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Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Jessen, John Charles Senator _____
Represented Story County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 10 Feb 1878 Chicago, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place
Catherine Golly 22 June 1910

3. Significant events for example:
A. Business _____
B. Civic responsibilities _____
C. Profession Attorney

4. Church membership Evangelical

5. Sessions served 36th, 37th General Assemblies 1915, 1917

6. Public Offices
A. Local _____
B. State _____
C. National _____

7. Death 23 Sept 1937 Ames, Iowa

8. Children _____

9. Names of parents _____

10. Education Educated in schools of Nevada, Iowa

11. Degrees Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa - one year dairy course;
Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa - graduate of law school
in 1905

12. Other applicable information Republican

- Shortly after his birth the family moved to Oshkosh,
Wisconsin and later to Pine River, Wisconsin where his
father died.
- In 1885 his mother brought her children to Story County, Iowa
locating at Story City, Iowa.
- His mother remarried to Chris Larsen of Nevada and that
is where he grew to manhood.
- He operated a creamery at Shannon City, Iowa for 3 years.
- His first practice was at Zeoring, Iowa for 2 years and then
moved to Story City where he continued in practice.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- <i>Obituary</i>			<i>- The Nevada Evening Journal, Nevada, Stone, Nev. Sept. 24, 1937, p. 1, col. 2</i>

J. C. Jessen Dead; Funeral Services Sunday Afternoon

J. C. Jessen, 59, Story City attorney and former Story county legislator, died at Mary Greeley hospital, Ames, Thursday afternoon at 4:00, from the effects of injuries sustained in an automobile crash Wednesday afternoon at 5:30, on No. 30 just in the west edge of Ames.

Funeral services for Mr. Jessen will be held at Grace Evangelical church, Story City, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in charge of his pastor, Rev. G. L. Bergeman.

In the crash Jessen, enroute home from Boone, collided with a westbound car, driven by Mrs. C. F. Wheeler of St. Paul, when the driver of the Minnesota car lost control, as one of the wheels caught on the edge of the paving.

Mr. Jessen, suffering from what appeared to be fatal injuries, was hastened to Mary Greeley hospital, where all possible aid was given but he passed away at 4:00 Thursday.

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Mrs. Anna Schopenhauer

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Later he attended Iowa State college, completed the one-year dairy course and operated a creamery at Shannon City, Iowa, for about three years.

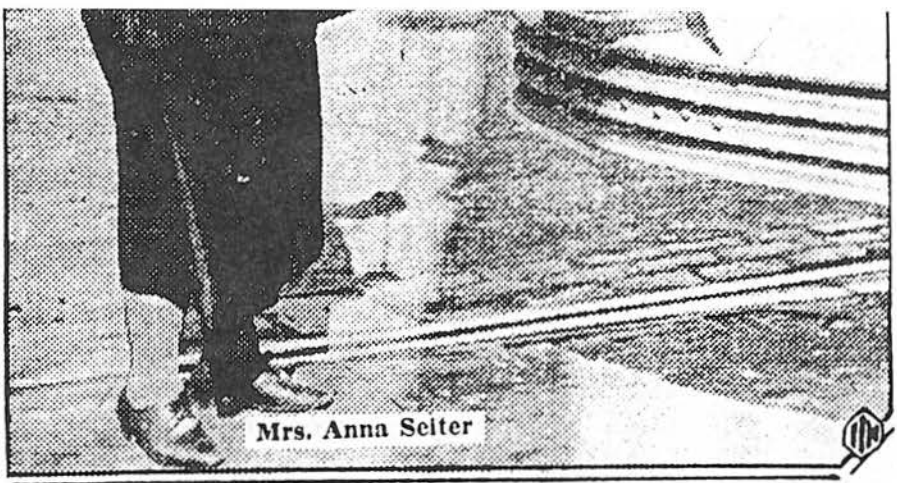
He entered Drake university law school in Des Moines in 1902, graduating from there in 1905. He located for practice first at Zearing where he remained for two years, and it was there that he met Miss Catherine Golly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Golly, who later became his bride.

Remaining in Zearing for two years, he moved to Story City, where his home had since been, and where he continued in the active practice of law.

He was married June 22, 1910 to Miss Catherine Golly and she, with their daughters Arlene at home and Wilma, teacher at Fort Madison, survive him.

He was elected to the state legislature as representative from Story county in 1914 and served in the 36th and 37th general assemblies.

During his long residence in Story City, he had been active in



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The divorce suit of Postal vs. Postal, a Maxwell matrimonial entanglement, occupied the attention of Judge Henderson for the most of the time on Thursday, the plaintiff Harry Postal being on the stand for the most of the time. At the close of the session it was decided to continue the case until after the jury work.

*The divorce action of Hazel Nutty vs N. S. Nutty was called this morning, as it has been especially assigned. It is hardly thought that the case will be completed today and it will very probably be carried over until after the jury work.

Among other divorces granted was to Irene Kraft, 27, who was granted a divorce from her husband, Paul Kraft, 29, whom she married in Freeborn county, Minn., June 9, 1936. She charged cruel and inhuman treatment. There were no children involved and no alimony granted.

Olga Webb, 28, was granted a divorce from her husband Clay-

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Young Pastor Will Start at State Center

State Center, Sept. 24—Rev. Bruce Jones, the new pastor of the Methodist church at State Center, who will hold his first service here Sunday, Sept. 26, was

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fatal auto accidents in Iowa during 1937

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 24—INS—Iowa highway fatalities shot up to 376 today with four new deaths added to the 1937 list.

The dead:

Mrs. Jay Buchanan, 40, of Goodell.

J. C. Jessen, 59, of Story City. Paul Rasch, 19, of Primrose.

Roy S. McDowell, 27, Muscatine. Mrs. Buchanan was killed yesterday when the car in which she

was riding with Evelyn, her 17-year-old daughter, skidded from a bridge near Goodell and plunged into the Iowa river. Two schoolboys, William and Boyd Nelson, rescued Evelyn from the watery grave but the girl's mother was dead.

Jessen died in an Ames hospital at 4 p.m. Thursday from injuries suffered in an accident late Wednesday. His car collided with one driven by Mrs. C. F. Wheeler, 64, of St. Paul, Minn. His widow and two daughters survive him.

Rasch's death was reported yesterday and today was listed as a highway fatality by safety experts. His motorcycle collided with one ridden by Richard Proennecke and Rasch died while being taken