

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Kreuz, William Senator _____

Represented Floyd County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 23 Jan 1890 Orispa, Union County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Ellen Krump 23 Feb 1910

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Elks; Moose; Lewis Club

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd Iowa Assembly 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947, 1949

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 23 Aug 1950 near Charles City, Iowa

8. Children Donovan; Benjamin; Myron; daughter died in infancy

9. Names of parents Thurg and Anelia (Waterman) Kreuz

10. Education Educated in the schools of Jasper
County, Iowa

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- 1913: He first moved to a farm in St. Charles township of
Floyd County, later farmed east of Rockford, Iowa
- 1942 moved to the farm north of Charles City where he died



William Kruse Ta

HANGS SELF FROM RAFTER IN FARM SHED

Regarded As Possible Speaker for Next Legislature

William Kruse, 60, Floyd county representative in the state legislature since 1939, took his own life by hanging early today.

A republican and speaker pro tempore of the state house of representatives in the last session of the state legislature, Mr. Kruse had been mentioned recently as a possible speaker of the house in the session beginning next January and also for possible appointment to the state highway commission.

His body was found hanging from a rope over a rafter in a machine shed on his 120-acre farm three miles north of Charles City about 5 a. m. Mrs. Kruse found the body.

Restless Night

She told County Coroner Carl Hauser that her husband had returned from Charles City about 10 p. m. last night. About 4:30 a. m. he had arisen, saying that he was restless and unable to sleep.

When Mr. Kruse did not return within a half-hour, Mrs. Kruse went to look for him. She called a physician, who pronounced Mr. Kruse dead upon his arrival.

Hauser said the legislator had apparently stepped from a corn planter in the shed, using a rope which was in the building, about 50 yards from the house.

No Inquest

No inquest will be held, the coroner said. He held the death a suicide.

Mr. Kruse left no note. Members of his immediate family said he was quite nervous and high strung although this was not apparent to most persons who knew him only as a jovial, hearty individual. He had been in apparent good health.

Mrs. Kruse told Hauser that this restlessness and nervousness had intensified in the past month and that her husband had found difficulty sleeping but that she did not know the cause of his restlessness.

Mr. Kruse, who had served six terms in the legislature, was wide-



Rep. William Kruse

KRUSE DEATH SHOCKS MANY

Death of William Kruse, 60-year-old veteran Floyd county representative in the state legislature, came as a shock to Gov. William S. Beardsley, local officials and political leaders.

"I am shocked to learn of the passing of Representative Kruse," Governor Beardsley said today upon learning of the death while the chief executive was in Fort Dodge attending that city's centennial celebration.

"I was privileged to serve in the house with him, and he was an outstanding legislator, an able man and a warm personal friend," Governor Beardsley told the Associated Press. "We all grieve at his passing."

Boyd G. Hayes, third district republican chairman, said:

"I think we in Floyd county lost a very able and very respected representative. It is unfortunate that we have."

Mayor Harold S. Henry, commented: "His death is a big loss to the community, both as a private citizen and as a representative."

U. S. TO BUILD UP FORCES

FRANKFURT, GERMANY—(AP)

STUDY MALIK'S LATEST FOR WAR THREATS

Weigh Russ Delegate's Speech for Hints Of Conflict

LAKE SUCCESS—(AP)—Security council delegates studied Russian Jakob A. Malik's latest speech closely today for hints of a new war threat.

They weighed Malik's statement to the council yesterday that "continuation of military operations in Korea would lead not to a localization of the conflict, as the representative of the United States so diligently tries to convince us, but would inevitably lead to a broadening of the conflict fraught with serious consequences."

"The responsibility for this would lie fully upon the government of the United States of America and their delegation in the security council," Malik declared.

U. S. Demands

The United States had demanded that U.N. members work to localize the Korean war and that the North Koreans withdraw to the 38th parallel. Russia has called for withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea.

In a 48-minute attack the Russian accused the United States, aided by Great Britain, of waging an "open armed aggression against the Korean people and other Asiatic people who struggle for their independence and national sovereignty." The U.S., he asserted, attempts "to cover up this aggression with the label of the flag of the United Nations."

It was the ninth "no action" session of the council since Malik ended the seven-month Soviet boycott and took over the group's presidency Aug. 1. His term ends Aug. 31.

Both U.S. representative Warren Austin and Britain's Sir Gladwyn Jebb in reply charged Malik with using Hitlerian propaganda techniques.

"Gigantic Falsehood"

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Six Terms

Mr. Kruse, who had served six terms in the legislature, was widely known in political and legislative circles. He had served as chairman of the sifting committee and as a member of the steering committee. These powerful committees control legislation to be considered by the house of representatives in final days of the session.

In the last legislature he was chairman of the rules committee in the house and a member of its committees on agriculture, appropriations, board of control, fish and game, judiciary, labor, public health, pharmacy, roads and highways and ways and means.

Renominated in the republican primary June 5, Mr. Kruse was unopposed for re-election in the November general election. The Floyd county republican central committee may chose the nominee to succeed him on the ballot. If it fails to do so a special county republican convention may be called to nominate.

Resident 37 Years

Mr. Kruse had been a farmer all his life and a resident of Floyd county since 1913. He moved to the farm north of Charles City in 1942. He had sold this farm within the past month.

When he first moved to the county, he lived in St. Charles township, west of Charles City. Later he farmed six miles east of Rockford.

He first ran for the state legislature in 1938 upon the urging of friends, succeeding Roy J. Sours, formerly chief of the dairy and food division of the state department of agriculture.

Funeral

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday at the Central Methodist church with the Rev. H. F. Mercer, pastor, officiating.

Mr. Kruse was a member of the Methodist church, Masonic bodies, the Elks, Moose and Lions clubs and the Floyd County Farm Bureau.

Born Jan. 23, 1890, in Arispe, Union county, Iowa, he was a son of Henry and Amelia Waterman Kruse. He was educated in the Jasper county schools. On Feb. 23, 1910, Mr. Kruse married the former Ella Krampe.

Survivors

Survivors include the widow and three sons, Donovan Kruse and Benjamin Kruse, both farming in

UP FORCES

FRANKFURT, GERMANY — (AP) — High American officials disclosed here today that the United States is considering a build-up of its armed forces in Germany to bolster the defense of West Europe against possible communist attack.

Discussions are now going on in Washington, the officials said, on how many more troops should be sent.

Washington also is discussing the possibility of acceding to West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's demand for a well-armed police army to counter the Russian-sponsored "people's army in East Germany. Details of the strength of such a police force are now being worked out, the informants said.

American officials were said to favor wholeheartedly the proposed reinforcement of the U.S. occupation forces here.

Two More Channel Swimmers Set Out

DOVER, England — (AP) — Two more swimmers headed across the English channel in opposite directions—just a few hours after seven men and two women churned their way through the strait in an historic mass crossing.

Two other Britain-bound marathoners—Frenchman Georges Alfonsi and Dutchman Joseph Van Waal—gave up less than half-way to their goal.

The England-to-France swimmer was 18-year-old Philip Mickman, English swimming wonder, who took off at 7:45 a. m. from just west of Dover harbor to try for his second channel conquest and his first crossing in that direction.

Niles township, and Myron F. Kruse, Charles City. Four grandchildren also survive.

Other survivors include a sister, Mrs. Etta Shorman, Baxter; two brothers, Henry Kruse, Baxter, and Fred Kruse, Colo., and a half-brother, Paul Edler, Baxter.

Preceding him in death were his parents and a daughter who died in infancy.

The Hauser Funeral home is in charge of services. Friends may call there after 7 p. m. tonight.

The site of burial was not immediately determined.

"Gigantic Falsehood" The Russian charge, said Austin, is "a lie, a big lie." He termed Malik's statement a "gigantic falsehood," adding that propaganda, "the bigger the falsehood, the better the chance it is of being believed."

Austin said Malik was emulating Hitler's trick of "concealing guilt by accusation." Jebb recalled that Stalin in 1939 had charged France and Britain with attacking Germany. He queried:

"If Stalin himself subscribed this remarkable analysis of aggression in 1939, who is going to believe Soviet theories of aggression in 1950?"

Malik repeated his demand that the U.N. withdraw foreign troops from Korea and end what he charged was a "colossal international bluff" of masking "armies of American aggressors" as international armies of the United Nations.

PROBE EX-AID OF PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON — (P) — A senate crime committee today studied testimony that President Truman's former secretary received money in 1945 to help a candy manufacturer get a wartime sugar quota.

David Lubben, the candy maker, told the committee yesterday he paid \$1,000 or \$1,500 to Vice Messall, the former secretary, but failed to get the quota.

He testified he bought his market sugar for his factory, the Eatsum company of New York, and put up large sums to bribe government agents on the trade of black market sugar deals.

The committee swiftly summoned Messall, who testified he did not remember either Lubben or dealings with his firm. He conceded this might be due to a faulty memory, but insisted he never told anybody his associations with Mr. Truman gave him special influence.

Senate records list Messall as Mr. Truman's secretary from 1941 to 1944, when the president was senator. Officials at the nation's democratic headquarters said he was one of Mr. Truman's top managers. There was no comment from the White House.

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Rooms—Apts. 11

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FOR RENT — All modern apartment. Permanently employed. Non-smoker or drinker. Oct. 1. Write 394 c/o Press.

FOR RENT — Room for girls.

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CARD OF THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.

Mrs. William Kruse
Mr. and Mrs. Donavon Kruse
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Kruse
Mr. and Mrs. Myron Kruse

OBITUARY

WILLIAM KRUSE

William Kruse the son of Henry and Amelia Waterman Kruse was born January 23, 1890 in Arispe, Union County, Iowa. He came to his death early Wednesday morning at the age of 60 years and seven months.

Mr. Kruse was educated in the Jasper county schools. February 23rd, 1910 he married Ella Krampe. They first moved to the country, farming in St. Charles township, later farmed 6 miles east of Rockford. In 1942 they moved to the farm north of Charles City, which was recently sold. They lived in Floyd county since 1913.

Mr. Kruse was prominent in political circles, serving six terms in the legislature. He was also chairman of the following committees: agricultural appropriations, board of control, fish and game judiciaries, labor, public health, pharmacy, road and highways, and ways and means. He was also slated as the next speaker of the house.

Those surviving include his widow, three sons: Donovan and Benjamin Kruse both farming in Niles township and Myron F. Kruse of Charles City. Also surviving are a sister Mrs. Etta Shorman of Baxter, two brothers, Henry of Baxter and Fred Kruse of Colo, a half brother Paul Edler of Baxter and four grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents and a daughter who died in infancy.

Mr. Kruse was popular and socially inclined. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Elks, Moose, and Lions clubs, the Floyd county Farm Bureau and the Methodist church.

Miscellaneous 17

FOR RENT — Electric sewing machines by the week or month. The Sewing Center. Phone 1181-W.

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Following is a list of the rural teachers for the 1950-51 school year, subject to change. Of these 40 are married. 29 are single and one is a man teacher.

Bradford Township: Greenwood ind., Mrs. Altha Steinert; No. 2, Mrs. Emil Bolam; No. 3, Lillia Hvitved; No. 4, Mrs. Mary Edson; No. 5, Mrs. Leota Edson; No. 6, Mrs. Irma Knapp; No. 9, Evelyn Zwanziger; No. 10, Mrs. Ca Schmidt.

Chickasaw Township: Bassett lower grades, Eleanor Lockey; upper grades, Gladylou Mills, Chickasaw ind., Mrs. Elno Greger; No. 1, Ada Munson; No. 2, Mrs. Haze Smith; No. 3, Mrs. Wilma Morse; No. 5, Mrs. Gertrude Quirk; No. 6, Eileen Weigel.

Dayton Township: No. 2, Mrs. Gaylord Dowd; No. 4, Mrs. Ber Klossosky; No. 7, Mrs. Mari Whalen.

Deerfield Township: No. 3, Mrs. Lee Cox; No. 5, Mrs. Robert Lodge; No. 9, Mrs. Doris Smith; No. 10, Mrs. Regina Haus.

Dresden

Dresden Township: No. 1, Mrs. Thelma March; No. 2, Mrs. Helen L. Smith; No. 4, Mrs. James Mayo; No. 5, Mrs. Lena Stone; No. 6, Ethel Mattke; No. 7, Mrs. Beth Gitch; No. 8, Margaret Ann Burgart.

Fredericksburg Township: No. 3, Mrs. Myrtle Burmaster; No. 4, Mrs. Ruth Davis; No. 5, Freida Jaeschke; No. 6, Mrs. Marie Wendt; No. 7, Marilyn Upham; No. 8, Mrs. Margaret Wendt; No. 9, Mrs. Robert Mattke; No. 10, Mrs. Albert Dienst.

Jacksonville Township: Ind. No. 1, Kate Shanley; No. 4 Sub., Agnes Kelly; No. 3 Sub., Kenneth Fossen; Ind. No. 7, Gertrude Weidler; No. 9 Ind., Anu Sheridan; Ind. No. 10, Ethel Mae Huber.

New Hampton

New Hampton Township: Ind. No. 1, Donna Mae Schumacher; No. 2, Rosemary M. Croell; No. 3, Mrs. Virgil Denner; No. 4, Mrs. Rachel Long; No. 5, Elsie Timm; No. 7, Mrs. Lucile Freeman.

Richland Township: No. 1, Marylou Rowe; No. 2, Jeanette Croell; No. 3, Mrs. Evelyn Malfeld; No. 4, Mary Hays; No. 5, Beverly Beaver; No. 6, Mary Lou Noehl; No. 7, Ruth Kennedy.

Stapleton Township: No. 5, Mrs. Lucille Benner; No. 7, Joyce O'Connell; No. 8, Elaine Deweese.

Utica Township: No. 2, Mrs. Hannah Flatjord; No. 4, Mrs. Bernice Ohm; No. 6, Mrs. Alice Panos; No. 7, Mrs. Leonard Kach.

Washington Township: No. 1,