

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Anderson Reuben H. Senator  
Represented Davis County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 4 Jan 1854 Pike County, Ohio, near  
Haverly, Ohio

2. Marriage (s) date place  
(1) Stephania E. Hayes 9 May 1877  
(2) Celina Catherine Plank 3 Feb 1881

3. Significant events for example:

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

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Odd Fellows; Shriners;  
Modern Woodmen of America; Sons of American Revolution

C. Profession Farmer; Teacher; author of religious literature

4. Church membership Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 36<sup>th</sup>, 37<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1915, 1917

6. Public Offices

A. Local Davis County Superintendent of Schools; superintendent of Bloomfield  
Iowa public schools

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

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

7. Death 10 May 1930 Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; buried Knight of Pythias Cemetery,  
Pulaski, Iowa

8. Children Lowell (predeceased his father in death); Mabel (Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_)

Jess C. Edwards - predeceased his father in death; Anna Ruth (Mrs. Paul B. Baker);  
William C.

9. Names of parents William H. and Susan M. (Bristol) Anderson

Anderson, Reuben W.

10. Education He was educated in rural schools of Davis  
County, Iowa; he attended Troy Academy, Troy, Iowa

11. Degrees He attended National Normal School in Lebanon, Ohio  
as well as Ohio Wesleyan University

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He owned and operated a large farm near Pulaski, Iowa for  
many years.
- He moved with his parents from Ohio to Davis County, Iowa in  
1856 to a farm near Pulaski in Roscoe Township.
- He began teaching school at age 16. He taught in Iowa, Missouri  
and Ohio.
- His first wife, Sophonia, died 9 May 1878
- His second wife, Celina C., died 16 Apr 1920





*R. W. Anderson*

**PRINCIPAL HIGH SCHOOL**

**"Dames Ahoy," Real Comedy Riot. Comes to Iowa Fri. and Sat.**

Wright joins the navy in "Dames Ahoy," hilarious Universal comedy, coming to the Iowa Friday and Saturday.

"Dames Ahoy" gives Tryon one of the best roles of his sensational career. He plays the part of a hero, despite his better judgment, aground on the reef of matrimony.

Wright makes her first appearance on the screen as leading woman "Dames Ahoy." Her beauty and acting ability assure her a successful career in films.

Harlan and Eddle Gribbon appear with Tryon's fellow gobs in the "Dames Ahoy." All have uproariously amusing parts.

Gertrude Astor also has a part. The latter part of the action of the play is laid at a beach resort. The play concerns the efforts of the three women, one of their number, plays Harlan, from a designing man to has her clutches on half the purpose of atmosphere.

Harlan, playing the part of a villain, had to be tattooed. For the plot, Gertrude Astor appears a strawberry blitherer leg. It deals with the search of a man, on shore leave, for a blonde who is drawing half of one of their number, play Harlan. The strawberry mark is a means of identification. As a result of the search, Tryon, who is what he is doing, wins a test entitling him to \$500—w and a bride.

James Craft, who has directed one of Tryon's most successful plays, directed the play. Sherburne wrote the story, Matt Taylor adapted, and Albert DeMond produced.

**APTIST CHURCH**

Wesley Fletcher, Minister of the church, Sunday was another good one of our Lord. The Mother's service was well attended, and the spirit prevailed, and at the communion were given to all the members. Remember all services and make this also a great one.

at 9:45, M. C. Henson, of the morning worship at 8. A cordial welcome to all.

Sprows, of the week end visitor at Mrs. H. L. Sprows home.

**R. W. ANDERSON FUNERAL MONDAY**

**Former State Representative Died Saturday at Hospital In Mt. Pleasant**

Reuben W. Anderson, son of William W. and Susan M. Bristol Anderson, was born near Waverly, Ohio, January 4, 1854, and came to Iowa with his parents when a child and located near Pulaski, where he grew to manhood.

He attended the country schools, and after finishing the high school, he secured further educational equipment in life in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio.



R. W. Anderson

He was a teacher for many years. He taught singing schools as well as music in the public schools, and for a period of eight years was superintendent of country schools of Davis county. He was interested in public matters and served in the state legislature two terms. He was for thirty years superintendent of the Home Sunday school and served for years as choir director in the local church. He was a lifelong Methodist and was active in his church and community.

He was a Mason, a Shriner, an Odd Fellow and a Modern Woodmen of America.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Catharine Plank, of Pulaski, who preceded him in death some ten

of Iowa Wesleyan, accompanied by Miss Keen, of the Conservatory, expressively sang "This is My Task," and "Ong Sweetly, Solemn Thought." The pall bearers were Messrs. Breneman, Shumate, Augspurger, Stine, Milligan and Sutton.

**Brown Re-elected Co. Superintendent**

Prof. H. C. Brown was re-elected superintendent of schools of Davis county for another term at a meeting of the representatives of the various school boards of the county in a meeting held in the court room Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Brown has held the office for the past twelve years and will commence his fifth term next September. The superintendent is elected for a three year term, beginning in September.

A large number of representatives of school boards throughout the county were present at the meeting held Tuesday, and a unanimous ballot was cast for Professor Brown, as he was unopposed in his candidacy for re-election.

**SERIOUSLY ILL IN CANADA**

Mr. C. E. Wagler received word Wednesday from his brother, Ernest Wagler, who resides near Calgary, Canada, that he was seriously ill at the Calgary General hospital at Calgary from gall bladder trouble, and as soon as his condition permits it will be necessary for him to submit to an operation. Mr. Wagler formerly resided south of Pulaski. He left Davis county about twenty-five years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wagler visited at the Ernest Wagler home while they were on their vacation trip last summer.

**MONTEREY WINS**

Monterey defeated Lancaster, Mo., Sunday, May 11, to the tune of 11-2. Spurgeon pitched good ball, holding the Missourians to three hits, while his mates pounded Ranford for 11.

Monterey will play Ottumwa Red Sox at Monterey Sunday, May 18. Come out and help your home boys win.

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**BAND TO GIVE FIRST CONCERT**

**Bloomfield American Legion Concert Band to Present First Program Tomorrow Night**

The Bloomfield American Legion Concert Band will present its first concert of the season tomorrow (Wednesday) night. The band has been holding practice sessions at regular intervals during the winter months and during the past few weeks has been working long and hard in preparation for the opening concert.

Officials of the band announce that their repertoire has been carefully selected and that they hope to prove before the concert season is far advanced that their somewhat extensive library consists of some outstanding publications. The large collection of marches is unusually good, and the band boys are desirous that a large audience be present tomorrow night to attend their first public appearance.

Following is the program for tomorrow night's concert:

March, "Americans We," Henry Fillmore.

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Popular, "When the Little Red Roses Get the Blues for You" (from Vitaphone picture, "Hold Everything.") Dwayne Downing vocal, Dublin & Burke.

Cornet solo, "Lucia," H. Bellstedt. Played by Herbert C. Young.

March "Under Fire," W. J. Hearn.

Overture, "The Wedding Song", Polka for trombones: "The Wanderer", F. P. Harlow. Played by E. A. Patterson and R. C. Brown.

March, "W. M. B.," R. B. Hall.

Popular: "Should I" (from M-G-M picture, "Lord, Byron of Broadway," by Fred S. Brown. Featuring D. M. Howe, Dwayne Downing, F. A. Patterson, J. D. Leach, Ford Leon and Dwight Downing in vocal sextette.

Selection, "Victor Herbert Favorites", arr. by M. L. Lohr.

March "On the Alert", H. W. Schubert.

**Drakesville Upsets Nationals 17 to 4**

What the Bloomfield Nationals considered as the easiest game of the season proved to be a boomerang when the Drakesville nine defeated them by the one sided score of 17 to 4 last Sunday. In the box for the Nationals met a warm reception of singles, doubles and an occasional triple during the

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Reuben W. Anderson, of Bloomfield, died at Memorial hospital at Mt. Pleasant, Saturday afternoon, May 10. He became ill about two months ago, while visiting his daughter, Mrs. Paul Galer, and was taken to the hospital at that city. Death was caused by a complication of diseases.

The funeral was held at the M. E. church at Pulaski Monday afternoon. The funeral sermon was given by Dr. U. S. Smith, of Fairfield, who was assisted by District Superintendent Todd, of Ottumwa, and Rev. J. W. Poole and Rev. J. E. Ward, of Bloomfield.

All of the ministers were former pastors of the deceased. The funeral was attended by a large number of people from Davis and adjoining counties.



R. W. Anderson

Mr. Anderson was 76 years old. He had lived throughout his lifetime in this county, owning and operating for many years a large farm near Pulaski.

He was representative from this county in the state legislature for two terms, being elected in 1914 and again in 1916.

Many years ago he served this county as superintendent of schools, and was also at one time superintendent of the Bloomfield public schools.

He was a devoted member of the Methodist church, and took a leading part in the services of that denomination both at Pulaski, and at Bloomfield, where he had resided for the past several years. He was superintendent of the Sunday school at Pulaski and choister of that church for more than thirty years.

He was a writer of religious literature, and was the author of several books, one of his most recent being "A Skeleton Outline of the Bible."

He was twice married and twice left a widower. He was preceded in death by his son Lowell, and a daughter Larue. His only surviving child is Mrs. Galer, of Mt. Pleasant.

**Iris Seabury and Lester Birchmier Get Spilman Prizes**

Iris Seabury

**WTO SATURDAY**

**Widate Will De- it Court Houge Afternoon**

Inson, congressman wa district and a June primary for onation for the ate, will speak at this city, next Sat, ay 17th, at 2 o'clock

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the powerful sub- cultural appropri- Dickinson has money spent for the

HISTORY  
OF  
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IOWA,

CONTAINING

A HISTORY OF THE COUNTY, ITS CITIES, TOWNS, ETC.

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ITS VOLUNTEERS IN THE LATE REBELLION, GENERAL AND LOCAL STATIS-  
TICS, PORTRAITS OF EARLY SETTLERS AND PROMINENT MEN,  
HISTORY OF IOWA AND THE NORTHWEST, MAP OF  
DAVIS COUNTY, CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED  
STATES, REMINISCENCES, MISCELLANE-  
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even their names recall heroic examples of which the men of to-day, with better fortunes, though with less daring, are neither the companions, the rivals nor the masters. In the great majority of instances the battles in which many persons named have been engaged are suppressed, not because they are valueless, but because the engagements of the several Iowa regiments may be found elsewhere in this work. This has not been generally the case with regiments outside of the State.

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#### BLOOMFIELD CITY.

ANDERSON, REUBEN W., County Superintendent, Bloomfield, whose portrait appears in this work, was born in Pike county, Ohio, January 4, 1854. When three years of age he came with his father, Captain W. Anderson, to Roscoe township, this county, where he grew to manhood, helping his father on the farm and going to school; attending Troy academy four terms, taught his first school when fifteen years old; teaching six terms, then. In 1873, went to Ohio and taught two terms, then attended two terms at the National Normal at Lebanon, Ohio; then, after teaching two more terms, attended the college at Delaware one year; then taught two terms at Piketon, Ohio, first as assistant, then as principal; then took charge of his uncle's farm one year, and, in 1878, returned to this county. Taught one term in his home district, then took charge of the Pulaski schools, as principal, for one year, and in the fall of 1879, was elected County Superintendent on the democratic ticket, by a majority over the greenback ticket of 114, and over the republican ticket of 222. He was elected principal of the Bloomfield schools in June, 1881, where they have one of the best graded schools in the State. He was married May 9th, 1877, to Miss Plana Hayes, of Ross county, Ohio, who died May 9, 1878, and he married again to Miss Celina C. Plank, daughter of J. J. Plank, of Pulaski, Iowa. Mr. Anderson is a mason, an odd fellow, and a member of the M. E. church.

Professor Anderson, though still young, has attained a proud position among the school workers of the State, and during the short time he has been connected with the Bloomfield schools, has more than met the most sanguine expectations of his friends. As an organizer he has few equals and no superiors. He owns a nice farm near town, and is making himself a home.

ALLENDER, REV. R. B., Bloomfield; one of the pioneers of the gospel in Iowa, was born in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1816, where he lived till 1839. He united with the church August 25, 1837, and in the fall of 1839, came to Jefferson county, in what was then the territory of Iowa. He entered a farm of the government, where he lived till 1853, when he was ordained a minister of the M. E. Church, and sent to Monroe circuit, two years; Centerville circuit, two years; Agency circuit, two years; Osceola circuit, one year; Knoxville circuit, two years; then the war coming on, he accepted the call of the Twenty-second Iowa infantry, Colonel Stone, as chaplain, and was out with the regiment eleven months. Then