

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Smith, William Hall Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Cherokee County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 20 May 1866 Clinton County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place  
Louie L. Leonard 12 Mar 1900 Holstein, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:
- A. Business \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Civic responsibilities IOOF
  - C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Christian

5. Sessions served 45<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1933

6. Public Offices
- A. Local Public Administrator for 9 years; director of the Harmon Telephone Company 15 years; Director of the Harmon Elevator Company for 7 years
  - B. State \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 25 June 1958 Haska, Iowa; buried Quincy Cemetery, Quincy, Iowa

8. Children Bert R.; Russell; Hawley; William Starbuck Lewis; Helma (Mrs. Walter Chase); Edna (Mrs. Raymond Nonnesman); Nelson Victor (died 1897)

9. Names of parents John and Christina

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Democrat

- Wife, died 29 Nov 1939
- He moved to Cherokee County, Iowa with his parents in 1869.
- His parents homesteaded in the Mt. Olive Iowa community where he grew to manhood.
- After marriage he and his wife moved to a farm near Aurelia, Iowa. They lived there some and purchased their own farm and moved there. That farm was 2 miles north of Quincy, Iowa.
- He and his wife lived on that farm almost 50 years. After his wife's death, he remained on the farm with a son for several years.
- In 1948 he moved to Quincy, Iowa where he lived with his sister, Elgie Van Sickle. In January 1958 he went to live with his daughter, Helma, in Hubble, Iowa where he died at age 92.



# Thursday —

Bladern Rebekah Lodge No. 772 meet in regular session at 8 p. m. at I.O.O.F. hall.

Eagles Auxiliary meeting at 8 p. m. at the hall. Officers are to meet at 7:30 p. m.

# Friday —

Cherokee County Women's Chorus will practice at 2 p. m. at Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Pythian Sisters regular meeting at K. C. hall at 8 p. m.

Mayflower Circle meet at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Ray Griffin.

# Saturday —

Junior Degree of Honor are to meet at 2:30 p. m. at the V.F.W. hall. All officers are requested to be present. Lunch will be served by Mrs. August Fuhrman and committee.

# ★ ARROW

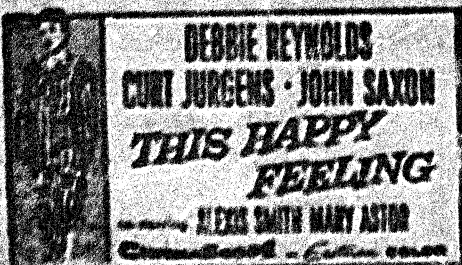
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died of a heart attack in Arcadia, Calif., on Thursday, June 19.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth; and three sisters, Mrs. Alvina Wilkens of Battle Creek, Iowa; Mrs. Andrew Jensen of Cherokee and Mrs. Elsie La Mothe of Chicago, Ill.

Funeral services were held in Arcadia on Monday, June 23.

## William H. Smith

WASHTA — William H. Smith, 92, well known Washta resident, died Wednesday, June 25 at 5:15 p. m. in Washta after a long illness.

He had been living in Washta with a daughter since January 1958. For 89 years he was a resident of Cherokee County.

Beginning in 1932 he served one term as Iowa State Representative. He was a 50 year member of the Oddfellow lodge.

His survivors include five sons, Bert R. Smith of Portland, Ore., Russell of Coeur d'Alene, Ida, Wesley of Storm Lake, William S. of Quimby and Lewis of Des Moines; two daughters, Thelma Chase of Washta and Lela Nonneman, Laurens; 19 grandchildren, and 31 great grandchildren. Two sisters, Mrs. Eliza Van Sickle of Quimby and Dora Howard of Spokane, Wash., and one brother, John Smith of Azusa, Calif., also survive.

He was preceded in death by his wife on November 29, 1939 and by one son, Nelson Victor Smith, who died in infancy.

Funeral services will be Friday, June 27 at 2 p. m. from the Quimby Methodist Church with the Rev. Max Paige officiating. Burial is to be in the Quimby Cemetery under the direction of Boothby Funeral Home.

## Mrs. John McIntosh

CLEGHORN — Mrs. John McIntosh, 64, died Thursday, June 26, at 2:30 a. m. at her home in Cleghorn after an illness of three months.

Mrs. McIntosh had been a resident of the Cleghorn community all of her life and was a member of Cleghorn Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by her husband, John; three sons, Jesse McIntosh of Van Nuys, Calif., Lyle and Warren, both of Cleghorn; and eight

head, slightly larger than last year's.

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tend include C. of C. president Ger Millikan and Mrs. Millikan, and Mrs. John Keeline, Mr. Mrs. Charles Allison and Mr. Mrs. Jack Watts. Mrs. Watts acted as Norma's hostess for "Cherokee" contest here.

Following a noon luncheon of all contestants, judges and cheerleaders, there is to be a 2 p. parade through the Midway. It will include marching bands, floats from surrounding towns and convertibles carrying the contestants.

Rehearsals and a private interview with the judges are scheduled for 3 o'clock, followed by a cruise around the lake on the "I Belle."

Dinner at 6 o'clock will precede the 9:30 p. m. contest and crowning of "Miss Iowa" in the R. Garden Ballroom. Concluding day's program, there will be a Coronation Ball.

# ★ Election

receiving the greatest number of votes will be declared elected chairman of his township's community committee.

In similar manner, the number of votes received will determine who're elected vice chairman, regular member, first alternate and second alternate. The votes will be counted July 9 and the results announced as soon as determined.

The County ASC committee for the year beginning August 1 will be elected at a county convention to be held in Cherokee on July 1. Newly elected chairmen and vice chairmen of the community committees will serve as delegates and alternate delegates to the county convention.

ASC election dates and procedures are the same for all counties in the state.

Calvary. Vincent's father participated in thirty-one major battles and many smaller ones. On November 16, 1864, he assumed command of his Company when his captain was mortally wounded. He was offered a higher rank for his service, but he chose to remain a private. Daniel was discharged at Springfield, Illinois, and returned to his family in Stephensen County, Illinois.

From there he moved his family to Clayton County, Iowa. Vincent met the George Baker and Mary Goodman Warner families. He married Katherine Elvina Warner, born August 21, 1851, on October 19, 1879. Their oldest son, William Vere, was born September 22, 1880. A daughter, Etta Reliance, was born January 3, 1882, in Cherokee County, Iowa.

Some time during 1880, Daniel, with his wife, Minerva and four sons, moved to Charles Mix County, South Dakota, to stake a claim on free land. Daniel also owned and operated the Spring Creek Merchant Store, dealing in general merchandise, near Fort Randall, south of where Wagner is now located. In the early spring of 1883, Vincent and Katherine decided to join his family in South Dakota. It was a long journey by covered wagon. There were no bridges, making it necessary to ford streams. Vint staked his claim and operated the ferry across the Missouri River. This same location had a ferry in operation until 1985.

Their house was built of prairie sod with dirt floors, along the Missouri River at the foot of the bluffs. There were no wells so their only water was hauled from the river. Their cow was their main source of food.

The Indian Reservation was only four miles from their home, and when the Indians went on the war path, they could hear it night and day. The soldiers at Fort Randall watched over the settlers.

The hot dry summers made farming unprofitable for Vint's growing family. Each fall he would go by team and wagon back to Cherokee, Iowa, where he helped with threshing in and around Silver Township, with Truman Pelton and Willie Bunn. With this money he helped keep his family through the severe, long, cold winters.

The year they came to South Dakota, a daughter, Vernia Rosa Jane, was born September 10, 1883. A son, Elmer Warner, was born December 19, 1884. Another daughter, Ella Dore, was born on September 28, 1886. With a family of five, another daughter, Esther Ann, was born February 18, 1889. Vincent Joseph was almost a Christmas gift, born on December 7, 1890. Another son,

Oscar Vebert, was born on his mother's birthday, August 21, 1892. On May 4, 1894, another son, little Victor was born. Before he was a year old he became very ill and passed away April 21, 1895.

After the loss of little Victor, they decided to come back to Cherokee County. They loaded the eight children in the covered wagon. With the team of horses and the cow and a few personal possessions, they headed out across the prairie. It was a long journey with a large family, but there were settlers along the way that helped them, for which they were so thankful. When they arrived in Cherokee they only had fifty cents, but they were with family and friends who helped them find a place to live and work. They lived near the Silver Church, and it was here that Irene Victoria was born on August 28, 1897. Finding land to rent and making a new start wasn't easy. Another daughter, Violet Belaria, was born January 17, 1900. They were living on a farm near Quimby when their twelfth child, Viviann Vergia, was born on September 16, 1904.

The entire family is deceased at this time, except Viviann, who married William Specht. They lived on their farm in Sheridan Township before making their home in Cherokee, where Viviann still resides.

#### WILLIAM AND LOUIE SMITH



Back row, l to r: Lewis, Lela, Bert, Thelma, Russell  
Front row, l to r: Hawley, WmH., Louie, Billie

In 1869, John Smith, father of William Hall, and his two brothers were lured to homestead around the Quimby area. James K. Smith homesteaded for a short while on what is now the Simonsen farm, then moved to the state of Washington. Purley Smith had his farm east of Quimby.

William Hall Smith, son of John and Christine, was born in Clinton County, Iowa, May 20, 1866. He came to Cherokee with his parents at the age of three years. They homesteaded in the Mt. Olive community where he grew to manhood. He was united in marriage to Louie Leonard, March 12, 1890, moving to a farm near Aurelia. They resided there five years and purchased their own farm and moved there. It was located two miles north of Quimby.

Louie Leonard was the daughter of Ransom and Josephine Leonard and was born in Rochelle, Ogle County, Illinois, February 26, 1871. When she was a small child, the family came to Ida County in a covered wagon to a farm seven miles north of Holstein. That farm is still in the family name and recently celebrated one hundred years of ownership. Quimby was always Will and Louie's home town. William was baptized in 1895 in the early Christian Church of Quimby. Louie was also baptized in that faith but perhaps not at Quimby. He was an active community worker, director of school, a fifty year member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge at Quimby, very interested in politics, and at one time served as representative in State Legislature.

William was a good farmer and very proud of his herd of Black Angus cattle.

Louie was a hardworking helpmate and good homemaker. They had eight children so she was busy being a wonderful mother.

Bert, the oldest son, was born 1892. He married Elsie Brownmiller and they farmed near Quimby on what was called the Lower Place. They had three children: Clifford, Forrest and Opal. Elsie died when the children were very small. Bert later remarried Leona Meier of Holstein. They had Aaron, who was killed in battle at Pellalieu, and two daughters, Doris and Charlotte. Later they moved from Cherokee to Portland, Oregon, where Bert worked in the shipyards. He died of a heart attack in 1970 and Leona of illness in 1984.

Russell was born in 1894. He served in World War I as a dispatch rider to the front lines, was injured, and lost his left limb, which proved to be a serious handicap. He later attended Business College at Mason City. He worked in the Quimby Bank for a short time and later at Mason City and Minneapolis. He married Marie Eland of Clear Lake, and their four children are Margaret, Betty, Paul and David. They again lived in Quimby where Russell served as secretary of the school board for several years. They moved to Couer da lene, Idaho. Russell died of a heart attack in 1971, and illness

claimed Marie in 1975.

Nelson Victor was born in 1896 and died of pneumonia in 1897.

Harold Hall (Hawley) was born in 1897. He married Carrie Nelson and they farmed near Holstein on his mother's place and later at Alta, and on the family farm. They moved to Storm Lake where he worked at the Locker Plant. They had two children, Helen and Leland. Carrie died in 1980, and Hawley is retired and lives at Storm Lake.

Thelma was born in 1903. She married Walter Chase and they farmed near Washta. They had three children: Leroy, deceased in a car accident in 1962, and two daughters, Fern and Faith. In later years they made residence in Portland, Oregon. Thelma worked in a music store, studied organ, and taught piano and organ for many years. Walter died in 1977. Thelma retired and lives in Portland.

William Stanhope was born in 1906. He farmed with his father for many years and always lived in the Quimby community. He married Mary (Graham) Jones, who taught in the rural schools and later in the Quimby Consolidated School. They lived on a farm near Quimby. They had one daughter, Mary Louise, who lives in Nashville, Tennessee. William died of cancer in 1973, and Mary of cancer in 1983.

Lela was born in 1908. She taught in the rural home school and at Pilot #8. She then taught three years in the Quimby School. She married Raymond Nonneman and they moved to Rockwell City where he was teaching. They had one daughter Barbara. Later they moved to Laurens where Ray taught and Lela did substitute teaching. They retired in Laurens and have made their home there.

Lewis, the youngest child, was born in 1910. He married Avonell Conley, and they both worked at the Quimby Telephone Service. They had three children: James, Jerry, and Judy. Later they moved to Sioux City where he worked as an electrician after taking schooling for electrical wiring in Chicago. Avonell died in 1958. Lewis moved to Des Moines where he worked many years. He retired there and died of a heart attack in 1982.

William and Louie lived on the same farm all their married life and would have celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in March of 1940 but Louie died November, 1939, following cancer surgery. He and son William remained on the family farm for some years. In 1948 he moved to Quimby where he lived with his sister, Eliza Van Sickle. In January of 1958, he went to live with his

eldest daughter, Thelma, in Washta, where he died in June of 1958. He was ninety-two years of age.

William and Louie Smith were indeed, truly two of the early pioneers of the Quimby area.

#### WILLIAM VERE AND MYRTLE SMITH



Myrtle, Mable, William Vere, and Mildred

William Vere Smith was born September 22, 1880, in Silver Township, approximately four miles southeast of Quimby. He was the eldest of twelve children born to Vincent P. and Katherine Warner Smith. His father had resided in the Quimby area since 1876.

When he was about three years old, his family moved to Charles Mix County, South Dakota, near the present town of Geddes, returning to Iowa when he was about fifteen years of age. He grew up on a farm near Quimby.

He married Myrtle Glidewell in 1906, and they began farming some two miles south of Quimby and continued farming until 1940. From 1929 through 1937, they operated a dairy, delivering milk to the residents and stores in Quimby twice daily.

In 1940, the family moved to Quimby, and Vere purchased a produce station, buying cream, eggs, and poultry from the farmers. With the assistance

of his daughter, Pat, he continued in this business until his death in 1947. His wife had preceded him in death in 1945. He was elected mayor of Quimby in 1942 and was still in office at the time of his death. He and his wife were charter members in the I.O.O.F Lodge and the Woodmen of the World Lodge in Quimby. They were also members of the Quimby Methodist Church.

They had three daughters: Mabel, Mrs. Harold Clark, who died in 1967; Mildred, (Smitty), who died in Portland, Oregon, in 1971; and Verline, (Pat), married to Charles Raley and residing in Chesapeake, Virginia. They had two grandchildren: Sharon, Mrs. Paul Harold, of Portsmouth, Virginia, and Colleen, Mrs. James Cunningham, who resides near Quimby. They had four great-grandchildren: Sharlee Harold Seeley, of Hastings, Nebraska; Jeffrey Harold of the U.S. Navy; and Clark and Cynthia Cunningham of Quimby.

Following her father's death, Pat was joined by her sister, Smitty, and they continued operating the produce business on a smaller scale and expanded to another business, a confectionary, known as "SMITTY'S SNACK SHACK". In 1952, they sold the building to Nora Knapp, and it became the Quimby Post Office for a number of years. The present Quimby Fire Department now occupies its location.

Other brothers and sisters of Vere Smith that were Quimby residents were: Vincent Smith, who worked for the Iowa State Highway Commission, operating road maintenance equipment until shortly before his death in 1944; Oscar Smith, who was janitor of the Quimby School until he moved to California in 1944; Etta, who was married to Edd McCannon; and Esther, who was married to Arthur Jenness.

#### GEORGE AND CORA SONES

George William Sones, son of Ellis and Cora Richards Sones was born May 26, 1888, in Cherokee County, Iowa. On December 15, 1910, George William, known as Bill, was united in marriage to Cora Leora Wright, daughter of Wray and Magdalena Wilde Wright. Cora was born August 27, 1889, in Willow Township, Cherokee County. They farmed most of their married life on a farm southeast of Quimby in Silver Township. At one time Bill worked for the railroad and at another time had a truck and hauled livestock from the farms to the stockyards in Sioux City. After Cora



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Family Historical Records Family Facts

**Family Groups**

**Spouse**

**Louie Leonard**  
**Born:** 26 Feb 1871 in Rochelle, Ogle, Illinois, USA  
**Died:** 29 Nov 1939 in Cherokee, Iowa, USA  
**Marriage:** 12 Mar 1890 in Holstein, Ida, Iowa, USA [View Info](#)

Children	Sex	Birth
Harold Hawley Smith	M	21 Nov 1897 in Quimby, Cherokee, Iowa, USA
Russell Ray Smith	M	12 Sep 1894 in Quimby, Cherokee, Iowa, USA
Bertram Ransom Smith	M	29 Mar 1892 in North Holstein, Ida, Iowa, USA
Nelson Victor Smith	M	25 Jun 1896 in Quimby, Cherokee, Iowa, USA
Thelma Claire Smith	F	21 Oct 1903
William Stanhope Smith	M	12 Jun 1906 in Quimby, Cherokee, Iowa, USA
Lela Celeste Smith	F	30 Nov 1908
Lewis Leland Smith	M	2 Oct 1910 in Quimby, Cherokee, Iowa, USA

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