

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator EVANS, KENNETH A.

Represented Mills and Montgomery Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 9 November 1898, Emerson, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Else B. Sharp (--- - 25 December 1969), 8 June 1921, Manchester, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business farm operation and management, Iowa and Nebraska

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession

4. Church membership Episcopal

5. Sessions served 47th - 50th GA, 1937-1944; SD 8, Mills & Montgomery Co
51-53GA, Lt Gov.

6. Public Offices

A. Local council, Emerson, 10 years

B. State Lieutenant Governor, 1944-1950

C. National WW I veteran

7. Death 11 December 1970, Highland Acres, Red Oak, Ia; 1 month illness.
bur. Emerson Cemetery

8. Children (1) Robert L., Davenport; (2) Rosalie (BELT); (3) Commander Arnold
(U. S. Navy, San Francisco)

9. Names of parents Marion Evans (Ohio c. 1852 -); Minnie --- (Ill. c. 1863
). He was hotel keeper in Red Oak in 1910.

10. Education ~~Emerson Public Schools; St. James school at Faribault, Minn.;
Mercersburg Academy at Mercersburg, Pa.; Univ. of Illinois~~

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

~~Served in World War I.~~

~~Phi KPPA Psi fraternity. 50 year Mason, member of lodges and organizations in
Emerson, REd Oak, Des Moines and Davenport. Past Master at Emerson.
Chaired Republican Central Committee, Montgomery Co., 2 years.
Director Central Life Assurance Co.
Survived by two sons, daughter, 11 grandchildren; brother.~~

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county 4-H officers will feature the annual 4-H Jamboree scheduled Saturday, Dec. 19, 7:30 p.m., in the Red Oak Community School Junior High Gymnasium.

The 11th annual all-county 4-H event will have as Master of Ceremonies Rick Dodd, county boys' 4-H President, Kirk Goranson, boys' vice-president, will give the invocation and Russell Wilson, county Treasurer will lead in pledge to the American flag.

Another feature is the 4-H honorary member ceremony. It will be conducted by Carol Penn, girls' Vice-President, assisted by Susan Skahill, Sherry Gillespie, Kirk Goranson and Joel

Barb Jones will sing the 4-H clover song during the ceremony.

Historians reports will be given by Susan Skahill and David Hart.

Ruth Hallquist, girls' county President, is installing officer for the new county 4-H officers and Pat Berlin will preside at the election. Mari Kay Messer, will sing "Dreaming" during the installation ceremony. Sharon Lewis will be pianist for the Jamboree. Dennis McConnell will give the 4-H creed and Rick Dodd will be in charge of the relaxer.

Members, 4-H Leaders, 4-H Committee members and parents will be attending from all 24 clubs in Montgomery County. The public is invited.

Evans Rites Are Today

EMERSON Funeral services for Kenneth A. Evans, 72, lifetime resident of this community and former Iowa Lieutenant Governor and State Senator, were held this morning at Selligren-Landell Funeral Home in Red Oak.

Father Calvin Hedelson of Shenandoah officiated and burial was in Emerson Cemetery with Masonic Rites by Humanity Lodge No. 378, AF & AM, Emerson.

Mr. Evans died at Highland Acres, Red Oak, Friday, Dec. 11, after an illness of one month. He was a farm manager.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Evans, he was born here Nov. 9, 1898, and was married in 1921 to Elsie B. Sharp, who died last Christmas Day.

Surviving are two sons, Robert of Davenport and Arnold, San Francisco, daughter, Mrs. C. O. Belt, Red Oak; brother, John L., Emerson; 11 grandchildren.

Mr. Evans had served two terms as a State Senator and three terms as Iowa's

Lieutenant Governor.

He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, Emerson, Chapter, Council and Commandery of Red Oak Masonic Lodge No. 162, AF & AM, Humanity Lodge No. 378 AF & AM of Emerson and Past Master of that Lodge; Order of Eastern Star No. 121 of Emerson; BPOE, Lodge No. 1304 of Red Oak; Za-Ga-Zig Shrine Temple of Des Moines; Scottish rite of Davenport; Red Cross of Constatine of Des Moines.

Mr. Evans was a 50-year member of all Masonic bodies of the York Rite and was a World War I veteran.

Honor Seventh Grade Student

Karl Allen, Red Oak Community Junior High seventh grade student, has been especially honored by Read Magazine.

His poem "Starship" is to be printed in the Jan. 22 issue.

According to a letter received by his teacher, Mrs. Neal Buss, long poems which fill a full column are seldom used.

The exception in Karl's case is an honor. The preceding sentence is a direct quotation from the letter.

Stanton Decorations

concert, entitled "The Carols of Christmas," at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. in the junior high gym.

The Vocal Department will present a cantata and other Christmas music. Soloists for this group are Tammy Farnum and Dan Roach. Dee Decklever is instructor.

The band, under the direction of Harold W. Hascall, will also present Christmas selections and marches.

Early Mailing For Dec. 24 Express

Because there will be no mail delivery on Saturday, Dec. 26, the Dec. 24 issue of The Express will be mailed on Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Advertising deadline for this issue has been moved up to Tuesday noon and news sources are asked to submit their copy at least a day early for this issue and for the Monday, Dec. 28, issue. The Express plant will be closed Dec. 25, 26 and 27.

Schools Closed By Icy Roads

Most area schools were closed Friday because of the ice-glazed condition of the roads.

Closings included Red Oak, Stanton, Villisca, Griswold, Essex and Nishna Valley Community Districts, among others.

Most of these schools and others closed early Thursday because of the road conditions.

Routine Damage

Jack Trainer, Manager here for Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., and Milo Burnham, local Customer Representative for Iowa Power and Light Company, both reported their firms had routine ice damage to lines in Red Oak and surrounding area.

End Accreditation Visit at College

CRESTON—An Iowa Department of Public Instruction and State Board of Regents accreditation team completed a 2 1/2-day visit to Southwestern Community College here Wednesday.

The team had been here since Monday, inspecting the collec-

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as a member of the Iowa house of representatives from Boone county in the thirtieth, thirty-first, thirty-second and thirty-second extra general assemblies, and as a member of the state senate from the thirty-first senatorial district in the thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth general assemblies of Iowa. Graduate of the public school at Beaver, Iowa, and the Drake University law school in 1920. Married De Elda Kinson of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and they have one daughter and two sons. Since 1920 he has been engaged in the practice of law in the city of Boone, Iowa, and is a member of the firm of Doran and Doran. Member of the American Legion, A. F. and A. M., B. P. O. E., K. P., A. T. O. fraternity, and the Lions club of Boone. Served as state senator in the forty-third and forty-fourth general assemblies, and was again elected senator in 1936. A republican.

T. F. DRISCOLL, Fort Madison.—Senator from the first district, Lee county. Served during first part of the session of the forty-seventh general assembly until his service was terminated by death after a short illness. A democrat.

HOWARD W. EDWARDS, Tingley.—Senator from the fifth district, composed of Ringgold, Union, and Decatur counties, was born on a farm near Greenfield, Illinois, October 25, 1869, the son of Lorenzo and Tablha Edwards, where he grew to manhood and graduated from the Greenfield high school. He attended Illinois Wesleyan University. Engaged in the furniture and undertaking business in Greenfield. In 1897 was married to Mayme Benson of Memphis, Missouri. Farmed until 1902, at which time he located in Tingley, Iowa, and re-entered the furniture and undertaking business and is now engaged in undertaking at that place. During this thirty-two years' time, he was postmaster at Tingley. Has held no other political office until elected as senator in 1936. A republican.

FRANK E. ELLIS, Maquoketa.—Senator from the twenty-third district, Jackson county, was born on a farm in Jackson county, Iowa, March 12, 1879, the son of Hon. J. W. and Mary Forbes Ellis. His wife was Alice B. Lynch also of Jackson county and he has three living children, Lydia Marie, now Mrs. Dr. L. R. Maxwell of Washington, D. C., John C., an accountant of Seattle, Washington, and Francis V., an attorney at Manchester, Iowa. Besides teaching in the public schools for two years Mr. Ellis has been active in the insurance and real estate business for 39 years. His greatest effort has been the collecting and maintaining the Frank Ellis Museum of archeology and anthropology at Maquoketa, Iowa, which he has housed in a beautiful fire proof building that he erected in 1930. This museum is free to school children. Has been active in conservation, archeology and natural history all his life. Elected to the senate in 1936. A democrat.

LEO ELTHON, Fertile.—Senator from the forty-fifth district, comprising Worth, Winnebago and Mitchell counties, was born in Fertile, Iowa, June 9, 1898, and is now engaged in general farming. He attended the elementary schools at Fertile and graduated from the high school there in 1917. Later he attended the Augsburg Seminary, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Iowa State Teachers college, Cedar Falls, and Hamilton's University of Commerce, Mason City, Iowa. He taught school during two years, 1918 and 1919, instructing manual training and athletics at Clear Lake, Iowa, and later as principal in the high school at Fertile. He started farming in 1920. His farming operations include truck gardening, pickle processing, and in the winter, cattle and hog feeding. He was married to Synneva Hjelmland of Fertile, February 28, 1922, and has two sons and four daughters. Elected to the senate in 1932, and re-elected in 1936. A republican.

K. A. EVANS, Emerson.—Senator from the eighth district, composed of Mills and Montgomery counties, born at Emerson, Iowa, November 9, 1898, son of Marion L. and Hattie M. Evans. Attended the Emerson public schools, St. James school at Faribault, Minnesota, and Mercersburg academy at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, and the University of Illinois. Member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, all Masonic bodies and Shrine. Served ten years as member of town council at

Emerson and two years as chairman of the republican central committee of Mills county. Engaged in the operation and management of farms in Iowa and Nebraska. Married Elsie B. Sharp, June 8, 1921, at Manchester, Iowa, and they have three children, Robert L., Rosalie Ann, and Arnold A. Serving first term in senate. A republican.

M. X. GESKE, McGregor.—Senator from the thirty-sixth district, Clayton county, was born at McGregor, Iowa, the son of F. F. Geske and Sophia Geske, both having migrated to the United States from Germany. He is a member of a family of fourteen and was raised on a farm and graduated from the McGregor high school. Clerked in a country store and taught country schools and with the earnings attended and graduated from the Valparaiso normal school at Valparaiso, Indiana, in 1893, after which he taught in the public schools at Windom, Minnesota, and was superintendent of schools at Lake Crystal, Minnesota, and then attended the University of Minnesota for a period of two years. Later read law with D. D. Murphy at Elkader, Iowa, and graduated from the law school at Drake University at Des Moines, Iowa, and has been in the practice of law at McGregor since his admission to the bar. He has served as a member of the public school board at McGregor, one time president of said board; also served as councilman and mayor of the town of McGregor from time to time. He was county attorney of Clayton county, Iowa, for two terms and was elected to the senate in 1932 and re-elected in 1936. A democrat.

JAMES J. GILLESPIE, Des Moines.—Senator from the thirtieth district, Polk county, was born at Scranton, Greene county, Iowa, May 13, 1892, the son of Dr. John J. and Margaret McCune Gillespie. He was reared in Des Moines and educated in the Des Moines schools. Studied pharmacy and pre-medic at Highland Park college and Drake University in Des Moines. Engaged in retail drug business since 1917. Served in World war in 1918. Married Bessie Pring of Des Moines, June 19, 1918, and they have one daughter, Betty Lou. Held no public office until elected to the Senate in 1936. A democrat.

LESTER S. GILLETTE, Postoria.—Senator from the forty-seventh district, comprising Clay, Dickinson, Emmet, Kossuth and Palo Alto counties, was born in Iowa and attended rural schools, Milford high school, Iowa State college, and the University of Missouri, where he received a master's degree. A member of Alpha Zeta, Delta Sigma Rho, Phi Kappa Phi and Sigma Ki, fraternities. Member, staff of Iowa State college and experiment station 1914 to 1919. Has farmed since 1919. Has judged various breeds of dairy cattle, and served as chairman of Dickinson county farm debt advisory board, Dickinson county farm bureau, Milford Township school board and C-D. Farm Service Company. Former member county committee, agricultural programs 1934-1936, and of the Iowa farm bureau executive committee. Married Cecelia E. Murray in 1917, and they have seven children, Jean, Mary, Riley, John, Charles, Rita and Frances. Elected to the senate in 1936. A democrat.

SAM D. GOETSCH, Decorah.—Senator from the forty-second district, composed of Howard and Winneshiek counties, was born in Sheboygan county, Random Lake, Wisconsin, in 1879 of German parentage. At the age of thirteen years moved to Mower county, Minnesota, with parents. Married to Hannah Bush of Mower county, Minnesota, and they reared a family of eight children, six girls and two boys. Moved to Winneshiek county, Iowa, in 1924, to the city of Decorah, Iowa, and resided there since. Main occupation has been farming and real estate business and some years in the general mercantile business. Was elected to the senate in 1934. A democrat.

H. J. GRUNEWALD, Blairstown.—Senator from forty-fifth district, composed of Benton and Tama counties, was born on a farm near Blairstown, Iowa. Attended Northern Indiana normal school for three years at Valparaiso, Indiana. Married

KENNETH A. EVANS

PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Hon. Kenneth A. Evans, begs leave to submit the following:

Kenneth A. Evans was born at Emerson, Iowa, November 9, 1898, and at Red Oak, Iowa, December 11, 1970. He attended the Emerson public school, St. James School at Faribault, Minnesota, Mercersburg Academy at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, and the University of Illinois. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, all Masonic bodies, Shrine and American Legion. He was a Director of the Central Life Assurance Company for ten years. He was a member of the town council at Emerson for ten years and served as chairman of the Republican Central Committee of Emerson County for two years.

He was a member of the Iowa Senate in the Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, Forty-ninth, Fiftieth and Fiftieth Extra General Assemblies, elected Lieutenant Governor in 1944 and reelected in 1946 and 1948.

He was engaged in the operation and management of farms in Iowa. He was married to Elsie B. Sharp, who preceded him in death. He is survived by three children, Robert L. Evans, Davenport, Iowa; Rosalie Belt, Red Oak, Iowa; Commander Arnold A. Evans, serving in the Navy, and several grandchildren.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly of the State of Iowa: That, in the passing of the Honorable Kenneth A. Evans, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and public servant and the Senate by this resolution would express its appreciation of his services to his community, state and nation and tender sympathy and kindest regards to the members of his family.

It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

EARL G. BASS, Chairman
 JAMES E. BRILES
 JAMES F. SCHABEN

Committee

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

LINUS B. FORSLING

PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Hon. Linus B. Forsling, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Forsling was born in Sioux City, Iowa, on March 23, 1890. He attended grade and high schools in Sioux City and was graduated in law from Cumberland University. He began the general practice of law in 1915, and became a police judge of Sioux City in 1918.

Forsling had a long and successful career in the Iowa legislature.