

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Edwards, Millard Gilman Senator _____
Represented Butler County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 22 Oct 1858 near Muncy, Pennsylvania

2. Marriage (s) date place

Ada Whiting 21 July 1887 Parkersburg, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a member of the Butler County, Iowa and American Bar Association; Knights of Pythias

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Attorney

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 28th, 29th General Assemblies 1900, 1902

6. Public Offices

A. Local Judge of the 12th District 1912 and continued for 28 years; Mayor of Parkersburg; Parkersburg town clerk; member of Board of Education

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 23 Feb 1942 Waterloo Iowa; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Bristol, Iowa

8. Children Helma Catherine (Mrs. H. L. Heissman); Mildred Irene (Mrs. J. W. Shanks (died in 1926))

9. Names of parents William and Catherine (Smole) Edwards

10. Education Educated in the public schools of Lycoming, Pennsylvania;
attended a private Normal school in Lycoming,
Pennsylvania; attended the State Normal at Millersville,
and Central State Normal School, Lock Haven, graduating 1882

11. Degrees Graduate of law school at State University of Iowa, Iowa
City, Iowa; admitted to the bar, 1884

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He came to Iowa in 1883 and went to law school.
- He came to Parkersburg, Iowa in 1885. There he began practicing
law with O. B. Courtwright. Later he was associated with George
Dawson at Waterloo, Iowa.
- He returned to Parkersburg, Iowa in 1888 and continued practicing law.
- Prior to 1885 he was a teacher in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania
and later was a grade school principal.

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believe that I can good school director community I would e your vote when o vote in the coming election.

Your Editor,
Don J. P. Ryan

nity Club to Monday Evening

arkersburg Community meet Monday evening of for its regular monthly the new president, Fred l, will announce some ats and the meeting will of any business that ore H. Dinner will be 6:30 as usual.

WEEK AT WAR

Compiled From Government reports by N. E. A.

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Parkersburg Lost Prominent

Citizen When Judge M. F. Edwards Passed On to His Maker Monday Morning

PARKERSBURG YOUTHS TO HELP THEIR UNCLE SAM

Tom Reeves and Andrew Hagen who enlisted in the Navy some time ago and had been at their homes awaiting call left Saturday for Des Moines and Monday were sent to Great Lakes Naval training station for six weeks basic training.

Kinzey Reeves enlisted in the U. S. Marines last week and on Tuesday received a call to report to Des Moines. He was sent at once to San Diego.

Claude Harrison enlisted in the U. S. Marines, Tuesday and is to report at Des Moines on March 2.

John Engelkes was in Des Moines Tuesday where he enlisted in the U. S. Navy. He was allowed to return home to await call to report. He has been enlisted as hospital apprentice, first class.



Judge M. F. Edwards

Judge M. F. Edwards died suddenly Monday morning in Waterloo Presbyterian hospital of cerebral hemorrhage. He had been a patient in the hospital since February 11 for treatment of arthritis. He had been in failing health for several years.

The body was brought to the Houts funeral home where services were held Wednesday afternoon at one thirty, followed by services at two o'clock in the Methodist church in charge of Rev. H. W. Artman. Interment was in Oak Hill cemetery.

Born in 1858

Millard Fillmore Edwards, son of William and Catherine Smole Edwards was born near Muncy, Penn., October 22, 1858 and died February 23, 1942 at the age of eighty three years, four months and one day.

He was educated in the public schools of Lycoming, Penn., and attended a private Normal school in the same town. He also attended the Penn State Normal at Millersville, and the Central State Normal at Lock Haven, where he graduated in 1882. He came to Iowa in 1883 and studied in the law department of the State University where he graduated in 1884 with the degree of LLB and was admitted to the bar. He came to Parkersburg in 1885 and began the practice of law with O. B. Courtright. Later for a time he was associated with George Dawson of Waterloo in the practice of law but returned here in 1888 where he continued to practice, until he was elected to position of Judge of the 12th Judicial district in 1912. For twenty eight years, until his retirement in 1940 he filled this position with honor and distinction, making just decisions which were seldom questioned. Few of his decisions were ever appealed to the supreme court and fewer were ever reversed.

Held Many Offices

Judge Edwards served as a member of the lower house of the Iowa General Assembly during the 28th and 29th sessions. He was mayor of Parkersburg, and served as town clerk also a member of the board of education where he filled the offices of Secretary and president.

Butler Fair To Be Aug. 20-22

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Butler county Fair Association, the free attractions were purchased for the 1942 Fair. The dates for the Fair have been fixed for August 20 to 22, with the opening day again designated as Children's day.

The program calls for a complete change of acts each day. Last years success with the WIO barn dance led the directors to contract with the WLS barn dance for the first day, afternoon and evening. In addition to the Barn dance, Graham's Western Riders will perform on the track in front of the Grandstand, with trick and fancy riding, and other rodeo stunts. The Graham riders have played for eleven consecutive years at the International Exposition in Chicago.

The second day calls for something new in the Fair world. In an effort to avoid the effect of the draft the Booking Agency furnishing this year's acts has organized an all girl show, featuring 12 girls in a line and a seven piece half show for the second day will be furnished entirely by fem-

Ration Board Releases 13 New Autos in County

Permits to complete the transaction of purchasing new cars or to enter into negotiations for such purchases were awarded to thirteen persons by the rationing board last Friday at Allison.

Those allowed permits were Lewis Kurth, 225 LaFayette St., Chevrolet from Allan Chevrolet company; Ole D. Nelhuis, Aplington, Hudson from D. W. Hasher; K. L. Bennette, Clarksville, Chevrolet from Kemp Chevrolet Company; Paul Voss, Clarksville, a Chevrolet from Kemp Chevrolet Company; Glenn W. Miller, 809 Prospect Blvd., Waterloo, Chevrolet from Allen Chevrolet company; George C. Waughtal, Aplington, a Dodge from Vern R. Ahrens; Frank Schoeneman, Aplington, a Ford from Meyer Auto company.

W. H. Nicholas, Allison, a Chevrolet from Allan Chevrolet company; William Steere, Greene, a Company; John Schoeneman, Jr., Parkersburg, Chevrolet from Al-

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5 from Here on Trial Jury

The following trial jurors for the March 1942 term of District court have been summoned for Tuesday March 24 at 10:00 A. M.

Albion Township: Vernon Anderson, J. A. Codner, Lloyd L. Mason, Jim Miller, Mrs. Harry Williams and Hiko Wilms.

Grace Good, Grover Moffitt and A. E. Seavers of Beaver Township.

Benezette Township: S. Hanson, John McWilliams, Mrs. Chas. Zimmerman.

Ed Witte of Butler Township.

Coldwater Township: W. F. Glasser, Aaron Jewell, Mrs. Lou Kip, Walter McEwen, Clarence Pye and Albert Steere.

Geo. Weinberg of Fremont Township.

Howard Clark and Mrs. Mattie Freese, Jackson Township.

Bertha Bode, Gertrude Bode, and Horace Smoot of Madison Township.

Monroe Township: Helt Huisinga, D. D. Ludeman, Ubbe Neymeyer, Hazel Stockdale and Ray Stockdale.

Lucille Ahrens, Emmet Ufford, and Mrs. Erv Wickham of Pittsford Township.

W. L. Cain and John Modderman of Shell Rock Township.

West Point Township: Mrs. Mino Folkert, Mrs. O. M. Harlan, Dora Poppin, Edd Stemmerman and Orville Wiebke.

draft the Booking Agency furnishing this year's acts has organized an all girl show, featuring 12 girls in a line and a seven piece girl orchestra. Thus the hour and a half show for the second day will be furnished entirely by feminine talent.

The fair closes with Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers, both afternoon and evening. This well known thrill show has been a feature of the Iowa State Fair for the past few years, and will come to Butler County directly from the All Iowa Fair at Cedar Rapids.

The Fair has also booked the Ebersole Shows carnival company to furnish the Midway attractions for the week of the Fair.

Shell Rock Paper Bought by Basarts

SHELL ROCK -- Mr. and Mrs. Donald Basart of Walecott have purchased the Shell Rock News from J. D. and Grace Bailey of Cedar Falls and assumed publication beginning with Friday's issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Basart will move to Shell Rock at an early date.

HONOR DAVE FLESHNER'S

Mr. and Mrs. Hilrich Janssen, Mr. and Mrs. Minert Janssen, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Janssen and children and Mrs. Sarah Van Hauen helped Mr. and Mrs. Dave Fleshner celebrate their twentieth wedding anniversary Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Fleshner were presented a handsome floor lamp.

ATTENDS CONVENTION

Miss Margaret Hagarty of the Ashworth Beauty shop attended the Central State Beauty Show and Convention held at Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, Nebr. Feb. 22-23 and 24.

HENRY BACK TO WORK

Henry Johnson was back at his desk at the Spahn and Rose Lumber company office after a couple of weeks absence because of illness.

member of the Iowa House of the Iowa General Assembly during the 28th and 29th sessions. He was mayor of Parkersburg, and served as town clerk also a member of the board of education where he filled the offices of Secretary and president.

Through the years Judge Edwards has held an honored place in the life of the town and community and has been liberal in his support of all worthy enterprises.

He united with the Methodist church in Parkersburg in 1895 and through subsequent years played a very prominent part in the work of the Church. In 1905, when the present church building was erected he was chairman of the board of trustees, secretary and treasurer of the board of Stewards and a member of the building committee. He retained his place on the Board of Trustees to the day of his death. He loved his church and was always in attendance when it was physically possible. The church is deeply indebted to him for his work and liberality. We all mourn the passing of a splendid Christian gentleman.

Married in 1887

July 21, 1887, he was united in marriage to Ida Whiting at Parkersburg and here they have always made their home. Two daughters were born to them, Helen, now Mrs. W. I. Geissman of Detroit, Mich., and Mildred, Mrs. J. H. Shanks who died in 1926.

Surviving are the wife and daughter, four grandchildren, William Geissman of Baxter, Tenn., Mary Geissman of Detroit and Jane and Lou Ann Shanks of Waterloo and one sister, Miss Clara Edwards of Williamsport, Penn.

Casket Bearers

Active casket bearers at the funeral services were Butler county lawyers; W. C. Shepard, Allison; John E. Behnke, Dale R. Van Eman and R. H. Mulder, Parkersburg; H. J. Carter, of Clarksville and George R. Blake, Shell Rock.

Honorary casket bearers were W. T. Evans of Waterloo, Iowa Supreme Court Justice E. A. Sager and Burton E. Sweet of Waverly; Bert Thompson of Forest City, former Iowa State Bar association president; John Seneff and Ray Clough, Mason City and the four Twelfth district judges, M. H. Kepler of Northwood, T. A. Beardmore of Charles City, Henry Gray of Mason City and Thomas Boynton of Forest City.

43 Farmers Attend

Night School; Building Ventilation Is Next Topic

Three farmers were present at the Monday night meeting of the series at the Parkersburg school to hear the discussion on livestock diseases led by Dr. Walter Harshbarger.

In addition to building ventila-

tion we want to take up some new varieties of barley, flax, alfalfa and sorghum crops. This latter is a completion of information from last week. All farmers interested in either of these

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congrating backsets of the war are
coming to our knowledge. But
wars, like baseball, tennis, golf,
prize fights, or almost any other
game, are not often won by the
strongest player. It is
so easy to say, "They should
have done this" or "they should
have done that" in reference to
first defeats. How many times
have any of us played cards,
checkers or any friendly game
without someone saying: "You
ought to have played the king on
that; you should have jumped his
checker on the lower row; why
didn't you put the 10 ball in the
side pocket?" Kibitzers!

And so it goes. It is the old
story of hind sight being better
than foresight. Of course, one
can see better pick the correct
and logical plays after seeing
how the other fellow plays - but
how does one know beforehand
just how the other fellow is going
to play?

The progress of the war so far
as the United States is concerned
has been largely discouraging
since the beginning but that does
not necessarily mean that the
Axis powers are going to take us
over, lock, stock and barrel. Too
many of us have had extravagant
opinions of our nation's power, its
supposed super-shrewdness, its
strategy, its MIGHT. Some of us
seemed to think that as between
Japan and ourselves it would be
a sort of shame to fight the puny
devils in earnest because we felt
little more than contempt for
them. We know better now—and
it didn't take us long to learn. It
is of great value to us that we DO
know better. The knowledge will
make for more earnest effort,
more determined struggle, more
wholesome realization of the re-
sources and ingenuity of an un-
scrupulous enemy that previous-
ly we spoke of with a sneer.

We know now what we have to
overcome. If there have been
tragic mistakes and inefficiency
we can avoid them a second time.
We shall win this war. We have
everything necessary for victory
and when we get the necessities
assembled in an orderly fashion
the daily stories will be different.
In the meantime -- buck up
and help, not hinder -- we're just
beginning. Hark back to the
days of the first world war and
and the song about the home
fires burning which contained the
inspiring line: "Turn the dark
clouds inside out 'til the boys
come home."

QUOTABLE QUOTES

Cats, Pets Supreme!
A cat curled up on a rug com-
municates an air of luxury; two
cats alertly crouching at cracks
and crannies fill one with a sense
of security. Change a mere set of rooms into a
home.—Louis Untermeyer, noted
poet, in the Rotarian magazine.

**A Tribute
to the Late
Judge John M. Edwards**
(An editorial in the Mason City
Globe Gazette)

The passing of John M. E. Ed-
wards will be recalled not only
by attorneys and court attachés
but by hundreds of North Iowans
who came to know him during
his long and distinguished career
on the bench of the twelfth judi-
cial district.

For 28 years Judge Edwards
went from one to another of the
eight counties of the district hold-
ing court, assigning cases, pass-
ing on vexing legal questions,
instructing jurors, pronouncing
sentences and performing the
manifold other duties of his posi-
tion.

Always there was an equani-
mity of spirit and poise as he
weighed evidence in the delicate
balances of justice. Always there
was a gentility, a courtesy and a
humanness that made Judge Ed-
wards beloved and respected
wherever he went in his circuit of
counties.

Among the members of the leg-
al profession, Judge Edwards
ranked high. His integrity was
above question. His career on
the bench led a prominent con-
temporary to make this estimate
of his life as a lawyer and a
judge:

"As a lawyer, the judge's out-
standing characteristics were
thoroughness and preparedness.
Instruments prepared in his of-
fice were always finished prod-
ucts. In the opinion of his con-
temporaries, he was almost with-
out a peer in meeting and ex-
plaining adverse testimony. Some
who practiced with him thought
he put too much confidence in
the credibility of his client.

"However, no matter how formi-
dable he was as an advocate, the
Parkersburg man was even
stronger as a judge. In his deci-
sions, Judge Edwards revealed a
chaste mind, a keen sense of jus-
tice, profound knowledge of the
law, fearlessness, fairness and
sound fundamentals."

But even this has not expressed
the real essential in the life of
this man. Judge Edwards' career
on the bench stood for something
that is fundamental in the pre-
servation of our free institutions
—an unbiased, untrammled judi-
ciary.

Judge Edwards was the last of
the distinguished trio that occu-
pled the bench so many years in
this district, the other two having
been Judge Joseph J. Clark of
Mason City and Judge C. H. Kel-



WASHINGTON, D. C. — March
1. In Room where the fascists
are nominally in charge of France
are attempting to pin the blame
for France's capitulation on a
few individuals, these "is little
danger that truth will enter the
court record. For the truth is
that France capitulated because
too many fascists in the French
Government and in the army had
too much to say about the na-
tion's destiny. The Judges at
Riom dare not proceed too far
along any given line, for at its
end they would find themselves,
in other words, among those who
are basically guilty are the pre-
sent judges and persecutors."
Which leads us to think that pos-
sibly Stalin was not wrong when
he "liquidated" — rather savage-
ly perhaps — the Fifth Columnists
and their fellow travelers in Rus-
sia. France might be fighting yet
had she followed the same proce-
dure in 1936.

As a result of the war, the gov-
ernment has increased the popu-
lation of the capital by nearly 50
per cent. And instead of substi-
tuting the building of apartment
houses and cottages for the new
workers, it started leasing private
housing facilities for office
space. Leon Henderson's office of
Price Administration moved into
a newly built house containing
over 100 apartments. In the past
two years the War Department
took over a 120 apartment struc-
ture and demolished two others
to make room for its new apart-
ment home. Today every square
foot of free space in the down-
town area, including the golf
course in Potomac Park, the Polo
Field, and even the famous Mall,
is being covered with one-story
emergency office buildings.

Congress, the other day, finally
appropriated \$50,000,000 to the
District of Columbia to relieve
the housing shortage, but unless
this grant is put to work imme-
diately, many of the newly ar-
rived workers will sleep in open
spaces.

One bright ray pierces the
gloom, however. The Govern-
ment can take possession of any
building needed for defense. It
may yet take President Roose-
velt's hint about the parasites in
Washington's oversized mansions
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daily to take \$1200 a year jobs.

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