

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Wycland, Omar Pasha Senator _____
Represented Shelby County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 20 Aug 1855 Elkhart County, Indiana

2. Marriage (s) date place

Rachel J. Wallace 1875

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mayor; Eastern Star

C. Profession Farmer; real estate; banker; abstract business

4. Church membership Baptist

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

6. Public Offices

A. Local City Councilman; treasurer of the school district; held several other offices; clerk of the district court 1889-1893

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 18 Aug 1923 Council Bluffs, Iowa; Buried Hackens Cemetery, Holy, Iowa

8. Children No children

9. Names of parents Isaac P. and Julia A. (Mittibarger) Wycland

10. Education Attended country school near his family farm

11. Degrees He attended the Baptist College in Des Moines, Iowa
1873-1875

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- When he was an infant in 1856 he came with his parents
to Shelby County, Iowa settling on a farm.
- He and his siblings worked here on the family farm
- For 2 or 3 years he taught school in Shelby County and Polk County.
- He started farming in 1876, but he decided to join his
uncles, C. J. Wyland and J. M. Wyland, who were in
the banking and real-estate business. He worked in the
abstract business with them.
- Around 1903 the abstract firms of C. J. Swift, E. M. Hestant
joined him and combined their real estate business into one
corporation under the name of the Shelby County Abstract Company.

ROLL OF THE SILENT

Erret

William Horne Erret was born Oct. 9, 1842, in West Moreland county Pennsylvania and died at Riviera, Texas, August 16, 1923, at the age of 80 years, 10 months and 8 days.

He was the son of George and Susan Erret and one of a family of twelve children. He moved with his parents when a small boy to Rock Island, Illinois.

He enlisted in the Civil war in Co. I 126th Illinois Infantry Volunteers, August 15, 1862, and was discharged July 12, 1865. He served three years, lacking one month.

He came to Shelby county from Rock Island, Ill., in 1869.

He was married to Nevada Sunderland, March 20, 1870, who preceded him in death July 24, 1899. Four children were born to this union—Minnie, who died in infancy, Charles William of Austin, Minn.; George Edwin of Hayden Lake, Idaho, and Mary Elizabeth of Manning, Iowa. He was married to Mae Bloomfield at Riviera, Texas, August 1st, 1915.

He is survived, beside his wife and three children, by two brothers, H. C. Erret of Grand Island, Neb., and Z. T. Erret of Harlan, Iowa, and a sister, Susan Buckley of South Dakota.

He farmed from 1870 to 1884, when he moved to Harlan, Iowa, and bought stock for a great many years. He moved to Riviera, Texas, in 1910.

He was baptized and joined the Baptist church at Analasia, Rock Island county, Illinois, when about 17 years old.

He was a man of a very sympathetic and kind disposition and was always ready to lend a helping hand whenever opportunity presented itself. His predominating characteristic in his business relations with other men was his honesty. "An honest man is the noblest work of God."

A Card

We sincerely thank all kind friends and especially the G. A. R. for the sympathy expressed by the kind and beautiful flowers at the time of the loss of our dear husband.

The Erret Families.

POPULAR PIONEER BUSINESS MAN TAKEN BY DEATH

Noted For Affability In Professional Life; Generous In Friendly Counsel

Mr. O. P. Wyland, one of the best known business men in western Iowa succumbed to the ravages of diabetes at the Jennie Edmundson hospital, Council Bluffs, Saturday at 6:20 p. m., in spite of all that medical skill could do to save him. Funeral services were held at the home of his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Bailey, south Seventh street this afternoon.

Omar Pasha Wyland was born August 20, 1855, in Elkhart county, Ind. Had he lived a day longer he would have been 68. Before he was a year old he came with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wyland, to this county in 1856, which has been his home since. In 1875 he was married to Miss Rachel J. Wallace, who survives him.

After finishing the common school he attended the Baptist college, Des Moines from 1873 to '75. Later he taught school in Polk and Shelby counties. He began farming in 1876, but as his uncles, C. J. and D. M. Wyland, a famous banking and real estate firm in pioneer days, had taken over the sale of the Rock Island lands in this county, he was induced to take up the abstract department of the business and has been connected with it ever since.

A taste of politics came to him in his election as treasurer of this independent school district in 1879. In 1886 he was elected to the city council; two years later he was elected clerk of the district courts, and after serving six years was sent to the legislature for two terms. He served one term as treasurer of the Grand Commandery of this state.

In an early day all of the abstract firms maintained a set of records; 20 years ago the three firms of O. P. Wyland, C. F. Swift, and E. M. Hertert combined their real estate record business into one corporation under the name of the Shelby County Abstract Co. Deceased was the surviving member of that partnership.

Mr. Wyland's cordial, companionable disposition made him one of the most popular citizens this county ever produced. His greetings were

SHELBY COUNTY FAIR GATES FRIDAY NIGHT

Some Threatening Days, Attendance And Good Program

The finish of the racing is given in this number, from Thursday morning.

It is not possible to give figures, but there is a certain association will pay all that have a small balance. The weather of Wednesday and put profit-making out of the question, but the quality of the left everybody with a good their mouth, and they will next year. Friday was well as an ideal day. There easily 10,000 people on the track. The grandstand was not large enough to accommodate crowds and the only more room brot-up, as before. Toward the close of the day the fair management stopped selling the grandstand.

Compared with previous years, the fair of this year is probably as acceptable as that has preceded it. There in every department was the track program was good free attractions in some have not been equalled.

A county fair is not a thing institution as a rule, can make ends meet it has. The excellence of the program year will enable us to make a record when the luck is just right.

THE RACES

Wednesday
2:20 Trot

Rex Earl
Col. De Forest.....
Dandy Jim
Mola Maxie
Time: 2:18½; 2:18½;

2:20 Pace

Blue Buckne
Lottie Patch
Grace Carter
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Lady Gadloup

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Mary Callista, daughter of Dennis and Margaret Jane Van Duyn, was born Aug. 2, 1844, in Ovid, N. Y., and passed to the life beyond Aug. 19, 1923, aged 79 years, 17 days.

At the age of four years, she accompanied her parents to Wethersfield, Ill.

On Oct. 10th, 1865, she was married to Demetrius E. Morris. In the Spring of 1870, they moved to Tama county, Iowa, coming on to Shelby county in the Fall of the same year. They improved a farm north of Shelby, which was their home for twenty-six years.

They came to Harlan 1896 and have continued to reside in this vicinity since, with the exception of two years spent in Ironton, Iowa.

Being pioneers in both Illinois and Iowa, they took an active part in the growth and development of the communities in which they resided.

Four children were born to them, Charles D., who passed away at the age of 11 years; Allen B., E. Frank, and Jennie B., all resident of Harlan and vicinity. There are three grandsons, children of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Morris. She also leaves a sister, Mrs. A. H. Wiltz of Chicago.

Mrs. Morris was affiliated with the Methodist church from early childhood, and was a faithful worker in Aid Society and church, as long as her health permitted. She was president of the Aid society for ten years, which included the years of raising funds for the building of the present church—years when telephones and autos were not in use, and on conveniences at hand.

She was a charter member of the W. R. C. at Shelby of which she was president for three years, later being president for ten years of the Harlan organization.

She was a great lover of Nature—the beauty of the flowers and bird song always cheered her. These with kind friends and neighbors have

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Mr. Wyland's cordial, companionable disposition made him one of the most popular citizens this county ever produced. His greetings were always genial, while his criticisms were mild. He was a broad-minded, two-sided man. He was a tireless worker at business during business hours, but in his vacation hours he was equally whole-souled. On a hunting or fishing trip he was the leader of the party, and a prince in his entertainment. He was a thoro camper, expert with the rod and gun, a student of bird and animal life; generous with his fishing or hunting material as he was of good counsel to the novice in either sport. In his youth he was a member of the well known Wyland base ball nine, a product of the seventies here. This fondness for the national game and his interest in boys led him to promote a kid nine of ball players, furnishing suits and equipment. Because of the color of the uniform, this nine was known as The Blue Jays. There are a number of business men here who remember happily their connection with this club.

His connection with financial, insurance and realty business gave him a national acquaintance, and the best compliment to his ability is the statement he retained business relations with many of these houses up to the day of his death.

In his passing the editor mourns the loss of a close, personal friend. We have been associated in political, fraternal, social and recreation relations for a life time. Deceased was a merry, zealous companion in all these associations, and in every sphere he took quite as much delight in the study of the incidents entering in it, as he did in the enjoyment of his pleasures. He was a boyish business man whose motto seemed to be that whatever was worth doing, was worth doing well. A man who wore a smile for the inspiration it gave to his fellow beings.

Funeral services at the home were conducted by Rev. T. J. Gibson, pastor of the First Baptist church. Mrs. Edward McQuillen, Omaha, sang three solos, arranged for so-

Time: 2:18½; 2:18½; 2:20 Pace

- Blue Buckne
- Little Patch
- Grace Carter
- Loverdale
- Tanner Miller
- Lady Cadiloup

Terrell's horse, first; O. J. ond, J. F. Ury, third.

½ mile dash

Bobb White, first; M. F. W. Myles, third.

Thursday

- Eva Maxine
- Geo. Aldrich
- Packey Retts
- Mookall
- Mona Deen, Birt Jewell, D. Kenney, Luella Spear, all
- Time: 2:24½; 2:22½; 2:16 Pace

- Major Gold
- Miss Marie
- Argot Pointer
- Grace Carter
- Goldie Van, drawn.

Time 2:20½; 2:18½; 2:20 Running, 4½ furlo

Roy T., first; Dick, second; Golden third.

Automobile Race

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 to Face" "Nearer, My God, To Thee"
 with Miss Mae Harris as accompanist

The masonic service was given at
 the cemetery. Mr. J. H. Frederickson
 acted as Master. Mr. Chas. D. Booth
 had charge of the lines.

The pall bearers were: M. A. Cam-
 ery, Thos. N. Franklin, Fred E.
 Brazie, L. M. Kerr, D. J. Booth,
 W. C. Campbell.

Besides his widow, deceased is sur-
 vived by his brother, city assessor
 W. W. Wyland of this city; ex-
 sheriff Seth Wyland, Miller, S. D., Dr.
 A. C. Wyland, underwood.

Other relatives from a distance
 were Mrs. Anna Moffitt, Springfield,
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 Hudson, Des Moines, third, time for
 Hulsebus, 4:06.

The Novelty Race
 C. H. Jensen, Harlan, in Ford, was
 first; Geo. Wilder, in Ford, second;
 Harold Simpson, Ford, Harlan, was
 third. Time for Jensen, 6:31.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Claude Kohl, Council Bluffs.....21
 Goldie Cooney, Woodbine.....18
 Reuben Frederick Baass, Sutton
 Neb.23
 Cecile Lorey, Omaha, Neb22

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Big Crowds Witness Auto Races; List of Premium Winners

The two last days of the Shelby County Fair were very well attended. Particularly the last day, when the automobile races were held, was the crowd large. The weather, which had been threatening, cleared on into ideal weather for such a gathering.

The racing programs were good. Particularly the automobile races drew entries from many outside localities. We were told that the auto races were largely obscured by the clouds of dust that were raised. If you would know what kind of races the public prefers, just compare the crowds at the horse races and automobile races.

Thursday's Races.

Table with 4 columns: Race Name, Winner, Time, and Points. Includes 2:25 Trot and 2:16 Pace.

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Friday's Auto Races.

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Passing Away of Omar P. Wyland

The people of the community were shocked late Saturday evening to learn that Omar P. Wyland had passed away. It was generally known that he was seriously ill, but we had been led to believe that his condition was much better and that he would probably get well.

Mr. Wyland was well known throughout the county—in fact, doubtless had a more extended acquaintance than any other man of the county, having lived in the county almost all of his life.

He was of a genial disposition, made friends easily and was universally liked by everyone who knew him. He always saw the funny side, if there was one. He was a good story teller but never was known to tell one that had any malice or sting to it.

Omar P. Wyland was born in Elkhart county, Indiana, on August 29, 1855. He was the son of Isaac P. and Julia Wyland. When but an infant, in 1856, his parents settled on a farm in this county and here Omar with his four brothers and one sister were reared to hard work incident to pioneer life.

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Tells How Good Road Built in Northwest Interesting Travel Story

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. H. turned Sunday afternoon, three week trip to Wenatchee and Tacoma, Washington, several northwestern points including British Columbia. They with the intention of visiting son and daughter, Mr. and W. Woods, at Wenatchee, they got there they found extensive trip had been planned.

In Mr. Woods' auto, accompanied by the Woods family, it driven over the Wenatchee and viewed many of the orchards for which the valley. They got a close insight into orcharding business, having entertained in some of the being shown over the "range" given demonstrations as to manner of sorting, boxing and the fruit ready for shipment.

Tobe says they have it system, some of them he uses for weighing each apple it is wrapped. In this way apples in each box are of uniform and command a better price market. They think no visit this valley and get a sight into the many acres without being convinced Wenatchee valley is rightly named as "the home of the apple."

One of the big orchards in valley estimates his crop, acres at 25,000 boxes. Total output of the valley for is estimated at 17,000 cases. It is remembered that from 700 to 750 bushels will be seen that they are "some apples."

A day was spent at Lake some 75 miles north of where one of the beauty spots of west. It is a fresh water lake, 60 miles long, but generally being about three miles with greatest width. Its water is very deep, and boats run fro in it. At its head the is indescribable and is called "the Switzerland of America." A trip by auto was taken, and thence by way of cortes and boat to Vancouver, where they spent a day.

Friday's Auto Races.

10-Mile Free-for-all—

- 1st—Gas Schraeder, Cedar Rapids; time 4:35 1-5.
- 2nd—Geo. C. Norman, Des Moines; time 4:48 1-5.
- 3rd—John Bolling, Mounds, Okla.; time 5:12 1-5.

3 Mile Free-for-All—

- 1st—Geo. Schraeder; time 5:46 1-5.
- 2nd—John Bolling; time 5:18 2-5.
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3 Mile Stock Car Race—

- 1st—F. A. Hulsebus, Harlan, Cauc.; time 4:06.
- 2d—Henry Jorgensen, Brayton, Hudson; time 4:07 3-5.
- 3d—Gene Seliers, Des Moines, Hudson; time 4:10.

Novelty Race—

- 1st—C. H. Jensen; time 6:31.
- 2nd—Harlan Storage Battery Co.
- 3rd—Harold Simpson.

As we stated last week, the competition in most of the hog classes was very keen. Prize awards in the hog classes were not available last week, as the books were in the hands of the superintendent of the department until judging was completed.

We were unable, Tuesday morning, to get the prize winners, as the secretary was using his books. Perhaps before we publish, we will be able to secure these lists.

SWINE PREMIUMS

Poland China.

Aged Boar—R. E. Burkey, 1st; Geo. Larson, 2d.

Senior Yearling Boar—R. E. Burkey, 1st.

Junior Yearling Boar—D. G. Tague, 1st; R. E. Burkey, 2d; Fred Morgan, 3d.

Senior Boar Pig—R. E. Burkey, 1st and 3d; Fred Morgan, 2d.

Junior Boar Pig—Peterson Bros., 1st; Fred Morgan, 2d; Wm. Timmerman, 3d.

Aged Sow—R. E. Burkey, 1st and 3d; Wm. Timmerman, 2d.

Senior Yearling Sow—Wm. Timmerman, 1st; R. E. Burkey, 2d; Geo. Larson, 3rd.

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Senior Sow Pig—R. E. Burkey, 1st; Fred Morgan, 2d; Geo. Larson, 3rd.

Junior Sow Pig—Glenn Shearman, 1st; Peterson Bros., 2d and 3d.

Litter—Peterson Bros., 1st; Wm. Timmerman, 2d; Geo. Larson, 3d.

Champion Boar—D. G. Tague.

Champion Sow—R. E. Burkey.

Champion Herd—R. E. Burkey.

Chester White.

Aged Boar—Otto Schouboe, 1st.

Junior Yearling Boar—J. L. Barber, 1st.

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In 1875 he was married to Rachel J. Wallace, a native of Adams county, Ill., who survives him. For a number of years he was a member of the city council, treasurer of the school district and held other local offices. From 1889 to 1893 he was clerk of the district court of this county and was also a member of the house of representatives in the thirtieth and thirty-first general assemblies of the state of Iowa.

In public office he did faithful and effective service. As clerk of the district court he introduced and installed the first systematic set of books for the office and which today form a basis for the efficient system of bookkeeping now found therein. He was also the first democrat elected to this office in this county.

He was a member of all the Masonic bodies of Harlan, having served as Master of the lodge in 1891 and 1892, and Commander of the Commandery in 1893 and 1894. He was also a member of Tanier Temple A. A. O. N. M. S.

He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, Rachel J. Wyland of Harlan, who has been his companion in life for 47 years, all of which time they have resided in this county. Also his brothers, W. W. Wyland of this city, Seth Wyland of Miller, S. D., and D. A. O. Wyland of Underwood, Iowa.

Funeral services were held at the home of J. W. Bailey, yesterday afternoon, in which Rev. T. J. Gibson spoke a touching message. The Masonic lodge, which attended in a body, had charge of the rites at the grave. H. Fredericksen acted as Master and C. D. Booth as Marshal.

Mrs. D. E. Morris Victim

One of the big orchards in the valley estimates has crop of apples at 25,000 boxes. The output of the valley for this year is estimated at 17,000 cars. It is remembered that the output from 700 to 750 bushels in a year will be seen that they are "some apples."

A day was spent at Lake Okoboki, some 75 miles north of Waterloo, one of the beauty spots of the west. It is a fresh water lake 60 miles long, but generally being about three miles wide, its greatest width. Its water is very deep, and boats run freely in it. At its head the lake is indescribable and is said to be "the Switzerland of America."

A trip by auto was taken to Okoboki, and thence by way of Okoboki to Vanhook, and then to Sidney. Having taken the auto across the lake to Victoria, the capital of the island, where they spent a day or two. The daytime was spent in sight-seeing over the island, visiting the many scenic and beautiful places. The two most interesting are the governor's home, and Burkhart's Sunken Garden, both of which they visited.

The former consists of 56 acres of ground laid off by noted landscape gardeners. On these grounds are varieties of flowers, artistic paths, and interspersed with old walks, roadways and trees. A tea room, made of logs throughout, including the furnishings throughout rustic, and about which are most beautiful flowers and vines, occupies a conspicuous place on the grounds. Seven can look after the grounds and a kitchen garden, from which vegetables are provided for the household throughout the year. They were fortunate in having the error personally conduct them out the grounds and explain many varieties of flowers and plants.

Burkhart's Sunken Garden is in the country, some 17 miles from Victoria. It is the site of a cement plant. A great hole was made in excavating for the cement, with which to manufacture cement. This hole became a lake to Burkhart's wife, and she made it a beauty spot of it by planting it to flowers. With the aid of a portion of the millions he had made in the business, she has succeeded in her undertaking.

Not content to so beautify the sunken spot, she extended the grounds, taking in many acres of land, and in October have been planted, including a Japanese garden and a tea room con-

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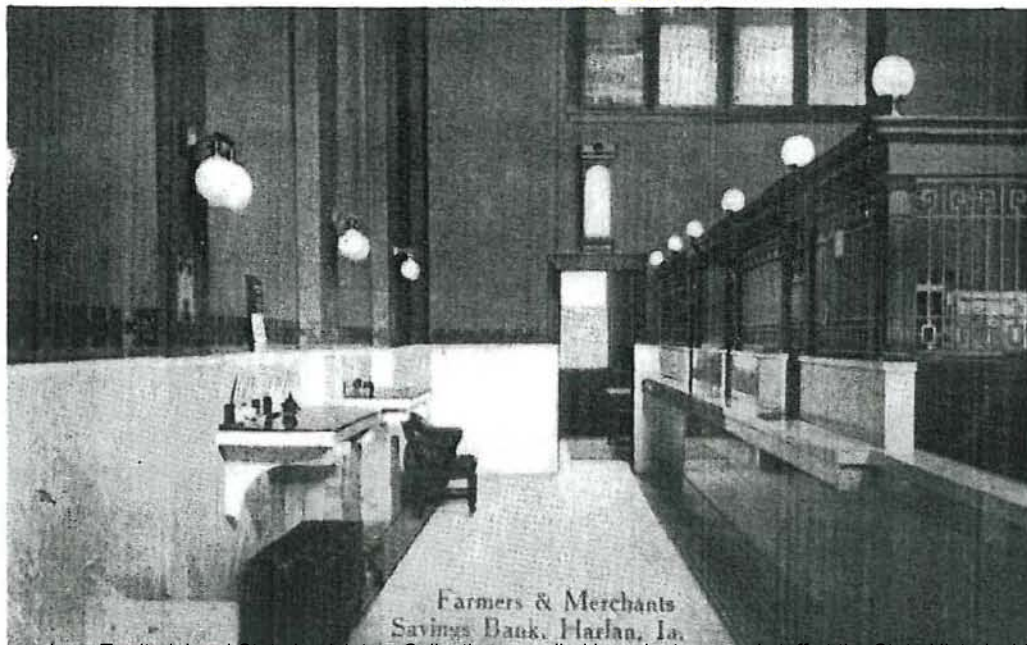


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Wyland Abstract Office in Schenck-Harlan Bldg.
 First National Bank at 7th & Court Street. Later the Wyland Abstract Office, and presently the Booth Enterprises (1978). Left to right: W. W. Wyland, O. P. Wyland, and Louis Kerr.



Farmers and Merchants Savings Bank later became the Shelby County State Bank. Now it is located in new building at 508 Court St.

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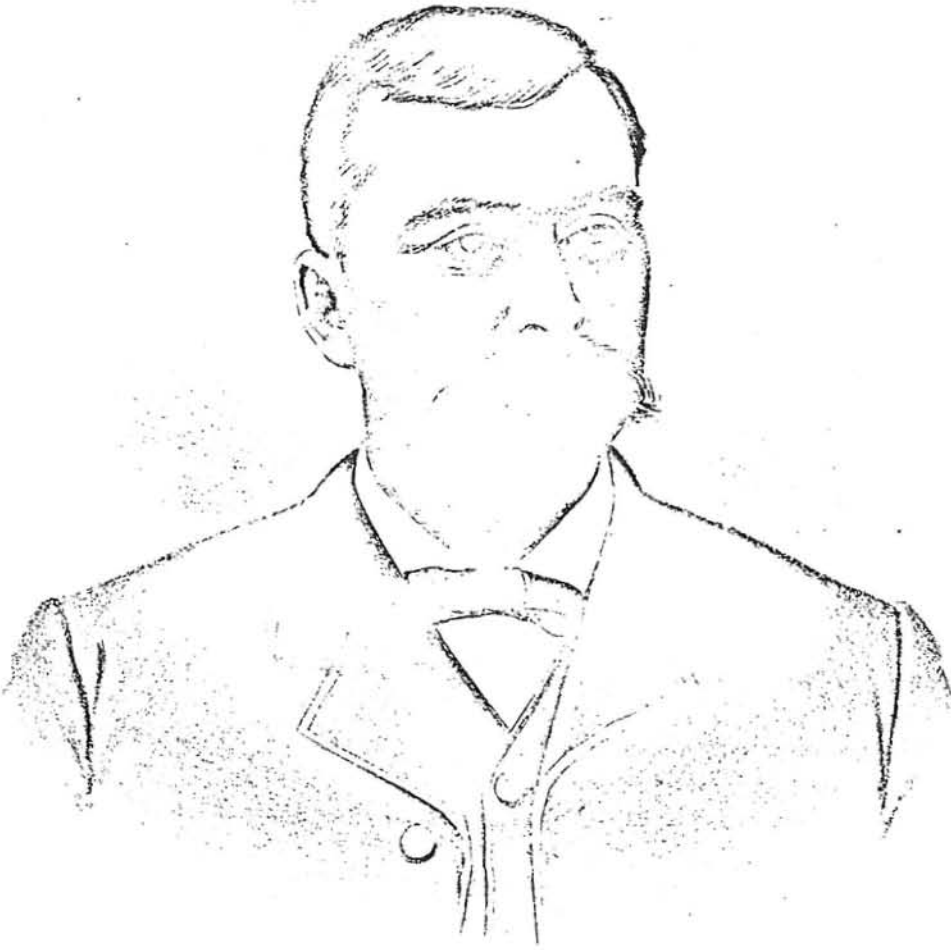
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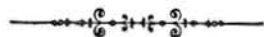
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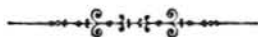
is hale and hearty, and carries his age like a man of sixty years. Martin H. Poling, the tenth child of Martin, Sr., and Peree Poling, was born in Jasper County, Iowa, March 27, 1859, and has lived in Shelby County since 1865. His youth was passed on a farm and in attending school. At the age of seventeen years he commenced to learn the blacksmith's trade with his brother George at Bowman's Grove; he worked with him for three winters, and then began farming for himself in Jackson Township; here he remained for three years, and then removed to Jefferson Township, where he purchased a farm of eighty acres of unimproved land; here he made many improvements in the way of erecting buildings and planting trees. He resided on this place for four years, and then came to Irwin, where he has since made his home. He entered into partnership with Charles McConnell in the blacksmith and repair business. They are energetic business men, and have built up an extensive trade in their line. Politically Mr. Poling is a Republican. He was married February 4, 1880, to Miss Minerva J., daughter of Ephraim and Phœbe J. (Ward) Tague, who was born in Shelby County, September 1, 1862. Mr. Poling and wife are the parents of three children—Vinnie May, Gracie Edna and Guy Hamilton. They are worthy members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and are among the respected and honored citizens of the county.



 **MAR PACHA WYLAND**, Clerk of the courts of Shelby County, Iowa, was born in Elkhart County, Indiana, August 20, 1855. He is the son of Isaac P. and Julia Wyland, and is one of a family of five sons and one daughter. Although a Hoosier by birth he knows very little of the

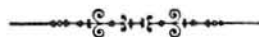
State of his nativity, his parents having emigrated to this State while he was still an infant. In 1856 they settled on a farm in Shelby County, and Omar Pacha and his other brothers were reared to the hard work incident to frontier life. While still quite young he conceived the idea that a good education would make life's journey much easier and more satisfactory, so he took advantage of every opportunity to gain knowledge. After attending the district school for several winters he entered the Baptist College at Des Moines, and was a student there in 1871, 1872 and 1873. Upon leaving college he taught school in Polk and Shelby counties for several years. Feeling that with the education he had acquired he was better able to take up the duties of life, and perform them successfully, he went back to the farm. Believing that he was better fitted to make a good, sensible farmer than he had been before, he put in cultivation a farm in section 27, Harlan Township; but in 1877, at their request, he left the farm to accept a position in the land and abstract office of C. J. & D. M. Wyland. He soon developed a marked ability in this line of work, and by close application mastered the intricacies of the business. He was soon placed in charge of the land and abstract business, and still holds that position. In 1875 Mr. Wyland was married to Miss Rachel J. Wallace, a native of Adams County, Illinois, and a daughter of Mr. James A. Wallace. Mr. Wyland was elected treasurer of the independent school district of Harlan in 1879, and has held that office ever since. He has been an active member of the City Council since 1886. In 1888 he was unanimously nominated to the office of clerk of the courts, and was elected by a large majority over a very strong opponent—being the first Democrat ever elected to fill that office in Shelby County. He is an earnest and

zealous member of the Masonic fraternity; is secretary of Parian Lodge and of Olivet Chapter, and is recorder of Mt. Zion Commandery; he is also a member of the order of the Eastern Star. Mr. Wyland is an honest and conscientious Democrat, strong in his convictions, yet never forcing his opinions upon others. He is to be envied in the possession of a very even temper; there is a quiet vein of humor running through his nature that enables him easily to look upon the bright side of life. Always ready with a pleasant word for every one, it is not surprising that he has so many warm personal friends, and that he is so popular with all classes of citizens. Had we more natures like Omar Pacha Wyland's, life's burdens would seem the lighter to bear.



M. BOWLIN, of the firm of Bowlin & Paup, brokers, Harlan, is a native of Pennsylvania, born in Somerset County, January 27, 1855. He is a son of Joseph and Barbara (Ayers) Bowlin. The former was a native of Pennsylvania and of Puritan descent, and the latter was also a native of Pennsylvania, but of German ancestry. The subject of this sketch was sent to school in Summerfield, Pennsylvania, until he was fourteen years old, when the family removed to Iowa, and settled in Otumwa, Wapello County. When he was sixteen years old he engaged in the grocery business, which he followed until 1876. In March, 1877, he, in company with his brother, came to Harlan and engaged in general mercantile trade, which they followed successfully until 1881 when he sold to his brother. He then engaged in the hardware business, in which he continued until 1886, when he sold out. January 1, 1887, he engaged in

his present business. Mr. Bowlin was married December 14, 1879, to Miss Reppa L. Brazie, a native of New York, and a daughter of Peter Brazie. Mrs. Bowlin is a member of the Baptist church. Mr. Bowlin is a member of the A. F. & A. M., Parian Lodge, No. 321; Olivet Chapter, No. 107; Mount Zion Commandery, No. 49. In the spring of 1888 Mr. Bowlin was appointed mayor of Harlan, and in March, 1889, he was re-elected to fill this office.



DEIL CARMICHEL, deceased, was one of the well-known and respected citizens of Shelby County. He was born in Scotland, at Linsmore, October 26, 1840, and was the son of Dugal and Sarah (Kieth) Carmichel. At the age of seven years he came to America with his parents, who settled in New York. When he was sixteen years old they removed to Canada, in which country he was reared a farmer. His education was obtained in the public schools. Six months before the close of the late war he enlisted for three years in the Twenty-first Michigan Volunteer Infantry, Company B, and was with General Sherman on his march from Atlanta to the sea. He was honorably discharged at the close of the war. After the close of the war he came west and engaged in railroad contracting for some time. Mr. Carmichel was united in marriage, in Canada, November 15, 1870, to Miss Esther McCallum, a native of the county of Kent, Ontario, and a daughter of Hugh and Sarah (Newcomb) McCallum. The father was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and the mother was a native of Nova Scotia. The year of their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Carmichel came to Iowa and settled in Monroe Township. There they resided fourteen years. Mr. Carmichel

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from the Iowa State College at Ames in 1881 with the degree of S. B., and from the Law Department of Drake University in 1883 with the degree of LL. B. In 1905 Drake University conferred on him the degree of LL. D. Following the completion of his law course in 1883 he entered practice in Des Moines, which he followed until 1902, when he was elected district judge. He resigned January 1, 1917, and became vice president and general counsel of the Des Moines City Railway Company. He was a lecturer on law at Drake University for twenty-nine years, was a popular and able public speaker, and a patriotic and useful citizen.

CHARLES C. CANNON was born at Philadelphia, Loudon County, Tennessee, June 28, 1862, and died at the same place May 20, 1924, and was buried there. He was graduated from the University of Tennessee, at Knoxville, in 1885, and in 1886 removed to Paullina, Iowa, where he engaged in the grain business, which he followed for about thirty-eight years. During that time he had as partners at different times John Metcalf, Will Metcalf, and Harry Cannon. In 1908 he was a delegate from Iowa to the Democratic National Convention which met at Denver and nominated W. J. Bryan. In 1912 he was elected representative from O'Brien County and served in the Thirty-fifth General Assembly. He had returned to the home of his youth, in the hope of regaining his health, only a few weeks before death overtook him.

WILLIAM M. BYERLY was born near Anamosa, Iowa, March 31, 1854, and died in Anamosa July 30, 1924. His parents were Michael and Elizabeth Jefferies Byerly. He was educated in public school and in Lenox College, Hopkinton, Iowa. For twelve years he taught school in winter, farming in summer, and later gave his entire attention to farming. He was township assessor twelve years, and school director eighteen years. In 1906 he was elected a member of the Board of Supervisors, and in 1908 was elected representative and re-elected in 1910, serving in the Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth general assemblies. He was active in patriotic organizations during the World War. On retiring from his farm and removing to Anamosa a few years prior to his death he became chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee.

OMAR PACHA WYLAND was born in Elkhart County, Indiana, August 20, 1855, and died at Harlan, Iowa, August 18, 1923. His parents were Isaac P. and Julia Wyland. They removed with their family to a farm in Shelby County, Iowa, in 1856. Omar attended public school and from 1873 to 1875 attended Des Moines College. He taught school in Shelby County a few terms, and in 1877 took a position in the C. J. and D. M. Wyland land and abstract office in Harlan, and later purchased the business and conducted it throughout the rest of his life. He held several local offices, such as member of the city council, and treasurer

of the school district. In 1888 he was elected clerk of the District Court, and was re-elected in 1890, serving four years. In 1903 he was elected representative and served in the Thirtieth and Thirty-first general assemblies. He was a Democrat in politics.

JOHN EDWARDS BRUCE was born in Lake County, Illinois, December 21, 1861, and died at Rockford, Iowa, March 22, 1924. His parents were Joshua and Elizabeth Ann Bruce. He received his education in the public schools of Dundee, Illinois, and in an academy at that place. He removed with his parents to a farm near Rockford, Floyd County, Iowa, in 1880. He farmed for several years, was a grain and live stock dealer, dealt in real estate, and the last ten years of his life was in the drug business, living continuously near or in Rockford. He held several township offices and in 1910 was elected representative, and was re-elected in 1912, serving in the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth general assemblies. He was a member of the Baptist Church and a Republican in politics.

CHRIS A. VOELKER, SR., was born at Hoekenheim, Baden, Germany, August 16, 1850, and died in Dubuque, Iowa, August 13, 1925. When he was four months old his parents, Leopold and Magdalena Voelker, immigrated to America and located in Dubuque. He was educated in Trinity Parochial School, now St. Mary's. He learned the chair making trade but in 1873 established a dry goods and clothing store. In 1890 he entered the insurance business, and later, real estate, in which he attained great success. About 1915 he caused to be organized the Voelker Realty Company, of which he was president. He was also interested in many other of the large business concerns of the city. In 1886 he was elected mayor of Dubuque and served two years, and in 1896 was elected representative and served in the Twenty-sixth General Assembly, declining further political service.

PATRICK C. WINTER was born near Keosauqua, Iowa, April 16, 1859, and died at Creston July 25, 1925. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. John Winter, who removed with their family to Lincoln Township, Union County, when Patrick was a child. He attended rural school, taught school some years, read law with Rowell & Milligan and with McDill & Sullivan, both firms of Afton, was admitted to the bar and entered practice there. He was elected county attorney of Union County in 1888, and was re-elected in 1890, serving from 1889 to 1892 inclusive. When the county seat was changed from Afton to Creston in 1890 he removed to Creston. He continued in practice there, and in 1918 was elected a judge of the Third Judicial District, but resigned February 28, 1922, because of loss of hearing.

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HON. OMAR P. WYLAND

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare a resolution and a befitting memorial on the life, character and public service of the Honorable Omar P. Wyland, a member of the Thirtieth and Thirty-first General Assemblies, beg leave to report as follows:

Omar P. Wyland was born in Elkhart County, Indiana, on August 20, 1855. He was the son of Isaac P. and Julia Wyland. When but an infant, less than one year old, he moved to Shelby county with his parents and grew up with the country, so that to relate his life story would be to tell the story of western Iowa.

He was a progressive, God fearing, law abiding citizen, who took an active part in the upbuilding of the community in which he lived and loved so dearly. He received as good a common school education as the community afforded at that time, and later in 1873 to 1875, attended college in Des Moines, Iowa, and taught school for some time thereafter.

He then took charge of the abstract office of C. J. and D. M. Wyland, who were then engaged in the banking business in Harlan, Iowa, and a few years later he purchased the business, which he continued to own and operate until his death.

In 1875 he was married to Rachael J. Wallace, a native of Adams County, Illinois, who survives him.

Omar, as he was familiarly known, held many offices of public trust of his county, being a member of the town council, school treasurer, clerk of courts, and member of the state legislature, and was a good accountant, and in all of his private and public life there was a genial fellowship that radiated to all who were fortunate enough to have dealings with him.

His was a busy, active and useful life, but not too busy to give heed to the voice of the needy, no matter where it came from, nor yet too busy to give attention to little folks who were always his friends. Because of his courage, his vision and his high ideals, he fashioned for himself a place of influence and respect, and this House is proud to acknowledge the high character of his service and the influence of his life.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-first General Assembly, that in the death of Honorable Omar P. Wyland this state has lost a loyal citizen, a man of fine ideals and public spirit, and this House by this resolution, tenders its sympathy to the family that survives; and

Be It Further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Journal and an engrossed copy sent to the surviving members of the family.

GEO. E. MILLER,
H. B. OWENS,
E. P. HARRISON,
Committee.

Unanimously adopted March 30, 1925.



You searched for **Omar Pacha Wyland** in Iowa

1870 United States Federal Census

Name:	Omar Pacha Wyland	
Estimated Birth Year:	abt 1856	
Age in 1870:	14	
Birthplace:	Indiana	
Home in 1870:	Jackson, Shelby, Iowa	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Value of real estate:	View image	
Post Office:	Harlan	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Isaac Wyland	38
	Julia Wyland	40
	William Wyland	18
	Omar Pacha Wyland	14
	John M Wyland	12
	Seth L Wyland	9
	Mary H Wyland	6
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Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

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Marital Status:	Married	
Census Date:	1885	
Residence State:	Iowa	
Residence County:	Shelby	
Locality:	Harlan	
Roll:	IA1885_262	
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	Rachel D Wyland	29
	Fred W Judd	31

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- *Census:* 1880 Shelby Co, IA
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