

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Scherler William Joseph Senator _____

Represented Summit and Mills County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 14. Nov 1923 Herkimer County, New York at
Little Falls, New York

2. Marriage (s) date place
Dorothy Jane Goldapp 7 June 1947 Dallas, Texas

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was elected to the Military Staff of Governor Norman E. Obermaier
outstanding legislator by the Press Corps in the 60th General Assembly

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Grain and livestock farming

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 59th, 60th, 61st General Assemblies 1961, 1963, 1965

6. Public Offices

A. Local Chairman of Mills County Republican Central Committee for 3 terms

B. State _____

C. National Elected to the U. S. Congress 1966-1975, in 1975 a deputy administrator
in U.S. Dept. of Agriculture;

7. Death 27 Aug 2003 Council Bluffs, Iowa; buried Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

8. Children William David; John Robert

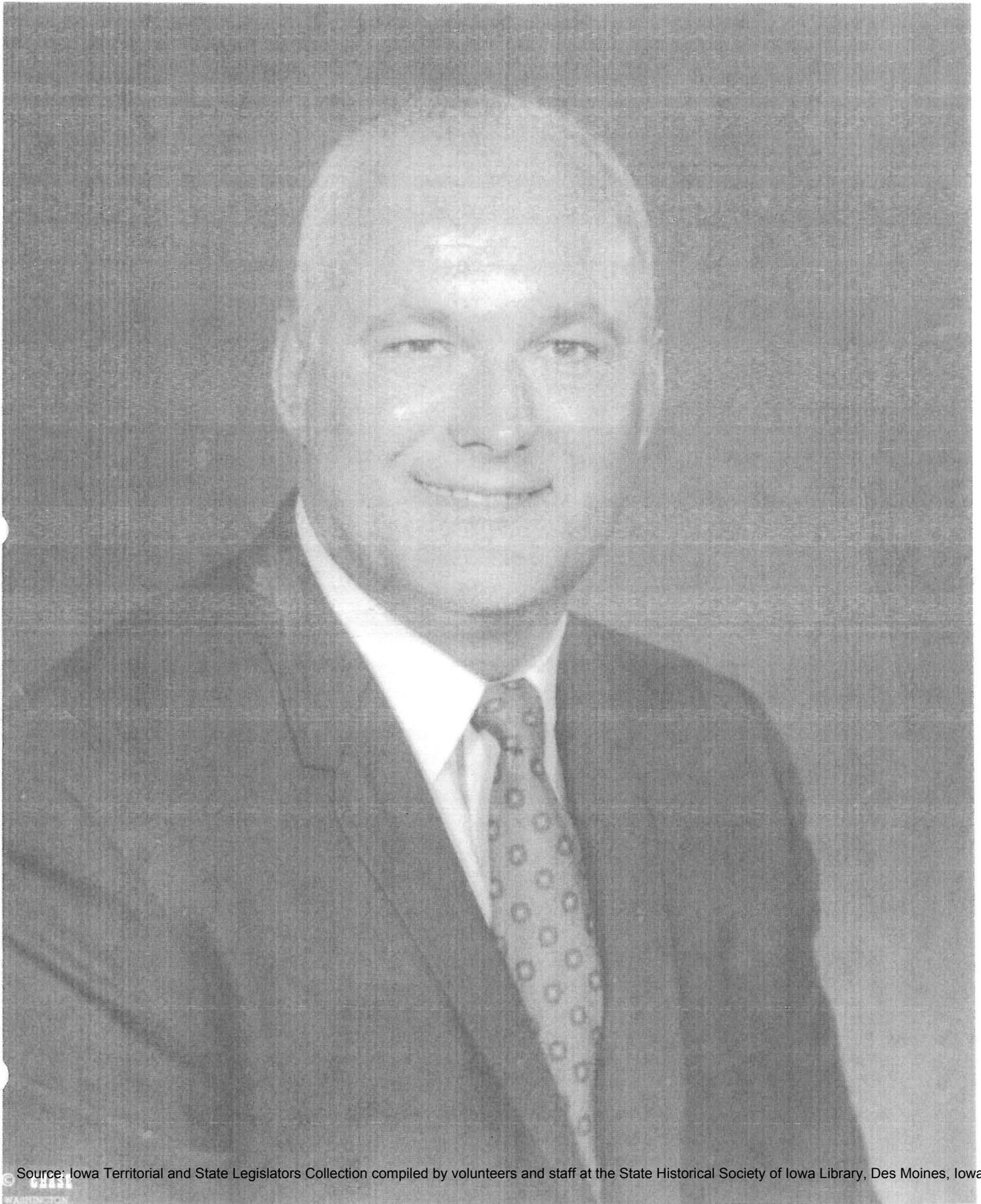
9. Names of parents _____

10. Education Graduate of St. Mary's Academy in New York

11. Degrees Attended Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He was raised in New York
- Military service - World War II - U. S. Navy, also served as a member of the Naval Reserve from 1947 - 1954
- He moved to Iowa in 1948 and established a farm in Fremont County Iowa
- He held a consulting firm in Washington, D.C. 1977-1987
- He retired in 1988 and returned from Washington, D.C. to the family farm in Fremont County Iowa



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Former legislator died August 27

A Memorial Celebration for Bill Scherle, 80, of Henderson, IA, was held on September 3, 2003, at Lakeshore Country Club in Council Bluffs.

Burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, DC.

The family requests memorials be given to Jennie Edmundson Hospital Foundation or Micah House, both located in Council Bluffs, IA.

Mansfield-Hertz Funeral Home of Malvern was in charge of arrangements.

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He served in the United States Navy during WWII and was a member of the Naval Reserve from 1947 to 1954.

He was married in Texas to Dorothy Jane Goldapp. They moved to Iowa in 1948, where they established a farming operation.

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Churches offer child program

An after-school program begin in Sidney on Tuesday September 23, for children kindergarten through third grade. Sessions will be held at United Methodist Church.

The program will be of from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and continue weekly on Tues through December 16. The theme will be centered Noah's Ark and the leaders be the Revs. Judith Piper

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1987. He retired in 1988 and re-
turned to the family farm in
Mills County, IA.

Survivors include his wife,
Jane of Henderson; sons,
William D. Scherle and wife
Joan of Des Moines, IA, John
Scherle and wife Janet of
Henderson, IA; six grandchil-
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of Council Bluffs, IA and
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Marlen Harold Scheel was born and died at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs, Iowa, on February 16, 1953.

Susan Jolene Scheel was born at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs, Iowa on August 2, 1956, baptized on August 28, 1956 and confirmed in the spring of 1971 at St. John Lutheran Church in Mineola, Iowa.

She attended Treynor Community Schools and graduated on May 23, 1974. She attended Iowa Western Community College in Council Bluffs, Iowa from August, 1974 through August, 1975 and graduated from the Medical Secretary Program.

Susan Jolene Scheel married Rodney Eugene Carnahan on September 6, 1980, at St. John Lutheran Church in Mineola, Iowa, and they are now living in Ridgefield, Washington. *Submitted by Harold Scheel*

ROBERT AND KATHLEEN SCHEEL

Kathleen Marie, youngest daughter of Louis J. and Alma Knop, married Robert James Scheel "Bob" September 5, 1959. Bob has been associated with the steel industry since 1960. Kathy has remained a housewife, doing much church and volunteer work, with the exception of 6 years part-time working for a State Farm Insurance Manager. In 1980 Kathy was found to have Multiple Sclerosis.



Back, L to R: Robert "Wade," Rian J. Front: Robert, Kathy.

Two sons were born to the Scheels: Rian J. on September 6, 1961 and Robert "Wade" on September 21, 1966. Rian spent 4 years at Valparaiso University in Indiana and is currently employed with Lockformer Company in Lisle, Illinois selling Vantage 5-CAD: a computer aided design and drafting system. Wade has been named Illinois State Scholar and recipient of 1985 DAR Good Citizen Award. He will attend Iowa State University in the fall majoring in bio/chemistry. Both boys have been active in high school sports. Wade was named one of the top 20 football players in the Chicagoland area.

Foremost in the Scheel home is thankfulness for God's grace.

DR. M.L. SCHEFFEL FAMILY

Dr. Melvin LeRoy Scheffel graduated from Creighton Medical School in 1949. October 23rd of that year, he married Ardis Marie Chudomelka, a registered nurse at Clarkson Hospital in Omaha. They moved to Malvern, Iowa in July of 1950. Dr. Scheffel practiced medicine with Dr. Tom Shonka. After two years, Dr. Scheffel, a family practitioner and surgeon, had his own office on Main Street of Malvern. He was on the medical staff at Mercy and Jennie Edmundson Hospitals in Council Bluffs, Iowa, as well as several hospitals in Omaha. Dr. M.L. and Ardis Scheffel had three children:

Andrea Marie Scheffel was born October 18, 1951 at Mercy Hospital, Council Bluffs, Iowa. She attended Glenwood State School for many



M.L. Scheffel Family — Front, Center: Katherine Calder. Front Row: Ardis Scheffel, Jason Calder, M.L. Scheffel, M.D. Back: Steven and Lori Calder, Dorene and Scott Scheffel.

years. Andrea died November 5, 1972 in Omaha and was buried in the Malvern Cemetery.

Lori Marie Scheffel was born April 29, 1954 at Clarkson Hospital, Omaha. She attended Malvern schools through 11th grade, and graduated from Omaha Westside High School. She graduated from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Lori married Steven James Calder, May 29, 1976, Omaha. They have two children: Jason James Calder, born March 29, 1979 and Katherine Marie Calder born June 12, 1981.

Scott LeRoy Scheffel was born February 26, 1957 at Clarkson Hospital, Omaha. He attended Malvern schools through the 8th grade. He graduated from Omaha Westside High School. He attended Nebraska Wesleyan, Iowa State University and graduated from Iowa Western Community College. Scott became a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Hastings in 1983. He married Dorene Marie Leu, daughter of Eugene and Lois Leu of Malvern, September 1, 1984 at St. John's Lutheran Church.

The Scheffel family were members of the First United Methodist Church in Malvern. Dr. and Mrs. Scheffel were members of the Eastern Star Chapter of Malvern. Dr. Scheffel was also a member of the Masonic Lodge and a volunteer fireman. Dr. and Mrs. Scheffel belonged to the Retarded Children Association of Mills County. "Doc" and Scott were involved with the Boy Scouts and enjoyed many campouts. Scott received the Eagle award. Ardis was a Girl Scout leader in Malvern for many years. Lori was a Girl Scout and received her 1st Class award. The Scheffel family moved to Omaha, August, 1971 after living in Malvern 21 years. Dr. Scheffel attended the Nebraska Medical Center to become a pediatrician. Dr. and Ardis Scheffel and Scott and Dorene Scheffel now reside in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Lori and Steve Calder and family live in Sioux City, Iowa.

The entire Scheffel family thinks fondly and often of its friends in and around Malvern. *Lori Calder*

SCOTT AND DORENE SCHEFFEL

Scott LeRoy Scheffel is the son of Dr. Melvin and Ardis Scheffel of Council Bluffs. He was born on February 26, 1957 at Clarkson Hospital in Omaha. He attended Malvern Community Schools through 8th grade. Scott was involved in Boy Scouts while he lived in Malvern and received his Eagle Scout Award in 1971. The Scheffel family moved to Omaha in August of 1971 and Scott attended Westside High School. He was involved in many high school activities and graduated in 1975. He attended college at Nebraska Wesleyan, Iowa State University, and Iowa Western Community College. In 1983, Scott became a member of St. John's Lutheran



Scott and Dorene Scheffel

Church, Hastings, and also joined the Dutch Gun Club. On September 1, 1984, Scott and Dorene Marie Leu were married at St. John's Lutheran Church.

Dorene is the daughter of Eugene and Lois Leu of Malvern. She was born on October 19, 1961 at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs. Dorene attended kindergarten through 12th grade at the Malvern Community Schools. During her high school years, she was involved in chorus, drama club, speech contest, FHA, and was student manager for all the girls' sports. Outside of school activities, she belonged to Peppy Pals 4-H Club, Mills County Teen Club, a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Hastings, and the church's senior choir, and Lutheran Youth for Christ.

Dorene was a foreign exchange student with Youth For Understanding and spent the summer of 1978 in Erkelenz, West Germany. She graduated from Malvern High in 1980. Dorene attended college at Northwest Missouri State University and Iowa Western Community College. For the past 8 years, Dorene has been a member of the Baroque Oratorio Choir which assembles in Malvern to perform annually. Scott has also sung in this choir.

Scott and Dorene now reside in Council Bluffs and still enjoy attending many activities in Malvern. *Submitted by Scott and Dorene Scheffel*

SCHERLE/GOLDAPP FAMILIES

Our family history in Mills County began with the purchase of a 320-acre farm in Section 7, Anderson Township, in 1931 by Thomas Capel. One of his daughters, Verne Capel Goldapp, inherited the east half of this farm in 1940. Verne and her husband, Frank, operated this farm, along with other farms they owned, while living in Council Bluffs, farming with the help of hired men and German prisoners of war from the POW camp in Clarinda, Iowa. In the early 1940's, they purchased the west half of Section 6 and bought the east half in 1947.

In 1947, their daughter, Jane, enrolled at Baylor University in Dallas, Texas became engaged to William J. Scherle, a native of Little Falls, New York, who was attending Southern Methodist University. They were married in June of that year and moved back to Iowa the following year to a home they built on the east half of Section 6. This was to become the Scherle "home place," with a son, Bill, Jr. born in 1950 and another son, John, born in 1952. Both attended Nishna Valley High School and were very active in school activities and 4-H.

Bill, Jr. graduated from Texas A&M University and Creighton Law School. He served Iowa as an Assistant Attorney General and later was appointed to the office of Assistant U.S. Attorney. He has been with the Des Moines law firm of Hansen, McClintock and Riley since 1976.

John earned his degree in journalism from Creighton University. After graduation he was employed by The Malvern Leader and The Treynor Record, purchased The Carson Times and moved the operation to Oakland. He sold the newspaper soon after to become the assistant editor for the Bellevue Leader in Nebraska. *He*

resigned this position in 1982 to become the Director of Member Relations for the Farm Credit Banks in Omaha, Nebraska.

At the peak of the farming operation, Frank and several hired men farmed a total of 960 acres. Frank later retired and Bill continued the grain and livestock operation into the late 1960's. Several German "displaced persons," or refugees, came to the farms to live during the 1950's. These families were of Polish and German descent and many went on to find jobs in Omaha and other cities.

In 1960, Bill was elected to serve in the State Legislature, representing both Mills and Fremont counties. He served three terms. In 1966, he was elected to Congress and served Iowa's Fifth District for four terms. After working with the USDA in Washington, D.C. for two years, Bill started his own Washington based consulting firm, representing both foreign and domestic interests. Jane and Bill live on the home farm while commuting on a regular basis.

Frank Goldapp died at the age of 89 in 1983. At the time of this writing (April, 1985), Verne Goldapp, age 92, still lives in Council Bluffs; Bill and Jane live on the home place; and Bill, Jr. lives in Des Moines with his wife, Joan, and two daughters, Megan, 5; and Mary, 3. John lives on the original Capel farm with his wife, Janet and three daughters, Rachel, 7; Beth, 5; and Rebecca, 3. Janet formerly lived in Massachusetts. Ironically, records show this farm was first deeded from the United States Government to a party from Suffolk County, Massachusetts in 1856. Submitted by Jane Goldapp Scherle

SCHIEFELBEIN FAMILY

Johann Gottlieb Schiefelbein, born June 3, 1834; died June 24, 1907, and Wilhelmina Schultz born April 11, 1841; died June 13, 1923 of Virchow, Pommern, Germany were united in marriage November 25, 1865.



Back: Emma, Eliza, Wilhelm, Emilie. Front: Wilhelmina, Johann.

This marriage was blessed with eight children, four of which, three boys and one girl, died in infancy. Three daughters and one son survived.

The eldest daughter, Emma, born April 5, 1870; died April 22, 1940, immigrated to America on October 12, 1892. Emma came to Hastings, Iowa, and made her home with friends and relatives. In 1894, Emma married W. Louis Pontow, and established their home in Inghram Township. They were parents of four children: Walter, Paul, Marie and Elsie.

Emilie Schiefelbein, born November 14, 1874; died July 27, 1964. She came to America in 1893, followed by her only brother, William C. Schiefelbein, born 1878; died 1955, who came to Hastings, Iowa in 1895.

Emilie Schiefelbein was united in marriage to Hugo Pontow, May 18, 1899. They purchased a farm in Indian Creek Township and were the parents of two children, Ernest and Martha.

William C. Schiefelbein never married, worked as a laborer in the area. William made his home with the law firm until his death in Council Bluffs, Iowa where he died in 1955.

Eliza Sofia Schiefelbein, born July 17, 1883, was 13 years of age when she left Germany with her parents embarking from Bremen, Germany, June 24, 1897, landing in Baltimore, Maryland, thence by train to Hastings, Iowa where they were welcomed by their family members and relatives, who previously settled in Mills County.

Eliza attended Golden Hill school several terms and assisted with housework in the homes of the area.

On April 10, 1907, Eliza was united in marriage to Emil Leu. After their marriage they established a new home and other buildings in northeast Silver Creek Township.

Emil and Eliza spent the rest of their years upon this farm, raising crops and feeding livestock.

Two sons, Edwin G. and Gerald A. were born to this union. To the best of our knowledge, no immediate descendants of the Schiefelbein name remain.

In 1943, Emil and Eliza purchased a home in Malvern, Iowa, planning to retire from the farm where they had resided for 36 years.

Just before they were to move into their new home, Eliza, after a brief illness died April 5, 1944 at the Jennie Edmundson Hospital of Council Bluffs.

Emil continued to live in Malvern, Iowa until Parkinson's disease developed impairing his physical activities, until his death in Mercy Hospital October 27, 1955.

Emil and Eliza are buried at East Liberty Cemetery. Submitted by Edwin Leu

WILLIAM SCHIERMEIER

In the 1800's there was a method in place whereby people in America could contact potential help in the old country. The agreement was that the emigrant's passage was paid, for a prescribed amount of work to be done after arrival in America. Such a plan brought William Schiermeier to Mills County about 1887 or 1888. Henry Brandt, a farmer in northeast Mills County, sent \$104.00 to William for passage by boat across the ocean and by train to the Kiel Hotel in Council Bluffs. The arrangement was made that William was to help clear land on the Missouri bottom just north of the present day Bellevue Bridge.

William Schiermeier was born on May 21, 1870 in Westphalen, Germany. He spoke no English when he came to America but subscribed to a German newspaper and read it regularly. He learned English after arrival in this country.

After completing his agreement with Henry Brandt, William became a farmer. He farmed 11 years on a place just one quarter mile east of the present day Aidex plant. Later he moved to his own farm southwest of Silver City.

William married Emma Arp on March 3, 1897. This marriage produced two sons, the first born about 1900, died when he was six weeks old. The second, William J. (Bill), was born July 13, 1902. Bill supplied most of the information for this profile.

Emma Arp, a descendant of immigrants, was born May 19, 1874. She died in November, 1919 and is buried by the side of William in the Salem Lutheran (Plumer) Cemetery in the north part of Mills County.

A story of the move from near the Aidex plant to the farm near Silver City is an example of the extreme hardships encountered by the people of that day. The day they started was very cold with temperatures well below zero. The cattle and hogs were driven about 3 miles to a rail site and loaded on cars to be taken to Silver City. The horses were hitched to wagons. A caravan of three wagons left home about eleven o'clock in the morning headed for Glenwood a distance of about six or seven miles. The cats and dog were put in a straw filled box atop one of the wagons. After a short time the dog put up a fuss and was allowed to walk. The little caravan jostled over the rough frozen roads and finally arrived in Glenwood and camped in the evening. When the box with the cats was opened, they had frozen to

death. The party slept that night in a partially heated upstairs room on mattresses thrown on the floor. They arrived the next day at their new farm just as the cattle and hogs were being driven in by the ever helpful "neighbors". At milking time it was found that the cows' teats were badly frozen.

After his wife's death that same year William and his son, Bill, continued farming this land. Bill married Mildred Maddocks June 18, 1924. William spent the remainder of his life living with Bill and Mildred. He died in 1938.

Bill and Mildred farmed in various locations in Mills County. After leaving farming Bill spent many years filling many roles at different times in Glenwood. He operated a feed store, was greenskeeper at the Glenwood Golf Course, and worked at the old Texaco station. Mildred died January 2, 1969 and is buried in Salem Lutheran Cemetery. Later Bill married Osie Hummel Hetzel, residing in Glenwood several years. They now reside in Tabor where he is still very active with his garden. Submitted by Wayne E. Hetzel

ANTOIN SCHLUMPF

Antoin Schlumpff (later spelled Slumpf, then Slump) was the father of Edward, who was born March 30, 1842, in Waslow, France. His mother died when he was born. Antoin then married Mary Ames from Hungary. They had five children: Louisa was born in 1845 in France; Frank was born in 1847 in Hungary, and Caroline born in 1849 in Hungary. One source of information says that Edward and his father Antoin came to America in 1848 when he was six years old. They settled at Henderson County, Illinois. Another said he was eight years old. We are not sure if the family all came at the same time or the mother and other children came later in 1857. They settled at Oquawka, Illinois.



Edward and Louisa Slumpf Family — Dora, Elza "Beech", Lillie, Clinton, Allie, Clyde, Effie and Charles Edward.

They had two children after arriving in this country: Henry S., born in 1859 and Mary who died at five months. Antoin died at age 69 and Henry S. died September 28, 1878, aged 13 years 10 months. This information was obtained on the tombstones in Oquawka.

Edward Slump grew to manhood in Oquawka, Illinois and when he was 19 years of age joined the army as a member of the 11th Missouri Cavalry on September 17, 1861. The regiment was known as Black Hawk Cavalry. He was injured and taken prisoner and was given an honorable discharge on August 25, 1862 at St. Louis, Missouri.

He married Louisa Abigail Jones from Mount Vernon, Ohio, on November 13, 1865. In later years Louisa seems to be known as Eliza. He received his naturalization papers on May 17, 1866. They moved to Warren County near New Virginia in 1867 where they lived for nine years. They had eight children: Effie (Bell) was born in 1866, Allie (Minett) born in 1870, and Charles Edward born August 13, 1873 (story elsewhere).

The family moved to Mills County in 1876 and settled on a farm three and one-half miles south of Bardonia. Five of their children were born here, twin daughters, Dora (Fielder) and

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF
CONGRESSMAN WILLIAM J. SCHERLE
7TH IOWA DISTRICT

WILLIAM J. SCHERLE, Republican of Henderson, Iowa; born March 14, 1923 in Little Falls, New York; graduated from St. Mary's Academy in New York; attended Southern Methodist University of Dallas, Texas, Business Administration; Veteran of World War II; Assistant Division Manager, George D. Barnard Co., Dallas, Texas; married Jane Goldapp of Council Bluffs, Iowa, June, 1947; two sons, William David and John Robert; grain and livestock farmer; member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Glenwood, Iowa; Young Republican, precinct committeeman; Chairman, Mills County Republican Central Committee, three terms; Colonel on Governor's Military Staff, Interim Committee, 1963-1965, and Legislative Research Committee; served in the 59th, 60th, 60th extra, and 61st General Assembly of the Iowa House of Representatives; named an Outstanding Legislator by the Iowa Press Corps; Chairman, Senate and House Highway Study Committee; 1964 Award of Merit from Iowa Good Roads Association; 1968 "Watchdog of the Treasury" Award from National Associated Businessmen; 1968 Distinguished Service Award from National Education Association; American Legion; Naval Reserve; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Farm Bureau; National Livestock Feeders Association; elected to the 90th Congress on November 8, 1966; reelected to the 91st Congress; member of the Education and Labor Committee and Committee on Internal Security; member of the Republican Task Force on Agriculture; member of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress.

June 20, 1969

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