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Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Fahritz, Ernest H. Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Represented Wapello County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 17 May 1895 near Eddyville, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place  
Marion Stone 1921

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business \_\_\_\_\_

B. Civic responsibilities American Legion

C. Profession Hardware merchant

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

5. Sessions served 44<sup>th</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1931, 1933

6. Public Offices

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

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

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

7. Death 20 June 1935 Ottumwa, Iowa; buried WPA Calvary Cemetery Ottumwa, Iowa

8. Children \_\_\_\_\_ Wapello County, IOWA

9. Names of parents Henry and Mary Fahritz

10. Education Educated rural grade schools

11. Degrees Attended O'Brien Business College, Ottumwa, Iowa;  
Lewis Institute, Chicago, Illinois

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He did office work for the Georgia M. Bechtel investment firm  
for 4 years, and later the White Bear Coal Company of Chariton, Iowa
- Military service - World War I Co. H, 350<sup>th</sup> Infantry
- After he came home from the war he opened his first store. Later  
he opened more stores and became president of Fabritz Hardware  
Stores.



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## End Comes Following Operation

### Death of Former State Representative Occurs Late Thursday; Funeral Monday at St. Mary's Church.

Ernest H. Fabritz, 40, Ottumwa hardware merchant and a former state representative from Wapello county, died at 11 p. m. Thursday in the St. Joseph hospital following an appendicitis operation June 14.

One of the county's most prominent citizens, Fabritz had been an active worker for the democratic party and was twice elected to the Iowa legislature. He was president of Ernest H. Fabritz, Inc., operating three hardware stores in Ottumwa and one in Oskaloosa. He was also active in the local post of the American Legion.

#### Alling For Months.

The young business and civic leader had been alling in health for several months, and a week ago today he was taken to the hospital with an attack of acute appendicitis. An operation was performed on the same day. His condition had been critical for the last two days.

## CAREER ENDS



ERNEST H. FABRITZ.

## Herring, Others Are Shocked at Fabritz' Death

Leaders in the fields of business, politics, church and civic affairs expressed shock and regret today at the passing of Ernest H. Fabritz, prominent Ottumwa business man.

Leading the list was Clyde L. Herring, governor of Iowa and personal friend of the Ottumwan

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Carl Anderson, president of the Ottumwa Merchant's Exchange—His death was a great loss to Ottumwa and Wapello county because he was a good man. He was always a booster for his community.

Frank Hofmann, president of the Rotary club—The passing of Ernest Fabritz is a distinct loss to Ottumwa. He was a progressive civic-minded citizen, who was always ready to work for the good of Ottumwa. His death is a personal sorrow to hundreds of his friends.

C. S. Harper, president of Harper and McIntire Co.—Ottumwa loses a very valuable citizen through the death of Fabritz. His public work was done at a sacrifice of his own interests and should be fully appreciated. I have worked with him in business and trade association matters very closely for a number of years. I always found him fair, broad-minded in his views. Personally, I feel the loss very keenly.

Edwin S. Cook, legionnaire and owner of the Blank Book Printing Co.—The sudden death of Ernest Fabritz is a shock to his many friends and a severe loss to the community. Many activities in the city will lose his aggressive interest. The Legion in particular will miss him.

Edward Magnison, legionnaire—I was closely connected with Mr. Fabritz when he was commander of the O. B. Nelson post and found him splendid to work with. I feel a deep personal loss.

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While the president, wearing his old linen fishing cap for luck, peered anxiously from the bow of Referee Albert W. Palmer's launch, the Harvard jayvee boat swept up within a scant yard of Yale. Quickly the Elis rallied, caught the beat again, and just managed to slide over the finish line a couple of feet in front.

## STRIKE PICKETS BEAT UP EDITOR

Lorain, Ohio. — (AP) — Frank Malloy, managing editor of the Lorain Journal, where a controversy between editorial employes and the management is in progress, was attacked and beaten as he entered the newspaper plant today.

Malloy said he was attacked by a number of men, none of whom he recognized, as he attempted to get past a picket line. Malloy said a number of former editorial employes witnessed the attack.

Members of the Lorain unit of the American Newspaper Guild said some of their number had been discharged recently from the paper, because of guild activity. Malloy said the discharges were not due to guild activity, but due to an economy move.

al loss to myself and family, and he will be sorely missed not only in business circles but this means a distinct loss in St. Mary's parish and the Knights of Columbus, in which he was greatly interested.

Russell Bailey, a former soldier—Mr. Fabritz was a man who succeeded through his own efforts. He was self-made and highly respected. Ottumwa will surely miss him.

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## FRIENDS SHOCKED AT FABRITZ DEATH

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he succeeded and became one of our most valuable citizens is known to all. His loss will be keenly felt.

Phillip R. Jacobson, Mason City, secretary of the Iowa Retail Hardware association, expressed deepest sorrow when advised of Mr. Fabritz' death. Mr. Jacobson, a close friend of the Ottumwan, had worked with him for years in association work. The news reached the secretary while he was attending the national convention in Detroit.

Sen. Roy E. Stevens—Ernest's death was a great shock to me. I know Ottumwa has lost a good loyal citizen, a man who has given his time to the community. I've always enjoyed working with him on city and legislative affairs. I want to extend by sympathy to his family and business associates.

Max von Schrader, president of the Chamber of Commerce—I've known Ernest for many years and have worked with him on legislative and Chamber of Commerce work. I know both those organizations will miss him as a active worker, and I'll personally miss him as a mighty good friend.

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C. S. Harner, president of

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## F. D. R. Sees Son Lose in Race Again

Regatta Course, New London, Conn.—(AP)—For the second straight year, President Roosevelt saw his lanky, black-haired son, Franklin D., Jr., rowing a losing oar today as Yale swept the two morning preliminaries of the seventy-third Harvard-Yale regatta.

So close were the two races that official timers gave the two Yale crews only a 2-5 of a second margin in each.

Yale's time for the freshman race was nine minutes, 46 seconds; Harvard's 9:46 2-5.

In the junior varsity, Yale was timed in 9:56, Harvard 9:56 2-5.

Neither winning time challenged the course records.

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M. Bechtel, investment firm, Dav-  
enport, and later the White Brest  
Coal Co., Chariton.  
Later he entered the Lewis In-  
stitute, Chicago, and after two  
years at college enlisted in Com-  
pany H, 350th infantry in April of  
1918. He was sent overseas in  
October of the same year and  
spent more than a year in France  
where he was commissioned a lieu-  
tenant in the infantry.  
Opens First Store.  
Immediately on his return to  
this country he opened his first  
store at 301 Church street. In  
recent years he opened stores at  
111 South Court street, and 317  
East Main street, Ottumwa, and  
one at Oskaloosa.  
In 1921 he married Miss Flor-  
ence Ihms of Ottumwa to which  
marriage four children were born.  
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## THREE CONVICTS ESCAPE JOLIET

Prisoners Drop Over Wall And  
Are Picked Up By Pals In  
Motor Car.  
Joliet, Ill.—(AP)—Three convicts assigned to the quarry of the old Illinois penitentiary here escaped today by racing up the steps of an empty guard tower and dropping over the 25-foot stone wall.  
Two confederates, waiting in an automobile ten feet from the wall, picked up the three and sped away

at the passing of Ernest H. Fabritz, prominent Ottumwa business man.  
Leading the list was Clyde L. Herring, governor of Iowa and personal friend of the Ottumwan who served in the Iowa legislature.  
Among those expressions were:  
Governor Herring.—I am greatly shocked to learn of the sudden death of Ernest Fabritz. No more competent or faithful member of the legislature has served during the three sessions with which I am familiar. His passing is a loss to the state as well as to his community.  
Harry E. Veith, Oakland, president Iowa Retail Hardware association.—In the death of Ernest Fabritz the hardware dealers of Iowa have suffered a great loss. As a member of the advisory board of the state association he gave valuable service to the organization. His counsel was sought and appreciated by his associates who learn with deep regret of his passing.  
Warren H. Ferguson.—Ernest H. Fabritz was certainly an example of what a young man can do in this country of ours. His is the type that is an inspiration to American business. Character, integrity and hard work were Ernest's chief backers.  
Mayor E. C. Manning.—A man of high caliber, Ernest Fabritz served his community well. By his determination he carved for himself an enviable niche in the hall of business and political fame. Loyalty was his keynote.  
Edward J. Grier, county attorney.—He was a leader in his church, his community and in his political party. A true friend to all who knew him.  
John Huston, publisher The Courier.—Ernest Fabritz has furnished an inspiration and an example for other young men. He led a clean and religious life, made an honest effort to obtain an education and better himself. That

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