

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Allyn, George S. Senator Allyn, George S.
Represented Union, Decatur and Ringgold Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 9 Mar 1847 Clinton, De Witt County, Illinois

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary V. Kinsell 1876 Ringgold County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was part owner and cashier of the Mount Airy Bank

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; I.O.O.F.

Education member

C. Profession Real estate; Banker; teacher; farmer; farm loans
business

4. Church membership

Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served

26th, 27th, 28th, 29th General Assemblies 1896, 1898, 1900, 1902,

6. Public Offices

38th, 39th General Assemblies 1919, 1921 - House of Representatives

A. Local Elected in 1892 as Clerk of the Courts of Ringgold County serving
for 6 years; Mount Airy Iowa postmaster for 2 years; Mount Airy School
Board member 50 years

B. State Member of the Iowa State Board of Education; Board of
Trustees of Agricultural College, Ames, Iowa (Cornell State University)

C. National

7. Death

17 Jul 1929 Mount Airy, Iowa; buried Rose Hill Cemetery, Mount Airy, Iowa

8. Children

Merle K.; Clint D.; Clair C.; Madge; Georgia

9. Names of parents

Rev. Henry and Emily E. (Norman) Allyn

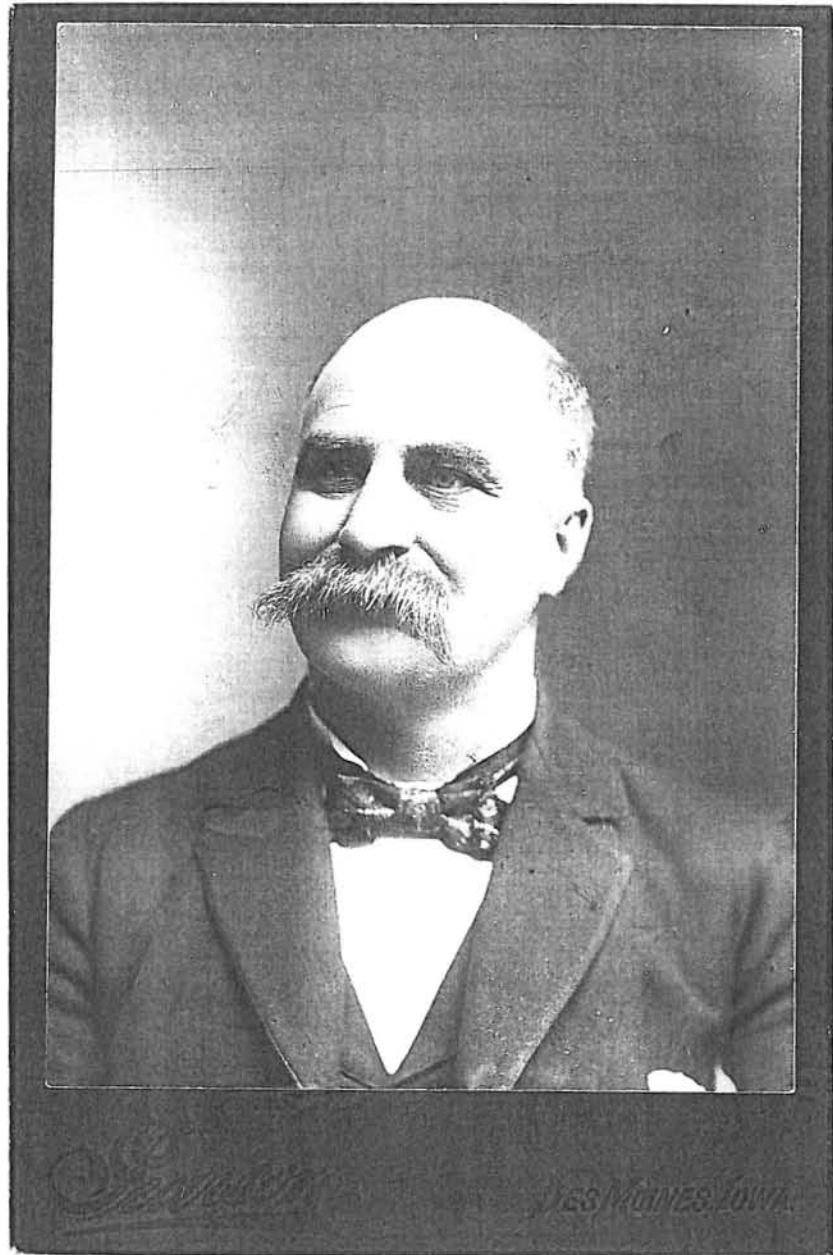
Allyn, George S.

10. Education He is said to have received a fair education

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

- He spent his youth growing up in places where his father was called to preach being a Methodist Episcopal minister.
- He began teaching school at age 18.
- In fall 1866 he moved to Ringgold County, Iowa where he farmed in summer and taught school in the winter until fall 1872.
- While he was serving a Club of Coates he became associated with C. B. Morris in deal estate business which lasted until May 1886. At that time the Allyn Brothers bought the business.
- Wife, Mary V. Coon 1853, died 12 Dec 1934, also buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Mount Airy, Iowa



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Ayr, Iowa, and established their
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miles southeast of town. There they
lived until March, 1915, at which
time they moved to their present
home in Mount Ayr.

Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell united with
the United Presbyterian church of
Mount Ayr upon their arrival at
this place forty-eight years ago and
during this time have always been
steadfast workers in this congrega-
tion. Mr. Maxwell has been the
teacher of the Bible class in the
Sabbath school for forty-two years.
There are three of the original mem-
bers of the class still living.

Seven children were born to Mr.
and Mrs. Maxwell, three of whom
have preceded him in death. His
wife, their four children, Ernest,
Frank, Mary and Alice, five grand-
children, and other relatives sur-
vive him. Life-long friends in this
community and the church of which
he was a loyal and devoted member
testify to the sense of their great
loss since he has entered into his
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George S. Allyn.

The death of George S. Allyn
marks the passing of one of the
oldest Citizens of Ringgold county
and one who from early manhood
was identified with the progress of
the community. He was a recogniz-
ed leader in the religious, education-
al and business life of the com-
munity and his deepest concern was
in spiritual and educational pro-
gress. A leader in the Methodist
Episcopal church, he served in many
positions of responsibility including
many years of service as superin-
tendent of the Sunday school. For
more than fifty years he served as a
member of the Mount Ayr school
board, most of the time as president
of the board, and the service was
characterized by efficiency and con-
scientious devotion to duty. He
also served as a member of the
Iowa State Board of Education
and was identified at various
times in official capacity with other
educational institutions. He served
two terms as state senator from
the fifth district composed of the
counties of Union, Decatur and Ring-
gold and represented Ringgold coun-
ty as state representative. No man
in Ringgold county was ever called
upon to serve in more positions of
trust than was Mr. Allyn and no ser-
vant of the public ever performed

when he resigned in favor of Rob-
ert Williams. In June, 1880, he and
his partner, C. B. Morris, organized
the Mount Ayr Bank, where they
carried on a general banking busi-
ness until May 1, 1886, when Mr.
Morris retired and was succeeded by
J. H. Allyn. This is the leading in-
stitution of its kind in Mount Ayr.
Mr. Allyn has held the position of
cashier since its organization. Mr.
Allyn belongs to the lodge and chap-
ter of the Masonic fraternity, and
is a member of Mount Ayr lodge
No. 169, I. O. O. F. He is also a
Good Templar, and has served as
worthy chief templar of this lodge.
He is a member of the Methodist
Episcopal church, of which he is
steward and trustee."

**COMMITTEE FOR
THE CATTLE SHOW**

**Business Men of Mount Ayr Plan to
Co-operate by Staging Three
Days' Celebration.**

With the view of co-operating in
arrangements for the dairy and beef
cattle show which will be held in
Mount Ayr August 16, 17 and 18, a
meeting of business men was held at
the town hall Friday afternoon and
a general arrangements committee
consisting of F. E. Sheldon, J. H.
Kitselman and A. R. Kremer was
appointed and the same evening at
a meeting of the general arrange-
ments committee Col. W. P. Turner
was appointed marshal of the day
and the following sub-committees se-
lected:

- Finance—Clyde Lesan, D. W. Mid-
dlesworth, Earl T. Hoover.
- Entertainment—A. R. Kremer, I.
J. Dalbey, J. H. Kitselman.
- Concessions—Chas. H. Wilson, J.
E. Reynard, H. T. Johnston.
- Band—Grant L. Hayes, Chas. Het-
zel, C. E. Hollopeter.
- Baseball—S. W. Holland, Billie
Finch, Bert Smith, Truman Du-
lany.
- Decorations—Paul Anderson, P. J.
MaGrath, Ralph Dillenburg, L. A.
Dalbey, E. S. Long.
- Advertising and program—Sam
Spurrier, H. H. Tedford, Marion
Stephens.
- Arrangements for seats and plat-
form for speakers—Roy Caldwell, B.
H. Thompson, Earl Rusk, William
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**Notice to Trim Shade Trees Along
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MOUNT AYR BAND CONCERT

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mons Comes to Alex xwell and Hon. Geo. S. Allyn Within Week.

a reverence born of respect
ristian character, Mount Ayr
unity this week pays tri-
o the memory of two aged and
ted citizens whose long and
lives were devoted to service.

Record-News is this week
upon to record the death of
Maxwell, aged 75, who passed
at the Methodist hospital in
Moines Saturday at 11 p. m.
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Alexander Maxwell.

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of his parents. He was their
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e brothers and six sisters.

September 2, 1880, he was
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Shortly after the wedding

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fidelity.

For more than fifty years Mr.
Allyn was identified with the busi-
ness interests of Mount Ayr, being
engaged first in the real estate
business and later as part owner
and cashier of the Mount Ayr Bank.
His business relations with the pub-
lic were always pleasant and he was
ever kind and generous in dealing
with patrons. Since his retirement
from the bank about thirteen years
ago he has lived in pleasant retire-
ment. Until the close of his life
interest in the community continued,
and even during his critical illness,
which covered a period of several
months, he expressed concern re-
garding the churches and public
schools.

Mr. Allyn is survived by Mrs.
Allyn and their five children—Earle
K., Clint D., Clair G., Miss Madge
and Miss Georgia, all of Mount Ayr.

The following biography of Mr.
Allyn is copied from the history of
Ringgold county, published in 1887:

"George S. Allyn, cashier of the
Mount Ayr Bank, was born in De-
Witt county, Illinois, in the town of
Clinton, March 9, 1847. His par-
ents, Rev. Henry and Emily E. (For-
man) Allyn, were natives of Hart-
ford, Conn., and Kentucky respect-
ively. They were married in Illi-
nois, and to them were born two
sons and three daughters, George S.
being the eldest child. His father
was a minister in the Methodist
Episcopal church for many years.
George S. Allyn spent his boyhood
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his father was called to preach, and
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tion. He began teaching school at
the age of eighteen years, and in
the fall of 1866 came to Ringgold
county, Iowa, where he followed
farming during the summer months
and taught in the winters until the
fall of 1872, when he was elected
clerk of the courts of Ringgold
county, assuming the duties of his
office January 1, 1873, and served
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ASSURED OF GOOD PROGRAM

Chautauqua Giving Go Satisfaction In All Town On Circuit.

Naught but favorable reports ha-
been received from towns on a
six-day circuit of the Redpath-Va-
ter Chautauqua System this seas-
on which is assurance that the progr-
to be given in Mount Ayr is hi-
class in every respect and will eq-
if not surpass in quality the p-
grams presented in previous year.
The chautauqua will open Frid-
afternoon, August 3, and contin-
six days. No program will be giv-
on Sunday.

As stated in the Record-News l-
week, subscriptions were made
advance for tickets this season, p-
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led by Charles Mitchell Mixer, a
an Indian band which ranks first
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The speakers include Captain G-
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The six-day program includes two of the finest recent Broadway successes presented by able casts; Revue headed by a niece of Fred Stone, who has played with him in New York and on tours; a high-class jubilee company; a little symphony led by Charles Mitchell Mixer, an Indian band which ranks first in the United States, headed by a real Indian princess.

The speakers include Captain Gudmundson, who has one of the most thrilling tales told by modern adventurers; Mr. and Mrs. Adams, who teach men and women how to exercise and so how to live years longer; Robert Parker Miles, friend of celebrities, whose "Tallow Dip" cannot fail to fire the ambition of any boy or girl; Ratto, in a class by himself as make-up man and artistic teacher; Toomey, a man's man for the athletes and all who admire athletics.

Classed as the most notable feature of all chautauqua history is the debate on "Companionate Marriage." The speakers are Henry Hibscha of New York, and Sam Grathwell of Portland, Ore.

County Federation Meeting.

The next meeting of the Ringgold County Federation of Women Clubs will be held at Diagonal Wednesday, July 25. Following is the program:

- Forenoon.
- 11:00—Enrollment.
- 12:00—Luncheon.
- Afternoon.
- 1:30—Music.
- Invocation—Mrs. Frank Cox.
- Address of welcome—Mrs. D. V. Ferris.
- Response—Mrs. Guy Miller, Beaconstfield.
- Saxophone solo—Leo Hall, Diagonal.
- Business.
- Club institute—Tingley clubs.
- "Old Fashioned Girl"—Mrs. Fred Augustine, Benton.
- Solo—Mrs. Glen Thomas, Worth Mo.
- History of Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs—Mrs. J. B. Currie.
- Piano solo—Miss Esther Wallace, Benton.