with Esther Bargaquast hostess and Martha Peterson co-hostess.

Women's Roles

Workshop Offered

On Oct. 11th

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A 1971 raid of a church picnic in North Buena Vista resulted in the arrest of a Catholic priest for keeping a gaming house. Eventually, the state law was changed to allow "social" gambling.

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She leaves to mourn her passing her husband Reuben; her son Wesley of Chicago, Ill.; two grandchildren: Scott Iverson of Lancaster, Wisc. and Lindsay Iversen of Park Ridge, Ill.; her mother Lila Benson of Underwood, Ia.; her sister Norma Fischer and her husband Floyd of Council Bluffs, Ia.; her brother Duane and his wife Kathryn of Underwood, Ia., besides nieces, nephews, other relatives and many neighbors and friends.

Pallbearers were Larry Ehlers, Melvin Blumer, Lawrence Dittmer, Jerome Messerschmidt, Wilbert Sick and Larry Long.

CECIL H. BLUM

Cecil H. Blum, 59 of Walnut, Iowa passed away at his home in Walnut on Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1986.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 27, 1986 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church in Walnut with Father Paul Monahan officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery at Walnut with Military Graveside Services by the Walnut American Legion Post No. 422 and the Walnut Amvets Post No. 45.

Cecil, the son of Joseph and Mayme Kobold Blum, was born at Earling, Iowa on July 12, 1927.

He attended school at Earling and Harlan. In 1945 he entered the Army. After his military service he returned to the Harlan area.

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"The Me I Want To Be" workshop will emphasize the role of women in today's society. Participants will discuss historical roles of women and awareness and image making for women.

The moderators for the seminar include Barbara Paulding, M.S., and Phyllis Adams, both of Dubuque, Iowa. Paulding is executive director for Phone-A-Friend and Adams is an information referral specialist and chair-

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Turner was born in Avoca and received undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Iowa.

He practiced law with his father and served as Avoca town clerk from 1953 to 1960 and as an assistant Pottawattamie County attorney from 1954 to 1956.

He served in the Iowa Senate from 1960 to 1964.

her husband Floyd of Council Bluffs, Ia.; her brother Duane and his wife Kathryn of Underwood, Ia., besides nieces, nephews, other relatives and many neighbors and friends.

Pallbearers were Larry Ehlers, Melvin Blumer, Lawrence Dittmer, Jerome Messerschmidt, Wilbert Sick and Larry Long.

CECIL H. BLUM

Cecil H. Blum, 59 of Walnut, Iowa passed away at his home in Walnut on Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1986.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 27, 1986 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church in Walnut with Father Paul Monahan officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery at Walnut with Military Graveside Services by the Walnut American Legion Post No. 422 and the Walnut Amvets Post No. 45.

Cecil, the son of Joseph and Mayme Kobold Blum, was born at Earling, Iowa on July 12, 1927.

He attended school at Earling and Harlan. In 1945 he entered the Army. After his military service he returned to the Harlan area.

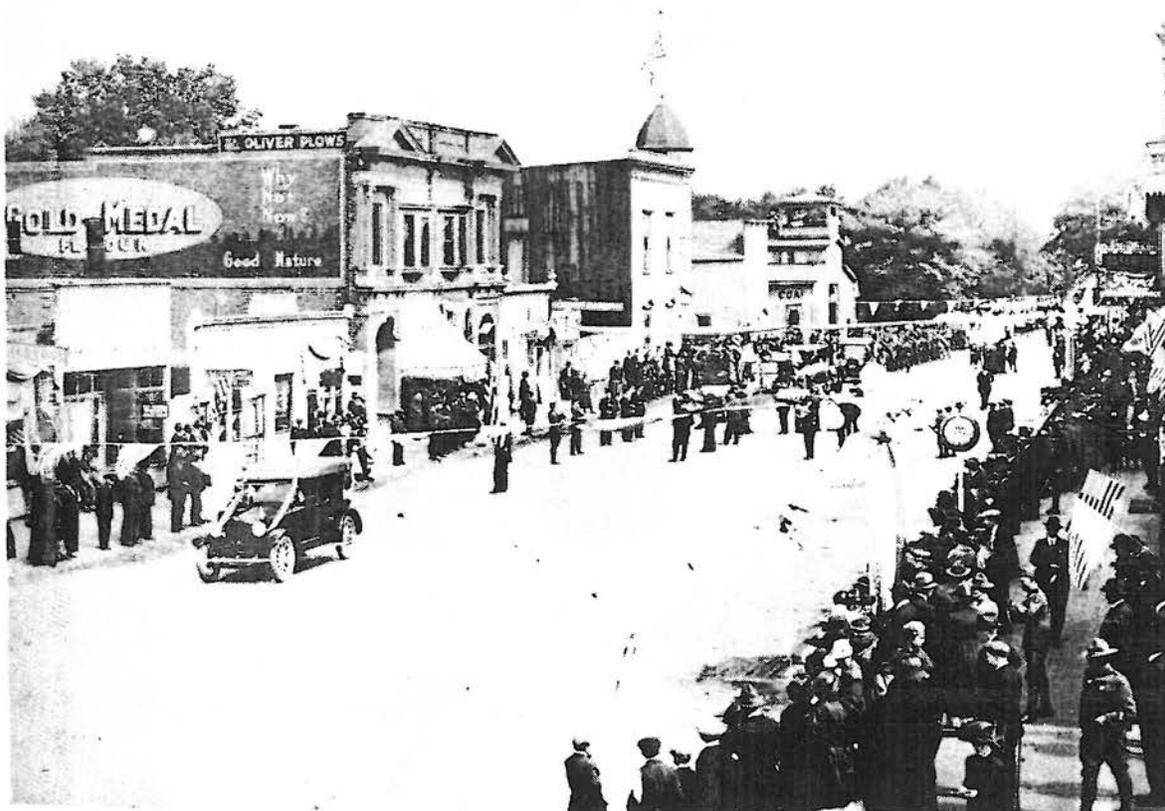
He was united in marriage to Theresa Schulte on Aug. 24, 1950 at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, Iowa.

They spent most of their married life farming south of Walnut until 1967 when they moved into Walnut.

After moving, he was District Representative for Squealer Feeds; was an agent for the Combined Insurance Company; and was a car salesman for Valley Motors in Atlantic until going into business in Walnut where he

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retirement in 1951. Bertha and Robert had four children, George Richard - born Nov. 22, 1924-, now residing at the Country Care Center at Harlan, IA, Dorothy Ann - born Jan. 18, 1927, married John T. Mathers and they are living in Boulder, CO, and are the parents of four children, Keith, Ann, Carol, and Ellen; Robert Hart - born Feb. 18, 1930, married Mary Hill and are living in Des Moines, IA, and have three children, Linda, Barbara, and Robert III; William Frank - born Dec. 1, 1931.

Robert was active in the Legion, Masonic Lodge, Boy Scouts, Presbyterian Church and various other community organizations. He died of leukemia on June 29, 1963, and Bertha passed away Nov. 23, 1971 of a heart condition.

WILLIAM FRANK TRUE

William Frank True, born Dec. 1, 1931, on his Grandparents True's Golden Wedding anniversary, was named for his two grandfathers, William Thies and Frank True. Bill graduated from Avoca High School in 1949, spent two years at Iowa State College and then returned to the home farm when his brother, Bob, was drafted into the Army in 1951. Bill farmed until he was drafted into the U.S. Army in May 1954, serving most of his time stationed just south of Orleans, France.



Bill II, Donna, Pam, Joyce, Tim, and Terry True

Bill returned to the farm in 1956. He has been active in the Presbyterian Church, Community Club, American Legion, past master of the Masonic Lodge, Mt. Nebo #297. He was involved in the Boy Scouts for many years, receiving Scouting's highest award for a volunteer, the Silver Beaver in 1972. He was also named Avoca's Man of the Year in 1968.

On Jan. 7, 1972, Bill married Joyce Barker Pieken, daughter of Bill and Neoma Barker, a widow with three children, Terry Kenneth born Oct. 22, 1954; Pamela Ann, born Oct. 9, 1956; and Timothy Eugene, born July 24, 1958; and together they had two children, William Frank II, born Dec. 24, 1972, and Donna Marie, born Oct. 28, 1974. Terry and Tim and their families live in Avoca. Pam, her husband, and family live in Yuba City, CA. Bill II is presently a sophomore at the University of Northern Iowa, and Donna is a senior at the AvoHa, Shelby-Tennant High School. The True's are still actively engaged in farming, but after forty-some odd years of farming the home place, they are beginning to look forward to the time when they can retire

ARTHUR TURK

Arthur was one of nine sons born to August and Bertha Tradel Turk. He was born Oct. 11, 1896, and died April 3, 1974. He married Agnes Best, daughter of Ernest Best and Laura Davis Best, on Aug. 20, 1918. Agnes was born Aug. 20, 1900, and died May 4, 1976. They had four children. Audrey was born Jan. 12, 1924, and married Wm. J. (Bill) Zimmerman on Oct. 14, 1967. They have no children. They ran Zimmerman Oil Co. in Avoca, retiring Dec. 31, 1989. Audrey as a legal secretary in Leavenworth, KS, for many years.

Lavonne was born Feb. 24, 1927, and married Emmert Hansen Aug. 24, 1947. They have seven children. Emmert was a veterinarian in Salem and Sioux Falls, SD. They are retired.

Mary Ann was born March 31, 1929, and married Wilmer Graybill, born Dec. 27, 1928, and June 18, 1950. They have four children. Wilmer was a Chemical Engineer with PPG Industries, retiring June 30, 1992. They now live in Lake Charles, IA.

Melvin was born June 8, 1934, and married Evelyn Andersen, born Feb. 13, 1938, on Sept. 4, 1960. They have three children. Melvin was a pharmaceutical salesman and is now selling wholesale lumber for Frank Paxton Lumber Co. They live in Johnston, IA. Arthur farmed for many years, worked for Fullerton Lumber in Oakland and for the Highway Commission, retiring in 1965.

Submitted by Audrey Zimmerman.

TURNER

Francis A. Turner (1856-1935), came to the Oakland area as a one year old baby in a covered wagon when his parents homesteaded there in 1857. He taught school and was superintendent of schools in Harlan, where he read the law in the Cullison law firm. He passed the Bar and moved to Avoca in 1887, where he opened a law office. He married Rose Woodward (1863-1931), a teacher in Avoca, whose father, J.B. Woodward, was a pioneer in Monona County. Rose and Francis had four children: Joe, Frances, Robert and Howard.



Howard, Robert, Frances, and Joe Turner

Joe was a veteran of World War I. He graduated from the

University of Iowa and studied law at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., while working on the Capitol police force in D.C. There, he met Elizabeth Clark from Chester, Pennsylvania, who was working for the Army Air Corps. They married in 1923 and moved to Avoca where Joe went into law practice with his father. He was very active in Republican politics and civic affairs. He was mayor of Avoca for 16 years and was a member of various legal, service and civic organizations. He was a member of the American Legion, Masons and Rotary.



Joe, Betty, David, Barb, and Richard Turner, 1930's.



Richard, Barbara, and David Turner looking east where the old brickyard used to be.

Joe was instrumental in the development of Edgington Park and swimming pool. He died in February, 1961, at age 64.

Betty was a homemaker until she was appointed deputy clerk of court after Joe's death. She was active in P.E.O. and loved to play bridge. She died March 1, 1980.

Richard was a World War II veteran in the Army Air Corps serving in Guam. He graduated from the University of Iowa and Iowa Law School.

He married Charlotte Forsen, a Council Bluffs teacher, and had three children: Joe, Amy and Mark. There are two grandchildren.

Richard's record of public service is a long one, beginning as City Clerk of Avoca, Assistant Pottawattamie County Attorney, State Senator, Attorney General from 1967 to 1979 and was U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa from 1981 until his death in 1986.

During his tenure as Attorney General for the State of Iowa, Richard originated the Office of Consumer Protection, which has returned millions of dollars to Iowans. This office was so highly regarded nationally that it served as a model for many states. He also instituted a system of Area Prosecutors to assist County Attorneys with criminal prosecution, and established an Anti-Trust Division.

David is a World War II veteran and attended the University of Iowa.



Richard Turner, Attorney General

He married Gretchen Andersen of Harlan and had a son Jeff, (1949-1984). Gretchen died of cancer at age 23. He later married Midge Rosean of Harlan and they had three children: Susan, Terry and Dan (deceased). They have eight grandchildren. Dave retired in 1982 as Senior Vice President of American Investment Co. They live in Ballwin, Missouri, a suburb of St. Louis.

Barbara is a graduate of the University of Iowa and has

been a first grade teacher for 36 years. She remained single.

Frances was a graduate of University of Iowa and became a teacher. She married Colonel Ernest Lawson, who was killed during WW II. He was a pilot and was shot down over Germany. They had no children

Howard graduated from West Point Military Academy. He was a pilot and commanding General during World War II and was a member of the Korean Truce Team in the 1950's. He retired from the Air Force as a Major General. He served under General Douglas McArthur in the Philippines and was a close friend of General Jimmy Doolittle. He was married to Alice Garwood and they had no children.

Robert Turner (1900-1947), married Meta Wunder (1900-1952), also an Avoca native. Robert worked for International Harvester Company in Salt Lake City, Utah, and upon retirement, moved to New Braunfels, Texas. They are survived by sons, Jack and Robert.

VANBECK

By Todd W. Van Beck

INTRODUCTION

Whether you refer to the homeland of the Dutch people by its official name, the Netherlands, or call it Holland, the name explains the nation's destiny. Holland means "hollow land," or "marsh land." The word first appeared in 1054 to designate a west-coast area ruled by the "water-counts," so called because they governed territory made up of dunes and marshes.

Today, the term, "Holland," refers properly to two provinces on the western coast of the Netherlands, but the name is used informally - by the Dutch people themselves - for the country as a whole. The people of the Netherlands may also be correctly referred to as Hollanders or Dutchmen. "Netherland" means "lowlands," and because of its very low land, the Dutch have for centuries taken the offensive in the battle against the sea. There is a saying that "God made the world, but the Dutch made Holland." It is a place where many American families, particularly in the states of New York, Michigan, and Iowa link their origins. The Van Beck family history is an example of this movement to America that so many families can share.

CORNELIUS VANDERBEEK

The First American Generation.

(The name was later changed to Van Beek, and then to Van Beck)

Cornelius Vanderbeek was the first ancestor of the family to immigrate to America. He was born in 1820 in the province of Gelderland in the Netherlands, where he eventually engaged in farming. He married Henrietta Van Valkenburg, who was born near Eda in Gelderland on November 24, 1824. The two had five children: Katrina (who was killed in the San Francisco Earthquake in 1906), Anna, Daatje, Henry, and Johannes. In 1855, at the age of 35, he sailed alone for the United States, leaving his wife and children behind.

His sailing route took him from Amsterdam to New Orleans, and from there he took a steamboat up the

Mississippi to Keokuk, Iowa. Upon arrival in Keokuk, he entered immediately into the livery and sales stable, as well as hardware and farm implements. As will soon be learned, his son and grandson followed in the same career paths.

In 1859, Cornelius went back to Holland, but returned to America in 1861, once again by himself. From 1855 to 1874, he was a partner in the hardware company known as Vanderbeek, McKee and Simpson in Keokuk. In 1872, Cornelius made his last trip to Holland to bring over his five children, one grandson and a granddaughter. On the trip over, the granddaughter, Sarah, died and was buried at sea.

Cornelius Vanderbeek died in 1874 and upon his death, his widow and children moved to Nauvoo in Hancock County, Illinois, where the family farmed until 1886. Henrietta was an active member of the Olive Rebekah Lodge #32 in Hancock. She died on her Valley Township farm on February 23, 1895, and was buried in Oakhill Cemetery in Hancock.

HENRY ARNOLD VAN BECK

The Second American Generation.



Van Beck homestead

In the fall of 1886, the Vanderbeeks, now known as the Van Beeks, including Henrietta, Anna, Henry, and a grandson, Tona, moved along with 27 other Dutch families from Illinois to Valley Township, located near Hancock and Avoca, Iowa. Here they purchased two tracks of farmland (one of 160 acres, and the other, an 80-acre track, southeast of Avoca).

The towns of Hancock and Avoca were bustling railroad communities in 1886. Hancock had only been founded five years earlier in 1880, and was named after Frederick H. Hancock who laid out the town, operated the first grain business, and was a railroad executive on the Rock Island line. Avoca, the larger community, was on the main line of the Rock Island between Des Moines and Council Bluffs. Hancock was also served by the railroad with a train that ran between Avoca and Carson, known as the "Puddle Jumper."