

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Hasburn, Albert Benjamin Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Represented Mills County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 28 Oct 1869 Shinneshock County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place  
Mary Victoria Adams 26 Feb 1893 Mills County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business \_\_\_\_\_

B. Civic responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

C. Profession Farmer; raised livestock

4. Church membership Methodist

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

6. Public Offices

A. Local Township trustee

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 26 Sept 1942 near Station, Iowa; Buried Emerson Cemetery, Emerson, Iowa

8. Children John Victoria and Robert Victoria (twins, died in infancy); Lawrence (died at age 17); John Pascal (died at birth); Henry W.

9. Names of parents John P. and Ellen (Divine) Hasburns

10. Education Educated in public schools of Winneshiek  
County, Iowa

11. Degrees Western College, Toledo, Iowa; Upper Iowa  
University, Fayette, Iowa

12. Other applicable information Republican

- After the terms in the legislature he returned to his farm.
- His parents came to Iowa in 1853. The mother was from Iowa  
County, Iowa
- His wife, Mary, was born 2 May 1870, died 12 Feb 1970
- After marriage they moved to Hastings, Iowa
- After college he worked he worked on his father's farm. In 1893 he  
decided to purchase his own farm in Mills County - 1000 acres of fine  
farm land

### Sources Log For Legislation Entries

#### Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- Obituary - <u>The Malvern Leader, Malvern, Iowa</u>			Thurs. Oct. 1, 1942, p. 1, col 4. and p. 8, col. 3
- <u>I Remember History by Otha D. Harris</u>			1965, p. 33-39
- <u>House Journal</u>			1943, p. 1387-1388
- <u>The Story of Iowa Vol II</u>			p. 1227-1228
- <u>Mills County, Iowa</u>			1985, p. 712
- <u>A Pictorial History of Mountaint Mills Counties, Iowa</u>			1901, p. 529-530
- <u>Mills County, America</u>			p. 17

o decide whether we should have a government without newspapers or  
 without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the lat-

the week from Oct. 1 to 8 the newspapers of the United States are ob-  
 ligation Newspaper week. Frequently during the history of our nation the  
 men short of the responsibility which is theirs. But throughout  
 a great bulk of the press — from metropolitan daily to country weekly  
 to serve their respective communities and their nation by providing  
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**WELCOME HEAT**

Mills county enjoyed warm,  
 hazy days of early fall this week  
 as temperatures rose after estab-  
 lishing new lows over the week  
 end. The mercury dropped to 22  
 Monday and snow fell last week  
 at various places over the state.

The coolness did not bring  
 snow here but an inch of rain  
 fell Friday and Saturday.

Daily data:

	high	low	rain
Thursday	53	37	.10
Friday	40	34	.94
Saturday	39	28	
Sunday	50	27	
Monday	53	22	
Tuesday	70	40	
Wednesday	82	44	

**LONDON BLITZ, PEARL HARBOR FILM HERE**

J. M. Steele, county director  
 of the air raid warden work of  
 the OCD, has scheduled a film of  
 unusual interest for this Thurs-  
 day evening and will show it at  
 the Community building. No ad-  
 mission will be charged.

The film, a government re-  
 lease, shows the Jap raid at  
 Pearl Harbor, London during the  
 peak of the German air blitz  
 where the whole city appeared to  
 be burning and other features of  
 interest in relation to the civil-  
 ian defense preparations.

**SERVICES HELD FOR PROMINENT MILLS COUNTY RESIDENT**

**A. B. Washburn Died at Farm Home Saturday**

The death of A. B. Washburn  
 on Saturday, Sept. 26, took from  
 this county a man who had long  
 played an important part in its  
 development and building. Mr.  
 Washburn's death followed an  
 illness of several months dura-  
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 erated one of the best farms in  
 the county. Yet he was always  
 willing to play his part in public  
 and community affairs and to de-  
 vote a good share of his time to  
 the service of others.

He represented Mills county in  
 the state legislature for two  
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**A. B. WASHBURN**

**World wide Communion Sunday**

Malvern churches will join the  
 protestant churches all over the  
 world Sunday in the observance  
 of World Wide Communion Sun-  
 day. Each local church will pre-  
 sent the sacrament at its morn-  
 ing service.

In the Presbyterian church the  
 Rev. G. F. MacLean will offer the  
 meditation on "The Magnetic  
 Christ." At the Baptist church  
 the Rev. G. W. South will deliver  
 a special communion sermon and

information is available about this  
 at the present time.

The order freezing rubber foot-  
 wear did not include women's  
 and children's rubber boots, or-  
 dinary rubbers, artics, galfers,  
 etc., which are made from re-  
 claimed rubber.

**Book Review to be Given by Woman's Club**

The Hastings Woman's club  
 will present a book review at the  
 church at 2:30 tomorrow after-  
 noon, Friday, Oct. 2. Mrs. J. F.  
 Lookabill will review "Get Thee  
 Behind Me," a new book by Hart-  
 zell Spence. Mr. Spence, who  
 wrote of his father's life as a  
 pastor in "One Foot in Heaven,"  
 wrote this book about the chil-  
 dren in the parsonage home.

Music will be furnished by the  
 high school glee club. The admis-  
 sion will be 25c and the pro-  
 ceeds will be used for the kits  
 the club gives to each soldier who  
 leaves the community.

**OCTOBER LOYALTY MONTH IN CHURCH**

Sunday marks the start of  
 loyalty month at the Malvern  
 Methodist church, some 300  
 members and friends of the  
 church having signed pledges to  
 make an honest effort to attend  
 the morning worship service each  
 Sunday during October.

Sunday, the start of the loyal-  
 ty month, will also be rally day  
 in the Sunday school.

at the Methodist church Dr. M.  
 A. Gable, a former pastor, will  
 preach.

Each of the churches extends  
 a special invitation to all to at-  
 tend one of these services. They  
 urge that it be made a family  
 day and when possible worship-  
 pers attend in family groups. It  
 is noteworthy that the commun-  
 ion service will also be observed  
 at army camps throughout the  
 world.

# Drive to Thursday

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understand the imperative M. Nelson has said that be collected before snow ed to shut down this win- be endangered. Below are out scrap and answers to

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were started last week at airmen, American Legion heads and others inter- as follows:

## Scrap Score

(Mills County's Shame)  
The Sept. 1 standing in the 42 scrap collection drive in e local district follow:

Sources: Iowa Territorial and State Legislators Collection compiled by volunteers at the State Historical Society of Iowa Library, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Tons of Lbs. per Scrap Capita

## A. B. WASHBURN

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terms, working there during one of the most important periods of the state's development.

He also took an active part in the work of the Emerson Methodist church, serving on the official board at various times and as chairman of the building committee when the present church was built.

But Mr. Washburn's main interest continued to be his home and farm. Funeral services were held in the home Monday afternoon, widely attended by neighbors and friends, whose respect and regard he bore. They were conducted by the Dr. L. M. Grigsby, pastor of the Emerson Methodist church, assisted by Rev. Bruce Eshelmann, pastor of the Hastings church.

Music was furnished by Mrs. Lillian Hurlbutt of Clarinda who was accompanied by Mrs. Eshelmann. Pall bearers were Harry Wilkins, Ray Kelley, Claude Stephens, Everett Plumb, Estel Darby and A. A. Darby. Mrs. Plumb, Mrs. Joe Robblus, Mrs. Otha D. Wearin and Mrs. Hurlbutt cared for the flowers. Burial was in the Emerson cemetery.

The following life sketch was read at the services:

Albert B. Washburn was born Oct. 28, 1869 in Winneshiek county, Iowa, and died Sept. 26, 1942 at his farm home at the age of 72 years, 10 months and 29 days.

He was a son of John P. and Ellen Divine Washburn, and one of six children. His father and mother and two sisters preceded him in death. One sister and two brothers remain.

After a thorough primary education he entered Western college at Toledo, Tama county, Iowa; from there to Cedar Falls and later completed his education in Upper Iowa University at Fayette.

He was married Feb. 26, 1893 to Mary V. Wearin, daughter of Otha and Martha Wortman Wearin. To this union five children were born, four sons and one daughter. Lawrence died in young

## FALL PICNIC SEASON BEGIN



Group Steak Fry in a State Park)

## OAKS

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hall spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Guy Osborne.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schilling, Mrs. Laura Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Powers and family of Glenwood and Mrs. Lizzie Largent of Emerson were supper guests Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ekornseter of Red Oak.

Louie Brammeier and Mervin Viner attended a cattle sale at Burlington Junction, Mo., Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Achenbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Achenbaugh and son Darrie and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Warren were Sunday dinner guest in the home of Guy Osborne.

Mrs. Gayle Steiner went to Excelsior Springs, Mo., Tuesday to take treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Linburg were Saturday evening guests in the Harold Bruning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Trent Jones entertained the following Tuesday night in honor of Mrs. George

The 1942 chiel nle season in the gasping for breath on its last leg. I new year, steak f roasts have elbo onto the grills of places in the pa

To most picnic of October is th year. The frost ha mosquitoes, chigg wood ticks. The r wood fire, the aut the kaleidoscopic the crisp, snappy add sensory pleas outings.

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	Tons of Scrap	Lbs. per Capita
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---	500	68.3
---	499	59.6
---	3,623	461.6
---	1,587	127.5
---	399	56.0

the proceeds. All schools son, Indian Creek, Sil- k, Deer Creek and White wnships are included in est.

Good Chamber of e is conducting a siml- at for the rural schools arys, Oak, Ingraham, Ly- ttville, Rawles, Center uwood townships.

county has been tagging rap drives as the accom- box shows. I. L. Donner, alvage chairman, getting drive under way, said believed there is plenty in the county and that ill get this to the junk n they see how vital the need is.

riter ribbons, for all Small portable ribbons e size ribbons, 75c.—The Leader.

**Feed your Dairy Herd the**

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He was reared in a Christian home and at the age of 13 joined the Methodist church in Traer in which as a boy he was a willing and faithful worker. He transferred his membership to the Emerson Methodist church in 1902, which membership he constantly maintained until his death. He was for some time president of the board of trustees of this church and was the chairman of the building committee during the erection of the present brick structure that houses the congregation of the Emerson Methodist church. He has done much for the betterment of all the churches in and around his own community and will long be remembered for his generosity and help in planning, building and maintenance of the Emerson Methodist church.

He served two terms in the Iowa Legislature as representative from Mills county in 1904 and 1906, after which he came back to the farm where he spent the remainder of his life.

**South African Waterbuck**  
The waterbuck is a magnificent horned animal that roams South Africa. He seems to have a working agreement with crocodiles. When he is pursued by an enemy he takes refuge in streams and pools that are infested with crocodiles. The pursuer follows and is caught

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Mr. and Mrs. Louie Brammeler and daughter Twilla and Karen Johnson were Saturday night supper guests with Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Viner and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Marsden and sons spent Wednesday evening in the Marion Mahan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vannausdie and children of Stennett, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Vannausdie of Villisca, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thomas and son visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Viner.

Paul Woods is building a new corn crib on his farm where Trent Jones lives.

**Oaks Sunday School**  
Sunday school was held Sept. 72 with an attendance of 35 with five visitors. The Young People's class will sponsor a play and picnic social Wednesday evening, Oct. 7. Everybody is welcome to attend.

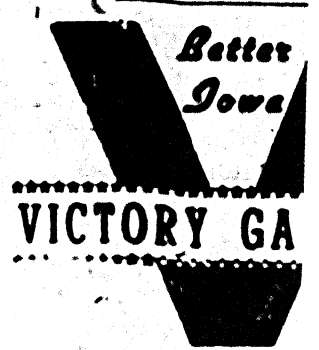
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Viner and daughter Anna Gayle of Omaha spent Wednesday evening and Thursday in their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Viner, home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lester Spencer and son of Tabor were Sunday dinner guests with the latter's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bolton.

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A special column p The Leader by Iowa S Specialists.

Families can enjoy toes from their Victo at least until the holi ever, proper harvest are necessary for satl sults. A large percent fruits is more likely to plants set out late Fruits showing diffe of ripeness, but not should be picked befo frost. Some garden vines and hang them i in the basement or t will tend to shrivel surrounding floor and sprinkled.

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## FIFTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Convened January 11, 1943

Adjourned April 8, 1943

BOURKE B. HICKENLOOPER, Governor

ROBERT D. BLUE, President of the Senate

HENRY W. BURMA, Speaker of the House

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Republican State Central Committee for the 4th district and state treasurer for the Republican organization for the years 1932-1936.

On February 14, 1912, he was married to Sadie Marie Messinger at Waverly, and they immediately established a home at Tripoli. Here were born their two daughters, Jean Ellen, now Mrs. Elbert L. Willson of Charles City, Iowa, and Ruth Marie of Osage, Iowa, and here it was that many happy years were spent—happy in the service, not alone in the home life, but in the community life as well.

During his lifetime Mr. Smith took an active interest in the lodge life of the community, being a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, Order of Eastern Star, A.F. & A.M. No. 36; and El Kahir Shrine, Cedar Rapids.

During his youth he attended the Sunday school of the Congregational church and later identified himself with that church and was at all times interested in all its activities.

Mr. Smith passed away, after a very brief illness, on June 9, 1942, leaving to mourn his passing his wife; two daughters, Jean Ellen and Ruth; a granddaughter, Sarah Jean; his mother, Mrs. Mary Alice Smith; his brothers, Fred Crego Smith, and Leland A. Smith of Osage, Lloyd C. Smith of Spirit Lake, Richard G. Smith of Los Angeles, California, and Merrill G. Smith of Charles City; and one sister, Mrs. Robert L. Leach of Chicago, besides a host of other relatives and friends.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fiftieth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Stanley R. Smith, the state has lost a valued and honored citizen and the family a loving husband and father and the House would tender, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving widow, mother and daughters in their sorrow; and*

*Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to send an enrolled copy to the wife, mother and to each of the two daughters of the deceased.*

JOE F. GARDNER,  
BREDE WAMSTAD,  
ARCH W. MCFARLANE,  
*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted,

ALBERT B. WASHBURN

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the Honorable Albert B. Washburn, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Albert B. Washburn was born October 28, 1869, on a farm in Winneshiek county, the son of the late John P. Washburn and Ellen Divine Washburn, and passed away at his beautiful farm home near Hastings, Iowa, on September 26, 1942.

Mr. Washburn received his high school education in Winneshiek county



schools. He received his preparatory education at Western College, Toledo, Iowa, Coe College at Cedar Rapids, and completed his education at Upper Iowa University at Fayette, Iowa.

On February 26, 1893, he was united in marriage to Mary V. Wearin, daughter of the late Otha and Martha Wortman Wearin, and settled on a farm in Mills county.

To this union were born five children, four of whom preceded their father in death. He is survived by his widow; one son, Henry W. Washburn; two grandchildren, Mary Alice and Albert Theodore Washburn, all of whom reside on the farm homestead near Hastings.

Mr. Washburn owned and operated one of the best farms in the county, yet he was always willing to take his part in public and community affairs, and devoted a good share of his time to the service of others. He also took an active part in church work, serving on the official board of his church in different capacities and acted as chairman of the building committee when the present Methodist church of Emerson was erected.

In politics he was a Republican and served his community and state well, and was honored by serving his county as its State Representative in the Thirtieth and Thirty-first sessions, where he served on many important committees. His legislative record shows his interest in the common man. No citizen of his community was held in higher regard; he was beloved by his friends and neighbors.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fiftieth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Albert B. Washburn, the state has lost a valued and honored citizen and the family a loving husband and father and the House would tender, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow, and*

*Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.*

J. R. HALL,  
EARL C. FISHBAUGH, JR.,  
EDWIN A. GETSCHER,  
*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted,

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States, and pursued post-graduate work in Europe during the years 1925, 1927, 1937 and 1948.

As indicated, Dr. Nelson established a practice of surgery and medicine in Ottumwa in 1919, that has grown to large proportions and earned him more than local fame. He serves on the staffs of the Ottumwa Hospital and St. Joseph's Hospital, and is consulting surgeon at the Sunnyslope Sanatorium. His professional memberships illustrate the breadth of his technical interests, for he is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and of the International College of Surgeons, and belongs to the American Medical Association, the Iowa State Medical Association, and others; and is a former member of the North American Radiological Society.

The military record of Dr. Nelson is worthy of more than passing note. When the United States entered World War I, he proffered his services to the Government, and with a commission as captain joined the Medical Corps. He received his honorable discharge from the service, in June, 1919, at Fort Bank, Boston, Massachusetts. In 1931, Dr. Nelson was appointed a lieutenant colonel in the United States Army Reserve Corps, acting as the commanding officer of the 347th Medical Regiment, at Camp Robinson, and was consultant specialist at Fort Benning, Georgia, in 1940.

As far back as 1903, Dr. Nelson was acquainted with the use of radiology in the discovery of certain objects lodged in the human body. In that year while connected with the Hackensack Hospital, of previous mention, he performed operations under the fluoroscope that attracted wide attention. Later he was accorded by the American Medical Association and the Surgeon General's Office, at Washington, recognition as the first American surgeon to perform such an operation, and in addition received one of the bright new dimes for his achievement, donated by John D. Rockefeller, Sr.

Always a busy man, Dr. Nelson has made few social and civic organizational associations. He is, however, affiliated with the Masonic order and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the American Legion, and the Ottumwa Country Club.

On June 28, 1922, Dr. Frederick L. Nelson married Lorena Ingraham, who was a former superintendent of the Ottumwa Hospital. By a previous marriage, Dr. Nelson was the father of two sons, the mother having died in 1916: 1. Edward J. 2. Dr. Frederick L. Nelson, Jr. (q.v.).

**FREDERICK L. NELSON, JR., M.D.**—Of the younger coterie of medical men of Ottumwa, Dr. Frederick L. Nelson, Jr., is a prominent member. His career closely follows the pattern set by his father, a distinguished surgeon, in regards to his preparation for a professional career, hospital experience, and connection with the military forces of our country. His activities in Ottumwa were interrupted by service in the United States Army, in which he became a captain and with which he had his principal tour of duty in Africa.

Frederick L. Nelson, Jr., was born in New York City on June 14, 1911, son of Dr. Frederick L. Nelson. A biography of the older man precedes. The son attended the public grammar and high schools of his birth city, and pursued premedical studies in Iowa State College, and the State University of Iowa. For his professional education he went to Philadelphia, where he was graduated from the Temple University School of Medicine, class of 1936. Like his father, he was an intern in the Hackensack General Hospital, New Jersey, and at Bellevue Hospital, New York City,

and likewise was associated with the Out Patient Clinic of Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York.

In 1938, Dr. Nelson, Jr., returned to Ottumwa, and established himself in practice as a surgeon. However, on August 12, 1942, he entered the United States Army for service during World War II. Starting as a first lieutenant, he won promotion to the rank of captain. The Unit with which he was identified was the 137th Field Artillery Battalion in North Africa. His further service was at the Army Hospital, Camp Crowder, Missouri, and the O'Reilly General Hospital, at Springfield, Missouri. Dr. Nelson, Jr., received his honorable discharge on August 17, 1945, and shortly after resumed his professional and social activities in Ottumwa, and is very much to the fore in community life.

In 1937, Dr. Frederick L. Nelson, Jr., married Helen Durkin of Bogota, New Jersey, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Patricia Ann, born in January, 1938. 2. Frederick L. III, born in April, 1942.

**ALBERT BENJAMIN WASHBURN**—Well known throughout his region of Iowa for large-scale agricultural and livestock activities, Albert Benjamin Washburn was for many years a public figure, not only in his own town of Hastings, but in Mills County and the state. He was trustee of his township, and served two terms in the Iowa House of Representatives. Beginning in a humble station in life, the late Mr. Washburn achieved distinction in public service, as well as in the successful management of his own enterprises.

Born October 28, 1869, in Winneshiek County, Albert Benjamin Washburn was a son of John P. and Ellen (Devine) Washburn. His father, a native of New York State, came to Iowa in 1853; and his paternal grandfather was born in Vermont, of English ancestry. Mr. Washburn's mother, too, came from the East. She was a native of Pennsylvania, and arrived in Iowa in 1858.

After attending rural schools, Albert Benjamin Washburn determined upon advanced education, and attended both Western College at Toledo and Upper Iowa University, located at Fayette. During the summers of his college years, and after completion of his courses until 1893, he worked on his father's farm. In that year he decided to enter farming in his own right, and purchased, in Mills County, one thousand acres of Iowa's best farm land. There he devoted himself both to farming and livestock raising, and became through the years one of the best known and largest operators in the county. Mr. Washburn was a Republican in his politics. Becoming well known as an agriculturist, and his further abilities in practical affairs gaining widespread recognition, he successfully entered local politics, and became a trustee for his township in Mills County. In 1904, Mr. Washburn enjoyed the further distinction of being elected from his district to the Iowa House of Representatives. He discharged his legislative responsibility with the highest credit to himself and to the universal satisfaction of his constituents. Among them he had made many friends, and he was returned to his seat by a gratifying margin of votes in 1906. Mr. Washburn was active throughout his life in the work of the Methodist Church, to which he generously gave of both time and money. He served that congregation for many years as a trustee.

On February 26, 1893, Albert Benjamin Washburn married Mary Valeria Wearin, a native of Hastings, Iowa, near which place Mr. Washburn's farm was lo-

cated. She was born May 2, 1870, daughter of Otha and Martha (Wortman) Wearin; he a native of that part of Virginia which is now West Virginia; she a native of Ohio. Mrs. Washburn attended Western College at Toledo, which is where she and Mr. Washburn met. They had five children, only one of whom reached maturity: 1. Laurence, who died at the age of seventeen while a student at Tabor College. 2. Henry W. (q.v.). 3. Valeria and 4. Valerius, twins, who died in infancy. 5. John Paschal, who died at birth. Mrs. Washburn continues to live on the family homestead near Hastings.

His community and his many friends recognized in the passing of Mr. Washburn, on September 28, 1942, the loss of an able civic leader, successful farm manager, and great-hearted citizen.

**HENRY WEARIN WASHBURN**—Having gained prominence through the successful management of his extensive agricultural holdings, Henry Wearin Washburn has added credit to a family name already well known in his district of Iowa, as a legislator and as a prospective proponent of the cause of good education. He is a member of the Iowa House of Representatives.

Mr. Washburn was born on his father's large farm near Hastings, June 18, 1899. Albert Benjamin Washburn, his father, who established the family's holdings in this part of Iowa, is the subject of an accompanying sketch. He married, February 26, 1893, Mary Valeria Wearin, who was born near Hastings, Iowa, and of this marriage Henry Wearin was the only child to reach maturity. He was educated at the rural schools and at Tabor Academy, completing his education at Tabor College. During his summers, and for two years after leaving college he remained with his father, assisting in the management of the farm, and while still young began farming his own land. His thorough understanding of agriculture and his efficient management had made him one of the most successful farmers of his county, even before he became more widely known in public life. He makes the most effective use of modern techniques and equipment to increase the productivity of his acres.

Mr. Washburn is a member of the Mills County Board of Education and a leader in programs to obtain better educational advantages for the children of Iowa. He became well known throughout his district as a progressive and able civic leader, and in 1948 was elected to represent its citizens in the Iowa House of Representatives. He was re-elected to the same position in 1950. His service was invaluable to his community during World War II, when he served on the ration board for Mills County. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

On February 14, 1920, Henry Wearin Washburn married Alice Theodore Wilkins, who was born near Tabor, February 2, 1897. Mrs. Washburn is a daughter of Theodore and Eunice Mary (Hurlbutt) Wilkins. Her father is a native of Boston, Massachusetts, and her mother of the vicinity of Tabor. In that locality Theodore Wilkins pursued the occupation of farmer. The Wilkins family were pioneers of Iowa and Nebraska. Theodore Wilkins' father, Charles Wilkins, had the first wholesale grocery business in Omaha. Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Washburn became the parents of two children: 1. Albert Theodore, a veteran of World War II, having served in the United States Navy in the Pacific theater. He is a graduate of the Chillicothe Business College, Chillicothe, Missouri, and while in the Navy studied electrical engineering. He is now associated with his father in the operation of

farming and livestock interests. 2. Mary Alice, who attended Linwood College at St. Charles, Missouri. She is a graduate trained nurse from Nebraska University Hospital, and is married to Dale E. Matthews.

**ROBERT E. DREHER**, who since his discharge from the armed forces at the end of World War II has conducted a general practice of law in Des Moines. He was born July 8, 1915, in Ford, Kansas. He is a son of Floyd and Grace (Borders) Dreher, the former deceased and the latter living in Des Moines.

Robert E. Dreher attended the public schools of Coon Rapids, Iowa, graduating from high school there in 1933. He then became a student at Drake University, and, in 1942, was graduated from the Drake University Law School, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In the early part of 1942 he enlisted in the United States Army. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in August of 1943, and by the time of his discharge, on December 12, 1945, had become a captain. He now holds that rank in the Iowa National Guard.

Mr. Dreher is a member of the Polk County, Iowa State and American bar associations; and he belongs also to the American Legion and to the Des Moines Club. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and all bodies of the York Rite and Za-Ga-Zig Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. His hobby is wood-working.

On September 11, 1943, Robert E. Dreher was married to Edith C. Hollis, who was born October 22, 1918, in the state of Kansas, the daughter of Thomas William and Mae E. (Jenkins) Hollis. Her father is deceased. Mrs. Dreher was educated in the Christ Hospital School of Nursing, in Topeka, Kansas; and attended St. Louis University, in St. Louis, Missouri; and the University of Minnesota. She is a qualified public health nurse.

**ALDEN LORING DOUD**—With a previous record as state representative and member of the Republican State Central Committee, Hon. Alden Loring Doud of Douds, was elected to the State Senate in 1945. His present term extends to 1953.

Mr. Doud, who is an attorney by profession, was born at Douds, on August 31, 1897, son of A. Lincoln and Cynthia Alice (Loring) Doud. His father had been born in the same community, named for members of this family, on January 9, 1860; while the former Cynthia Alice Loring was a native of Fairfield, Iowa, born March 10, 1867. The State Senator completed his secondary education at Keosauqua High School in 1914, and entered Iowa Wesleyan College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1918. Two years later he received the Master of Arts degree from the University of Chicago, and he returned to Iowa to complete his law courses, receiving his degree of Juris Doctor from the State University of Iowa in 1924.

Mr. Doud's initial occupational experience had been as assistant cashier in the National State Bank in Mount Pleasant, and as high school teacher in Moravia—both positions held before he had completed his law training. For his professional practice he returned to Douds, which has been the center of his private career since. He has served on the board of education of that community, 1935-1940, and was president of the board during 1936-40. During World War I, he was secretary to the Liberty Loan Chairman in Henry



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## ALBERT BENJAMIN AND MARY WEARIN WASHBURN

Mary Valeria Wearin was born May 2, 1870, at the country home of her parents, Otha and Martha Wortman Wearin near Hastings. Mary had three brothers; Charles, Joe, and Henry Wearin. Following the death of her mother in 1871, Mary resided in the home of her aunt, Mary Wortman Dolph, and uncle, Henry Dolph, near South Grove, caring for her invalid aunt. Mary Valeria gave her soul to Christ at an early age and joined the Methodist church near her home at Strahan, Iowa. She was baptized in the swift flowing water of the Nishnabotna river near the old White Cloud mill. She was educated at Western College in Toledo, Iowa, during the years of 1888 and 1889.



Washburn Family, Easter 1981

On February 23, 1893, she was united in marriage to Albert Benjamin Washburn of Traer, Iowa. To this union were born five children: Lawrence, born January 24, 1895; Henry, born June 18, 1899; twins, Helen Valeria and Hobart Valarius, born in 1907; and John Paschal, born in 1910. Albert Benjamin Washburn was born October 28, 1869, to Ellen Divine and John P. Washburn. He had six brothers and sisters. They were: Fred, Mary, Burt, Carrie, Jessie, and Joseph. He was educated at Western College, Toledo, Iowa, where he met Mary Valeria Wearin. Following his marriage to Mary Wearin, the couple made their home north of Hastings, where they both lived their entire lives, farming the land and raising their family.

In 1903 and 1905 Albert was elected to the Iowa Legislature House of Representatives from Mills County. He served these two sessions, then returned to his farm home where he was active in the farm management until his death on September 26, 1942, at the age of 73 years. Mary Valeria continued to live on the family farm with her only living child, Henry. She died on July 12, 1970, at the age of 100 years, 2 months and ten days. This was a pioneer family, who devoted their lives to God, family, country, and the land. Submitted by Albert Washburn

## ALBERT AND CAROLYN WASHBURN

Carolyn Louise Lawson was born in Des Moines, Iowa on August 13, 1927. Her parents were Robert Erwin and Carolyn Eudella Kearns Lawson. Carolyn graduated from Omaha Central High School in 1945; attended University of Omaha in 1945. She entered nurses training at the University of Nebraska School of Nursing in 1945 as a member of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps. She graduated, passed her State Board exams and received her license to practice as a Registered Nurse in 1948. Following graduation Carolyn worked as a nurse at the University of Nebraska hospital in Omaha.

On December 29, 1948, she was married to Albert Theodore Washburn from Hastings, Iowa. During the next twenty years Carolyn spent her time working as housewife, mother, farm hand and bookkeeper. She was active in Federated Women's Club; Republican Women; Cub Scouts; 4-H; Extension work; W.S.C.S.; Band Mothers; Mills County Board of Health. In

1970 Carolyn took a refresher nursing course at the University of Iowa. Following this she established and directed the Mills County Public Health Nursing service for seven years.

In 1977 she accepted the position as Public Health Nurse Supervisor with the Iowa State Department of Health. Her first area included eight southwestern counties. In 1981 her area was expanded to fifteen counties in southwestern Iowa. She continues to function in her regional supervisory role. Carolyn was listed in Who's Who of American Women 1979-1980; she also has membership in United Methodist Women; Iowa Nurses Association; American Nurses Association; Iowa Public Health Association; Iowa Assembly of Home Health Agencies. Her interests include flowers, gardening, grandchildren, antiques. She has been an active antique dealer and participates in regular flea market, collector, and antique shows. Busy lady.

Albert Theodore Washburn, son of Alice Theodora Wilkins and Henry Wearin Washburn, was born on the home farm northeast of Hastings on June 10, 1923. He attended Sandiland country school; attended and graduated from Malvern High school in 1941. He entered Chillicothe Business College, Chillicothe, Missouri, and graduated with a degree in Business Administration in 1943. He spent two years in the United States Navy during World War II in the Pacific Theater. Received honorable discharge in 1946. He obtained his private pilot's license in 1947, and returned to the family farm to actively pursue his farm career.

Albert married Carolyn Louise Lawson in December 1948. They both continue to live on the "home place" north of Hastings and are members of the Wesley Chapel Methodist Church. Albert has been active in various political activities. This involves county, state, and national campaigns. His community involvement covers many years. He served as Chairman of the Mills County Soil Conservation District for 25 years; member Board of Directors of Malvern Community School District for 14 years, four years as Chairman; member of Board of Directors Area Education Agency 13 for three years. Received the Outstanding Soil Commissioner Award in 1971 and 1982; also received the State Award for Outstanding Soil Conservation District Commissioner in 1982.

He has been employed on a part time basis as the A.S.C.S. Compliance Supervisor for nine counties; A.S.C.S. Chief Field Assistant; and member A.S.C.S. Aerial Photo Team. His interests center around his private photography studio business; family; grandchildren; and helping wife, Carolyn in her antique venture. Albert and Carolyn have two children, Robert Henry Washburn and Linda Kaye Washburn Perry. Robert Henry and his wife, Linda Ann Selinger Washburn, reside on the family farm. Albert and Robert are continuing the farming operation in a partnership basis. Robert and Linda have two sons, Benjamin Albert and John Robert, who are both very active farm boys. Daughter, Linda Kaye Washburn Perry presently lives in Lake View, Iowa. She teaches pre-school handicapped children at the elementary school in Vail, Iowa. She is married to Michael Lee Perry, who is employed by National Oats Co. of Cedar Rapids. Both are active in community affairs. Linda and Rob Washburn and Linda and Michael Perry are all graduates from Iowa State University.

Albert's sister, Mary Alice Washburn Matthews, lives in Hamburg, Iowa. She has two daughters; Nancy Matthews Borchert of Fort Collins, Colorado and Rebecca Matthews Krause of Lincoln, Nebraska. Submitted by Albert and Carolyn Washburn

## HENRY AND ALICE WASHBURN

Alice Theodora Wilkins was born February 2, 1897, at the home of her parents, Eunice Hurlbett and Alfred Wilkins in Tabor, Iowa. She had two brothers — Bert and Harry Wilkins plus three sisters, Eunice, Ruth, and Marjorie Wil-



Henry and Alice Washburn

kins. Alice attended the Academy in Tabor, where she met and married Henry Wearin Washburn.

Henry Wearin Washburn, son of Albert Benjamin Washburn and Mary Valeria Wearin Washburn, was born on the home farm northeast of Hastings on June 18, 1899. Henry attended the Sandiland country school and graduated from the Academy and College of Tabor, Iowa.

On February 14, 1920, he was united in marriage to Alice Theodora Wilkins. The couple established a lovely country home northeast of Hastings, which they enjoyed and shared for their lifetime. Two children were born to this union: Albert Theodore and Mary Alice Washburn. Alice was an active farm wife. Although she did not learn to drive a car, she managed to participate in many church and community activities. She excelled in music and provided many local functions with her solos and piano music. Oil painting was a favorite. She entered and received first place recognition in several local contests. Her garden and flowers were another sincere interest. She obtained and planted many of the native wild flowers in a rock garden adjacent to her home. She also participated in Legislative Women's activities during the time Henry was in the Legislature. Alice died in July 1974. Henry took great pleasure in modern developments and advances in agriculture and soil conservation, as well as his own farming operation, family life and community involvement. Henry served two terms as State Representative from Mills County in the 53rd and 54th General Assemblies of the State Legislature plus four years as State Senator for Mills-Montgomery counties district 1954-58. He was then elected to the Mills County Board of Supervisors in November 1964, serving in that office until his retirement in December 1976. Prior to his election to the Legislature, he served on rural, county and community district boards of education for more than forty years. "I have served for fifty years in elective office and it's time for a rest." Henry resided on and operated the family farm throughout his lifetime, maintaining the continuity of over a century of ownership. His favorite hobby was working with wood. He designed and built many pieces of lovely furniture, utilizing the native walnut trees from the farm. Submitted by Albert Washburn

## ROBERT WASHBURN FAMILY

Robert Henry Washburn was born May 11, 1952 in Omaha, Nebraska to Albert Theodore Washburn and Carolyn Louise Lawson Washburn. He is the first of two children, followed by a sister, Linda Washburn Perry, of Lake View, Iowa. He attended Chantry Elementary, Malvern Community High School, and Iowa State University. He majored in Agricultural Business and is a member of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.

Rob met Linda Ann Selinger at Iowa State in 1973. He graduated in 1974. Linda was born May 24, 1953 in Omaha, Nebraska to Albert Lee Selinger and Mary Ann Rynazewski Selinger. She is the eldest of four children, followed by a sister, Jean Selinger Swoyer of Jewell, Iowa, and two brothers, Albert Edward Selinger, Bettendorf, Iowa and John Lee Selinger, Webster City,

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## CEMETERIES

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## EMERSON CEMETERY, Section 2

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## Row 21 west to east, south to north

- s- (Said) William L 1840 - 1907 Father  
 -- SAID  
 (Said) Eleanor J 1843 - 1908 Mother  
 BROWN, Harold V son of UR & AL, d 5 Aug 1903, 5y 8m 10d  
 s- (Powers) Evert son of S & L 30 Aug 1885 - 26 Nov 1903  
 s- POWERS, Samuel 1859 - 1910  
 Lydia A 1865 - 1940  
 s- POWERS, Clarence R 1882 - 1957  
 s- SMITH, James W 19 Dec 1834 - 27 Apr 1904  
 Sargent Major 9 IOWA CAVLY (CIVIL WAR-GAR)  
 s- ROATH, Norma  
 s- ROATH, Vernon  
 s- ROATH, Willie L son of Mr & Mrs S B  
 7 May 1903 - 12 May 1904  
 s- ROATH, S B 25 Aug 1867 - 27 Apr 1907  
 s- CURRY, W E 11 Oct 1874 - 11 Jun 1905  
 GREEN, Rosa Curry 20 Jan 1872 - 1 Dec 1948  
 s- SNODGRASS, William A 1848 - 1919  
 Sadie A his wife 1854 - 1936  
 s- JAMES, Dudley L 1 Mar 1850 - 4 Mar 1906  
 Margaret A 2 Aug 1859 - 16 Apr 1924

## Row 22

2 Curry footstones

## Row 23 west to east, south to north

- s- McCLAIN, John Henry 21 Jul 1870 - 21 May 1914  
 s- McCLAIN  
 s- WASHBURN  
 s- ADAMS, Lynn Lee son of JL & ME 21 Dec 1904 - 25 Jan 1905  
 s- ADAMS, John Lee 1858 - 1929  
 s- ADAMS, Mary E 1862 - 1931  
 s- (Adams) Lavenia Nicoll 1889 - 1938  
 s- HAGOOD, Robert F 27 Jul 1862 - 6 Mar 1905  
 Rozella 19 May 1860 - 5 Jul 1942  
 s- ELACK, Homer 1892 - 1972  
 s- ELACK, Gladys Pearl 1903 - 1975  
 s- LINDELL, John P 15 Jun 1841 - 13 Jun 1905  
 Hannah his wife 15 Jul 1835 - 3 Jun 1914  
 WHITE, Charles H 4 Jun 1882 - 14 Jun 1905  
 s- McPHERSON, Edythe 7 Oct 1905 - 10 Oct 1905  
 s- McPHERSON, Ralph W 16 Dec 1879 - 23 Oct 1930  
 SPANISH WAR VETERAN  
 McPHERSON, Ethel 6 Aug 1878 - 19 Sep 1971  
 s- HALL, Charles R 1873 - 1920  
 Laura E 1876 - 1952  
 s- (Kling) Axel Malkus 28 Mar 1880 - 12 Feb 1906  
 s- (Kling) Andres Peter 15 Jun 1847 - 15 Jan 1923  
 s- (Kling) Ingo Caroline 12 Dec 1847 - 25 Dec 1933  
 s- KLING, Axel P M 28 Mar 1880 - 12 Feb 1906  
 s- (Lang) 4 Dec 1907 Son  
 s- (Lang) Daughter 18 Apr 1909  
 s- LANG, Charles D 1 Dec 1863 - 8 Feb 1931  
 s- LANG, N Gertrude 23 Apr 1885 - 4 Feb 1947

## Row 24

- s- (Washburn) Alice T 1897 - 1974

## Row 25 west to east, south to north

- WASHBURN  
 s- LEWDECKE, Hans geb den 6 Dec 1888 gest den 28 Juni 1907  
 FRITZ, Cathrine 7 Mar 1837 - 12 Dec 1906  
 Harmon 20 May 1834 - 12 Jun 1916  
 MOORE, Henry C 3 Apr 1850 - 18 Dec 1913  
 Eliza F his wife 16 Nov 1855 - 21 Mar 1906  
 SEIGFRED, Bertha 1876 - 1962  
 NELSON  
 SNOGRASS, William T 1869 - 1943  
 Blanche L 1871 - 1938  
 SNOGRASS, infant dau of W T & L B, d 15 Jan 1906  
 DeBOLT, Stephanie J 21 Apr 1951  
 BRIDGE, Rachel A 1875 - 1965  
 Bradley R 1869 - 1954  
 (Bridge) Valentine W 1838 - 1917 Father  
 (Bridge) Lucinda D 1836 - 1908 Mother

## Row 26 west to east, south to north

- (Washburn) John Paschal Infant d 10 Oct 1910  
 (Washburn) Robert Valerius Infant d 20 Feb 1907  
 (Washburn) Helen Valeria Infant d 19 Feb 1907

## Row 27 west to east, south to north

- s- (Washburn) Mary Valeria 2 May 1870 - 12 Jul 1970  
 s- (Washburn) Albert Lawrence 24 Jan 1895 - 16 Dec 1912  
 s- (Washburn) Albert Benjamin 28 Oct 1869 - 26 Sep 1942  
 s- (McClain) Joseph W 8 Mar 1876 - 27 Nov 1954 Father  
 s- (McClain) Harriet B 25 Dec 1876 - 14 Nov 1942 Mother  
 s- (McClain) Max Roland 3 Nov 1905 - 9 Sep 1907  
 s- NELSON, Russell d 1906 Son  
 s- NELSON, Henry 1875 - 1945 Father  
 s- NELSON, Ella 1881 - 1944 Mother

## Row 28 west to east, south to north

- s- SMITH, Albert W 1854 - 1939  
 Jennie A 1861 - 1947  
 s- WARREN, Kate M 8 Dec 1886 - 8 Jun 1913  
 Lois M dau of JF & KM 6 Jun 1910 - 4 Sep 1912  
 s- OSBORN, Marion D 1888 - 1961  
 Lucy M 1882 - 1975  
 s- HALL, Calvin N 31 Aug 1846 - 19 Apr 1913 (CIVIL WAR-GAR)  
 Nancy Jane 14 Mar 1848 - 15 Sep 1911  
 s- ADAMS, Russell 13 Sep 1899 - 10 Aug 1952 IOWA M SGT  
 3415 MAINT & SUP GP AF WORLD WAR I & II  
 s- ADAMS, Ward G 1937 - 1954 Son  
 s- JACOBS, John C 3 Apr 1853 - 1 May 1908  
 Anna M his wife 2 Jul 1851 - 13 Jul 1928  
 Eddie M 5 Sep 1882 - 1 Jun 1883  
 s- NILSON, Grace L 1907 - 1908  
 s- PIERCE, Sarah J wf of C W 23 Jun 1840 - 30 Nov 1907  
 BEMAN, Rachel 16 Jul 1834 - 1 Sep 1907 Sister  
 s- TITTERINGTON, Thomas CO D 17 KANS INF (CIVIL WAR-GAR)  
 s- TITTERINGTON, Elizabeth J 29 May 1847 - 4 Jul 1907  
 s- STEWART, Joseph Spencer 6 Jul 1864 - 10 Aug 1913  
 Martha Eliza 25 Jul 1865 - 13 Mar 1939  
 George S 6 Sep 1892 - 25 Apr 1907  
 s- (Stewart) John 1895 - 1935 (WORLD WAR I)

## Row 29

- s- DeMENT, David P 1844 - 1927 (CIVIL WAR-GAR)

## Row 30 west to east, south to north

- s- McGILL, Jeremiah P 13 Jun 1838 - 7 Oct 1915 Father  
 (CIVIL WAR-GAR)  
 s- McGILL, Mary E 16 Jul 1845 - 9 Jun 1936 Mother  
 s- MARKEY, John  
 s- (Moats) John 10 Jan 1847 - 25 Dec 1933 (CIVIL WAR-GAR)  
 s- MOATS  
 s- (Moats) Melissa M 12 Aug 1849 - 19 Sep 1923  
 s- RALSTON, James C 1850 - 1908 Father  
 s- ANDERSON, Oscar P 1860 - 1944 Father  
 s- ANDERSON, Selma 1866 - 1957 Mother  
 s- (Anderson) Rudolph 24 Jan 1892 - 3 Oct 1919  
 s- ANDERSON, Harold 3 Nov 1908 - 10 Nov 1908  
 Herbert 3 Nov 1908 - 3 Nov 1908  
 s- VANNAUSILE, George W 18 Sep 1846 - 23 Jul 1909  
 Belle I his wife 11 Sep 1856 - 23 Feb 1925  
 s- VANNAUSILE, Robert Max, d 22 Nov 1918  
 s- SHARP, Martha 1920 - 1923  
 s- CULLY, Myrtle 1910  
 s- SHIFFER, Lena Powers 1892 - 1911  
 Baby Dorothy

## EMERSON CEMETERY, Section 3

## Row 1 west to east, south to north

- 2 family stones- SMITH & GILMORE  
 s- (Bass) Irving George 2 Aug 1894 - 2 Oct 1928  
 (WORLD WAR I)  
 s- (Bass) Stanley George 28 Feb 1950 - 8 Oct 1966  
 s- BASS  
 s- (Bass) Nellie M 23 Jan 1891 - 3 Oct 1972  
 s- (Bass) Elmer A 26 Nov 1887 - 10 Jan 1965  
 s- BARNES, Claude F 1890 - 1952  
 Emma N 1889 -  
 s- BARNES, Betty Irene dau of C F & E 1922 - 1928  
 s- UNGRY  
 s- CUNNINGHAM, Arthur 1871 - 1956  
 s- CUNNINGHAM, Zelma 1873 - 1945  
 s- WALKER, Ralph G 1882 - 1960  
 Alice S 1883 -  
 s- CUNNINGHAM, Willard A 1900 - 1960  
 Edna F 1910 - 1968  
 s- CUNNINGHAM, Clarence S 1904 - 1961



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a time. Her father, Tilton C. Taylor, was also born near Trenton, a son of Israel and Patience Taylor, and came to Mills county, Iowa, in 1880, locating on a farm, where he died at the age of sixty-six years. By occupation he was a farmer and veterinary surgeon. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Mary A. Vanderbeck, was born in Bordentown, New Jersey, and is still living on the old home farm in this county. She is the mother of eight children, seven of whom are still living: Mr. and Mrs. Evernham have two children: Florence G., born in Trenton, New Jersey; and Euphemia, born in Glenwood, Iowa.

In 1882, with his wife and daughter, Mr. Evernham removed to Mills county, Iowa, where three years before he had purchased one hundred and sixty acres of wild land. Here he followed farming until 1884, when he traded his farm for the hotel property which he now owns, taking possession of the same on the 17th of July. In 1893 he built an annex, and about 1887 bought another hotel. Genial and pleasant in manner he has proved a popular host, and his hotel has become a favorite resort with the traveling public. The hotel, which is of brick, has sixty-two rooms, is located on the public square and is a well-appointed establishment in every particular. In business affairs Mr. Evernham has steadily prospered and besides his city property he now owns three farms, which he rents. He has one hundred and sixty acres at Pacific Junction, while altogether they aggregate four hundred and twenty-two acres. He is a wide-awake, energetic business man, and generally carries forward to successful completion whatever he undertakes.

Since casting his first presidential vote

for Rutherford B. Hayes, Mr. Evernham has been identified with the Republican party. Before attaining his majority he took an active part in the Grant campaign of 1868, and has labored untiringly for the interests of his party, though he has never been a politician in the sense of office-seeking. For six years he represented the third ward in the city council, and has always given his influence and support to all measures for the public good. He and his family hold membership in the Baptist church, and his wife is especially active in all church work.

#### ALBERT B. WASHBURN.

Among the prominent and substantial farmer citizens of Mills county, Iowa, is Albert B. Washburn, the subject of this sketch. He was born in Winneshiek county, Iowa, in 1869, a son of John P. and Ellen (Devine) Washburn, the former of whom was born in New York, came to Iowa in 1853, and is now living in Cedar Falls, this state. The mother was born in Pennsylvania, a daughter of Joseph and Caroline Devine, and died in Tama county, Iowa, in 1885. The paternal grandfather was named Jesse Washburn and was born in Vermont although of English ancestry.

After a thorough primary education, our subject entered the Western College, at Toledo, Tama county, Iowa, and later the Upper Iowa University, a fine institution, among whose graduates are D. B. Henderson, Governor Larrabee and Senator William B. Allison. Mr. Washburn came first to Mills county eight years ago and married here, since making it his permanent home. He owns one thousand acres of rich Iowa land, located in this county, and en-

gages in general farming and stock-raising, being one of the largest landholders in this part of the state.

Mr. Washburn was married in 1893, to Miss Mary (Wearin) Washburn, who is a daughter of Otha Wearin, whose family history appears in this volume. Two children have been born of this marriage, Lawrence and Henry W. In politics our subject is a Republican and strongly advocates the principles of his party, taking an intelligent interest in public affairs. Both he and his estimable wife are members of the Methodist church, to which Mr. Washburn has contributed liberally. They are among the most respected residents of the county, both families having large connections and hosts of friends.

#### JOHN C. SHOCKLEY.

Well known as an attorney at law and as formerly the clerk of the district and circuit courts of Fremont county, Iowa, Mr. Shockley has for many years been identified with the legal interests of this portion of Iowa. He was born in Hancock county, Indiana, August 4, 1841, his parents being Samuel and Nancy (Murnan) Shockley, the former a native of Kentucky, while the latter was born in Franklin county, Indiana. The paternal grandparents of our subject were Purnell and Phœbe (Taylor) Shockley, also natives of Kentucky, and the former a son of Samuel Shockley, of Delaware, who married a Miss Mary Ward and removed to Kentucky, where they made their home until taking up their abode in Indiana. They spent their remaining days in the Hoosier state, dying at the home of Samuel Shockley, the father of our subject. The

great-grandfather was a farmer by occupation. Purnell Shockley, the grandfather of our subject, reared his family in Kentucky. His children were: Quillar, who died in Indiana; Solomon, who died in Boonville, Missouri, in 1851; Mrs. William Leachman; Jane, the wife of John Leachman; and Samuel.

Samuel Shockley, the father of our subject, was reared to manhood in the state of his nativity and then removed to Indiana, settling in Hancock county, where he entered land from the government and improved a large farm, upon which he spent a number of years. Subsequently he removed to New Palestine and was there engaged in merchandising for eleven years. He became one of the popular and prominent citizens of the place and was a recognized leader in the ranks of the Democracy. He was twice a member of the Indiana legislature and three terms a county commissioner of Hancock county, which offices he filled in a manner creditable to himself and satisfactory to his constituents, and over the record of his official career there fell no shadow of wrong or suspicion of evil. His honesty was unquestioned and he labored earnestly for the best interests of those whom he served.

He purchased many land warrants, locating the same in Iowa and Kansas, thus becoming the owner of nearly three thousand acres. In 1861 he removed to the latter state, improved a farm and continued a resident there until his life's labors were ended in his death, on the 21st of January, 1869. He was a broad-minded, intelligent and successful man who through his perseverance and energy won a large estate, owning valuable property in Kansas. Wherever he re-