

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Crowe, Rubens Bertrand Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Represented Emmet County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 7. Jan 1871 Cedar County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

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3. Significant events for example:

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

B. Civic responsibilities Board of the American Revolution

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly 1927

6. Public Offices

A. Local President of Emmet County Farm Bureau 1926

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

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

7. Death 30 Mar 1927 Des Moines, Iowa; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Etherville, Iowa

8. Children Bertrand; Edith; Morris

9. Names of parents \_\_\_\_\_

# Crone, Ruben Bertram

10. Education His early education was in rural schools in Iowa County, Iowa; graduate of the August, Iowa High School

11. Degrees Graduate of University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa in 1897

12. Other applicable information Republican

- At age 5 he moved with his parents to Iowa County, Iowa
- He taught school for several years after graduating from high school.
- After college graduation he took up school work as a superintendent of schools in Mondak, Churdan, Lipton, Washington and Fort Dodge
- After spending one year in Emmet County, Iowa he was called to the presidency of Hastings College at Hastings, Nebraska
- In 1920 he returned to Emmet County, Iowa to take possession of his farm



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# Rep. R. B. Crone Dead

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**WESTERN UNION**  
**TELEGRAM**

NEWCOMB CARLTON, MANAGER      GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

DES MOINES, IA. 1:48 P. M.

REV. P. A. DAVIES  
ESTHERVILLE, IOWA

FATHER DIED THIS NOON. ARRANGEMENTS HAVE NOT BEEN MADE.

EDITH CRONE.

### THIS MAN CLAIMED HE HAD SISTER IN ESTHERVILLE

Spokane, Wash.  
March 26, 1927.

Enterprise,  
Estherville, Iowa.

Dear Sirs:

A number of years ago I lived in St. Maries, Idaho, and became intimately acquainted with Chas. Nelson, "subject of this clipping" and as we was very reticent knew more about him than any other man as I had his entire confidence. I see the papers say they don't know of any relatives and that the estate might revert to the state. He and I became estranged before I left so I haven't seen or heard of him for years. I have not in this is if he has relatives, they should have his estate and will do all

### DEPT. OF HEALTH COMPLIMENTS US

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State Department of Health  
Des Moines

March 23, 1927.

The Editor of  
The Enterprise,  
Estherville, Iowa.

Dear Sir:  
The attention of the state department of Health has been directed to articles that you have been publishing recently, advocating immunization against diphtheria or other health measures for the protection of the people and the control of this department appreciates not only the service you are thereby per-

### ORGANIZE A COUNTY BANKERS ASSOCIATION

The Emmet county bankers met at the Gardston hotel, Wednesday evening for the purpose of organizing a county bankers association.

This organization is strongly urged by the State Banker's Association. This is done for the purpose of strengthening banks and for the furtherance of cooperation among the community bankers.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

J. A. Nelson, president, Wallingford.  
O. N. Retsell, Vice President, Estherville, Iowa.

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# Emmet County Has Lost One of Her Most Able And Foremost Citizens

Emmet county and the city of Estherville suffered a severe loss last week when the Hon. R. B. Crone passed away while serving us in the house of representatives in Des Moines. It has been some time since our city has suffered such a severe shock as the announcement of Mr. Crone's sudden death.

The announcement was received here just before we went to press last Wednesday. Within twenty minutes the Enterprise had a copy of the original telegram on the streets. It was apparent as we distributed this sad message that our friend, Crone was a greatly beloved man in this community.

Not only was the fact that the county and the city had suffered materially from the standpoint of having lost a fine man and a great moral example. It was certain our people were rapidly becoming to believe that Emmet county had a great representative in the legislature.

There were five members of the legislature acting as a committee from that body here in attendance at the funeral. Each and every one of these men attested the fact that Crone was considered one of the leading men in the house. Each also were convinced that had he lived and been returned to that body he would have been a leader in that legislative body.

Mr. Crone was one of the men who visited our office many times. It was always a pleasure to have him call for he held the esteem of every member of the Enterprise force.

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## GOVERNOR HAMMILL WILL CALL NO SPECIAL ELECTION

Governor Hammill called us up last Friday and asked the junior editor to ascertain what the sentiment of the people here was in regard to the calling of a special election to fill the place made vacant by Representative Crone. We talked with many that day and evening and the following day. It was our belief from all we conversed with, that it would not be advisable. The law says an election shall be called. It would take ten days notice to call this election. Then after the election it would take a day or so for the man elected to get there. He would not be there but a day or two and maybe not then until the session would be over. The cost would be a thousand dollars and maybe more to the county. Taking this into consideration everyone seemed to be of the same opinion with no one dissenting that no election should be called. On Saturday afternoon we called the governor and told him of how we found the situation. He said he believed that was the correct solution and there will probably be no election called.

## Estherville Municipal Band to Organize For Season Soon

Preparations are now being made for the first rehearsal of the Estherville concert band. This band has been for the past two years a municipal band. There is a tax for its support. We have every reason to be proud of this organization.

Those interested in a band and who desire to play with this musical organization are requested to be present at the court house on the evening of April the eleventh. They desire to have all who wish to rehearse with the band and play this summer's concert to be present at **this first meeting.** A good start early in the season makes a good band for a city.

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The remains were brought to this city on Friday evening attended by members of the legislature. Saunders, King, Patterson, Johnson and Mathews. Sen. Breckenridge, who was to have been here did not arrive as he was in a train wreck and could not reach here.

The funeral services were held from the Presbyterian church on Saturday afternoon at two-thirty. Dr. French, president of Hastings college, paid a tribute to Mr. Crone in a brief talk which was highly complimentary to Mr. Crone's life in Hastings as president of Hastings college. Rev. Davies of this city officiated at the funeral service and the remains of one of Emmet county's foremost citizens were laid to rest in Oak Hill cemetery.

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After his graduation he took up school work, between the years 1897 and 1911 acting as superintendent of the following high schools, Churdan, Fonda, Tipton, Washington and Port Dodge. After spending one year in Emmet Co. he was called to the presidency of Hastings college at Hastings, Nebraska. To this institution he gave eight of the best years of his life, working with earnestness and zeal he started it on its upward way. Hastings college today, one of the finest colleges of the west owes much to Dr. Crone.

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## Some Swimming Pool Fans Still Talking the Proposition

Some of the friends of the swimming pool are still for the pool. They are of the belief we will get the city money back or some of it in the near future.

Many have advanced the theory that the spending of this money for city improvement, simply makes Estherville a more desirable city in which to reside. All city improvements make this or any other city more attractive. If we have the money to buy parks, make play grounds, swimming pools, build community buildings, etc., and we can do all these things without an increase in the taxes, then these people claim that it is the thing for us to do.

As for us we are still for anything that will improve the city and make more labor for those who reside here. Its work this city needs at this time to keep those employed we already have here. We have been surprised of late at some of the converts there has been in this city to more improvements such as a community building, a swimming pool, etc.

Mrs. C. D. Wilder was in the office on Monday and desired to thank all who assisted her in the recent contest for the ring at the Wilder store. Mrs. Wilder is very appreciative of the votes given her by her friends in this contest.

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In 1920 he returned to Emmet Co. where he has lived ever since, taking an active interest in all community problems. He was president of Emmet Co. Farm Bureau for ten years. During these years the organization greatly increased in membership and activities. Deeply interested in all the churches, he was a member of the Presbyterian church and a very worthy leader, teaching in our school of missions and the men's Bible class. His place in the church will be hard to fill.

At the time of his death he was just completing his first term in our state legislature. He took a very active part and interest in all questions that came before that body.

He was married on the 26th day of July, 1899, to Miss Lillian Hulsebus of Burlington, Iowa. To this union

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The five representatives who accompanied the remains of Representative Crone to this city were of one accord that our representative was one of the great men of the house. Had he lived and been returned to the legislature they say he would have been a power in the house. The day before he passed away he made an address on the floor of the house which they said was a masterpiece.