

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Launderson, William Ewart Gladstone Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Potosi City

1. Birthday and place 27 July 1856 Blairgowrie, Scotland

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mphinaid Acers 1 July 1889 Emmitsburg, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Owner of First National Bank of Emmitsburg; president of Commercial and Farmers Savings Bank; president of the Chesapeake and Potomac Canal and Navigation Company in Virginia

B. Civic responsibilities Knights of Pythias; Modern Woodmen of America; Mason; Miner;

C. Profession Banker; real estate; ranch worker; farmer; land development

4. Church membership Scottish Presbyterian, later Methodist

5. Sessions served 40<sup>th</sup>, 41<sup>st</sup>, 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assemblies 1923, 1925, 1927

6. Public Offices

A. Local Mayor of Emmitsburg

B. State Member of the Iowa Conservation Board

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

7. Death 16 Jan 1947 Los Angeles, California; Buried Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, CA

8. Children Gordon; George; William Ewart Gladstone; Stewart A.; Melvin (Mrs. William Del Valle)

9. Names of parents not known

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

- Independent, Anti Republican*
- As a youth of age 17 he came to America and lived on Blairgowrie, Scotland. He first settled in the west working for 4 years on cattle ranches in New Mexico and Colorado.
  - In 1886 he came to Emmetsburg, Iowa as manager of land & cattle operations of the Adams and family.
  - After marriage he and his wife established "Blairgowrie Farm" 5 miles NE of Emmetsburg.
  - In 1890 they moved to Emmetsburg where they built a beautiful home named "Cedarwood" on the west shore of Silver Island Lake.
  - He became an associate of M. J. Brown, a banker and owner of Brown Land and Loan Company, and later befriended Captain E. B. Japer in the ownership of First National Bank of Emmetsburg.
  - Military service - Spanish American War - Company K, 52nd Regiment Iowa Volunteers. He returned home with yellow fever and was hospitalized at Chickamauga Hospital.
  - From 1899-1908 he engaged in the development of "Laguna de Tache" which was a Mexican land grant on Kings River in Fresno and King Counties, California. It was 200,000 acres when they built the town of Latah, California.
  - He returned to Emmetsburg in 1908 organizing the Medium Lakes Improvement League and promoting a dredge to deepen the south end of Medium Lake, the project resulting in additional and attractive land and lakeshore areas.
  - He did much to establish Iowa's public parks system and improve the lakes, rivers and other areas.
  - In 1941 he and his wife moved to California to be near their children.



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# AS BOY LEFT SCOTLAND FOR THIS COUNTRY

## Became Leading Citizen In City, State

Funeral services for William E. G. Saunders, a report of whose death Jan. 16 in California was given in Tuesday's Reporter, were held in the Church of the Recessional, Los Angeles, with interment in the family plot in Forest Lawn Memorial park. The Rev. Norman McCay, former Methodist pastor of Emmetsburg, officiated at the last rites Saturday.

Word from the Saunders family to The Democrat and Reporter revealed that Mr. Saunders' death occurred after only a few days' critical illness, although he had been in failing health for the past year. He died at Pasadena at the age of 81.

**MR. SAUNDERS**, one of Emmetsburg's most prominent and civic-minded former citizens, had a colorful and successful career, giving generously of his talents to Emmetsburg and the state of Iowa in his long and active lifetime.

As a youth of 17, he came alone from Blairgowrie, Scotland, where he was born July 27, 1865, to America, locating in the west. For four years he worked on cattle ranches in New Mexico and Colorado. In 1886 he came to Emmetsburg as manager of lands and cattle operations of John Adamson and William Shaw Adamson, his son. Enterprising and with unusual foresight for a young man, Mr. Saunders soon was recognized as a shrewd, conscientious business leader in the community. On July 1, 1889, he was married to Miss Vina Acers, a young school teacher. The young couple established its first home at Blairgowrie farm, five miles

# East Triumphs Over West In Benefit Games

March of Dimes  
**J A M B O R E E**

Second Round  
Girls' Teams, Monday, Jan. 27, 8 p. m.  
High School Gym

East	vs.	West
Rodman	vs.	Ayrshire
Cylinder	vs.	Curlew
Graettinger	vs.	Ruthven
West Bend	vs.	Mallard

A packed house turned out to support the first round of the Palo Alto County March of Dimes basketball Jamboree in the high school gym Tuesday night.

**TEN** boys' quintets, divided into East and West teams, played five quarter games with East winning the Jamboree by the close margin of 43 to 41. Gate receipts were turned over to the county's fund for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Scores: Cylinder (E) 7, Ayrshire (W) 8; Graettinger (E) 4, Catholic High (W) 4; West Bnd (E) 13, Curlew (W) 9; Rodman (E) 12, Ruthven (W) 6; Emmetsburg H. S. (E) 7, Mallard (W) 14.

Cylinder met Ayrshire in the curtain-raiser and the Silver Lake boys put the west team out in front by one point, winning 8 to 7.

This slim margin remained unchanged in the second stanza as Graettinger and Emmetsburg Catholic High played a fast but low-scoring battle which ended in a 4 to 4 tie.

**THE** Eastern lineup went ahead in the third encounter as a small but fast West Bend quintet took the measure of Curlew to the tune of 13 to 9. This put East on the long end of a 24 to 31 score.

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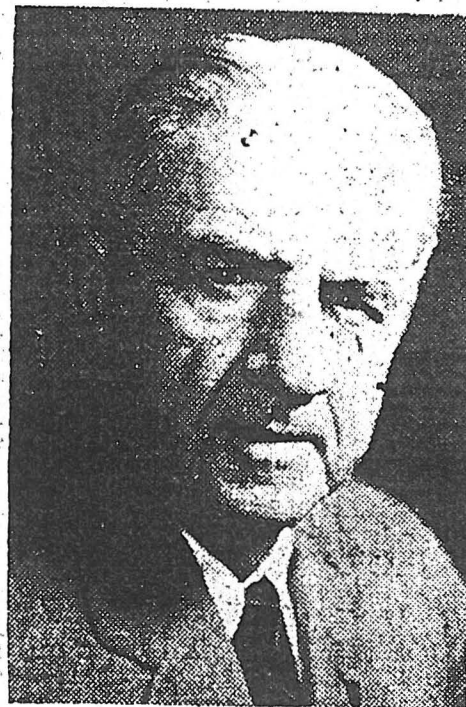
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IN 1896, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders moved to Emmetsburg, building their home known as "Oakwood," one of northwest Iowa's most beautiful mansions in its day. Located on the west shores of Five Island lake, its stately beauty was the setting for many community social gatherings and visiting notables in Iowa were often guests at Oakwood. The late U. S. Sen. Jonathon Dolliver's family of Fort Dodge, the late Governor John Hammill and many other widely known Iowans were entertained in the Saunders home.

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Mallard's highly touted five all but took this lead away from East in the final period as they poured on the heat with a classy exhibition of play to out-score Emmetsburg Public High 14 to 7. But time ran out and East nosed out West in the final count, 43-41.

THE officiating was ably handled by the various coaches of the county who donated their services. Players as well as spectators paid their way through the Jamboree gate and the same practice will prevail Monday when the girls take the floor.

The Jamboree is assured of raising a substantial sum for the March of Dimes fund.

### 'FEAST OF LIGHTS' AT LOCAL CHURCH SUNDAY

The "Feast of Lights," a program held annually in Episcopal churches, will be given Sunday at 7:30 in the Episcopal church here. The Ven. Robert Purrington, pastor, will preach the sermon on "Christ the Light of the World" illustrating each point by lighting a candle. All members of the church are expected to attend the program.

### THE WEATHER

	High	Low
Thurs., Jan. 16	30	-2
Fri., Jan. 17	44	19
Sat., Jan. 18	49	18
Sun., Jan. 19	48	24
Mon., Jan. 20	40	20
Tues., Jan. 21	29	-4
Wed., Jan. 22	34	8

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Thursday, Feb. 20: Fred Hepp; 8 miles southwest of Emmetsburg. Complete closing out sale. John F. Finn, auct. See ad later.

Friday, Jan. 24: Melvin Walstead, 15 miles north of Emmetsburg. Complete close-out. Burns and Clark, aucts. See ad in this issue.

**SAUNDERS—**

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From 1899 to 1908, he engaged in the development for agriculture of "Laguna de Tache," Mexican land grant on King's river, Fresno and Kings counties in the San Joaquin Valley, Calif. The tract comprised 200,000 acres upon which he built the town of Laton. Later he was president of the Fresno Canal and Irrigation company and the Consolidated Canal firm. Returning to Emmetsburg in 1908 he took an active part in civic matters, organizing the Medium Lake Improvement company and promoting the construction of a dredge that was to deepen the south end of the former Medium lake. Fast turning into a slough,

the lake, now Five Island, was only two or three feet deep in many places and was doomed to a swampy end. The public enthusiastically subscribed to a fund for the project and Mr. Saunders himself contributed generously. The dredging project resulted in additional and attractive lake-shore land where Soper park is now a beauty spot. In appreciation of Mr. Saunders' interest and work toward the project's completion, he was presented with a silver loving cup from the people of Emmetsburg at a public banquet in the old Armory, popular gathering place for all community events.

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ments and the progress made for the city during his tenure of office.

Following his years as mayor the Emmetsburg man was elected to the state legislature as representative from Palo Alto county. First elected as an "Independent" he was re-elected as the Republican nominee. Again he was singled out for leading roles, being named as chairman of the important Ways and Means and Appropriations committee. At the conclusion of the legislative terms, Mr. Saunders was named to the influential State Conservation board and was later elected chairman of this group. The Governor Kendall and Governor Hammill were the governors upon whom the Emmetsburg official served and Mr. Saunders did m

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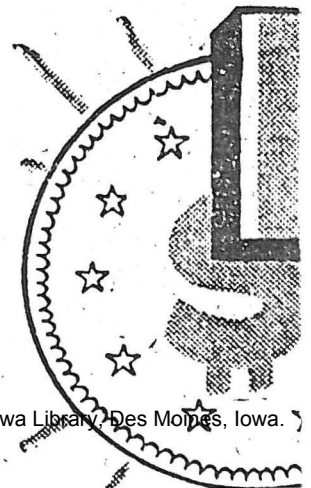
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**THURSDAY JANUARY 30**



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The passing brought grief to Emmetsburg. His first death in his family, a vital part of the town's history.

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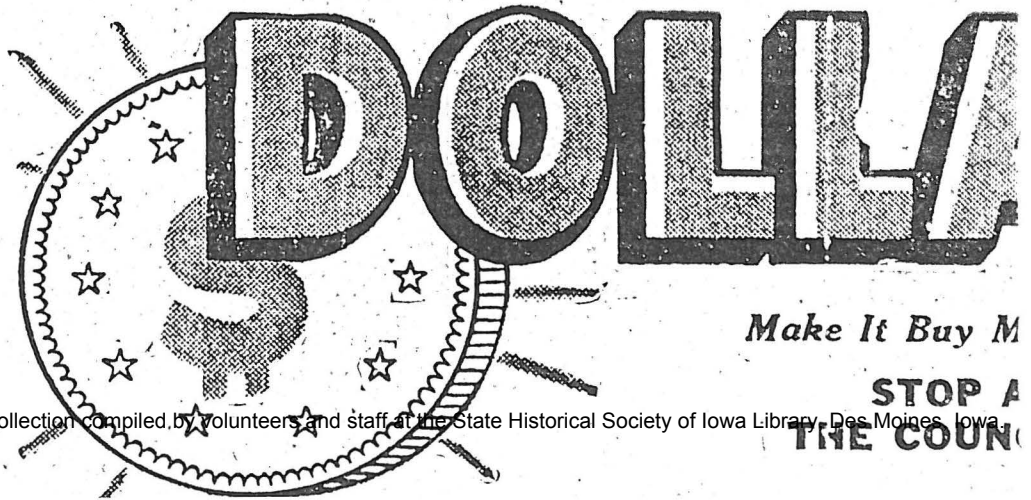
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Methodist church for 50 years. Mr. Saunders was regarded as one of its local leaders and gave much of his time and effort as a popular layman in the congregation. In 1941, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders moved to California to be near their children who had established their homes in that state. The senior Saunders built a most attractive home at Altadena on the slopes of Mt. Lowe in the Sierra Madre range. From their residence, they might enjoy the distant views of Pasadena, Los Angeles and the Pacific ocean in the picturesque landscape.

The passing of Mr. Saunders has brought genuine regret to many Emmetsburg friends. His was the first death in the immediate Saunders family, a family that was long a vital part of Emmetsburg life and history. Nowhere was there

a more hospitable home than the Saunders' "Oakwood," with its spacious halls and living rooms, its large porches and terraced lawns. Frequently the setting for community, club and church groups, the Saunders home was popular with young and old alike. There was no more gracious host than Captain Saunders who delighted in greeting his friends and making them welcome at his hearth. His sons and daughters, too, often entertained younger groups at their home, and Mrs. Saunders was equally well-known for her hospitality. The Saunders children were given every fine educational and cultural opportunity in their youth. Tutored by private teachers in their early days, the Saunders sons and daughter were later sent to eastern preparatory schools and col-

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 father in his declining years. His  
 death removes one of Emmets-  
 burg's courtly, public-spirited  
 former citizens who lived to see  
 many improvements and plans  
 realized in the growth of his home  
 community and state.

Surviving besides Mrs. Saunders  
 are George Saunders and Gordon  
 Saunders of Los Angeles, W. E.  
 G. (Ewart) Saunders of San Ma-  
 teo, Stewart A. Saunders of Berk-  
 eley and Mrs. William del Valle  
 (Vina) Saunders of Seattle, Wash.  
 Several grandchildren also sur-  
 vive. To the family is offered  
 sincere sympathy in the loss of  
 Mr. Saunders.

*Personal*

Charles Pendarvis, a student  
 the University of Notre  
 South Bend, Ind., will spend  
 weekend in Emmetsburg at  
 home of his aunt, Mrs.  
 Kelly, and other relatives. C  
 is a member of the Notre  
 band and made the trip to  
 York when the Notre Dame  
 ball team played the Army  
 His home is in Houston, Tex

Gaylord McCarty of Sibley,  
 of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Mc  
 here, was a recent visitor a  
 chester, Minn. He is to u  
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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W.  
 spent the past weekend i  
 Moines where Mr. Smith at  
 to business matters. They, al  
 ited their daughter, Barbara,  
 there.

Mrs. Nell Laughlin of  
 City is a guest here in the I  
 and William Kerwick home.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Kel  
 family of Pocahontas were  
 dinner guests at the home  
 and Mrs. Gene Cole. The  
 son, Robert, is a forward  
 Sacred Heart high school bas  
 team at Pocahontas which  
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 A. J. and Gerry Swant  
 turned this past week from  
 head, Wis., where they had  
 called by the death of their  
 Mrs. J. A. Losey.

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 and niece, Polly Newman, re  
 Monday night from a several  
 trip in the south. Mr. and  
 Thomas Herron of Evansville  
 accompanied the Willingha  
 their trip through Illinois, Al  
 and Tennessee. Polly visite  
 tives at Owensboro, Ky.

Miss Loretta Aylward, R.  
 Monday for LaCrosse, Wis.  
 was accompanied by Miss  
 Bruggeman, R. N., of Carroll  
 girls will work in St. Ann'  
 pital at LaCrosse. They re  
 returned from Santa Monica,  
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# The Emmetsburg Democrat

SECOND SECTION

Thursday, January 30, 1947

Number 4

## Letters From Our Readers

Editor's Note—The Rev. McCay, now of Long Beach, Calif., is former Methodist pastor of Emmetsburg and has many friends here. He officiated at the Saunders funeral in Los Angeles, Cal.

By Rev. Norman McCay

My Dear Emmetsburg Friends:

Saturday morning, January 18, 1947, the immediate friends and relatives of the late William Ewart Gladstone Saunders met in The Church of the Reccessional, Forest Lawn, Glendale, California, to pay the last tribute of respect. The day was perfect, sunshine flooding the sweeping slopes of this

marvelous city of the dead.

Upon the invitation of the family, it was mine to voice the word of life from The Books of Life. The scripture text is found in First Timothy IV, verses 8 and 10: "Godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come . . . For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, especially of those who believe."

Godliness, as we are now thinking, is that outward deportment that is an outgrowth of prayer, reading of the scriptures and public worship. Godliness produces a temper of mind that not only delights in but also profits by such services.

Profit, as we are now thinking, is that which is real, substantial and permanent.

Life: an interest in everything. I am to speak very personally. I fellowshipped with Captain

Saunders during one of the crisis periods of our national history: the years 1917-20. I knew him as mayor, as banker, as farmer as churchman, as husband, as father, as friend.

As mayor: the period war World War I. His leadership united his community. Never did I hear his administration adversely critsized. As mayor certain reports as to health and moral passed through his hands. He could have treated these as mere routine. This he did not do. These were matters of his personal concern. Those involved were his neighbors. He used his counsel to aid. Their recovery became his sacred trust.

Two incidents illustrate his relationships as banker. One morning, I dropped into his office for a casual visit. His private secretary entered and laid certain information on his desk. After complimenting and congratulating her employer she retired. After a moment, the Captain smiled. "These office folk are trying to kid me into believing that I am a millionaire!" Whether true or not I never knew. This I do know. The Captain shared as do few his money, his time, his all. The other was a morning call by telephone, asking if I could drop in. This I did. The office door was locked. Then—an incident involving all that the present life holds. His mood that of one not seeking any word from a human friend, but rather the opportunity to think and speak out loud in order that The Self might know the way it should go. The decision: "Wife and I did not sleep last night. We see the storm coming." (This in 1920.) "Nothing can save this country from what seems to us to be the greatest depression ever. We have decided, even should it cost us our money and our all, to do our all to save those who have trusted us."

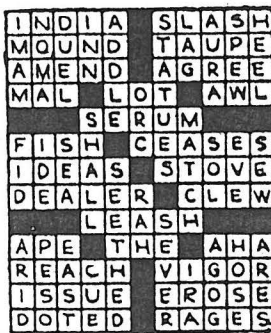
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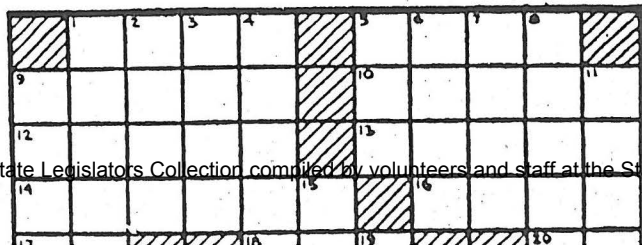
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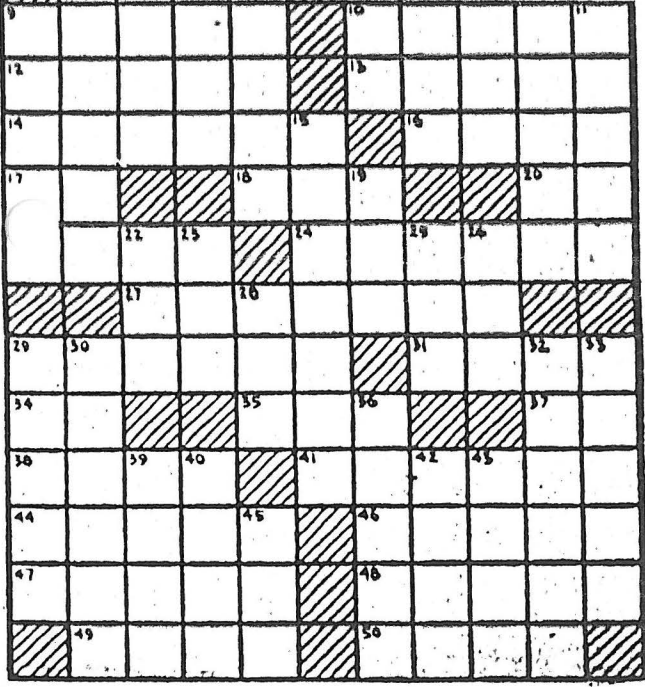
1. Essential brewing agent
5. Herds of whales
9. A giver
10. Regions
12. Ascend
13. Weighing device
14. Threw
16. To skip
17. Pronoun
18. Slope
20. Sodium (sym.)
21. Apportion
24. Perceived by vision
27. Severe trials
29. Cubic meters
31. 365 days
34. Exclamation
35. Greek letter

5. Fuel
6. Portions of curved lines
7. Coarsely ground grain
8. Salt marsh
9. Fact
11. Part of a flower
15. Strips
19. Brain covering
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greatest depression ever. We have decided, even should it cost us our money and our all, to do our all to save those who have trusted us."

As a farmer, the Captain knew land, animals, crops and folks. It was mine to be the pastor of those making their homes on the lands held in trust by the Captain and Mrs. Saunders. I say, in trust, advisedly. Land, animals, crops were a joint-relationship. Co-operation of mind and heart marked these relationships. If this present world could but so relate itself to each other, as did these farmer folk, world peace in its many ramifications would be assured.

Captain Saunders loved the church. Born into a Scotch Presbyterian home in Dundee, Scotland, he was nurtured in the Bible and the catechism. A sermon-taster of rare acumen, the Captain's delight was in attentive evaluation of his pastor's messages. With unobtrusive courtesy he was the one and only layman, during my fifty years in the preaching ministry, who helped me most in keeping my messages down-to-ground pronouncements helpful to the auditor. When home, I could depend upon his morning and evening attendance. The pressure of other interests never interfered with the Captain's presence in the business meetings of the church. He was most reticent when I urged him to accept the superintendency of our church school. His objections yielded to two considerations. First, every believer owes it to his Christ to use the graces and gifts God has given in leadership, as the church may provide. Second, the church is the one and only institution that is to survive. All is to pass away save the church. He who gives his all to the church is investing in immortality.

The Emmetsburg home of the Saunders was set in one of God's beauty spots. The house spacious, inviting, well appointed. Many were the social events where the hospitality of these gracious hosts relieved the tension of war days.

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But these very days, with sons in uniform, with every phase of war support eating into the vitals of all loyal Americans, yes, such days brought hours when, as pastor, it was mine to sense the deeply sacred depths of love that the Captain and Mrs. Saunders had for each other. As for the Captain, his delight was in his family. Captain and children, each and all, gave wife and mother lavish and deserved affection.

God, our Heavenly Father, expresses Himself in each Person. The Captain recognized the peculiar and particular difference in each child. He was the comrade and companion of each. He respected and revered each as a person.

I am speaking out of my heart. Attempting to put into words my estimate of the Captain. I know that he would be the last to think of himself in terms of our text. In an hour when Mrs. McCay's physician gave me no hope for her recovery, this Captain Saunders and your dear friend and mine, the late E. A. Morling, wired me: "All we have is yours. Call on us." Of such, surely is The Kingdom. Surely, the real, the substantial, the permanent is wrought out through toil and striving, through hope in the living God, through belief in the Saviour of men.

Cordially,  
Norman McCay.

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## Program Given By Patrolmen At West Bend

WEST BEND—The high school assembly program, Jan. 17 was presented by the Iowa Highway Patrol. Sgt. Dawson and Patrolman Grebe gave a talk, presented a movie and answered questions about driving.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jergens took their son, Victor to Iowa City Wednesday where he will receive treatment for a heart ailment at the University hospital.

Bob Kinkade was a West Bend visitor Monday.

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In June, 1907, Mr. Fairburn was united in marriage to Miss Cordelia Patterson, a daughter of Dr. M. F. Patterson, a specialist in the treatment of the eye, ear and throat and one of the pioneer physicians of Pocahontas county. Mr. and Mrs. Fairburn have become the parents of two children, Miriam and George Patterson.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Presbyterian church, while Mr. Fairburn is also a blue lodge Mason. He is likewise a member of the Chi Psi fraternity. In politics he is a stalwart republican and has twice been elected to the office of mayor of Fonda. He enjoys the goodwill and high regard of all with whom he has been brought in contact and is a progressive, capable lawyer and business man and a public-spirited citizen whose devotion to the general good is never questioned.

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WILLIAM E. G. SAUNDERS.

Coming to America when but twenty-one years of age to assume the management of most extensive and important business interests carrying with them large responsibilities, William E. G. Saunders has "made good" in all the years which have since intervened and is today one of the most conservative, yet one of the most successful business men of northwestern Iowa. He makes his home in Emmetsburg.

His birth occurred in Scotland in 1865 and his education was acquired in that country. He first came to the United States in 1882 and for a year resided in Missouri, after which he spent three years in New Mexico. He then returned to Scotland but once more came to the new world in 1886, having been appointed general manager of the large Blairgowrie interests in Palo Alto county, Iowa,—interests that carried with them large responsibilities that would have proven a serious undertaking for many a man of much older years. At one time the Blairgowrie farm, owned by Scotch capitalists, comprised twenty-eight thousand acres, but the Brown Land & Loan Company, of which Mr. Saunders is the secretary, has handled the property, disposing of much of the land. The old home farm, containing three thousand acres, is retained, however, and is still being operated under the direction of Mr. Saunders as one of the most extensive stock-raising farms of northwestern Iowa. Mr. Saunders is alert, enterprising and seems to pass by no single advantage that will contribute to the upbuilding of the business which he controls. He is thoroughly conservative, making no false moves, and yet this quality does not hinder continuous advancement. He has done much toward the improvement of stock-raising conditions in the raising of blooded stock and his efforts have been of marked public value in developing landed interests. As secretary of the Brown Land & Loan Company he has been active in disposing of thousands of acres of land in Palo Alto county and through the agents of the company in eastern Iowa, Illinois and Indiana many substantial citizens have been brought to the county, becoming representative farmers there. Aside from the interests which he directs for others, Mr. Saunders has made large personal investments in property and has become a gentleman of ample means as well as wide influence. His business integrity is above question and his opinions upon business matters are largely accepted as authority by his colleagues and contemporaries.

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*Be It Further Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the House Journal and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send an enrolled copy to the widow and children of the deceased.

THOMAS W. WELLINGTON,  
ARCH W. MCFARLANE,  
O. C. WILLIAMS,

*Committee.*

#### Memorial to the Honorable Wm. E. G. Saunders of Palo Alto County

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the Honorable Wm. E. G. Saunders, begs leave to submit the following report:

Wm. E. G. Saunders, who represented Palo Alto county in the Fortieth, Fortieth Extra, Forty-first, Forty-second and Forty-second Extra General Assemblies, passed away in Los Angeles, California, on January 16, 1947. Funeral services were held in the Church of the Recessional, Los Angeles, with interment in the family plot in Forest Lawn Memorial Park. The Reverend Norman McCay, former Methodist pastor of Emmetsburg, officiated at the last rites on January 18.

Mr. Saunders was born at Blairgowrie, Scotland, on July 27, 1865. At the age of 17 he came alone to America. For four years he worked on cattle ranches in New Mexico and Colorado. In 1886 he came to Emmetsburg, Iowa.

On July 1, 1889, he was united in marriage to Miss Vina Acers, a school teacher of Emmetsburg, and the couple established their first home at Blairgowrie Farm, five miles northeast of Emmetsburg.

In 1896 the Saunders family moved to Emmetsburg, building their home known as "Oakwood," one of northwest Iowa's beautiful mansions in its day. It was located on the west shore of Five Island Lake.

Mr. Saunders became an associate of the late banker, M. L. Brown, in the Brown Land and Loan Company, and later with the late Captain E. B. Soper, in the ownership of the First National Bank of Emmetsburg. In later years he was president of the Commercial and Farmers Savings Bank of Emmetsburg. During the Spanish-American war Mr. Saunders served with Company K, Iowa National Guard, as a captain of the 52nd regiment, Iowa Volunteers. When the war ended, Captain Saunders' return home was delayed by an attack of yellow fever and he was a patient in the famed Chickamauga Military hospital.

From 1899 to 1908 he engaged in the development for agriculture of "Laguna de Tache," Mexican land grant on King's River, Fresno and Kings counties in the San Joaquin Valley, California. The tract comprised 200,000 acres upon which he built the town of Laton. Later he

was president of the Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company and the Consolidated Canal firm. Returning to Emmetsburg in 1908 he took an active part in civil matters, organizing the Medium Lake Improvement Company and promoting the construction of a dredge that was to deepen the south end of the former Medium Lake. Fast turning into a slough,



the lake, now Five Island, was only two or three feet deep in many places and was doomed to a swampy end.

Mr. Saunders was elected mayor of Emmetsburg, which office he filled for two terms. During his regime a construction program involving storm sewers, paving contracts and other necessary details was carried out.

Following his years as mayor, the Emmetsburg man was elected to the state legislature as representative from Palo Alto county. First elected as an "Independent" he was re-elected as the Republican nominee.

A charter member of the Knights of Pythias, he was also a Modern Woodman member, a 32nd degree Mason and a Mystic Shriner.

A member of the Emmetsburg Methodist Church for 50 years, Mr. Saunders was regarded as one of its local leaders and gave much of his time and effort as a popular layman in the congregation.

In 1941 Mr. and Mrs. Saunders moved to California to be near their children, who had established their homes in that state. The senior Saunders built a most attractive home at Altadena on the slopes of Mt. Lowe in the Sierra Madre range. From their residence they might enjoy the distant views of Pasadena, Los Angeles and the Pacific ocean in the picturesque landscape.

He took pride in his family and their activities. They in turn lavished care and devotion on their father in his declining years. His death removes one of Emmetsburg's courtly, public-spirited former citizens who lived to see many improvements and plans realized in the growth of his home community and state.

Surviving besides Mrs. Saunders are George Saunders and Gordon Saunders of Los Angeles, W. E. G. (Ewart) Saunders of San Mateo, Stewart A. Saunders of Berkeley and Mrs. William del Valle (Vina Saunders) of Seattle, Washington, and several grandchildren.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-second General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Wm. E. G. Saunders, the State has lost a valued and honored citizen and the family a kind and loving husband and father, and the House would tender, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of the family.*

*Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution by spread upon the Journal of the House and the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to each member of the family and to the Librarian of the Carnegie Public Library at Emmetsburg, Iowa, to be filed as a permanent record in the biographical history of Palo Alto county.*

FRANK KOCH,  
A. H. AVERY,  
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*Committee.*



You searched for **William E. G. Saunders** in **Iowa**

### Iowa State Census, 1895

Name: **William E. G. Saunders**

Age: **29**

Race: **White**

Birthplace: **Scotland**

Page: **111**

Residence: **Fernvalley, Palo Alto**

**Source Information:**

Ancestry.com. *Iowa State Census, 1895* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2003.  
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### 1900 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>William E G Saunders</b>	
Home in 1900:	<b>Emmetsburg, Palo Alto, Iowa</b>	
Age:	<b>36</b>	
Birth Date:	<b>Mar 1864</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Scotland</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Relationship to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>	
Father's Birthplace:	<b>Scotland</b>	
Mother's Birthplace:	<b>Scotland</b>	
Spouse's name:	<b>Melvina</b>	
Marriage Year:	<b>1888</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Years Married:	<b>12</b>	
Residence :	<b>Emmetsburg City (Part), Palo Alto, Iowa</b>	
Occupation:	<a href="#">View on Image</a>	
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Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">William E G Saunders</a>	<b>36</b>
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**Source Citation:** Year: 1900; Census Place: *Emmetsburg, Palo Alto, Iowa*; Roll T623\_452; Page: 12B; Enumeration District: 151.

**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...](#)



You searched for **William E. G. Saunders** in **Iowa**

### Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	<b>William E G Saunders</b>
Birth Year:	<b>abt 1866</b>
Birth Place:	<b>Scotland</b>
Gender:	<b>Male</b>
Race:	<b>White</b>
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>
Census Date:	<b>1 Jan 1925</b>
Residence State:	<b>Iowa</b>
Residence County:	<b>Palo Alto</b>
Locality:	<b>Emmetsburg</b>
Relation to Head:	<b>Head</b>
Mother:	<b>Stewart Margrett</b>
Mother's Birthplace:	<b>Scotland</b>
Father:	<b>Saunders David H</b>
Father's Birthplace:	<b>Scotland</b>
Marriage Place:	<b>Iowa</b>
Spouse Name:	<b>Vena Saunders</b>
Roll:	<b>IA1925_1876</b>
Line:	<b>15</b>
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>
Household Members:	
Name	Age
William E G Saunders	<b>59</b>
Vena Saunders	<b>57</b>
Vina M Saunders	<b>23</b>

#### Source Information:

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Original data: Microfilm of Iowa State Censuses, 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1925 as well various special censuses from 1836-1897 obtained from the State Historical Society of Iowa via Heritage Quest.

#### Description:

This database contains Iowa state censuses for the following years: 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, and 1925. It also includes some head of household censuses and other special censuses from 1836-1897. Information available for an individual will vary according to the census year and the information requested on the census form. Some of the information contained in this database though includes: name, age, gender, race, birthplace, marital status, and place of enumeration.  
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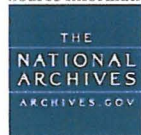
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### 1930 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>William E G Saunders</b>	
Home in 1930:	<b>Emmetsburg, Palo Alto, Iowa</b>	
	<a href="#">View Map</a>	
Age:	<b>64</b>	
Estimated birth year:	<b>abt 1866</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Scotland</b>	
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>	
Spouse's name:	<b>Vena</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
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Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<b>William E G Saunders</b>	<b>64</b>
	<b>Vena Saunders</b>	<b>63</b>

**Source Citation:** Year: 1930; Census Place: Emmetsburg, Palo Alto, Iowa; Roll 671; Page: 8B; Enumeration District: 3; Image: 2007-0.

#### Source Information:



Ancestry.com. 1930 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2002.

Original data: United States of America. Bureau of the Census. *Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1930. T626. 2,667 rolls.

#### Description:

Containing records for approximately 123 million Americans, the 1930 United States Federal Census is the largest census released to date and is the most recent census available for public access. The census gives us a glimpse into the lives of Americans in 1930, and contains information about a household's family members and occupants including: birthplaces, occupations, immigration, citizenship, and military service. The names of those listed in the census are linked to actual images of the 1930 Census. [Learn more...](#)

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