

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Rich,  
Thomas - Second Carroll, Greene and Sac Counties,  
 Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3 Mar 1830 London, England

2. Marriage (s) date place

Angeline Lincoln Barrett 1851 Cosm, Whiteside County, Ohio

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business

B. Civic responsibilities Germanina Society (from the only non-German  
speaking member of the society ever enrolled in its books)

C. Profession Farmer, carpenter, raised livestock

4. Church membership

Baptist

5. Sessions served 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1890, 1892

6. Public Offices

A. Local Board of supervisors; postmaster of Bliden

B. State

C. National

7. Death 5 June 1899 Carroll Iowa, buried West Lawn Cemetery, Bliden Iowa

8. Children Charles (died in infancy); Thomas R.; Minnie (Mrs. Andrew J. J.);  
William O.; Earl M.; Nettie (Mrs. Walter English); Herbert (predeceased his father in death); Roscoe

9. Names of parents Richard and Mary Ann (Stearns) Rich

Rich, Thomas

10. Education His education was very limited amounting to only a few months.

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He moved to America with his parents at age 4, settling at Erie, Pennsylvania where he grew to manhood.
- In 1850 he moved to Como, Illinois with his parents and where he married his wife. There he worked in the carpentry trade.
- In the late 1850's he went to California to mine gold where he made some fortune.
- In 1870 he located his family on a farm a few miles east of Elkhart, Iowa and there he raised his family.
- In 1885 he moved into Elkhart and a few years later he moved to Council Bluffs.



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### Death of Senator Rich.

As briefly announced in our issue  
last week, Senator Rich passed away  
at his home in Carroll last Thursday.  
The funeral services were held at the  
Baptist church in that city, conduct-  
ed by Revs. Bentley and Groendyke.  
The remains were laid to rest in the  
Glidden cemetery.

The deceased was born in London,  
March 8, 1830, and was, therefore,  
nearly 69 years of age at the time of  
his death. He came to this county  
with his parents when four years of  
age, settling at Erie, Pennsylvania.  
Nearly 20 years ago he located near  
Glidden, remaining in or near the city  
for a period of about 20 years.

From the Carroll Sentinel, we take  
the liberty to extract the following  
matter relative to his eventful career:

In the fifties he crossed the mountains  
for California where he spent years en-  
gaged in mining. The journey was made  
with an ox team, as all such trips were  
at that time, and some of Mr. Rich's  
most thrilling adventures occurred dur-  
ing the days he was seeking his fortune  
in the gold fields of the west.

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Mrs. Willis Brooks return-  
day from an extended visit  
parents and other relatives  
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Mrs. W. C. Prill entertain-  
ber of relatives at tea last  
ning. Mrs. O. G. Prill, of  
was the guest of honor.

Nearly all our citizens have  
flicted in some degree with th  
during the past week. We  
begin to enumerate the many

The old made new.—If you  
stered furniture needs repair  
sewing bring it to Eaton's  
store and have it fixed. It  
cost you much.

See Kelley's shoe store ad  
first page. This firm conduct-  
ness in Denison and Carroll  
are making big inducements  
buyers.

We learn that George S  
secured a position as mess-  
the road for the Southern  
Company, since being must-  
of the army.

Rev. Triplett and wife in  
Glidden, Wednesday, on th  
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days before departing for Al-  
Nebraska.

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January 20, 1901.

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tion of chairman with eminent satisfac-  
tion.

Senator Rich won his greatest political  
triumph in the senatorial contest in  
1889. He was nominated for senator  
by the democratic party in this district,  
which usually goes republican by a large  
majority. His opponent was one of the  
present judges of the district court, Hon.  
Z. A. Church. Mr. Rich's friends were  
desirous of advancing him in his politi-  
cal aspirations, for they knew his worth  
and had confidence in his rugged honesty.  
The result of the contest was that Mr.  
Rich received 1,440 majority in this  
county and was elected triumphantly,  
running several hundred ahead of Hon.  
Horace Boies who for the first time in  
many years carried the state for democ-  
racy. The senator and Governor Boies  
were firm friends and no other man in  
the state was a warmer advocate of Mr.  
Boies than Mr. Rich. During his four  
years as state senator he grew in favor  
with the public men of the state and was  
honored and esteemed by them. His rec-  
ord in this important position was as  
clean and clear cut as in the minor posi-  
tions he had served the public. His hon-  
est, upright and manly character proved  
proof against the snares and pitfalls  
which lead so many public men to their  
own destruction.

#### Shoats For Sale.

Thirty head of nice shoats weigh-  
ing from 75 to 125 pounds. Just  
right for feeding,—D. E. Waldron.

Miss Nancy Tanner, of Carroll, is  
visiting friends in this city.

Mrs. John Watt and children of

Rev. Triplett and wife ar-  
Glidden, Wednesday, on the  
from their eastern trip. The  
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C. Clifford will hold a pub-  
at his farm, 1½ miles south  
miles east of Glidden, on  
January 20. The offering w-  
sist of horses, hogs, cattle,  
ments, etc. Usual terms.  
Luther auctioneer; D. E. V  
clerk.

The committee of the farm  
stitute of the county met in  
last Saturday to settle up bu-  
the last meeting at Glidden  
all say that they had the be-  
tute in the history of the o-  
tion at Glidden in December  
roll Herald.

I. W. Vader purchased  
Cochin China hens and a  
while at State Center last we-  
the birds arrived Saturday.  
fine specimens with yellow  
I. W. says that on account  
value of the birds and the ne-  
hood in which he resides  
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Grandma Bakehouse pass-  
last Monday morning after  
weeks' siege of pneumonia.  
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Mr. Earl was married in De Kalb, Illinois, January 23, 1878, to Miss Edna Hunt, and they have become the parents of two children. The eldest, Edith, was married March 14, 1900, to B. J. Bradley and has two sons: Clyde, born May 12, 1903; and Guy, born July 5, 1908. Clara was married March 25, 1903, to S. G. Staples and they also have two sons: Clifford, born October 17, 1903; and Wilbur, born April 6, 1906. Mr. Staples is a native of Illinois, his birth occurring in Watseka, November 11, 1878. His paternal grandparents were Sylvester G. and Mary (Barber) Staples, the Barber family having come to America with the Huguenot colony. His parents, W. A. and Isabella (Wilson) Staples, were natives of New York state and Middle Fork, Illinois, respectively. They came to Iowa in 1900 and located in Carroll county, the father taking up farming in Sheridan township, where they still reside. In their family are three sons, S. G. being the eldest. S. W. lives two miles south of Litterdale, while H. B. makes his home in Sheridan township. S. G. Staples and family attend the Presbyterian church and he is a member of the Knights of the Maccabees and the Brotherhood of American Yeomen. Both sons-in-law of our subject reside on his farm in Sheridan township and are engaged in its cultivation.

Mr. Earl cast his first ballot in support of Abraham Lincoln, and has ever since given his support to the candidates of that party. He served for three years as county supervisor and has also been treasurer and director of the school board at various times. Fraternaly he is identified with the Masonic order only, having joined in De Kalb, Illinois, in 1863, his membership still being retained in that lodge; he also belongs to the chapter at Lake City. Mr. Earl has met with success in his undertakings and is a highly esteemed and substantial citizen of Sheridan township.

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#### HON. THOMAS RICH.

During a period of more than forty years the name of Rich has been prominently identified with the agricultural and political development of Carroll county. Its bearers are not esteemed for possessing great wealth or extensive property interests, but for two generations its men have been renowned throughout the country because of their high standard of citizenship, their frustworthiness and incorruptible integrity. The late Thomas Rich was born in Brighton, England, on the 3d of March, 1830, and was the eldest son of Richard and Mary Rich, who were the parents of twelve children, the order of their birth being as follows: Fannie, Mary, Martha, Rebecca, Rachel, Thomas, Naomi, Ruth, Sarah, Joseph, Benjamin and Ebenezer, all but two of whom are now deceased. In 1833 Richard Rich accompanied by his wife and children emigrated to the United States from the mother country, locating in Erie, Pennsylvania. They continued to reside there for seven years, during which period the father worked at his trade, which was that of cabinet maker. Subsequently they re-

moved to Illinois, settling in Como, Whiteside county, where Mr. Rich continued to follow his trade for many years. Mrs. Rich passed away on the 26th of May, 1872, and thereafter the father made his home with his children in Chicago, where he was living at the time of his demise on the 6th of December, 1875.

Thomas Rich was only a lad of three years when his parents emigrated to the United States, but as the family was large and their income limited he very soon had to assist in the support of the household. Although he had only attained his twelfth year when they removed to Illinois he had for some time previous been working at the carpentry trade with his father, his schooling in Pennsylvania having been limited to three months. He remained a member of the paternal household until his marriage, following which he established a home of his own. After twenty-eight years residence in Whiteside county, during which time he worked at the carpentry trade continuously, Mr. Rich removed to Carroll county, Iowa, settling on a farm four miles east of Glidden. Here he engaged in general farming and stock-raising until 1885, at which time he received the appointment of postmaster at Glidden following which the family went there to reside. Mr. Rich gave most efficient service in this capacity for four years at the expiration of which period he received the nomination on the democratic ticket for state senator. Despite the fact that the district had for many years previous gone republican by a pronounced majority Mr. Rich was elected and served through two sessions of the state legislature. His record as a senator was characterized by honesty, independence and a progressive tendency. He was naturally on the side of economy and financial reform, but he voted for the liberal support of all public institutions, and was a trusted friend of Governor Horace Boies and Judge Woolson of the federal district court, who was then a senator. In 1890 Senator Rich and his family removed to Carroll, purchasing a home in the north part of the town which they were occupying at the time of his demise. Seven years thereafter Carroll county felt the need of a man possessed of his characteristics on the board of supervisors, and although his colleague on the ticket was defeated by a republican, Thomas Rich having been tried and found to be true, was elected. He was known to be able to withstand the most alluring blandishments of unscrupulous lobbyists, his integrity and honor ever having been above suspicion during the entire period of his public career. During the last year of his life he was chairman of the board but owing to his increasing infirmities was able to attend but one meeting of the last session.

Miss Angeline Barrett became the wife and helpmate of Mr. Rich, their union being solemnized in Como, Illinois. To them were born eight children, namely: Charles, who was the first born, and died in infancy. Thomas R., the eldest surviving son, married Miss Leta Gabriel. Minnie, who married Andrew Jenks, has the following children: Ruth, Herbert, Sarah, Pearl, George, Vern and a baby boy. William O., who was born in Como, Illinois, in 1860, and passed away on the 16th of April, 1910. During the early years of his manhood W. O. Rich was engaged in busi-

ness, making a success of every enterprise with which he was identified, but he later withdrew from mercantile activities to enter public life. He held a number of city and township offices the responsibilities of which he discharged in a highly creditable manner and four years prior to his death he was elected to the board of supervisors of which body he was chairman at the time of his demise. He made a record during his public service which for honesty and efficiency was fully equal to that of his father. He was united in marriage on the 24th of December, 1884, to Miss Ida A. Griffin of Glidden, who survives him. Earl M., a resident of Glidden township, is an agriculturist. Nettie, who married Walter English, has two children: Louise and Jean. Herbert, who was the seventh in the order of birth, is deceased. Roscoe, the youngest member of the family, married Miss Maude O'Neil and they have two daughters, Angeline and Margaret. Mrs. Rich is still surviving at the venerable age of seventy-eight years and makes her home with her son Roscoe.

The family attended the Baptist church with which denomination the parents were affiliated, while his political support Mr. Rich always accorded the candidates of the democratic party. Although many years have passed since his demise the record he made as a public official is remembered and referred to as being in every way worthy of emulation. Mr. Rich was a man of modest, unassuming disposition, who rarely spoke of himself, and yet withal possessing such strength of character that he clung to his ideals with absolute inflexibility. It is said of him that he never forgot a friend nor missed an opportunity of reciprocating a kindly act.

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#### EARL M. RICH.

Earl M. Rich, who is engaged in the cultivation of a farm of eighty acres in Glidden township, Carroll county, was born in Whiteside county, Illinois, on the 5th of June, 1861, and is a son of the late Thomas and Angeline (Barrett) Rich. The father was born in London, England, on the 3d of March, 1830, from which country he emigrated to the United States with his parents when a lad of five years. The family first located in Erie, Pennsylvania, where they resided for several years before they removed to Whiteside county, Illinois, where Mr. Rich met and subsequently married Miss Angeline Barrett, a native of Ohio. The father, who was a carpenter, followed his trade until 1870 when he removed to Iowa, locating upon a farm of one hundred and sixty acres four miles east of Glidden. He continued to reside there, engaging in agricultural pursuits, until 1885 at which time he was appointed postmaster, following which he removed to Glidden, where the family made their home for five years and then came to Carroll, where the father passed away January 5, 1899. The mother is still surviving at the age of seventy-eight years and makes her home with her youngest son, Roscoe. Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Rich: Charles, who died in infancy; Thomas R., who is



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1880 United States Federal Census

Name: **Thos. Rich**

Home in 1880: **Glidden, Carroll, Iowa**

Age: **50**

Estimated birth year: **abt 1830**

Birthplace: **England**

Relation to Head of Household: **Self (Head)**

Spouse's name: **Angeline Rich**

Father's birthplace: **Eng.**

Mother's birthplace: **Eng.**

Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Occupation: **Farmer**

Marital Status: **Married**

Race: **White**

Gender: **Male**

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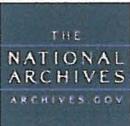
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Household	Name	Age
Members:	<a href="#">Thos. Rich</a>	50
	<a href="#">Angeline Rich</a>	47
	<a href="#">William Rich</a>	20
	<a href="#">Earl Rich</a>	17
	<a href="#">Jeanette Rich</a>	14
	<a href="#">Roscoe Rich</a>	5
	<a href="#">Ellen Harding</a>	31

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Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	<b>Thomas Rich</b>
Birth Year:	<b>abt 1826</b>
Birth Place:	<b>England</b>
Gender:	<b>Male</b>
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>
Census Date:	<b>1885</b>
Residence State:	<b>Iowa</b>
Residence County:	<b>Carroll</b>
Locality:	<b>Glidden</b>
Roll:	<b>IA1885_158</b>
Line:	<b>24</b>
Family Number:	<b>105</b>
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>

	Household Name	Age
Members:	<a href="#">Thomas Rich</a>	59
	<a href="#">Angeline Rich</a>	39
	<a href="#">Earl Rich</a>	22
	<a href="#">Nettie Rich</a>	19
	<a href="#">Roscoe Rich</a>	9

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**Birth:** Mar. 3, 1830  
Brighton, England

**Death:** Jan. 5, 1899  
Carroll  
Carroll County  
Iowa, USA

Thomas was the son of Richard Rich & Mary Ann Stearns.

Senator Thomas Rich died at his home in Carroll Thursday afternoon (January 5) and was laid to rest in the Glidden Cemetery Saturday. The funeral services were held at the Baptist Church and Rev. C.E. Bentley, pastor of the M.E. Church assisted by Rev. Groendyke conducted the ceremonies. The sermon delivered by Rev. Bentley, was a masterly effort and its sentiment found expression in the hearts of the large audience that had assembled to pay their last sad respects to one they had known and honored while living. The music, furnished by the Baptist Choir, was appropriate and added to the solemnity of the occasion. The pall bearers were Messrs. H.E. Russell, W.L. Culbertson, M.W. Beach, C.W. Bruner, N. Beiter, and William Lynch. The Board of Supervisors and the county officials attended in a body as a mark of respect to him who had labored with them and whose uprightness of character they highly appreciated.

During the past months, the deceased gradually grew weaker and for some time he knew that he was nearing the end. For several weeks past he fully realized that it was but a question of time when he would have to part with those he held dear. During his declining days, he was a close student of the Bible and found great comfort in it. He was fully prepared when the end came. The Pastor, who preached the funeral sermon, stated that he had visited the Senator a number of times during his sickness and bore evidence that he was reconciled to his fate and had made peace with his maker.

The Senator, Thomas Rich, was born in London, March 8, 1830. When he was four years old, his parents emigrated to this country and settled at Erie, Penn. Here Mr. Rich grew to manhood. In 1850 Senator Rich moved to Como, Illinois with his parents. The next year he was united in marriage to Miss Angelina Barrett, his present wife.

Their domestic relations were always pleasant and during nearly half a century of life, their affections for each other were more closely cemented by the lapse of time. To this union eight children were born; six of whom are still living. They are: Thomas R. Rich of Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Minnie Jenks of Jolly, Iowa; William O. Rich of this city; Earl M. Rich of

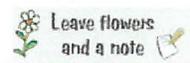


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Glidden; Mrs. Nettie English of Greene, Iowa, and Roscoe B. Rich, who makes his home with his parents. All the children were present at the funeral.

The wife, who has shared in her husband's trials and triumphs, is still healthy and strong though bowed down with the loss of him, she has looked to for comfort for many years. Their hospitable home was widely known and in pioneer days as well as in later years, all who entered it received a generous welcome. In the fifties, he crossed the mountains for California, where he spent years engaged in mining. The journey was made with an ox team, as all such trips were at the time. Some of Rich's most thrilling adventures occurring during the days he was making his fortune in the gold fields of the west. In 1870, he located on a farm a few miles east of Glidden, where he reared a family and made his home until in 1885 when he moved to Glidden. A few years later he moved to Carroll where he has since resided.

Mr. Rich was a man of strong personality, strictly honest and a staunch Democrat. He was as free lance in politics as in all his dealings with his fellow man. He was not connected with any secret society with the exception of being an honorary member of the Germanina Society. This honor he highly appreciated, as he is the only non German speaking member of the society ever enrolled on its books. This honor was conferred on him for the interest he took in securing Governor Boies' pardon for Leopold Schoeppe, who had been sentenced for violating the odious prohibition law.

He was confident of his own independence of character and relied wholly upon it. For nearly fifteen years he had been in political service and not a single act of his during his long service can be pointed to as a reproach to his name. His first appointment to the Board of supervisors was in 1881. He was elected to succeed himself and served at this time four years and was Chairman during the year 1884. At this time he moved from the farm to Glidden and was the following year appointed Postmaster under Grover Cleveland during his first term. Mr. Rich was again returned to the Board of Supervisors in 1895 and during three years, just closed, he filled the important position of Chairman, with eminent satisfaction.

Senator Rich won his greatest political triumph in a Senatorial contest in 1889. He was nominated for Senator by the Democratic Party in this district, which usually goes Republican by a large majority. His opponent was one of the present Judges of the District Court, the Honorable Z.A. Church. Mr. Rich's friends were desirous of advancing him in his political aspirations, for they knew his worth and had confidence in his rugged honesty. The result of the contest was that Mr. Rich received 1,440 majority in this county and was elected triumphantly, running several hundred ahead of Honorable Horace Boies, who for the first time in many years carried the state Democracy. The Senator and Governor Boies were firm friends and no man in the state more of an advocate of Mr. Boies than was Senator Rich.

During his four years as State Senator, he

grew in favor with the public men of the state and was honored and esteemed by them. His record in this important position was as clean and clear cut as in minor positions he had served the public. His honest, upright and manly character proved proof against the snares and pitfalls which lead so many public men to their own destruction. For a man of early seventy years, he had a wealth of personal experience that fall to the lot of but a few men. As a pioneer, a miner, a citizen and a public servant, his acts were self reliant, aggressive and always honorable. His record is one that is a treasure to his children and one of the noblest and best legacies that he could leave them. We all, who knew Senator Rich, feel bettered by the association for his thoughts were pure and his acts were manly. As we look back over his life, which was so active and busy, we can not but admire him for his manly coarse and upright character. His word was his pledge and once given, it was final. A strong mental character stamps its impression on all who came in contact with him. In his death, the entire community loses a friend and a noble and bright man.

**Family links:****Children:**

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[Earl M Rich \(1861 - 1925\)\\*](#)

[Ross B Rich \(1875 - 1936\)\\*](#)

**Spouse:**

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