

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____

Senator Balkema,

Nichols - Represented Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola and Sioux
Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 7 Apr. 1865

2. Marriage (s) date place

Clara Van Rooyen 9 Dec. 1886 Newkirk, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Merchant

4. Church membership Reformed Church

5. Sessions served 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th General Assemblies 1909, 1911,

6. Public Offices 1913, 1915, 1917, 1919

A. Local Town councilman

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 29 Jan 1954 Sioux Center, Iowa; buried Sioux Center Cemetery, Sioux

8. Children Fate (Mrs. Fred New Bede); Walter; Florence (Mrs. Peter B. Mowbray);

Raymond; Clayton; Lucille (Mrs. Eardley Schuetz); Jeanette (Mrs.

9. Names of parents John Van Rooyen - died before her father

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- *Came to Newbark in 1884 where he taught school.*
- *After no longer teaching he entered the mercantile business first in Newbark and then beginning on 13 Mar 1893 in Sioux Center until 1941.*

Balkema, Nicholas

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source Non Applicable Applicable Information obtained

Obituary - The Sioux County Capital, Orange City, Iowa,
Thurs. Feb. 4, 1954, p. 1, col. 3

plus high school, at all. The game is an two county tour-ers-up, and is ex-fairly close contest. of the two squads preliminary.

ev. next week is onal tournament, February 8-12 in City Town Hall.

d game-times were Wednesday, as fol-

- Alton St. Mary's-ye; Newkirk vs. Al- p.m.; Hospers vs. 8, 8:30 p.m.

nd — Alton St. ton, Feb. 10, 7 p.m.; n winner vs. Hos- winner, Feb. 10,

ip game — Friday, 0 p.m.

— Orange City vs. en vs. Sioux Cen- :30 p.m.

ip game — Orange arden-Sioux Center 11, 7:30 p.m.

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of Des Moines will n and talk on a tival", at next Mon-club meeting. Presi-Lorber noted Wed-ie program-film was ern Manitoba, Cana- will appear at the y morning, present-ly program.



his wife and son, a daughter. Lennice, 12; two brothers, three sisters, and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerd Popken of Craig, survive.

Rites Monday for Nickolas Balkema

Former State Senator Came to County in 1884

Nickolas Balkema died Friday, January 29, at his home in Sioux Center, at 88 years of age. He had been ailing for some time.

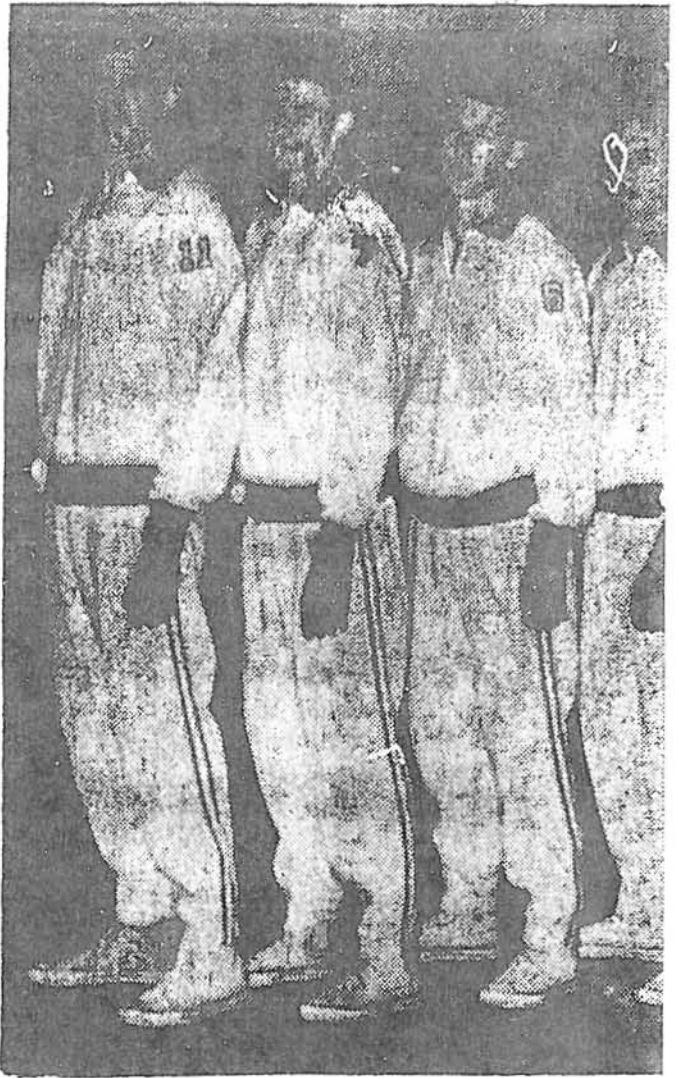
Mr. Balkema served as Iowa State Senator for three consecutive terms, from 1910 to 1919, was active in civic and community affairs as a member of the town council, and was a member of the Sioux Center school board for 35 years. He was also a charter member of the Central Reformed church in Sioux Center, serving as elder and Sunday school teacher for many years.

Mr. Balkema came to Newkirk in 1884 where he taught school until he went into the merchant-ile business there. On March 13, 1893 he went into business in Sioux Center, which he continued until 1941.

He was married to Clara Van Rooyen on December 9, 1886, at Newkirk. Besides his wife, he is survived by six children: Kate (Mrs. Fred Den Beste), Sioux Center; Dr. Walter of Sheldon; Florence (Mrs. Peter B. Mouw), Sioux Center; Raymond of Burlington; Clayton of Sioux Center; and Lucille (Mrs. Eardley Schuetz) of Lincoln, Nebr. One daughter, Jeanette (Mrs. Wm. Van Roekel), preceded him in death.

Other survivors include two brothers, Albert Balkema and Jim Balkema, both of Orange City, and a sister, Mrs. John Van Rooyen, in California.

Funeral services were held at the Central Reformed church in Sioux Center Monday afternoon, with interment at the Sioux Cen-



Orange City's Dutchmen eased i pers. 50—51, and Maurice. in tou las game to the host-team. Roger match, netting 11 points; while Ko added seven.

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