

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Schmitz, Theodore J. Senator _____

Represented Winneshiek County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 4 Nov 1874 Ossian, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Marie Louise Brochier 22 Aug 1905

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Proprietor, editor and publisher of The Ossian
Bee newspaper, Ossian, Iowa

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 45th General Assembly, 1933

6. Public Offices

A. Local Ossian postmaster 15 years; Ossian mayor 10 years; Ossian assessor
2 years

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 2 Dec 1968 Ossian, Iowa, buried St. Francis Cemetery, Ossian, Iowa

8. Children Frank August

9. Names of parents Joseph J. and Catherine (Victor) Schmitz

10. Education At age 11 he went to Remsen, Iowa to attend a
parochial school

11. Degrees Attended Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- At Remsen, Iowa he learned the hardware business and the
tinners trade.
- He was employed for a year in Bentonville, Arkansas.
- He then went to La Mars, Iowa where he was employed
by a hardware firm of Haas and Huebsch.
- Military service - Spanish American War - U.S. Army, Co. M
52nd Regiment, Iowa Infantry Volunteers
- After the war he returned to Keosauqua in poor health. It took a
long while and had to give up his chosen business.
- After he was well he went into the newspaper field with A. C.
Heck who was operating The Occident. He worked as
a "printer's devil" and later as a finished printer.
- He bought half interest in The Occident in 1905 and the firm
operated under the name Heck and Schmitz.
- On 10 Aug 1910 he purchased Mr. Heck's interest in the newspaper
and he became the sole owner for 43 years.
- On 1 Jul 1942 he sold the paper to Don Amundson.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source Non Applicable Applicable Information obtained

- *Obituary - Ossian Bee, Ossian, Iowa, Thurs. Dec. 5, 1968,
p. 1, col. 6 and p. 3, col. 6*
- *Iowa Official Register 1933-1934, p. 101*
- *ancestry.com (accessed 19 Apr 2010)*
- *Familysearch.org (accessed 19 Apr 2010)*

MECHANICAL TROUBLE CAUSES OSSIAN BEE TO MISS ISSUE

There was a good reason you didn't receive your Ossian Bee last week—none was printed. Two electrical elements burned out in the melting pot on the linotype and elements failed to arrive in from Mergenthaler Linotype Company in New York. It was the first time the Ossian Bee missed a regular edition in over 28 years.

15 WIN TURKEYS DURING THANKSGIVING DRAWING

Fifteen people won turkeys Saturday at the Ossian Commercial Club drawing. They are Sharon Franzen of Cedar Rapids, Leo Kneesern of Postville, Kevin Dotzenrod, Joan Schrandt, Mrs. Ed Bohr, sr., Leo Hothaus, Bob Jedele, June Monroe, Clem Bohr, Jeannie Valland, Florence Schroeder, Kathryn Birdsell, Mary Broderick, Danny Langreck and Wm. Decker.

DE SALES STUDENTS ATTEND CONVENTION IN CHICAGO

The annual National Student Press Association convention was held over the week-end in Chicago, Ill. Nine De Sales students, two faculty members and one former faculty member attended. The students included Linda Webb, Valerie Grant, Duane Ruen, Lynn Macal, Jan Kafka, Jim Ronan, Mike Lansing, Jim McCaffrey and Charles Lynch. They were accompanied by the Rev. Robert Levenhagen, Sister Lois Theisen and the Rev. Maurice Lynch, now a faculty member at Loras college in Dubuque.

ALBERT VALLAND SUFFERS FACIAL INJURIES IN FALL

Albert Valland was injured Tuesday evening in a 15-foot fall at the Ossian fire station. He was standing on a ladder and adjusting the door on a spring which opens and closes the big overhead door when the ladder slipped. Mr. Valland landed on the cement floor and sustained facial injuries and other bumps and bruises.

FIRE DAMAGES BARN ON LOUIS SUCHAN PROPERTY

Fire caused considerable damage to a large barn on the Louis Suchan property at the south edge of Ossian last Thursday noon. Ossian's firemen answered the call and did an excellent job of extinguishing the flames which had gained considerable headway. The flames were confined to the west end of the barn.

PAUL DAKER WILL MARRY CATHIE CLARK ON JAN. 19



Paul Daker and Mrs. J. M. Clark of Edinburg, Minn., are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Cathie Clark, to Paul Daker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Daker of Calmar. The wedding will be solemnized Jan. 19 in the Calmar Lutheran church.

The bride is a physical education instructor and wrestling coach at...

Five Generations



Five generation in one family. Great grandfather, Ben Einck of Ossian, is seated beside his great granddaughter, Mrs. Leon Ufferts of Milford, Iowa, who is holding the baby, Kristy Lyn. Standing (left) is great grandmother, Mrs. Henry Schultz of Castalia and grandmother, Mrs. Kenneth Knudtson of Milford, Iowa.

Rosalia Elsbernd Buried Tuesday

Mrs. Rosalia Elsbernd, 77, a long time resident of the Fort Atkinson vicinity, died Saturday morning in the hospital at Decora. She suffered a stroke Sunday evening at her home in Fort Atkinson and was a patient in the hospital five days.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning in St. John's church at Fort Atkinson by the Rev. Elmer Elsbernd, a nephew. Other priests in the sanctuary were the Rev. S. J. Kucera, the Rev. Peter Graff, the Rev. F. L. Schuh, the Rev. Clarence Drummy and the Rev. G. V. Steiert. Burial was in the church cemetery with six nephews serving as pallbearers—Raymond, Vincent and Leonard Bullerman, Alvin, Lawrence and Victor Timp.

As Miss Rosalia Timp, she was born Sept. 10, 1891, at Calmar, a daughter of the late William and Mary (Hageman) Timp. She spent her youth at Calmar and attended St. Aloysius grade school.

On Feb. 16, 1918, she married Anton J. Elsbernd, the ceremony taking place at Calmar. To their union were born five sons and five daughters, nine of whom survive. They are Leo Elsbernd of Ossian, Wilfred Elsbernd, Andrew Elsbernd and Serenus Elsbernd, all of Fort Atkinson, Marie (Mrs. Gerhard Sctter) and Darlene (Mrs. Clarence Lansing) of Fort Atkinson, Rita (Mrs. Leonard Nolte) and Alice (Mrs. Leonard Meyers) of Waucoma and Rose (Mrs. Virgil Lansing) of West Union. Mrs. Elsbernd is also survived by two brothers and one sister, William Timp, Felix Timp and Mrs. Ed Hosting, all of Calmar.

Mrs. Elsbernd was a member of the Rosary society and Ladies Guild and a charter member of the Women's Catholic Order of Foresters.

HUBBARD WINS THE FINAL FOOTBALL GUESSING CONTEST

The tenth and final football guessing contest, which appeared in the Nov. 21 issue of the Ossian Bee, was won by Harry Hubbard of Ossian. He had 18 right and only 4 wrong. Two contestants tied for second place—Kenneth D. Relsner of Calmar and Mrs. A. Duane Manson of Ossian. They had 17 right and 5 wrong. Relsner predicted Iowa would beat Illinois 33-14, which was closer than Mrs. Manson's 34-7 prediction. Actual score was 37-13, so Relsner finished second.

Among the also rans with 16 correct guesses were Allan Schmitt, Mark Elmers, Cheryl Grap and Mrs. Adrian Timp.

FIRE DESTROYS HAY STACK AT JOE LECHTENBERG FARM

A large hay stack at the Joe Lechtenberg farm was destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon.

Former Publisher, Postmaster and Mayor Dies Here

Funeral services for Theodore F. Schmitz were conducted this (Wednesday) morning in St. Francis de Sales church with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. V. J. Peters officiating at the 10 a. m. requiem mass. Following the service, the flag-draped casket was borne by six Legionnaires and color guard to St. Francis cemetery for interment. Pallbearers were Ronald Wenthold, Kenneth Lansing, Philip Hemesath, Herbert Hageman, Wayne Tieskoetter and Albin Massman. Color bearers were Eldell Schmitt and Bob Henning.



T. F. Schmitz

T. F. Schmitz, former owner and publisher of the Ossian Bee, died Monday morning following a lingering illness. He was 94 years old.

Mr. Schmitz served 15 years as postmaster of Ossian, was mayor of Ossian 10 years, served as assessor for the town of Ossian two years and was elected to one term as Winneshiek county's representative, serving during the administration of the late Gov. Clyde L. Herring.

Theodore F. Schmitz was born Nov. 4, 1874, at Ossian, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Schmitz. When he was 11 years old he went to Remsen where he attended a parochial school. At Remsen he learned the hardware business and tinner's trade. When he was 19 years old he went to South Bend, Ind., where he attended Notre Dame university.

At the time the battleship Maine was destroyed by the Spaniards, he was employed at Bentonville, Ark., where he remained a year. Mr. Schmitz then went to LeMars where he was employed by the hardware firm of Haas and Huebsch.

At the outbreak of the war with Spain, he enlisted in the United States army at Sheldon and was assigned to Company M, 52nd regiment of the Iowa Infantry Volunteers, the same company in which Iowa's former U. S. Senator, Guy Gillette, served.

When the war ended, Mr. Schmitz returned to Ossian a very sick young man. He convalesced so slowly he was forced to give up his chosen business. He then engaged in the newspaper field with the late A. C. Heck, who at that time operated the Ossian Bee. Serving as "printer's devil" and finally as a finished printer, he bought a half interest in the Bee in 1905. The firm operated under the title and firm name of Heck and Schmitz.

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MRS. ALICE MARRON, 84, DIES IN NURSING HOME

Mrs. Alice Marron, a resident of the Jackson Junction and Fort Atkinson area for many years, died Friday in a nursing home at Decora after a lingering illness. She was 84 years old.

Funeral services were conducted Monday morning in St. John's church at Fort Atkinson by the Rev. S. J. Kucera. Burial was in St. Rose cemetery at Waucoma.

As Miss Alice O'Brien, she was born May 25, 1884, at Arlington, Iowa. She married Tom Marron and they became the parents of two sons and two daughters, who survive. They are Clarence Marron and James Marron, both of Cedar Rapids, Catherine (Mrs. Vennie Brandt) of Fort Atkinson and Margaret (Mrs. James Franzen) of Des Moines.

LOCAL MUSICIANS WILL BE SEEN ON TV SHOW

A program, presented by the all-state band, choir and orchestra, will be seen Saturday at 4:30 p. m. on WMT-TV, channel 2. Among those taking part in the show will be Sandra Buege, Nancy Remmen, Raymond Torresdal and Janet Barnes, all of Ossian, and Pam Cekal of Spillville.

The show was "taped" in the KRNT theatre at Des Moines on Friday and Saturday.

OSSIAN ALCW CIRCLES WILL HOLD MEETINGS

The Ossian ALCW circles will meet as follows:

Rachel circle will meet Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 1:30 p. m., at the Ossian Senior Hospice. The Bible study will be given by the Rev. A. Duane Manson.

Mary circle will meet Wednesday, Dec. 11 and hold a potluck dinner at noon. A gift exchange also will be held. The Rev. Mr. Manson will give the Bible study.

Ruth circle will meet Thursday, Dec. 12 at 8 p. m., in the home of Mrs. Charles Linderbaum. Bible study will be given by Mrs. A. Duane Manson.

Rebekah circle will meet Thursday, Dec. 12 at 8 p. m., in the home of Mrs. Gary Peterson. Bible study will be given by Mrs. Delores Larson.

MILITARY HOMEMAKERS TO HOLD DECEMBER MEETING

The Military Homemakers will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at the home of Mrs. Albert Wenthold. Co-hostess will be Mrs. Agnes Hanken.

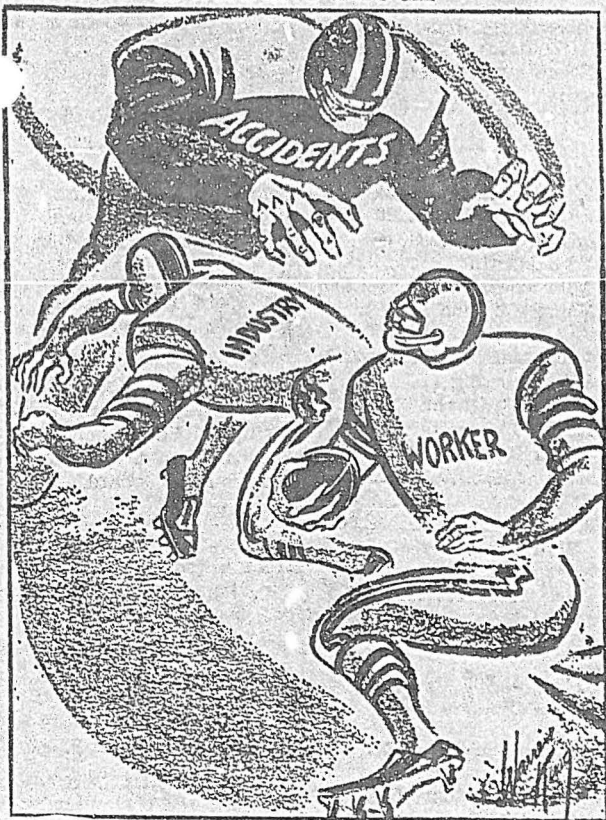
Members are asked to bring along a dozen cookies to be boxed and given to the Senior Hospice. They are also asked to bring an empty quart bleach bottle, pipe cleaner, six greeting cards (size 7" x 4 1/2"), darning needle, scissors and wool yarn.

Ossian Shopping Calendar DECEMBER 1968

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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A WINNING BLOCK



out above will be met from increased receipts and cash balances not budgeted or considered in the current budget. There will be no increase in taxes to be paid in 1968.

Taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified in this notice. A detailed statement of additional receipts other than taxes, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing.

DARWIN ELLINGSON
County Auditor

Probate No. 9035

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the District Court of the State of Iowa in and for Winneshiek County

In the matter of the estate of Clem J. Zweibohmer, deceased, testate,

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF CLEM J. ZWEIBOHMER, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that on the 29th day of November, 1968, the last will and testament of Clem J. Zweibohmer deceased bearing date of the 3rd day of March, 1964, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Robert Kubesh, Calmar, Iowa, was appointed executor of said estate.

Notice is further given that any action to set aside said will must be brought in the district court of said county within one year from the date of the second publication of this notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against said estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court,

as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance; and unless so filed within six months from the second publication of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) such claim shall thereafter be forever barred.

Dated this 29th day of November, 1968.

/S/ Robert Kubesh
Executor of said Estate
Calmar, Iowa
Lloyd H. Strand
Attorney for said Executor
Ossian, Iowa

Date of second publication: 12th day of December, 1968.

T. F. SCHMITZ . . .

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Mr. Heck's interest in the Bee and became its sole owner. He was connected with the Bee 43 years—as apprentice, half owner and sole owner—until July 1, 1942, when he sold the paper to Don Amundsen.

Being a newspaper man he was active in politics and served as assessor for the town of Ossian two years and as mayor of Ossian ten years. After serving one term as state representative, he was prevailed upon to become a Democratic candidate for state senator, but later declined to accept the postmastership of Ossian. He was appointed postmaster on the recommendation of the late Congressman Fred Biermann and took charge of the office May 31, 1935. He was postmaster 15 years and because of age retired Jan. 31, 1950.

When Mr. Schmitz took over the old post office, he made a number of improvements, chief among them being a complete set of new lock boxes, the first of its kind in Ossian. In 1940, when Cleo Cahill leased the building which housed the old post office, he purchased the lock boxes and made further improvements.

He married Miss Marie L. Brohier on Aug. 22, 1905, and to their union was born one son, Frank A. Schmitz.

He is survived by his wife, son, and one sister, Mrs. Frank Figgé of Ossian.

Legal Notice

NOTICE, RECORD OF HEARING AND CERTIFICATE TO AMEND CURRENT BUDGET

Section 24.9, Code of Iowa, 1966

NOTICE—The Board of Supervisors of Winneshiek County, Iowa, will meet at the Court House, December 16, 1968, at 10:00 A. M., for the purpose of amending the current Winneshiek County budget adopted August 14, 1967, by increasing expenditures for the following reasons and in the following funds:

General Fund from \$239,922.00 to \$267,260.00

Bangs Eradication Fund from \$18,000.00 to \$21,000.00

The increase in expenditures set

...ons.
M. Peters met with the council in regards to recent communications from the State Highway Commission.

Jim Hanson met with the council to secure additional funds for Christmas Street lighting for the Christmas season of 1969. No action was taken at this time.

Motion by Schissel, seconded by Halverson to buy a second police radio for the Town of Ossian, said radio to be installed in the car used by the deputy town marshal, and said radio not to exceed a cost of \$300.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Schissel, seconded by Wenthold to adjourn. Motion carried.

IRVIN K. FOSAEN
Town Clerk

**YOU CAN BE SURE
WITH THESE NAMES**



You searched for **Theodore F. Schmitz** in **Iowa**

1900 United States Federal Census

Name:	Theodore F Schmitz	
Home in 1900:	Military, Winneshiek, Iowa	
Age:	25	
Birth Date:	Nov 1874	
Birthplace:	Iowa	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Relationship to Head of House:	Brother-in-law	
Father's Birthplace:	Germany	
Mother's Birthplace:	Germany	
Marital Status:	Single	
Residence :	Ossian Town, Winneshiek, Iowa	
Occupation:	View on Image	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Aolph C Heck	35
	Mary A Heck	33
	Elisabth Heck	8
	Clote M Heck	7
	Margeret Heck	5
	Theodore F Schmitz	25
	Edward Bundrick	20

Source Citation: Year: 1900; Census Place: Military, Winneshiek, Iowa; Roll T623_466; Page: 4B; Enumeration District: 138.

Source Information:

Ancestry.com. 1900 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2004.



Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1900. T623, 1854 rolls.

Description:

This database is an index to individuals enumerated in the 1900 United States Federal Census, the Twelfth Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, address, relationship to the head of household, color or race, sex, month and year of birth, age at last birthday, marital status, number of years married, the total number of children born of the mother, the number of those children living, birthplace, birthplace of father and mother, if the individual was foreign born, the year of immigration and the number of years in the United States, the citizenship status of foreign-born individuals over age twenty-one, occupation, and more. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1900 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)

Individual Record

FamilySearch™ U.S. Social Security Death Index

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 Theodore SCHMITZ

Birth Date: 4 Nov 1874
Death Date: Dec 1968
Social Security Number: 482-36-6906
State or Territory Where Number Was Issued: Iowa

Death Residence Localities

ZIP Code: 52161
Localities: Ossian, Winneshiek, Iowa

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