

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Bergerson, Bergson Senator _____

Represented Palo Alto County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25 Dec 1867 near Norway, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Minnie S. Holland 15 June 1891 Norway, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer; raised livestock

4. Church membership Lutheran

5. Sessions served 32nd General Assembly 1907

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 28 Oct 1942 Sioux City, Iowa - buried Inwood Park Cemetery, Sioux City, Iowa

8. Children Emma; LeRoy; Maud; Milo; Rollo; Hazel (Mrs. Carl B. Key);
Leta (Mrs. Elmer David); Esther (Mrs. Harold Lerch); Ardies (Mrs. Ted Gilbert)

9. Names of parents _____

10. Education Educated in rural schools of his locale, the
Norway, Iowa schools and the Blairtown, Iowa
Academy

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He taught school when young
- He farmed with his father until he was past 20, then
moved to Emmet County, Iowa
- He had a farm near Gracettown and enjoyed especially in
buying, feeding and shipping cattle and hogs
- He later moved to Palo Alto County, Iowa.
- In 1907 he moved to Sioux City working at the stockyards
for the Fredericksen Commission Company
- In 1918 he established his own business - the Midwest
Livestock Commission Company. As head of this company
he was known throughout Sioux City as an enthusiastic
booster of the Sioux City market.

d N. Lovette, chief of the navy's
eau of public relations in a
y day speech Tuesday, were
3 killed, 1,593 wounded, and
88 missing.
Army records showed 1,016
ed, 1,461 wounded, 611 miss-
ar 51 prisoners of war, in ad-
ot those missing in the
ippines.

HONGKONG AGAIN AIDED BY YANKS

Tokyo.—(From Japanese Broad-
sts.)—(P)—The Tokyo radio re-
ted that Hongkong was raided
s morning by seven United
tes bombers. No damage was
sed by the raiders, the an-
ncement said, and one plane
s reported shot down.
United States bombers set fires
ong Hongkong's docks in a raid
nday night and returned the
lwing morning to blast the is-
d's main power plant.)

MAKE BIDS ON ITY'S SCRAP

Salvage Group to Metal Collect- eu in Recent Drive

Bids will be opened at 10 a. m.
aturday in the city clerk's office
the 1,000 or more tons of scrap
the salvage pile at the foot of
rce street, Frank V. Bennett,
y purchasing agent, said this
ernoon.

All interested persons will have
portunity to place a bid either
O. B. car or F. O. B. pile, Mr.
nnett added. An advertisement
rying instructions on the bid-
ng will appear in Thursday edi-
ns of The Journal and The Jour-
l-Tribune.

At a meeting of the salvage com-
ttee in the council chambers in
e city hall this morning, com-
ttee men talked with the repre-
ntative of a steel mill on the
tter of disposition of the scrap
thered from the Sioux City area.
It was after that meeting the an-
ncement was made that bidding
ould be opened.

MORE ALLIED SHIPS DESTROYED

by the Associated Press
Disclosure Monday of the sink-
ng of one American and one Brit-
h merchant ship in the western
atlantic brought to 506 the Asso-
ciated Press tabulation of an

B. J. BERGESON DIES AT HOME

Head of Livestock Commission Firm Was Well Known

Berges J. Bergeson, 3405 Fifth
avenue, veteran livestock commis-
sion man, died at 10 o'clock this
morning after having been con-



B. J. BERGESON

finied to his home since last Christ-
mas day. He was 74 years old.

The funeral will be held Friday
at 2 p. m. at the home. Rev. L.
E. Tallakson of the First Lutheran
church will conduct the services,
Mr. Bergeson having been a mem-
ber of that church. Interment will
be in Graceland Park cemetery.

Mr. Bergeson was born on a
farm near Norway, Benton county,
Ia., Christmas day, 1867. His par-
ents had come to the United States
from Norway, and his father later
served as a union soldier in the
civil war. Young Bergeson re-
ceived his education in the "Mud
creek" rural school, at the Norway
school and at Blairstown acad-
emy. As a youth he also taught
country school. He farmed with
his father until he was past 20,
then moved to Emmet county.
Near Graettinger he conducted a
large farm and engaged exten-

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EQUALITY IN AIR

Are We Spending Too Much on Relief?

The Woodbury County Tax-
payers conference thinks too
much money is being spent on
poor relief in Woodbury county.
The Sioux City Real Estate
board has sent the Woodbury
county board of supervisors a
letter asking it to do all it can
to reduce the amount spent on
relief. The Family Welfare bu-
reau also declares for economy
in relief expenditures but takes
issue with the taxpayers con-
ference in some of the allega-
tions it makes in its "release
No. 8." Statements by these
three bodies on this matter of
importance will be found on
page 3.

NAZIS DEMAND FRENCH SHIPS

Germany Calls on Leader to Surrender Large Tonnage

London. — (P) — The B. B. C.
said in a broadcast to the continent
Monday night that the Germans in
Paris had called upon Pierre La-
val, Vichy chief of government, for
the surrender of a large tonnage
of both French and foreign ship-
ping in French ports.

The B. B. C. said:
"Messages reaching London said
the Germans in Paris have told
Laval that he must surrender a
large tonnage of both French and
foreign shipping. Foreign shipping
demanded includes 35 Norwegian,
Greek and Danish ships totaling
117,000 tons.

"Italy has put in a claim for 13
of these ships, totaling 36,000 tons.
"The pressure on Laval has in-
creased because British submarines
have hit 24 axis ships since the
beginning of the month."

It was first reported that Fight-
ing French headquarters had sup-
plied the information to the
B. B. C. but the Fighting French
disclaimed responsibility and no
other source was given.

SINGLE FIGI UNIT IS FAV

Demand for N of All Army-N Forces Given

Washington.—(P)—D
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gestion, declaring:

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handled separately."

SHIPPING LEADER

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American war, died

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Memorial Park

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eastward of the Stewart Islands
on October 26," the communique
said, "reveal that:
"(a) One enemy carrier was
badly damaged.
"(b) A second enemy carrier was
damaged.
"(c) One enemy cruiser was
badly damaged.
"(d) One battleship was hit."

Both carriers had been reported
damaged previously.
The navy announced the fol-
lowing recapitulation of American
and Japanese losses in the Solo-
mons campaign:

Ships Sunk—One American air-
craft carrier; three American and
one Japanese heavy cruisers; six
American and eight Japanese des-
troyers; three Japanese and one
American transports; three Ameri-
can auxiliary transports.

Ships Probably Sunk — Two
Japanese destroyers; one Japa-
nese transport.

Ships Damaged—Four Japanese
and one American aircraft carrier;
two Japanese and no American
battleships; five Japanese and no
American heavy cruisers; 17 Japa-
nese and no American light
cruisers; 10 Japanese and two
American destroyers; 17 other
Japanese vessels and "several
other" American ships.

Leaves Estate to Son in Will Made Week Before Death

In a will written seven days be-
fore her death, Mrs. Susie B. Hol-
lister, who died October 19, left
her estate to her son, Guy Albert
Hollister.

She instructed that her debts
first be paid and the remainder of
all personal and real property be
turned over to the son, who was
named executor. O. P. Bennett of
Mapleton was named in the will
as attorney for the estate.

Charles T. Hummel, who died
Sunday, left his estate to his
widow, Minerva, in his will which
also was filed for probate in dis-
trict court. The widow was ap-
pointed executrix. The will was
dated September 16, 1922.

Dr. Charles McHugh Is Surgical Patient at Hospital Here

Dr. Charles P. McHugh, 1603
Jackson street, is a surgical pa-
tient at St. Joseph's hospital. At-
endants at the hospital said his
condition was satisfactory.

The agriculture department was
called upon to stabilize wages on
dairy, livestock and poultry farms
to assure farmers an adequate la-
bor supply, and to act to control
the sale of dairy cows for slaugh-
ter as a check on a threatened re-
duction of dairy production.

Bergeson

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sively in buying, feeding and ship-
ping cattle and hogs. Later he
moved to Palo Alto county.

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At the stockyards here he worked
for the Fredericksen Commission
company and other firms. In 1918
he established his own business,
naming it the Midwest Livestock
Commission company. As head of
this company he was known
throughout the Sioux City terri-
tory, always having been an enthu-
siastic booster for the Sioux City
market. He was prominent in all
stockyards enterprises and popu-
lar with competitors and patrons
alike. He was affectionately looked
upon as one of the "old school" at
the yards. Although gradually he
let a succeeding generation of the
family take over the responsibili-
ties of the business, he continued
active in it up to his last illness,
getting out a weekly letter, solicit-
ing trade and otherwise continuing
to make himself an important part
of the business. Four sons were
associated with the father at the
yards.

Berges Bergeson married Minnie
Holland in the Lutheran church at
Norway June 15, 1891, and they
celebrated their golden wedding in
Sioux City last year. The wife sur-
vives the husband. They had nine
sons and five daughters, and all
are living. The sons are Emlin,
LeRoy, Mearl, Milo and Rollo, all
of Sioux City, the last named be-
ing in the United States navy. The
daughters are Hazel (Mrs. Carl B.
Hoy), Vermillion; Leota (Mrs.
Leslie Davis) and Esther (Mrs.
Harold Lerch), Sioux City, and
Ardis (Mrs. Ted Gilbert), Omaha.
There are 18 grandchildren. Sur-
viving brothers are E. O. Bergeson
and Andred Bergeson, Stetler,
Alta., Canada, and Arthur Berge-
son, Washington.

The Bergeson home always has
been noted for its hospitality.
There have been no locked doors,
day or night, the parental policy
having been that the welcome sign
always should be swinging not
only for children and grandchil-
dren but likewise for their friends.

of penalizing those workers whose
pay would be reduced if such a
proposal went into effect without
qualification.

Overtime Pay

The institute's survey on the
question of overtime pay, com-
pleted this week, asked the gen-
eral public this question:

"How many hours do you think
workers in war industries should
work in a week before time and
one-half pay for overtime starts?"

The medium average figure
named was 48 hours.

The results likewise reveal the
interesting fact that only about
one-third of the present arrange-
ment by which overtime pay be-
gins at 40 hours.

The vote in detail is shown
below:

40 hrs.	33%
41-47 hrs.	5
48 hrs.	29
49-59 hrs.	4
60 hrs. or more ..	4
No overtime pay at all ..	18
No opinion ..	7

BACHELOR DIES TRYING TO SAVE HOME FROM FIRE

Webster City, Ia. —(P)— Jules
Kreigie, 80, a bachelor, died in a
hospital here today of burns suf-
fered when a gasoline lamp ex-
ploded or overturned and set fire
to his house at nearby Woolstock
Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kastler,
neighbors, discovered the blaze
and called firemen, who extin-
guished the flames before they had
caused serious damage to the build-
ing.

Kastler was severely burned
about the hands trying to smother
the flames before firemen arrived.

In 1906, while living in Palo
Alto county, Mr. Bergeson was
elected to the state house of repre-
sentatives, and he served during
the 32d general assembly during
the governorship of A. B. Cum-
mins.

In stockyards circles and among
livestock men everywhere Mr.
Bergeson was known as "Daddy
B. J." Bergeson in contradistin-
tion to the four sons who were in
business. His widebrimmed light
felt hat and his typical stockman's
cane (an inseparable companion)
were familiar sights not only at
the yards but on booster trips and
at livestock conventions.

The Nelson-Berger funeral home
is in charge of funeral arrange-
ments.