

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Speer, Alfred L. Senator _____
Represented Boone County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25 Apr 1821 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

2. Marriage (s) date place

Sarah E. Ferguson May 1851

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Boarding room proprietor at Boone, Iowa; for Nebraska he
was Police Judge 1 May 1891-1899 for Superior Nebraska; carpenter, builder, farmer
mason

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 9th General Assembly 1862

6. Public Offices

A. Local School director; president of the school board; school fund commissioner
in 1855; Justice of the Peace; mayor of Boone, Iowa (early Boone)

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death Circa 16 May 1900 Superior, Nebraska; buried Evergreen Cemetery, Superior, Nebraska

8. Children Ophelia (Mrs J. J. Johnston); Clara; Sara; Florence; Rachel May;
Alfred Edsworth

9. Names of parents _____

10. Education

Attend school in the winters

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

- At age 2 he went with his father to Chester County, Pennsylvania and in 1831 they moved to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1832 they moved to Harrison County, Ohio where he spent his youth and early manhood.
- At age 14 he left home working as a farm boy for 2 years, worked in a mill for 2 years, then engaged in the carpenter and builder's trade.
- At age 21 he chose to work the mason trade and did until 1878
- He came to Boone County, Iowa 24 May 1854 settling first in North Township and then built a house in Bronaeburo, Iowa.
- He and his wife apparently moved to Superior, Nebraska as they got older, where their daughter, Mary, was teaching school.

Ben Whitaker celebrated his thirteenth birthday Monday. A number of his friends were present to a birthday supper.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Aris entertained a party of friends at dinner Friday, prior to departure on their European trip.

E. H. Barrett, the Dunlap banker who was seriously shot by E. B. Taylor of that place Saturday, is a cousin of Jake Devitt of this city.

Justice H. J. Parker sentenced George Bennett and Ed. Marcus to ten days in the county jail for stealing clothes at Ames last week.

R. E. Joyner, a leading farmer of Colfax township, leaves this week for Golden City, Mo., his future home. Mr. Joyner will drive overland.

Two ladies were thrown from a buggy in a runaway on Fourth street near the Northwestern railway on Sunday. Neither were injured.

Mrs. Owen Hitchcock, the Canadian national lecturer for the W. C. T. U., is holding meetings at the Baptist church every evening this week.

Word was received here this week of the death of A. L. Speer at Superior, Nebraska. Mr. Speer formerly ran a boarding house at this place.

George Badley has removed his plumbing establishment from the basement under the postoffice to the basement of the McFarland bank building.

By a score of 41 to 24 the local base ball team defeated the Jefferson High school club on Friday afternoon. The game was played at the site of the old fair grounds.

The resignation of Frank D. Wheeler as captain of Company I has been accepted and Mr. Wheeler received his official discharge. His successor will be chosen in a few days.

The employes of J. H. Riekenberg & Co.'s store planned a moonlight picnic at the river for Monday night. Rain interfered and the party ate the good things prepared at the store.

corn down and a modern structure will replace it. It will be of frame with brick veneer and cost about \$3,000. The plans call for a very pretty building.

D. Littlejohn, the Eighth street music dealer, sold the entire stock of his music store to W. H. McNerney Saturday. Wm. Weir will occupy the entire room for his jewelry store. Mr. Littlejohn has been in business here five years. He and family will visit relatives in Indiana and about July 1st open a music store at Albia.

A cow belonging to Levi Barnes of the Fifth ward was killed by a live wire Tuesday morning. One of the guy wires from the trolley on the electric street car line, that runs to the river, became unfastened from the pole. A boy was driving the animal to pasture when she accidentally came in contact with the wire.

A class of twenty-five from the engineering department of the Iowa State College at Ames, accompanied Profs. Marston, Byers and Miss Wilson to this city Tuesday. They went to the site of the new river bridge to gain a practical idea of its construction. While in the city a tour of the railway shops was made.

The cells for the new county jail arrived Sunday and will be put in in a short time. They are twelve in number. The Kenton Iron Works of Kenton, Ohio, who furnish them, are seven months behind the time, as the contract called for their delivery last October. The delay has been quite an expense to Contractor Curtis, who cannot turn the building over to the county until the cells are in place.

A. S. Farrow is in receipt of a letter from Judge W. A. Spurrier of Des Moines in which he makes inquiry as to who intends to attend the free silver republican convention at Kansas City. It will be held on the same date as the democratic national convention. Those desiring to go will find it to their advantage to see Mr. Farrow or write Judge Spurrier.

Frank Allen and A. E. French, two of Boone's well known engineers, have invented an attachment for fill-

State, at Waverly, where he remained for one year; he then took charge of the church at Cedar Falls, continuing there for three years; in 1858 he came to Boonesboro, and has since had charge of the Catholic Church, it being one of the strongest churches in this portion of the State.

SMITH, C. F. F., of the firm of Smith & Co., manufacturers of pottery, Boonesboro; was born in Erie county, New York, March 27, 1855, and lived there until thirteen years of age, when he came to Marshall county, this State; he enjoyed good educational advantages, having attended the Central University and Albion Seminary; in 1874 he commenced teaching, which he followed for four years; his education was acquired by his own efforts, as he paid his tuition by teaching and other work; in 1875 he came to this county and followed teaching, also engaging in farming, which he continued until the spring of 1880, when he engaged upon his present enterprise; November 5, 1879, he married Miss Clara Mauck, of Boonesboro, a lady of refinement and highly educated; Mr. Smith's father, Chas. Wesley Smith, was the inventor of the Swift & Courtney parlor matches; also the inventor of lighting gas by electricity, and found a new method of making nails and screws; besides these he was associate editor of the "Scientific American."

SPARKS, ISAAC, Boonesboro; was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, June 17, 1811; his father moved to eastern Ohio, locating in Tuscarawas county, where the subject of this sketch was raised, that being then the western border of civilization; he was raised a farmer, and as that portion of Ohio was then a forest, it took both time and work to develop a farm; in 1850 he removed to Hardin county, the same

State, and there remained for ten years, during which time he lived on a farm adjoining the town of Henton; in 1860 he came to Boone county, locating on a farm in Jackson township; in 1876 he moved to Boonesboro, where he has since resided; in February, 1833 he married Miss Catharine McCrary in Tuscarawas county, Ohio; she was born in that county December 9, 1811; they have six children living: Maranda A. (now Mrs. John Herron), Sarah A. (now Mrs. C. W. McCaskey), Rosa A. (now Mrs. J. D. Mathews), W. S., Alden B. and James W.

SPEER, A. L., mayor and justice of the peace, Boonesboro; was born in Philadelphia, April 25, 1821; his paternal grandparents came from Ireland to that city in an early day; when about two years of age he accompanied his father to Chester county, Pennsylvania, and in 1831 moved to Pittsburgh, same State; in 1832 he came to Harrison county, Ohio, where he spent his youth and early manhood, and when fourteen years old he left his home, working as a farm boy for two years, then worked in a mill for the same length of time, and then engaged in the carpenter and builder's trade, in the mean time attending school winters; when twenty-one years of age he made choice of the mason trade and followed that occupation until 1878; May 24, 1854, he came to this county and spent the winter on Sec. 4, Worth township, and the following spring he built a house in Boonesboro, there being but six buildings there at that time; the first plastering done in the county was done by him in the fall of 1854; in 1855 he was elected school-fund commissioner of the county, the office at that time being quite an important one, having under its control all school lands, site of school-houses, etc.; he held that position until it was abolished, and for ten

years past has been justice of the peace; was elected mayor in 1878, and still retains that office; in the fall of 1861 he was elected to the State legislature and the honor was well conferred on him, as his actions there in the war measures were commendable, etc; he was married in May, 1851, to Miss Sarah E. Ferguson, a native of Ohio; they have six children living: Ophelia, (wife of J. S. Johnston, of Boone), Clara, Dora, Florence, Rachel May and Alfred Ellsworth; Mr. Speer is one of twelve children, eleven of whom are living, and there have been no deaths in the last generation; he has been school director and president of the board, and has been closely identified with all school interests; he has done as much, if not more, toward the advancement of educational matters than any other man in the county.

STEVENS, JACOB, proprietor of meat market and stock dealer, Boone; was born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, on the 26th day of May, 1835, and when an infant was taken by his parents to Wayne county, Ohio, where he was raised until seventeen years of age, and then removed to Lucas county, where he followed his present business; he came to Boone county in 1865, and established his present business, and is one of Boone's most prosperous business men; he owns, besides his business interests, 475 acres of well-improved land, and owns the farm on which the first breaking was done in the county; he was married to Miss Lucretia C. Brown, in 1855; she was born in Vermont; they have a family of six children; Luella (wife of LeRoy D. Sparks), Ida J., George E., Mary L., Jacob Z. and Abbie.

THORMAHLEN, H., druggist; was born in Germany, October 19th, 1855, and was raised and educated in his native country; in 1871

he emigrated to the United States and settled in Wheatland, Clinton county, Iowa, and lived there until he came to this county, in April, 1879; he is a thoroughly educated druggist, and has succeeded in building up a good business, and as a straightforward business man, commands the respect of his fellow-citizens; he married Miss Mary Grell, in 1876; she was a native of Germany.

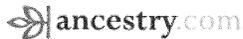
TOMLINSON, VINCENT, carpenter and contractor, Boone; was born in 1824, October 6th, in Pickaway county, Ohio, where he was raised; he learned his trade in Madison county, same State, and followed the same for ten years, teaching school in the winter and working at his trade in the summer; in 1856 he removed to Iowa, settling in Nevada, where he resided for twelve years, removing to Boone in 1868; since residing here he has been engaged in working at his trade, and during that time has erected many of the more substantial buildings of the town; in 1871 he was elected city clerk, which position he held nine years in succession; during the war enlisted as a member of the Thirty-second Iowa infantry as a private in August, 1862, and earning for himself the rank of second lieutenant; was discharged on account of disability; he was married in 1847 to Elizabeth Bethards; they have two children living: Hannah C. (now Mrs. George C. Corringer), and Clinton S.

TOWNSEND, A. R., druggist, and one of the promising young merchants of Boone; was born in Pen Yan, New York, on the 15th day of November, 1849; he received an academical education in his native town, and a collegiate education at Cornell University; having made choice of the drug business for an occupation, he attended the College of Pharmacy in Philadelphia; he re-

I didn't find anything, but I didn't really think I would anyway. They never put obits in the paper back then.
What I did find out about him was-
he was appointed Police Judge from May 1, 1891 - 1899 for the City of Superior. On April 4, 1899 a R. M. Simonton took over.
He never really had a lot written about him.

He has a cemetery lot section 4 lot 18 but with no stone or burial date also in that lot is Dora 1856-1937 and Sarah E. 1832-1917.
Dora was a daughter that came here to teach school.
Vicki Perrie
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1880 United States Federal Census

Name:	Alfred L. Speer	
Home in 1880:	Boonesboro, Boone, Iowa	
Age:	59	
Estimated birth year:	abt 1821	
Birthplace:	Pennsylvania	
Relation to Head of Household:	Self (Head)	
Spouse's name:	Sarah E.	
Father's birthplace:	Ireland	
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	Sarah E. Speer	48
	Dora Speer	24
	Rachael M. Speer	19
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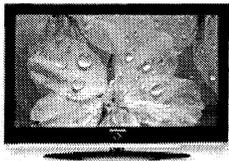
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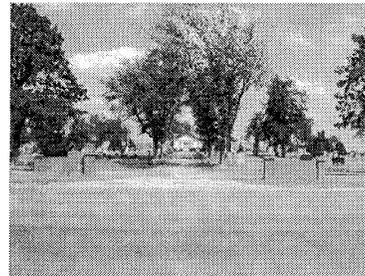
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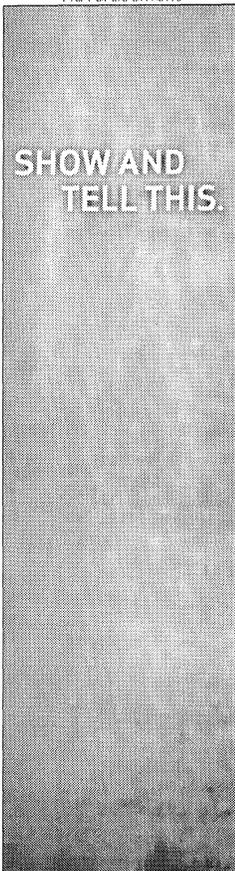
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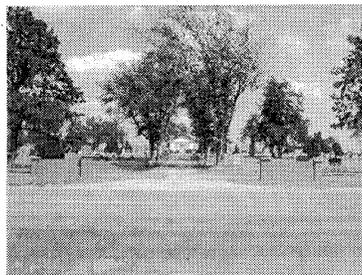
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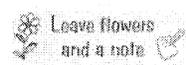
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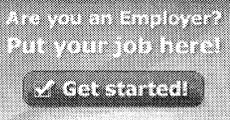


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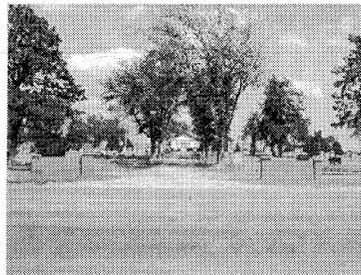
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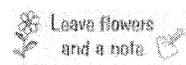
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