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Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Mitcher, Willard G. Senator _____
Represented Iowa County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 9 Feb 1855 Western, New York

2. Marriage (s) date place _____

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Druggist

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 34th General Assembly 1911

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 25 Oct 1932 Williamsburg, Iowa

8. Children _____

9. Names of parents George and Ellen (McAlpine) Mitcher

Fletcher, Willard D.

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Democrat _____

THURSDAY DINNER
AT EDGAR CASHMAN'S

Surprise Gathering in Honor of the Anniversary of Mr. Cashman's Birth

Monday was the 35th anniversary of the birth of Edgar Cashman of Pilot, and his good wife red into a conspiracy with mother and sisters to the end the event might be fittingly observed. All contributed to the giving of the excellent dinner, by early noon the old Cashman home in Pilot contained as many as a group as ever assembled under the old roof. The spacious baskets contributed their festal offerings; baskets of fried chicken, pies, soups, vegetables and fruits of various names, and to these the glowing urn gave up its golden contents. This was the first time for the Cashman family to gather at the farm home, established away from when the land of Pilot was covered with rolling prairies and grazed here and there with native timber.

Mrs. James Cashman of Williamsburg was accorded the place of honor at the table, and in celebration of her 74 years she was accompanied by the youngest of her grandchildren. The gathering was completed by the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cashman, Mrs. Rachael, and Donald; Mrs. Chris Kelting and family, Freda, Viola, Harold, Mildred; Mr. and Mrs. G. Eggert and Thelma, Leland, Isola; Mr. and Mrs. G. Eggert and Leola, Elmer, Cecile, and Dean; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bahr and Laura Belle and Linda June.

Clarence Christianson, friend of the family, completed the gathering. The Cashman family line runs back to the days of the pioneers, and this gathering at the old home in Pilot, five young families, headed by the mother and grandmother, made a picture worth to look at—a line of parents and their offspring that constitutes the pride and credit of the communities in which they reside.

ED LEHN BUYS FARM

Used Deal Monday for 120 Acres of Well Improved Land Near Holbrook

A deal was closed Monday by which Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lehn became the owners of 120 acres of excellent land less than a mile

W. G. FLETCHER DIES TUESDAY

Williamsburg and Iowa County Lost Leading Citizen and Business Man

BORN IN YORK STATE, 1855

Came to Iowa County in 1858; Williamsburg His Home for More Than 70 Years

W. G. Fletcher among the oldest business men in Williamsburg, pharmacist, banker, and legislator, patron of schools and exemplary citizen, passed away at his home in Williamsburg Tuesday morning after an illness of two months. He was in his 78th year, and for the past several months he increasingly complained of illness. Two months ago it was definitely learned that his ailment was an internal cancer. He was under the best medical and nursing care, but the progress of the ailment was rapid, and the end came with surprising speed.

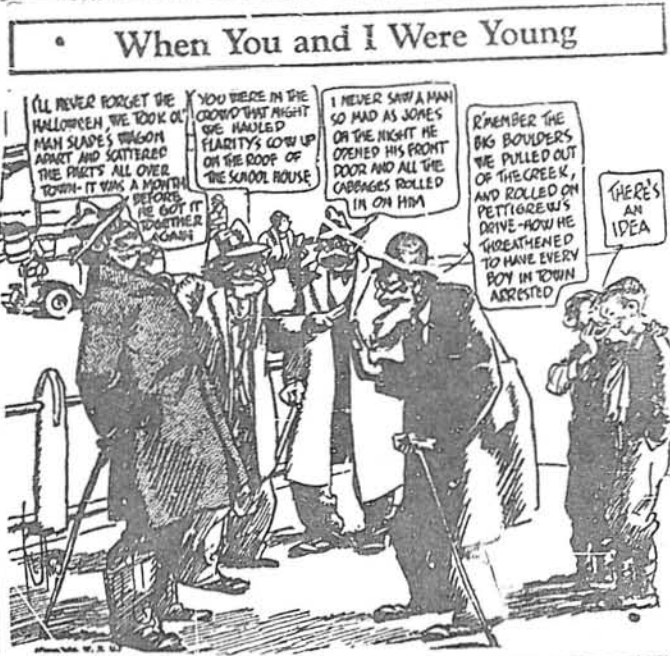
The funeral services were held at the home at 2 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by the Rev. J. B. Hodgson of the Presbyterian church. The music was furnished by a quartet consisting of Mrs. J. B. Hodgson, Mrs. Oren Peterson, Mr. Ivor James, and Mr. O. G. Jones. The sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Hodgson was an able discourse and bore a merited tribute to the exemplary character and the readiness and the willingness with which he came to the aid of any movement for the betterment of the community.

The interment was in the family lot in Oak Hill beside the body of the wife and the three children that preceded the husband in death. The services at the grave were conducted by the members of the Masonic fraternity of which the deceased had been an active member for fifty years. The pallbearers were W. F. Harris, J. C. Nicola, Oren Peterson, J. D. Lewis, J. F. Stephens, and W. E. Wallace.

As a mark of respect to the town's distinguished citizen, all the business places remained closed during the period of the funeral service.

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FROM BERT MILLER SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

Former Holbrook Boy Sees Roosevelt Winnig on Pacific Coast

Sacramento, Calif. Oct. 18th, 1932

Mr. J. P. Gallagher Williamsburg, Iowa Dear Editor:

I am enclosing you some newspaper clippings and a cartoon of the political situation as it looks to me out here in California. It is my honest belief that California will go for Franklin D. Roosevelt with McAdoo for the U. S. Senate.

Out this way we hear that the good State of Iowa will be for Roosevelt; we need a change as we have had four years of the worst panic we ever had in this country. I think they are the ones who will lead us out of this depression, even if I did vote for Mr. Hoover four years ago. I have suffered as well as 21 million other voters who were crazy in voting for him. There are still some of the Labor leaders in this state who will vote for Hoover again this fall. They are the ones who have been employed on a regular salary and approve of this policy of the Republican party. Then again, there are a lot of old line Republicans who are not satisfied with the way things have been going for the last four years under the Republican administration, where people have been starving, with those who have lost their home and everything else that they had in the world. I never saw so much real suffering as I saw last winter in this state where men and families went into the dumps to find stale bread to feed them-

POSTNUPTIAL FAVOR FOR PILOT NEWLYWEDS

Friday evening a surprise shower consisting of many nice and useful presents for Mr. and Mrs. John Myers was well carried out by a few of their neighbors and friends. The entertainment of the evening consisted in guessing the weight of a pumpkin, distance which it had been brought, carrying beans on knives, untying knots in a string, a novel debate and finally then for pen and ink in keeping with the season a straw vote for president, governor, and senator was taken which in the tally gave a slight lead to the Democratic party on all three.

A lunch prepared by the visiting ladies consisted of sandwiches, pickles, coffee, and cake was then served.

A short talk expressing her hearty appreciation with thanks for their many gifts and for the warm welcome to their community the bride then opened the gifts containing the giver's names for which she thanked each individually. After which the bridegroom expressed his appreciation for their many gifts and expression of kindness to both of them.

Those in attendance were as follows:

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KOPP-EICHEL AT LEGION

Republican Congress Forth Thursday Democratic Rivalry

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Hon. W. F. I Pleasant, Congre First Iowa Distr speaker Thursday gathering of the American Legion Hall, at which the republican county and judicial districts.

Dr. Fred Stern er of the Legion and in a short how the Legion P two meetings, one lean and one for candidates. All candidates were day evening. T Cochran, pastor burg Methodist cent; he has long mate friend o Kopp, and Comm called on the graciously introd er, reciting the intimate friendsh them together li

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The farm was owned by Dr. Dean of St. Louis, who was here to close the deal. The farm as good a tract of land as may be found in Iowa county, is well improved, and is on the Black Diamond Trail, traveled from Iowa City to the Iowa county line.

Mr. and Mrs. Lehn have resided in the Williamsburg vicinity for the past nine years, and most excellent people they are. And Ed Lehn, a farmer with a reputation near and far; he, his dairy and swine herds are as good as the best and we are pleased to note that he is soon to move to his own good farm.

REAL POTATOES

Frank Jones brought in a small bag of potatoes from the J. V. Driscoll farm, and for size, shape, and general appearance they are entitled to the first prize. Rural New Yorkers, and another type not designated; every potato is in size like a small loaf of bread. We placed three of them on the scale in the City Meat Market, and the record was 4 1/2 pounds. One of those properly baked and served with a pound of Keil or York Creamery butter would make a becoming feast for any Irishman.

VISITED AT DAVENPORT

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On February 19, 1879, he was united in marriage to Mary Ellen Evans of Williamsburg; their infant son died Feb. 24, 1880, and the mother passed away within the following month. Here begins the short period in which the home was made at Glenwood and Shenandoah. On October 5, 1881, he was united in marriage to Miss Llewellyn Ballard, and in 1884 the home was made in Williamsburg. Here the husband established a modern drug store, that at once was accorded a foremost reputation in this section of Iowa, and this reputation was always maintained by this store.

Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Frank, Fred, and Florence; the sons passed away soon after finishing their course in the University, and the daughter soon followed. The wife passed away in July, 1922.

To review the activities of the deceased would be to write several very important chapters in the business and civic history of Williamsburg and Iowa county. He was always intensely interested in educational matters, and for more than thirty years he was a member of the board of education. He was generous al-

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Your friend,
BERT M. MILLER,
(A Relative of the Dunn family)

REPUBLICAN MEETING MONDAY EVENING, OCT. 31

The Young Republican League are sponsoring a political meeting to be held in the Williamsburg high school at 7:30 p. m. Monday evening. President Hoover will be on the air at this time, and after the close of the radio talk, R. E. Jones, chairman of the Republican county committee will deliver a talk to the audience. Harold Claypool will also talk.

The general public is cordially invited to attend the meeting.

FROM NICHOLAS

Mr. and Mrs. John Brugman, son Vincent and daughter, Mary Kathleen, motored up Sunday from Nicholas and spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McSwiggin.

Mrs. M. J. Frawley has been confined to her home for the past two weeks suffering from a combination of pleurisy and influenza.

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SYDOW - GROTHMAN

Mr. Henry A. Grothman of Blanchard and Miss Hilda A. Sydow of Mayville, North Dakota were united in marriage at a double ring ceremony performed Saturday afternoon, October 15th at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Schuricht of Hillsboro.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Grothman left on a short trip returning the following day. A wedding dinner was served at the bride's home to the immediate members of the families.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Sydow of Mayville but formerly of Williamsburg. She has been a student at the Mayville State Teachers College and has taught a number of years in the public schools of North Dakota. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Grothman and is a prosperous young farmer.

The young couple will reside on a farm near Blanchard.

TAX MEETING AT MARENGO FRIDAY EVENING, OCT. 28

Ladora, Oct. 25, 1932
There will be a meeting at the courthouse in Marengo at eight o'clock, Friday evening Oct. 28, for the purpose of discussing the tax problem.

All candidates for office residing in Iowa county are requested to be present and take part in the discussion.

ROBERT SHEDDENHELM,
Chairman

Mr. and Mrs. Gus O'Donnell and son Francis Mell and Miss Clara Smith were dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mrs. M. H. Morrin.

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Dr. and Mrs. are arranging James residence proper

L. S. Morrin spent Sunday south of town