

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Christiansen, George P. Senator _____

Represented Hamilton County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 2 Dec 1863 Veile, Denmark

2. Marriage (s) date place

Did not marry

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mason

C. Profession He established a business center at Randall that included the grain business, farm implements, lumber, banking and general merchandise

4. Church membership Lutheran

5. Sessions served 29th, 30th, 31st General Assemblies 1902, 1904, 1906

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 8 Jan 1950 Ames, Iowa; buried Graceland Cemetery, near Randall, Iowa

8. Children No children

9. Names of parents Christian P. and Elsie Christiansen

10. Education Educated in schools of Randall, Iowa

11. Degrees Graduate of Battle Creek College of Business and Law, Battle Creek, Michigan

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He came to America with his parents in 1868. The family settled on a farm near Randall, Iowa.
- In 1885 the family moved to Randall where he and his father established a business center including grain, farm implements, lumber, banking and general merchandise.

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ward Todnem, Buffalo, N. Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Todnem, y Eye, Minn.; Mr. and Martin Lund and family, nce Johnson, Tommy John- Armstrong; Miss Ivy A. Ol- Bode; Mr. and Mrs. Ken- Holland, Forest City; Mr. Mrs. Gilbert Hanna, Mr. Mrs. Clarence Hanna, Wo- Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan Han- Vesley; Carl Skilbred, Buf- Center; Miss Mettie Larson, Arlene Marcus, Clarion; and Mrs. Art Thorsbakken, a and Vernon, Alden; Mr. Mrs. George C. Brown, Ken- V. Coon, Des Moines.

a. Mrs. Lester Knudson family, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. son, Mrs. Elizabeth Frem- and David, Randall; Mr. and P. B. Todnem, Jewell; Mr. Mrs. Julius Satre, Mr. and Udell Olson, Stanhope; and ge number of friends nad ves from Williams, Blairs- Jewell and Story City.

Card of Thanks

wish to express our sin- appreciation for the many ssions of sympathy shown id also to thank Pastor and Naglestad, Pastor Nesse, ngers and all who have gifts to us and to mis- Your many kind acts have l us in our hour of sorrow.

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G. P. Christianson Passes Away Sunday After Long Illness

George P. Christianson, long- time resident of Randall, passed away Sunday afternoon at Mary Greeley hospital in Ames, where he had been for the past two weeks. He was 86 years old and had been ill for several months.

Funeral services were held at Elim Lutheran church by the Rev. A. J. Bringle Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with the Larson-Peterson company in charge.

Burial was in the Danish ceme- tery just north of Randall. Ma- sonic services were held at the graveside.

Engagement Announced

At a family dinner in the Mel- burne Thorson home near Dows, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Thorson of Story City announced the en- gagement and approaching mar- riage of their only daughter, Pearl Ann Thorson, to Richard E. Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray E. Simpson of Webster City.

Both Miss Thorson and Mr.

prize, \$3, Corliss Mogenson, Stan- hope; second prize, \$2, Marilyn Westrum, Stratford.

The winners were judged from "town winner entries," by Mrs. Louis Anderson of Fort Dodge, former art chairman of Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs.

In behalf of the county presi- dent, Mrs. Oswald Danielson, the Art committee, Mrs. Clare Brinton and Mrs. Robert John- son, we wish to express our thanks to the students who par- ticipated in the project. Also to the teachers and club mem- bers of each of the towns for their cooperation, time and ef- fort in helping to make this project a success.

Some very fine work was en- tered, considering the young artists had no art instructor.

—Reporter.

Yearly Meeting of Trinity Church

(Ellsworth News)

The yearly meeting of Trin- ity Lutheran church was held Monday, Jan. 9, 1950, with Pres- ident Dwayne Hill presiding.

The various reports were read and business of the past and coming year was discussed.

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Those from a distance who attended the services were Homer Royer, R. B. Ford, Hubert and Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Larson, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Ericson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Vere Bielefeldt and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Thompson, Roland; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Olson, Radcliffe; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ioerger, Ellsworth; Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Henderson, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Tjentland, Webster City; Mrs. Malvyna Larson, Lynn S. Holt, Mrs. Marshall Holt and Mrs. Paul Blanchard, Des Moines; Mrs. E. G. Carey and Elmer Sowers, Ames; Mrs. J. W. Romp and Mrs. A. E. Kalseim, Jewell.

Card of Thanks

We wish to extend our thanks for all the kindness shown by our relatives and friends during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father.

May God bless you all.

Mrs. Guy Sowers

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Ericson

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Orning

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Holt

March of Dimes Begins This Week in This Community

The annual "March of Dimes" drive began in Randall again this week. All organizations or individuals who have contributions to make should see Mrs. John Eggen, the Randall chairman, within the next two weeks. Containers have been placed in the local stores for contributions and there will be no other collections.

More than 42,000 case of infantile paralysis were reported last year to the National Foundation which expended \$31,000,000 for medical care alone in 1949, despite the fact that only \$26,000,000 was taken in during the 1949 March of Dimes.

Obituary

George P. Christianson was born in Vejle, Dehmark, Dec. 2, 1863, and passed away Jan. 8, 1950, at Mary Greeley hospital, Ames, Iowa, after an illness of approximately two months.

He was the son of Christian P. and Elsie Christianson and, with his parents and sisters, came to the United States in 1868, where they purchased and settled on a farm one mile east of Randall.

Here he received his early education, and later was graduated from the Battle Creek College of Business and Law, Battle Creek, Mich.

In 1885 the family moved to the present site of Randall where he and his father were active in establishing a business center—his interests including grain, farm implements, lumber, banking and general merchandise.

He was a member of the House of Representatives of the Iowa legislature from 1902 to 1906. Here he helped compile and introduced the first Iowa law controlling automotive vehicles. He was issued one of the first Iowa automobile licences.

For many years, he was a member of the Masonic lodge of Jewell and the Knights Templar of Webster City.

Since retiring he has interested himself in his extensive land holdings.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. C. P. Peterson, Mankato, Minn.; and 15 nieces and nephews. His parents and three sisters, Mrs. Mathild Clausen, Mrs. Mary C. Wier and Mrs. Anna Peterson, preceded him in death.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many expressions of sympathy shown us, and especially to Pastor Bringle, also the singers and organist, and all who have given gifts in memory.

Mrs. Jennie Peterson

Nephews and nieces of

George P. Christianson

Oscar Askelson, son of son and Stella Askelson, passed away at the Jewell tal Jan. 18, 1950, at the 85 years, 10 months and 1

When two years old he came to America with his parents and settled in Story county where he grew to manhood. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith.

On Feb. 17, 1886 he was married to Julia Johnson. Johnson homestead near Jewell City. To this union six children were born, four of whom were born in infancy.

He was preceded in death by his wife who passed away Jan. 2, 1941; also by three brothers, Nels, George and Sam, and a sister, Mrs. Engel Hougen.

He is survived by two sons, Albert B. of Austin, Minn. and Carl of Story City, two children and two great children; one brother, and one sister, Mrs. Bell, both of Story City.

Celebrates Birthday

Mrs. Arthur Okland celebrated her birthday on Tuesday afternoon of last week by entertaining her birthday club. Present were Mrs. Guy Sowers, Mrs. Harold Wingert and Mrs. Richard Anderson. A. C. Miller, Mrs. Will Mrs. Pearly Sowers, Mrs. Aris Braland and Susan Louis Friestad, Mrs. Emma Mrs. Alfred West, Mrs. Romp, Miss Léonora and Mrs. Clarence Sowers.

Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Okland, surprised her by bringing more guests and by decorating birthday cake. Guests included Mrs. Sam Mrs. Milo Nessa, Mrs. Olson, Michael and Karl Harvey Miller and Susan Clifton Miller, Dick and Mrs. Harold Hovick, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. John O.

A social afternoon was held and Mrs. Okland received many nice gifts.