

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** Burton, Warren H. Senator _____
Represented Wayne County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 11 April 1874 near the villages of New York in
Wayne County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Alice White 2 June 1892 or June 1897

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mayor

C. Profession Surveyor; farmer; accountant

4. Church membership Methodist, earlier Congregational

5. Sessions served 43rd General Assembly 1927

6. Public Offices

A. Local Wayne County engineer; township and city assessor; county auditor

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 10 March 1963 Corydon, Iowa; buried New York Cemetery, Union Township,
Wayne County, Iowa

8. Children Lee; Dorothy (Mrs. Mc Knight); Edgar; Conrad (an
adopted orphan); Agnes (an adopted orphan)

9. Names of parents William Bunkerbridge and Mary Burton

10. Education He was educated in the rural schools

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- He was a surveyor and at times he was employed by railroads
- He farmed in Union Township of Wayne County
- He homesteaded near Tucuman, New Mexico in 1905, but spent most of his life in Wayne County, Iowa
- His passion was researching and recording Wayne County history which was published for several months in The Oregon Times Republican newspapers.
- He gave up farming in 1909 and took up railroad location and construction work until 1914 when he was elected county engineer
- His wife, Alice H., born 30 Oct 1873, died 19 May 1963, also buried in New York Cemetery, Union Township, Wayne County, Iowa

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- Chittaway			- The Corydon Times Republican, Corydon, Iowa, Thurs. Mar. 14, 1963, p.1, col. 1 & 2
- Iowa Official Register			1929-1930, p. 234
- Wayne County, Iowa Cemeteries			1979, p. 204

Death Claims Warren Burton, Beloved Citizen

Death came Sunday morning to Warren H. Burton at the Wayne county hospital following a long and painful illness. Born on the old Burton farm near the village of New York on April 11, 1874, he was thus almost 89 years of age. Warren was one of a fairly large family of children, a son of William Brainbridge and Mary Burton, pioneers of Wayne county, early day farmers in Union township and much of his life Warren followed in the footsteps of his parents. Brothers and sisters all of whom have preceded him are Henry Burton, Dr. Fred Burton, Nelle and Ida.

Warren had been at the hospital for several weeks gradually growing weaker but maintaining to the last his courageous spirit.

On June 2, 1892, he was united in marriage to Miss Alice White a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. L. White, thus uniting members of two distinguished families of Wayne county.

The Burton's in a great spirit of love and affection adopted two orphan children, Conrad Burton of Regina, Canada, and Agnes of New Mexico, and three children were born to this home, Lee of Iowa City, Dorothy Burton McKnight of Cedar Rapids and the youngest Edgar, a heroic defender of this county in World War II. Edgar, serving in the navy survived when a navy vessel on which he was serving, was torpedoed in the Pacific. He was wounded and was in shark-infested waters for hours before being rescued. This did not daunt him however, Honorably discharged he enlisted in the air force and the plane on which he was arriving was shot down in combat over the Atlantic.

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The petition was filed March 6 with Mrs. Thelma L. Scott, clerk of district court. The plaintiff's attorney is A. V. Hass of Chariton.

According to the petition Mrs. Richardson's accident was caused when the heel of her shoe caught in a flag pole receptacle.

There are similar receptacles in front of nearly every business place on the Corydon square where merchants erect flags on specified legal holidays.

Snook is a member of the town council.

The petition, in part, reads:

"On the 17th day of March, 1961, after dark, the plaintiff was walking upon the sidewalk in front of the business premises of the defendant, Raymond Snook, on the south side of the square in Corydon, Iowa, for the purpose of entering a motor vehicle parked near the curbing and as she walked toward said motor vehicle, the heel of one of her shoes lodged in a hole near the curbing, causing her to lose her balance, fall over the curb into the street and strike her head on the door of a parked vehicle.

"The hole which caught the heel of one of her shoes and caused her to fall was drilled perpendicularly into the sidewalk in front of the business premises of the defendant, Raymond Snook, for use as a flag receptacle and the defendant, City of Corydon, Iowa, had had knowledge of its existence, location and the hazard created by it for a long period of time."

The petition goes on to explain Mrs. Richardson is claiming damages because "the defendants were negligent in . . . permitting a hole of a dimension adequate to catch a heel of a lady's shoe to exist in a sidewalk regularly used by pedestrians; . . . failing to plug or cover the hole in the sidewalk when hole was not being used as a flag receptacle; . . . and allowing the hole in the sidewalk to become filled with an accumulation of snow so that it would not be readily visible to one using the sidewalk during nighttime hours."

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However, most of all he will be remembered as an historian. He loved to do research work and then write his findings in readable form and thus give all who were interested the benefit of his efforts. As late as two years ago he prepared a series of interesting accounts of early day events in Wayne county which were published weekly over a period of months in the Times-Republican. He was a charter member and an organizer of the Wayne County Historical Society, a director and a life long member.

During his life he was a faithful member of the Corydon Methodist church. Earlier he had been a member of the Congregational congregation of Union township.

In all of his endeavors he was unselfish and generous and folks recognized in him the very essence of honesty.

During the recent campaign for the erection of a new courthouse he took an active part, realizing no

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"The injuries. . . cause her severe pain and necessitated hospitalization, medical treatment and employment of household help otherwise not needed. . . She has expended approximately \$1,250 for these services. . .

"The injuries were responsible, also, for plaintiff's loss of wages since she was gainfully employed at the time of her fall, and she has been unable to resume her employment upon a full time basis. Her injuries will continue to cause her pain and additional expenses in the future."

doubt, that a new courthouse could mean very little to him but his face was always turned to the future..

In his passing the community has lost a stalwart and distinguished citizen.

Friends gathered at the Corydon Methodist church yesterday (Tuesday) afternoon to pay a final tribute to one of our most beloved citizens. .

March 1 at his way. . . tal after a long illness.

Miss Stech was born village of New York, a the late Mr. and Mrs. G About forty years ago to Millerton with her and almost immediately writing the items of her for the Times-Republic she did not relinquish u year ago when falling l pelled her to close her go to the Patterson Nur make her home.

A brother, Jacob, ma with her until his death of 1862.

Surviving are only nephews.

Following the service was tenderly deposited York cemetery.

State Officer To be Here For Legion Dinner

State American Legion commandant, Don of Dubuque, and st ment president, Mrs. J of Hull, will be speck the local Legion's an day dinner at 7 p.m. the Legion hall in Co

A social hour will be 6 to 7 p.m.

Legionnaires, Auxiliars and their guests Also invited are office partment chairman fro out the fifth Auxiliary district of Iowa.

A cooperative dinner served. The Auxiliary vide meat, rolls and c sons attending are ask committee to bring dish and their own tab

BPW Dinner Attended by

The annual Business Professional Women's business dinner was attended persons March 5 at the church in Corydon. G was Mrs. Mattie Harp Grove.

Mrs. Guy Faulkner, pre ducted the program. (ing was led by Dr. K. A

Several vocal numbers sent by a girls trio c Misses Becky Kelso, M and Martha Weston.

accompanied by Miss Jar The dinner was serv Christian church women.

Co. Welfare Grants Drop \$1,779,

"Free Food" Distribution Goes Up