

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Senator Arthaud,  
Franklin L. - Represented Adams and Taylor Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 27 April 1862 Henry County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

① Margaret Elizabeth Wideman 4 Dec 1887 Harpark, Iowa  
② Frances (Rutledge) Burgess 13 Dec 1940 Bedford, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a cashier of the State Bank of New Market, Iowa;  
he was superintendent of school at Winfield, Iowa; admitted to the  
Iowa Bar in 1897

B. Civic responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

C. Profession Attorney; bank cashier; school superintendent

4. Church membership \_\_\_\_\_

Methodist

5. Sessions served 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1900, 1902

6. Public Offices

A. Local \_\_\_\_\_

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 19 Jul 1943 Chillicothe, Missouri - buried Harview Cemetery, Bedford, Iowa

8. Children James Albert; Annie (Mrs. J. R. Campbell); Paul Wideman;  
Charles Philip; Mervin (Mrs. Lawrence Dennis); Joseph (born and died 1892)

9. Names of parents Ernie and Susannah (Eberole) Arthaud

10. Education Edmitted in Iowa schools; studied at Howe's Academy

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- He taught school as a young man.
- Then he established a law practice in Bedford Iowa
- After serving in the Iowa Senate, he moved to Chillicothe, Missouri  
where he continued to practice law.
- A street in Chillicothe is named for him.
- First wife, Margaret Elizabeth, born 1858, died 1931, also buried in  
Fairview Cemetery, Bedford, Iowa





Monthly Letter From

# England

cunningly hidden in odd nooks and crannies, between the saucers in a restaurant, between papers in a newsagent's shop, in a basket of wool in another shop. The lucky finders were entitled to keep them.

Then there were "investment auctions." Gifts given to the cause by various townspeople were auctioned at public gatherings, but instead of the highest bidder paying for the article in cash, he had to invest the sum bid in war savings. All sorts of things were auctioned in this way, ranging from a live calf to a lady's diamond ring, and thousands of pounds were realised. In one case a cucumber fetched £50.

Another attraction in the town which took us all back to the days of the last war, was the reappearance of an old hurdy-burdy, or barrel organ, an alleged musical instrument which looks like a piano on wheels and when a handle is turned emits strange staccato tunes, not without many notes missing. When this was played outside the road-houses, lots of coppers were gathered.

Well, we have devoted practically the whole of this month's letter to our effort to win our

## Frank L. Arthaud, Former Resident Dies

Funeral services for Attorney Frank L. Arthaud, whose death occurred at Chillicothe, Missouri Monday, July 19, were held from there Tuesday morning, conducted by the Rev. Glen Beaty, pastor of the First Methodist Church. The body was brought to his former home, Bedford, for burial.

Mr. Arthaud who was 81 years old, was born in Henry county, Iowa. He received his education in Iowa schools and served his district as senator in the state legislature. He also was former cashier of the State Bank at New Market and was superintendent of schools at Winfield. He was admitted to the bar in 1897.

Five children survive. They are Mrs. J. R. Campbell, Mrs. Lawrence Dennis and Charles Arthaud, all of Chillicothe; Capt. Paul Arthaud of the United States Army, and Judge J. B. Arthaud of New London, Missouri, judge of the Ralls county court.

## Carolyn Walker, 2, Dies In Hospital

Carolyn Fern Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Walker of southeast of Bedford, died at the St. Francis Hospital in Maryville Monday afternoon, following an operation on Sunday evening for a ruptured appendix. She was an only child.

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The Emile & Susanna (Thorson)  
Arthaud Family

1785-1987

*With Allied Families of*

*Blank/Plank, Labold, Neithausen, Schwarzenhuber and Zvalter*

*by*

*John Bradley Arthaud, M.D.*

## EMILE AND SUSANNA (EBERSOL) ARTHAUD

(1) EMILE<sup>1</sup> ARTHAUD was born 10 March 1806 in France. According to family tradition related by Ammie (Arthaud) Campbell in the late 1960s, Emile's older brother was one of France's seven Cardinals. Emile was being tutored in one of the great monasteries on the Seine. Because he was not in harmony with the Church, in any way, Emile ran away to Canada in his early twenties. Another granddaughter, Clara (Van Scoy) Prouty, indicated that Emile came over on a ship in 1833.

A biography of his son Daniel in 1909 included:

Emile and Susanna (Ebersol) Arthaud . . . were natives of France, the father having been born about seventy-five miles from the city of Paris, while the mother's birth occurred in Alsace. When a boy, Emile Arthaud learned the cutlery trade and, in early manhood, he crossed the Atlantic to America. He first made his way to Canada where he lived for about six years and then established his home in Indiana where he also spent a few years. In the fall of 1852, he arrived in Jefferson County, Iowa, and in the spring of 1853 came to Washington County. Mr. Arthaud located in Marion township where he purchased land, clearing and improving a tract of forty acres. He afterward sold that property and went to Henry County, Iowa, his last days being spent about a quarter of a mile south of Olds, where his death occurred. They were both consistent members of the Mennonite Church and their many good qualities of heart and mind won them the esteem and confidence of all who knew them.

Two years earlier, a biography of his son Leo mentioned that "Emile Arthaud...was born in France and came as a young man to America, settling in Ontario, Canada, where he was married to Miss Susanna Ebersoll, who was likewise, a native of France."

The earliest account of his European days was written in 1888 for a biography of his son Jacob in Henry County. (The surname was consistently misspelled as Arthand throughout the article.)

Emile and Susannah (Ebersole) Arthaud (were) both natives of France, he born near the central part, she in Alsace. The parents of Emile Arthaud both remained and died in France. By trade, Emile was a cutler, but after emigrating to Canada, purchased a farm or rather woodland which he made into a farm later. While single, he made a prospecting trip over part of the United States, making the journey on foot from the Dominion of Canada to the city of New Orleans, and thence back to his first location in Canada, after which he sold his land. It was in about 1827 that he came to America, and his marriage was celebrated at the age of thirty-three. The eight eldest (children) were born in Canada. In 1850, the family left Canada and located in Porter County, Indiana, near Valparaiso, where a farm was purchased, but fifteen months later it was sold and the family moved direct to Iowa, locating permanently in Washington County in 1853, where the family resided until 1868, when the father purchased a

farm in Henry County. The death of Emile Arthaud occurred January 26 (sic) 1887...The mother resides in a cottage near our subject, with her son Joseph and daughter Mary.

This biography, which was written about 18 years before the death of Susanna is the only record of a son "Martin, deceased." The comment about the short stop in Indiana can be documented. Emile Arthaud of Porter County paid Daniel and Elvira Ludington \$150.00 for 36 acres of land on 5 July 1851. The instrument was recorded 29 December 1851 in Porter County Deed Book 5, page 548.

The first documented appearance of Emile Arthaud in North America is found in a column, "Verheirathet" on page 3 of the German newspaper, "Das Canada Museum," for 25 September 1840. "Am 20sten dieses Monat, durch denselben, Emil Ardo, mit Susanna Ebersol, Tochter von Christian Ebersol; alle von Wilmot Taunschip." Translation: 'Marriages' On the 20th of this month, by the same (Lehrer Johannes Oesch, the Mennonite bishop who had performed other marriages reported in the same column), Emil Ardo (the German phonetic form of Arthaud) with Susanna Ebersol, daughter of Christian Ebersol, all of Wilmot township. Susanna, born 10 February 1822, Taconville, France, was the youngest child of Christian and Susannah (Neuhauser) (Blank) Ebersol. Her parents and siblings are discussed in Appendices A-F.

Emile Arthaud paid Joseph and Magdalena Schlatter 80 pounds for 100 acres of land, the east half of Lot 35 in the 14th Concession of Zorra township, Oxford County, District of Brock, Canada, on 5 January 1849. Witnesses were John Sommer and Jacob Schwartzentruber. Emile's signature on a photocopy of this memorial is reproduced below.

*Emile Arthaud*

Emile and Susannah Arthaud sold this land to John Master for the purchase price on 1 March 1850. Daniel Eicher and John Sommer witnessed this memorial. These are the only Canadian records found for them. As their land is located near the region where three counties join, the following 1851 census records were checked: East Zorra, parts 1-2, West Zorra, parts 1-2, Blandford, Oxford County; Wilmot township, parts 1-5, Waterloo County, and North Easthope township, parts 1-2, Perth County. South Easthope township, Perth County, records for 1851 no longer exist. The pertinent regions for Arthauds and Ebersols are not among the few locations still preserved for the Canadian census of 1841.

An unidentified Antoine Arthaud obtained 100 acres of Lot 2, Concession 3 of North Easthope, Perth County, Ontario, from the Canada Company for 37 pounds 10 shillings on 28 January 1840; registered 29 January 1842. Antoine and wife Susannah, of Wilmot township, Waterloo County, District of Wellington, sold this land to Nicholaus Klein for 92 pounds 10 shillings on 27 January 1842; recorded 27 September 1853. Klein then sold this land less than six months later, which may explain why he finally registered his purchase more than a decade later. Antoine Arthaud is #233 of the registry of Canadian naturalizations. His "present" residence 26 August 1842 was Wilmot, which was also stated to have been his residence on 10 February 1841. The date of

expiration of seven years residence was May 1838. The inference is that he arrived in Canada in May, 1831. Lorraine Roth found an Anthony Authur (?Arthaud) on Lot 23 S. Snyders Road, in a household of one male over 16 years in 1833. (This location is in Wilmot township.) (Abstract Index Twp of North Easthope, Perth Co., Book A, p. 117; Deed Book A (1847-1855), p. 159, Document 158; and "Upper Canada Naturalization Registers" 1828-1850, vol. 7).

As Antoine Arthaud's wife was Susannah in 1842, consideration has been given to the possibility that he and Emile are the same man. Antoine actually disappears with the 1842 sale of his land. Nothing is known of his age other than he was "not under 16 years" when he signed the naturalization register. The signatures on his naturalization record and Emile's land purchase nine years later do not appear identical. No Arthaud entry was found in numerous will indices for this time period in the three counties.

Emile's birthplace is denoted France in his 1860, 1870 and 1880 census entries. In 1860, Susanna's birthplace was listed as Baden. In 1870, 1880 and 1900, France was designated. The latter census showed her birthdate as February 1821 (sic). She stated that she had immigrated to the United States in 1851. There was no indication as to her possible naturalization. Their children from Daniel on are always listed as being born in Iowa. In 1860, his birthplace was shown as Canada.

Three of their sons, Leo, Franklin and Joseph, were educated at Howe's Academy, founded in 1841 five years before Iowa received statehood. From 1850 to 1860, Howe's Academy was a focus of anti-slavery sentiment and action. Professors from Howe's often visited the Arthaud home on weekends and engaged in lively discussions with the boys' father. Emile, described as "a fiery little redheaded Frenchman," was rather a tyrant in his home. He believed in the Old World custom that a child was bound to his father until the age of twenty-one. A well educated man, who spoke six languages fluently, he spent most of his time reading. He also walked sixteen miles a day until he was 79 years old, claiming this kept him young. Emile and Susanna have been registered as Iowa Pioneers with the Iowa Genealogical Society.

Susanna spoke only German. Mrs. Grace (Arthaud) Rosier recalled her grandmother sitting in a rocking chair by the fireplace smoking her corncob pipe. Ammie (Arthaud) Campbell vividly remembered her Grandmother Arthaud wearing a voluminous black dress and white hood with a big tie under chin during a visit in 1902. Marie (Arthaud) Wyant, in a phone conversation in October, 1986, recounted how she and her brothers and sisters were offended at the double standard of their grandmother being allowed to smoke when she visited in their home. Leo strictly forbade his children to smoke.

Susanna's obituary in the "Herald of Truth" for 3 May 1906, p. 160, read in part: "Arthaud- On March 21, 1906, in Wayland, Iowa, Susan wife of the late Emil Arthaud; aged 83 years. Her maiden name was Susanna Ebersolt. She was born in France and at the age of four years came with her parents to Pennsylvania, where she lived for two years and then went to Canada...She was the mother of fifteen children of whom ten are still living; 48 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by D. Graber and P. Stuckey in German, and S. M. Musselman in English. She united with the Amish

M. Church in her youth and remained a faithful member." Her death occurred at the home of her daughter Mrs. Lena Van Scoy, Wayland, Iowa, according to a transcription of her obituary from "The Evening Journal" dated 22 March 1906, Washington, Iowa. Vernon Frey, secretary of the Eicher Mennonite Church supplied this information in a letter dated 6 November 1975. He copied her birthdate from the obituary as 10 February 1823 (sic). Mr. Frey also transcribed the dates on the gravestone.

Emile, Susanna and three of their children are buried in the Eicher Emmanuel Mennonite Cemetery, north of Wayland, Iowa. The west side of the monument bears the following inscription:

"Emile Arthaud	March 10, 1806	Jan. 24, 1887
His wife, Susanna	Feb. 10, 1822	March 21, 1906
Samuel Arthaud	Aug. 10, 1849	March 23, 1885
Barbara Arthaud	Sept. 10, 1858	Feb. 12, 1868."

The east side:

"Enos Arthaud            April 17, 1851        March 8, 1910."

("History of Washington County, Iowa," 1909, vol. II, p. 193-5; "Past and Present of Dallas County, Iowa," 1907, pp. 612-5; "Portrait and Biographical Album of Henry County, Iowa," 1888, pp. 216-217; "Iowa J. Hist. Politics," 41:69-85 (1943) & 42:3-73 (1944); Fam. 1164, p. 168, Crawford twp., Wash. Co., Iowa, 1860; Fam. 92, p. 12, Wayne twp, Henry Co., Iowa, 1870; Fam. 236, p. 33, Wayne twp, Henry Co., 1880; p. 6, ED 40, Wayne twp, Henry Co., 1900 with daughter Mary Anderson; p. 5, ED 105, McArdle Pct, Douglas Co., Nebr. 1900 (Enos); Fam. 76, p. 9/16A, Lower Loup, Oak & Deer Creek Pcts, Sherman Co., Nebr., 1880 (Samuel); & "Hawkeye Heritage" 17:209, 1982)

- +2. Christian Arthaud
- +3. John B. Arthaud
- +4. Jacob Arthaud
- +5. Leo Arthaud
- +6. Magdalena Arthaud
- +7. Jonathan Arthaud
- 8. Samuel Arthaud (1849-1885)
- 9. Enos Arthaud (1851-1910) made a claim for 25-15-13 of Sherman County, Nebraska, on 17 October 1873. By 1900, he was living in Douglas County, Nebraska. He was residing in Omaha when his mother died.
- +10. Daniel Arthaud
- 11. Martin Arthaud died in infancy
- +12. Benjamin Arthaud
- 13. Barbara Arthaud (1858-1868)
- +14. Mary Arthaud
- +15. Franklin L. Arthaud
- 16. Joseph Arthaud (3 December 1864, Crawfordsville, Iowa -- 24 June 1925, Chillicothe, Missouri) was educated at Howe's Academy. After teaching a few years in Wayland, Iowa, he took a law course in the office of Judge W. L. Babb, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Joe moved to Bedford, Iowa, in 1901 and entered law partnership with his

brother, Frank. A year later, he married Emma Crew of Bedford. They moved to Chillicothe in 1903. His widow died March, 1951. They had no children. He is buried in the Fairview Cemetery, Bedford. (p. 5, ED 37, Scott twp, Winfield, Iowa, 1900 & P.C. O'Dell, E. Stephens and H. Janson, "Tombstone Records of Taylor County, Iowa, "1979, 3rd printing, p. 105)

END OF FIRST GENERATION

(15) FRANKLIN L.<sup>2</sup> ARTHAUD (23 or 27 April 1862, Henry Co., Iowa -- 19 July 1943, Chillicothe, Missouri) married first 4 December 1887, Wayland, Iowa, Mary Elizabeth "Maggie" Wideman (Feb. 1857, Iowa -- 1 July 1931, Chillicothe, Mo.) daughter of Philip and Mary Jane Wideman. She was consistently shown older than he in the 1900 and 1910 census. He married second 13 December 1940, Bedford, Iowa, Dr. Frances (Rutledge) Burgess, of Bethany, Mo. He and his first wife are buried in the Fairview Cemetery, Bedford.



Frank studied at Howe's Academy and walked eleven miles along the railroad tracks to spend his weekends at home. After a brief career as a school teacher, he established a law practice in Bedford. Admitted to the Iowa Bar in 1897, he was elected on the Republican ticket to the Iowa State Senate from District 6 for the 28th and 29th General Assemblies in 1900 and 1902. He soon moved to Chillicothe, Missouri, where he continued his law practice. A street in Chillicothe is named for him. Although he was stated to have been a mayor of Chillicothe in "The Emile Arthaud Family," his name is not on the official list of mayors for that city.

He was the last of Emile's children to die. The 137-year period of their lives spanned from the Napoleonic era to the dark hours of World War II.

(F. J. Stork & C. A. Clingan, "The Iowa General Assembly: Our Legislative Heritage 1846-1980," pp. 55-6; p. 19, ED 115, Madison St., Bedford twp, Bedford, Taylor Co., Iowa, 1900; Fam. 118, p. 5, ED 98, Jackson St., Chillicothe, Liv. Co., Mo., 1910; "Tombstone Records of Taylor County, Iowa," 3rd printing, 1979, p. 105; "Livingston County History 1821-1981," p. 189)

- +54. James Delbert Arthaud
- +55. Ammie Arthaud
- +56. Charles Philip Arthaud
- +57. Florence Arthaud
- +58. Paul Wideman Arthaud
- 59. Joseph Arthaud (1892-1892) buried with parents.

END OF SECOND GENERATION