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Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Stof, John Senator _____

Represented Dallas County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 24. Jan 1841 Yorkshire, England

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary Ineson 28 Sept 1868

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; G.A.R.

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 32nd, 33rd General Assembly 1907, 1909

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 27 May 1916 Dallas Center, Iowa

8. Children William R.; Nellie J. (Mrs. Miller); George M.; John Frank;
Joseph P.

9. Names of parents Benjamin and Ellen (Armitage) Stof

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____ *Republican*

- *He came to America with his parents*
- *Military service - Civil War - Co. G. 20th Ohio Infantry*
- *In 1869 he moved to Dallas County, Iowa, settling on a farm near Dallas Center*

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SUDDEN DEATH.

**Hon. John Fox Passed Away Satur-
day Evening After Very
Brief Illness.**

The community was saddened Sunday morning when the news spread rapidly that Honorable John Fox had passed away during the night. The summons came at 10:15. Altho it was known that Mr. Fox had not been in his usual robust health for several days, yet to all, his death was a matter of surprise. Thursday evening enroute from Des Moines he was taken violently ill on the train, caused by over-exertion in his haste to reach the depot. His condition became so alarming that a telegram was sent ahead to have a physician meet the train. For a day there seemed to be but little change and after periods varying from better to worse, Mr. Fox again rallied and it was believed by members of the family that the critical point was past. But Saturday evening there was a sudden turning point and almost without warning the spirit took its flight.

John Fox was born in Yorkshire, England, January 24, 1841, his parents being Benjamin and Ellen (Armintage) Fox. In 1830, Benjamin Fox like many other Englishmen of that time, left the native land because of political conditions. He settled in Pennsylvania, but later returned to England, where he married. A few years later he returned to America, accompanied by his family.

Mr. Fox enlisted in Company G., 20th Ohio Volunteer Infantry in September, 1861, and he was honorably discharged at Columbus, Ohio, in January, 1864. He participated in some of the most important battles of the war—Ft. Donelson, Shiloh, Iuka, and the Capture of Vicksburg. While he was often in the thickest of the fight, he sustained no dangerous wound.

In 1869 he moved to Dallas county and settled on an unbroken prairie farm near Dallas Center, and with characteristic energy he commenced the development of the land. Year after year he continued to live on the farm, with gratifying success. He was an exceptionally successful farmer, and a man of keen business discernment. His success represents the result of honest endeavor along lines where mature judgment points the way. He was a Lincoln Republican, and from the time he settled in

On September 28, 1868, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Ineson of Monroe county, Michigan. To this union were born four sons and one daughter—William A., Mrs. Nellie F. Miller, George M., John Frank and Joseph P. The wife, these five children and fourteen grandchildren mourn his departure.

The funeral was held from the home Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. A very large number of friends, many from a distance, were present to honor the memory of one who has lived here so many years and whose honest, upright life—a life with a purpose in it for making the world brighter and better—had won an esteem that only men of such broadness can win. Rev. Mr. Stevenson of Waukee, long ago a Dallas Center pastor, read the scripture lesson, the 90th Psalm, and prayer was offered by Rev. E. N. Prentice. The sermon was preached by his pastor, Rev. H. G. Hicks, who chose for his text Job 14:14: "If a man die, shall he live again?" Mr. Hicks paid a fine tribute to the memory of the deceased, yet believed that if Mr. Fox were to have his wish in the matter he would prefer good words of life and hope to the living rather than eulogy to the dead. The sermon was a beautiful discourse. As Job reasoned out his immortality with his Maker, so was the hope of immortality of all who place their trust in their Savior, presented in a most forceful manner. Mr. Hicks believed that this life with all its beauty would be one gloom were it not for the fact that as life's little day draws to its close, we can look forward to something higher and better.

Selections appropriate to the occasion were rendered by a quartette consisting of Mrs. Updegraff, Miss Jessie Hall and Messrs. O. S. Barton and George Lloyd, Mrs. Grossman accompanying.

The house and wide veranda in front where the service was held, were a profusion of flowers, the tribute of many friends.

The funeral cortege, entirely of motor cars, wended its way to the Masonic cemetery where the service at the grave was in charge of the G. A. R. It was an impressive service as the ritual was read and emblems of friendship and love were placed by members upon the casket of their departed comrade. The seven members of the order who were physically able to attend were there, also comrades from Adel and Minburn.

Aside from the regular form of service of the G. A. R., a beautiful tribute was given by Rev.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE.

A large number attended the union Memorial service at the Brethren church Sunday. A splendid address was delivered by Rev. E. N. Prentice. It was somewhat of a departure from the stereotyped form of memorial addresses. Patriotism was upheld to the limit, but only that kind of patriotism that is founded on the solid rock of the good old gospel story—the kind of patriotism that regulates every problem the world has to contend with.

Music was furnished by a quartet consisting of Messrs. J. O. Sehman, O. S. Barton, George Lloyd and Roger Capps, Mrs. Grossman accompanying.

Members of the G. A. R. and veterans attending were: J. O. McClure, John Lloyd, Geo. M. Burkett, J. Murray, Henry Burkett, Wm. M. Clark, Alex. Justice, R. B. Bever. The three remaining comrades unable to be present were G. L. Rhinehart, A. F. Smith and Capt. J. Miller.

Quite unusual for a Memorial day occasion, an offering was taken, the purpose of which was duly explained by Rev. H. G. Hicks. He stated that there were something like a million starving Armenians, their deplorable condition having been brought about by the atrocities of the unspeakable Turk, who in his conquest, has left the country in a state of desolation. The people of Armenia are a loyal christian people, refusing to bow to the rule of Mohammedanism and therefore are bitterly persecuted. The very liberal collection, about \$25.00, has been sent to these unfortunate people through the proper source.

VOTE FOR JAMES PETERS FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

The best indication of a man's character, standing and qualification should be found in the community in which he has lived. Those who know Mr. Peters most intimately and have had business relations with him are giving him their unanimous endorsement. The fact should commend him to those not so well acquainted with him. He has made a clean canvass, has not said an unkind word against his opponents and is making no extravagant statements or claims. He is confident that the voters at the Republican primary will cast their vote for the best man and he will greatly appreciate your support.

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He was a Lincoln republican, and from the time he settled in Dallas county he was a leading exponent of the principles of that organization. He represented Dallas county in the House of Representatives of the 32nd, the 32nd Special, and the 33rd General Assemblies, serving on many of the most important committees of those bodies. The people of this county were never more conscientiously represented than they were by him. He took an active interest in all important matters and reflected credit on himself and his constituents. While many differed from him respecting public questions and various principles, yet his opponents respected him most highly because of his honesty and integrity of purpose. He had a strong intellect and an active and comprehensive mind. He took a deep interest in political, economic, and social affairs, as well as in religion and in those activities that promote the moral and educational welfare of the community. A prominent Iowan recently said of him: "On all moral questions Mr. Fox was nearer right than anyone I have ever known." He possessed a weight of character and native sagacity, a discriminating foresight and a fidelity of duty that commanded the respect of all who knew him.

From youth he was actively engaged in church work, and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. To him duty was a pleasure, and to know that he had rendered a service to a neighbor was sufficient reward. His life portrayed the sterling qualities of a true, Christian character. His personality will leave a lasting impression on the lives and character of hundreds of persons, while the blessed memory of his noble life will be a source of inspiration to those who knew him and loved him.

He was a prominent member of the Masonic lodge and for more than forty years he was an exemplary representative of that craft. He also took active interest in the G. A. R. organization, and always took a prominent part in reunions of the old soldiers.

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Aside from the regular form of service of the G. A. R., a beautiful tribute was given by Rev. E. N. Prentice who had known Mr. Fox so well. The influence of a godly life was made clear. Altho we are sad as we stand by the graves of our friends as they pass on one by one, yet we do not sorrow as we would were there no hope beyond the grave—no promise of victory—no happy anticipation of meeting and greeting our friends and loved ones on the Brighter and Better Shore.

And so, notwithstanding the quivering lips, the trembling voice, the tear dimmed eye and the saddened hearts, friends could but rejoice at the thought of the glad and the crowning day. Not a single note had the faintest suggestion of defeat. Everything spelled victory and paeans of triumph. Sad? Yes, a sweet sadness. It is ever so here.

But how perfect the setting in this cast! The sun in his glory shining thru the deep blue of God's over-arching and cloudless sky. A landscape revealing the beauty of utility and appearance. The trees in rich verdure and the birds singing among the branches. The green carpet and the fragrant flowers. Decoration Day with its revival of sacred memories. An old soldier borne by stalwart sons and nephews to the silent city and tenderly laid to rest. A husband of long and faithful sojourn. A kind father and grandfather. An accommodating neighbor. A Christian gentleman. A faithful churchman. Not old? Certainly not young. No long seige of suffering. A full mental vigor to the end and enjoying life each day. Why not proclaim victory beside the open grave of such a man? The greatest victory this world ever heard of was proclaimed beside an open grave! Open and empty! Of course that is the secret of our victory to-day. Because He lives we may live also. And our hearts are comforted for we think of the body of our brother as laid to rest on a beautiful little hill in a beautiful day, and of his spirit as having entered the Land where all is beautiful and every day is perfect.

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Vote for James Peters for State Representative.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE
Of
REAL ESTATE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

The following described real to-wit, commencing at the Northeast Corner of Lot Thirteen (13.) in Block Forty-two (42), in the original town of Dallas Center, Dallas county, Iowa, thence West Thirty (30) feet, thence South Sixty (60) feet, thence East Thirty (30) feet, thence North Sixty (60) feet to the place of beginning, will be sold at public auction in front of the south front door of the court house in Adel, Dallas county, Iowa, on Saturday, June 10th, A. D. 1916, at Two o'clock p. m.

Said described real estate will be sold as aforesaid at the time aforesaid by virtue of an order and decree of the District Court of Iowa, in and for Dallas county, of date of 22nd day of March, A. D. 1916, and made in a case therein pending, entitled: "In the Matter of the Estate of Orlando G. Dixon, deceased, Clyde E. Brenton, Executor of the Estate of Orlando G. Dixon, deceased, Plaintiff, vs Kate Dixon, Emmet E. Dixon and George L. Dixon, Defendants."

When said lands are sold an abstract will be furnished showing them to be free from incumbrances and showing a good title.

Terms of sale to be cash in hand.

Dated May 4th, 1916, at Dallas Center, Iowa.

CLYDE E. BRENTON,
Executor of the Estate of Orlando G. Dixon, Deceased.

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