

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Sweeley, Merlin Fred Senator  
Represented Goodbury County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 18 Dec 1857 Adel Iowa Dallas County, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place  
① Allice J. Slocum 28 Mar 1879 Adel, Iowa  
② Mrs. Geneva Lewis

3. Significant events for example:

- A. Business Attorney for the Farmer's Loan and Trust Company for 8 years, served elected to office in June 1898; member of the Idaho Association
- B. Civic responsibilities Mason; Kiwanis; Eastern Star; Shriner; Elks Lodge; Twin Falls Commercial Club; Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce
- C. Profession Lawyer

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 29<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1902 (Iowa Legislature)

6. Public Offices 1909-1910 (Idaho Legislature)

A. Local Dallas County clerk of the courts 1881-1895; Bureau Vista County attorney 1888-1890

B. State a member of the Idaho state senate in 1910

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

7. Death 20 Feb 1939 Twin Falls, Idaho; buried Twin Falls Cemetery, Twin Falls Idaho

8. Children Everett M.

9. Names of parents Samuel and Savila (Phillips) Sweeley

Marlin J. Sweezy

10. Education

Educated in the Adell, Iowa public schools  
and graduating from Adell High School

11. Degrees

University of Iowa Law School, L.L.B. in 1878

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- First wife, Alice J., died in 1927 in Twin Falls, Idaho
- Second wife, Geneva, died in 1935
- After high school graduation he taught school in Dallas County for 1½ years.
- He began his law practice in Adell in 1878 until 1885
- In January 1885 he moved to Storm Lake, Iowa where he practiced law until December 1890.
- He then moved to Iowa City and opened a law office
- He moved to Twin Falls, Idaho in 1906 and practiced law with his son.
- His second wife, was the sister of his first wife.



G, FEBRUARY 21, 1939.

## *Former Kiwanis Governor Dies.*

TWIN FALLS, Feb. 21 (AP)—A three-week illness was fatal Monday for Marlin Jacob Sweeley, 87, widely known pioneer attorney and a former Kiwanis governor for the Utah-Idaho district.

A new method of preventing ice formation on airplanes involves use of colloidal metal paint through which an electrical current is passed.

**Until Feb. 28th**

**YOUR  
PORTRAIT  
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# NAMES IN TODAY'S NEWS

(By United Press)

**p. Martin J. Kennedy, D., N.** blaming the "chaotic situa-  
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visible but official sign on the  
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## Landing Injures Giant Ocean Clipper

**T. E., Feb. 20 (U.P.)** — A bad  
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oceanic clipper built by the  
Alcoa Corp. for Pan  
can Airways. The plane's de-  
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# Noted Career of M. J. Sweeley, 81, Closed by Death

Marlin Jacob Sweeley, 81, who during his lifetime dis-  
tinguished himself in the legislative, legal and civic circles  
of two states, Iowa and Idaho, died at 5:25 a. m. today at  
his home, 319 Eighth avenue north.

One of Twin Falls' most public-spirited and widely-known  
pioneer attorneys, Senator Sweeley had been ill for the past  
three weeks, his condition  
becoming critical over the  
week-end.

## Oddities

### PROTECTION

**BELLEVILLE, Ill., Feb. 20 (U.P.)**  
—An opossum has displaced the  
pet cat as rat-catcher at the St.  
Clair county jail. Sheriff D. A.  
Prindable, given the 'possum by  
friends, let it have the run of the  
jail, and now reports he hasn't  
seen a rat in weeks.

### FLAG

**LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 20 (U.P.)**  
—Police hoist a black flag with a  
white skull—the so-called pirate  
pennant—over city hall here after  
every traffic accident in the city.  
The flag was flown for the first  
time this year on Jan. 4 when  
James Hunter, a 67-year-old Ne-  
gro, was killed by an automobile.

### RECORD

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teemed veteran, a past district gov-  
ernor of Utah-Idaho Kiwanis clubs,  
and charter member of the Twin  
Falls Masonic lodge No. 45, A. F. and  
A. M., will be conducted Wednes-  
day at 2 p. m. at the Presbyterian  
church.

### Rev. Clark Presides

Rev. G. L. Clark, pastor of the  
Presbyterian church, of which Mr.  
Sweeley was a member, will of-  
ficiate at the services.

Interment will be under the di-  
rection of the Drake and Reynolds  
funeral home, where the body now  
rests.

His talents and force, civic lead-  
ers said today, lent impetus to the  
civic and legislative progress of Ida-  
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LONDON, Feb. 20 (U.P.)—The Italian government informed Lord Perth, British ambassador, on Feb. 8 that 30,000 reinforcements had been sent to the Italian garrison in Libya. R. A. Butler, undersecretary for foreign affairs, announced today in the house of commons.

The house entered on an important debate during which Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain may announce a government decision on proposals to send a British army to France in event of war.

During the question hour, Chamberlain refused to be drawn out on the progress of negotiations for recognition of the Spanish nationalists and efforts to end the civil war.

Regarding the progress of discussions with France on the subject, he said "his majesty's government is maintaining the closest contact with the French government and discussion with it are still in progress. No statement therefore is possible at this stage."

Chamberlain told another questioner he has no intention of urging Gen. Francisco Franco to grant amnesty to his conquered enemies. He said the government's attitude remains the same as he outlined it on Feb. 15, which was that "the British government does not consider it advisable to sponsor any particular terms of settlement."

Butler, discussing the Libyan situation, said the government did not regard the dispatch of Italian reinforcements as a breach of the British-Italian agreement, although it brings the garrison to the same strength it was when the agreement

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## Varied Practice

Mr. Sweeley first engaged in the practice of law at Adel, Ia., his native city, where he was born Dec. 18, 1857. He also practiced at Storm Lake and Iowa City before coming to Idaho.

While a resident of Iowa, he served as a representative in the state legislature. He was sent from Twin Falls county to the Idaho state legislature as a senator in 1909 and 1910, and his influence as a constructive legislator is said to have left a strong impression.

Mr. Sweeley was author of the Anti-Pass law, passed during the 10th session, and he drafted the Anti-Trust bill which later became a part of the state statutes, during the same session.

He took a prominent part in framing and shaping the local option law of the state. In political interests, he was Republican, and took an active part in all enterprises of his party.

The vitality and vision which made him a prominent man of affairs in state and civil realms, made him an invaluable member of the many organizations to which he belonged, friends said.

## Charter Mason

He was a charter member of the Twin Falls Masonic lodge, of the Royal Arch Masons, the Knights Templar and the Order of the Eastern Star, and was also affiliated with El Koran temple of the Order of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Sweeley was also a charter member of the Twin Falls Kiwanis club, and its second president. Many of the projects which the club has carried out through the years had their inception at his suggestion. In 1932 he was elected district governor of the Utah-Idaho Kiwanis clubs.

He was a member of the Idaho

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## INJURED WOMAN

OAKLEY, Feb. 20. (Special) Severely burned about the head and face when gasoline with which she was cleaning curtains exploded Saturday afternoon, Mrs. McMurray is receiving treatment at the Oakley hospital, where she was rushed following the accident.

While the burns were severe, her condition was not regarded as critical, according to the attending physician.

Earl Whiteley, attracted by the noise of the explosion, rushed to the aid, smothering the flames which enveloped her clothing. Whiteley's neighbor, singing his hair in the process of saving the woman, was injured, but was otherwise uninjured.

The flames destroyed the kitchen of the McMurray home, but the volunteer bucket brigade, comprised of neighbors, prevented the spread of the fire to other rooms.

## BLAST LEADER

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 20. (Special) Eight hundred "old timers" of the Mexican revolutionary era had a dinner yesterday and heard a speaker attack Fascism. Communist Vicente Lombardo Toledano, leader, and President Lazaro Cardenas. They asserted the speaker was "receiving instructions from Moscow."

# Scores Of Boise Women

BOISE, Feb. 20 (U.P.)—Scores of women offered to adopt a prematurely-born baby girl tossed in a trash basket of a Boise department store restroom Saturday were rejected today by city authorities.

The baby made a remarkable recovery from the effects of premature birth and is now in good health at the St. Alphonsus hospital, said a nurse today. They named the baby "Baby X" on hospital charts.

Police reported they were unable to find a clue to the whereabouts of the baby's mother, but believed the baby was born in the restroom. No one saw the mother enter or leave the room.

# "SLOW BUT STEADY"

## Nye Will Seek End Of Sales

(From Page One)

Tex., of the senate military affairs committee, beginning consideration of veterans' organizations commendations relating to the bill, said he hoped to send the measure to the end of this week at the test.

Nye said the problem of exports war equipment must be solved by legislative action.

"In the absence of any specific w," he said, "no objection can be raised to the sale of planes to France provided the same opportunity is made available to all."

Nye said he would introduce legislation placing restrictions upon the sale of American-made airplanes and other war equipment.

"With the expansion of the aviation industry," Nye said, "the time will come when we will have to look for foreign markets for an outlet. We'll find ourselves eager to sell to Japan, to Germany or to Italy. Thus the vicious circle will continue."

Sen. Warren R. Austin, R., Vt., said he accepted the administration's explanation of the French negotiations, and he felt the sales will not impede the U. S. army's own airplane procurement program and were not in violation of the army's priority rights.

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as signed. A reduction in the garrison which Italy agreed to at that time was not regarded as a permanent arrangement.

Butler said the question of State Legislation had been informed that the Italian government was sending 30,000 more troops to Libya.

## M. J. SWEeley, 81, TAKEN BY DEATH

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Bar association, and his affiliations also included the Elks lodge, of which he was a charter member. In the "early days," he was president of the Twin Falls Commercial club, now the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Sweeley is survived by one son, Everett M. Sweeley, a graduate of the University of Michigan, junior member of the law firm, and now county prosecutor.

Also surviving are two granddaughters, Miss Jean Sweeley and Miss Anna Sweeley, both instructors in the Boise schools, and a grandson, Marlin Sweeley, Twin Falls.

### Granddaughters Coming

The granddaughters will arrive tomorrow evening from Boise to be present at the funeral services.

Mr. Sweeley's first wife, Mrs. Alice J. Slocumb Sweeley, to whom he was married March 28, 1879, at Adel, Ia., died here in 1927. His second wife, Mrs. Geneva Lewis Sweeley, died in Twin Falls in 1935.

Known as one of Idaho's most loyal "boosters," Mr. Sweeley once said of it, "Idaho, especially the southern part of it, offers more attractions to the active man than any other part of the country. I do not hesitate to advise anyone to come here for a home."

Perhaps the reason that Mr. Sweeley meant so much to Idaho, was because he was "an active man," friends pointed out.

## Mother of Pair Claims Beatings

Charging that her husband showed extreme cruelty in beating her unconscious in June of 1937, in ordering her out of their Buhl home and in other acts of violence, Mrs. Irene Gee, mother of two children, filed divorce suit in district court today against Ellis Gee.

The couple married May 20, 1935 at Buhl. The son is 3; the daughter, 2.

Mrs. Gee asks custody of the two

## Loan Bill Tabled by Idahoans

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committee of the whole and killed an unfair sales act by recommending that it not pass. The bill would have prohibited "loss leader" selling of certain articles below cost by retail stores to attract customers.

The senate also killed a bill which would have forced optometrists to designate their profession clearly whenever using the term, "doctor" with their names. It passed a bill creating a bureau of industrial hygiene and another regulating nursery men and florists.

### Bills Introduced

Introduced in the house were bills to: Establish a department and commissioner of immigration, labor and statistics; authorize issuance of treasury notes for \$1,000,000 and sale for the purpose of assuring the ability of the state to secure money to match federal funds for highway construction; two bills placing stricter regulations on state finances of the highway department; amending the unemployment compensation law.

An amendment to the state constitution to place in the hands of the governor the power of pardon, under legal restrictions, and taking it away from the pardon board was proposed in a house joint resolution.

## STATE SUES FOR VEGETABLE LEVY

The state of Idaho sought here today to force the Idaho Sales company to pay \$4,197.37 assertedly owing the state in fruit and vegetable taxes, penalty and interest.

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# Death Closes Career



MARLIN JACOB SWEeley, 81, veteran Twin Falls attorney, legislator and civic leader, died early Monday morning at his residence following three weeks illness. Simple funeral services will be held at the Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon.

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# Final Summons Comes To Veteran Barrister

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Death came serenely at 5:35 a. m., Monday, to Marlin Jacob Sweeley, 81, pioneer Twin Falls lawyer, ending a colorful career of service to the bar, as a legislator and civic leader.

Ill for three weeks, his condition became critical over the weekend and he died at his home, 319 Eighth avenue north, early yesterday morning.

Mr. Sweeley gained distinction in Iowa and Idaho for legal work, legislative ability and public service.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Presbyterian church at 2 p. m., Wednesday, the Rev. G. L. Clark, pastor, officiating. Mr. Sweeley was a member of the church.

Prominent businessmen, farmers and colleagues will be pallbearers. Active will be Fred W. Meech, Ralph B. Smith, Ray D. Agee, Frank L. Stephan, and John P. Kinney, all of Twin Falls, and O. J. Childs, Filer.

Honorary pallbearers will be Judge W. A. Babcock, Judge J. W. Porter, L. Clos, Burton Morse, Sam Kayler, all of Twin Falls, and James Keel, Jerome.

At the simple services, Mrs. Nellie Ostrom will sing "Crossing the Bar" and Wilton Peck will sing "Rock of Ages." Mrs. Margaret Peck will be accompanist.

Services are under the direction of the Drake and Reynolds funeral parlors, where the body now rests. The casket will not be opened at services.

Mr. Sweeley was born at Adel, Iowa, December 18, 1857, and returned to his native city to practice law after graduation from the University of Iowa law school in June, 1878. He was admitted to practice law immediately after graduation.

He practiced at Storm Lake and Iowa City and served in the Iowa legislature before coming to Idaho in 1906.

In 1909 and 1910 he served as state

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## One-Man Pardon Board Proposed

## VARIETY MARKS DAY'S WEATHER

### 'Heat Waves,' Sub-Zero Cold, Winds, Snow and Rain Reported in U.S.

(By The Associated Press)

Nature produced a freak variety show in the United States yesterday.

It encompassed "heat waves," sub-zero cold, buffeting winds, snow, rain and rapid changes in temperature.

Strong winds, accompanied by rain, swept over the Pittsburgh district. Trees were blown down, windows shattered and scores of small buildings demolished. The county airport reported the wind velocity averaged 56 miles an hour for five minutes with brief gusts of 110 miles an hour. At least four persons were injured by flying debris.

A "heat wave" afforded a preview of spring in New York City. Readings in the 60's were registered but rain and "much colder" was forecast.

Newark had a high of 65 above zero while Detroit Lakes, Minn., had a low of 31 below. The differential was 96 degrees.

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Several persons down and injured, men's fists. One American flag in the street. A policeman take the banner. the man poke the pole.

"Save the flag," shouted. The flag-bearer down.

Police on

Both foot and motorcycle serves and prowled toward 48th street thrust toward the gate

The crowds, shouting their "right to picket" intermittent forays against lines. Six men had been disorderly conduct and windows were smashed

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## Chinese Cl. Invader

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2 —Chinese military leaders reported a series of "victories" over Japanese and guerilla forces.

Related reports from the Chinese army reported Japanese attempted to raid the I

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# DEATH SUMMONS VETERAN LAWYER

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to Senator Sweeley as it was he who  
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the grounds.

His role was prominent in fram-  
ing and shaping the local option law  
to curb the liquor traffic before pro-  
hibition.

Mr. Sweeley's talents for organiza-  
tion and leadership made him in-  
valuable to the several organizations  
to which he belonged and his fore-  
sight and energy were often directed  
to betterment of the city and county  
in which he lived.

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Twin Falls lodge No. 45 A. F. & A.  
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the El Korah temple, Order of the  
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projects of the service organization  
and in 1932 became Utah-Idaho dis-  
trict governor.

He also belonged to the Idaho Bar  
association, Elks lodge and was presi-  
dent of the Twin Falls Commercial  
club, now the Chamber of Com-  
merce.

He was senior member of the law  
firm, Sweeley and Sweeley, the jun-  
ior member being Everett M. Swee-  
ley, a son, now prosecuting attorney  
of Twin Falls county.

Two granddaughters, Miss Jean  
Sweeley and Miss Anna Sweeley, ar-  
rived yesterday from Boise to attend  
funeral services. A grandson, Marlin  
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Mr. Sweeley's first wife, Mrs. Alice  
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gation by the senate military com-  
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stand why the treasury department,  
as the inquiry showed, had been in-  
volved in promoting the sale, or  
why negotiations had been carried  
on in "such secrecy."

Meantime, the house prepared to  
take up tomorrow a \$53,800,000 bill  
for development of 11 naval air  
bases, including improvements at  
the Pacific island of Guam.

In a speech today at a national  
aviation forum, Maj. Gen. H. H.  
Arnold, chief of the army air corps,  
advocated immediate arming for air  
defense, declaring that no army or  
navy could be effective without  
strong air forces.

### SMOKES TAX DEFEATED

SANTA FE, N. M., Feb. 20 (AP)—A  
proposal for a state tax on cigars  
and cigarettes to provide funds for  
old age pensions, went up in the  
smoke of overwhelming New Mexico  
senate opposition today.

### JEROME LODGE INITIATES

JEROME, Feb. 20—Members of  
the Jerome lodge of the Woodmen  
of the World initiated three new  
members into the lodge last Friday  
evening.

Members are planning a card  
party to be given on March 3.



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to its dagger at the throat of Japan."

Representative Crawford (R-Mich) ridiculed as "all bushwa," fears that Japan would "jump on us" because of the proposed improvements at Guam.

Representative Colmer (D-Miss) told the house he was "afraid" the Guam project was the "entering wedge" for fortification of the island.

Meanwhile, the senate military committee heard the army's chief of ordnance, Major General C. M. Wesson, assert that day and night factory shifts would be required to equip the nation's "initial protective force" of 400,000 soldiers with sufficient anti-aircraft weapons in less than two years.

Chairman Sheppard (D-Tex) said Wesson told the committee during a closed session that even the \$110,000,000 recommended by President Roosevelt to supply the army's "critical" equipment needs would not provide enough artillery, ammunition and other supplies for the 400,000 men in the regular army, national guard and reserves.

## Bakes Resigns Insurance Post

BOISE, Feb. 21 (AP) — Governor C. A. Bottolfsen announced tonight the resignation of Warren H. Bakes, director of the state bureau of insurance.

The resignation will be effective March 1.

The governor said he was not ready to announce the name of Bakes' successor.

Bakes was appointed by former Governor C. Ben Ross in 1931 and reappointed by Governor Barzilla W. Clark in 1937. He has been in the life insurance business for nearly 20 years in Pocatello and for a short time in Burley before taking the state position.

### BANJO THEFT ADMITTED

Ernest Tadlock and Wilbur Asher both of Twin Falls, pleaded guilty to charges of petty larceny, stealing a banjo, when arraigned before Judge J. O. Pumphrey Monday. Unable to pay the fine imposed, they are serving sentences in the city jail.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 21 (AP) — Thousands of merrymakers, impersonating such varied characters as the devil and Ferdinand and the bull, frolicked through the streets today in the climax to the annual Mardi Gras season before the advent of Lent at midnight.

At the stroke of midnight Rex, in real life H. Grady Meador, oil executive, and his queen, Charlotte Hardie, monarchs of the carnival, had by custom to leave their ballroom to visit Comus and his queen in their ballroom, signaling the end of the festive period begun early in January.

The two big parades, those of Rex by day and Comus by night, were staged with their customary fuss and feathers.

## Bill Amended to Limit Interest

BOISE, Feb. 21 (AP)—A bill permitting licensed lenders to charge 36 per cent interest on loans of \$300 or less was amended in the house of representatives committee of the whole today to eliminate a section which would permit banks and trust companies to operate under its provisions.

At present 8 per cent is the maximum legal interest rate but assertions were made that some small loan companies charged as high as 800 per cent interest.

The bill was forced into committee of the whole yesterday.

## FUNERALS

### MRS. LUTITIA M. HOLLOWAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Lutitia Miranda Holloway, 90, who died Sunday morning, will be held at 2:30 p. m., today at the Baptist church. Rev. Roy Barnett, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Twin Falls cemetery.

### M. J. SWEELEY

Funeral services have been arranged for Marlin Jacob Sweeley, 81, prominent Idaho legislator and lawyer, who died Monday, at the Presbyterian church at 2 p. m., today. Rev. G. L. Clark will officiate. Interment will be in Twin Falls cemetery under direction of the Drake and Reynolds funeral parlor.

## Meat Plant Vote

### Approaches Close

Chamber of Commerce members voting on the proposal of endorsing the Associated Meat Producers project of a cooperative meat packing plant for Twin Falls were warned yesterday that the deadline for turning ballots is 4 p. m., Thursday.

Ballots postmarked before 4 p. Thursday, will be included in official count, it was announced.

The board of directors received the proposition to a general membership vote. Members were asked to vote yes or no on question of sponsoring the cooperative meat packing plant and yes or no on whether the member would be able to purchase a nominal amount of preferred stock in venture.

## Relief Measures

### Termed Stopgap

NEW YORK, Feb. 21 (AP)—Franklin D. Roosevelt declared tonight that relief measures taken during her husband's administration constitute a "stopgap" but "a fundamental answer" to the problem of unemployment.

Speaking briefly at an American youth congress dinner in advance of a radio broadcast dedicating congress fellowship named for her she asserted unemployment "is a political problem" and "can be answered by the election of a political party."

### STARLING UNINJURED

#### IN ELECTRICAL ATTACK

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 21 (AP) Electrical Inspector Robert Barke rigged up a cage for the mass extermination of starlings, Louisville No. 1 nuisance.

Today he called in Director Public Works R. W. Burk.

Two birds survived a shock of 2,200 volts and kept moving.

"I still think birdshot is the best thing for them," Burks said smiling.

Banks spend \$3,900,000 annually for armored cars to move their funds.

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By the decree divine, the reason for which we know not, his life passed away in the very climax of its usefulness and helpfulness. Yet unfalteringly and brave in death as in life, he met that final decree. So living and so dying, as to him we can justly say, "Earth never pillowed upon her bosom a truer person, nor heaven opened wide her portals to receive a manlier spirit."

Mr. Peavey laid the foundations for his grand success in business, and the making of his grand character, in his younger days from 1867 to 1884, while a resident of Sioux City, Iowa. While thereafter he achieved a still greater name and greater wealth, he never ceased in his devotion and loyalty to the city in which he first made his western home. Sioux City claimed him as one of its own, and while honoring him as one of its most public spirited citizens during the period in which he made that place his residence, it is glad now to render homage in honor of his good name, and reverence to his memory.

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#### HON. MARLIN J. SWEELEY.

Marlin J. Sweeley, representing Woodbury county in the twenty-ninth general assembly, is a native son of Iowa, his birth having occurred in Dallas county on the 18th of December, 1857. His parents are Samuel and Savila (Phillips) Sweeley, and the former a native of Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, was a tailor by trade and is now living retired in Adel, Dallas county, Iowa. The first representatives of the name came from Germany to America and established the ancestral home of the family in Pennsylvania soon after the close of the Revolutionary war. The name was originally spelled Schwille, but has developed into its present form. The great-grandmother, Gottliebe Schwille, was born January 13, 1760, and died on the 28th of February, 1840, while her husband, Georg Schwille, whose birth oc-

curred September 17, 1753, passed away September 12, 1820. George Sweeley, the grandfather, was born in Pennsylvania, and there spent his entire life, rearing his family of five children in that state. These were Samuel, Moses, Philip, Jacob and Mary. Unto Samuel and Savila Sweeley were born six children: Edward P., Marlin J., Frank L., Victor T. and two daughters who died in infancy.

Marlin J. Sweeley continued his public-school education in the high school of his native town, Adel, Iowa, and afterward engaged in teaching in Dallas county for a year and a half. He pursued a course in law in the Iowa State University, where he was graduated in 1878 and he entered upon the practice of his chosen profession in Adel in the same year, there remaining until 1885, during which time he was elected clerk of the courts and was re-elected for a second term, serving in all for four years. In January, 1885, he removed to Storm Lake, where he continued in practice until December, 1890, and then came to Sioux City. From 1888 until 1890 he had served as county attorney of Buena Vista county, and then resigned in order to remove to this place. For eight years he was attorney for the Farmers' Loan & Trust Company and later resigning he opened an office for the private practice of law, in which he yet continues. He has succeeded in his profession as the result of his unwearied industry, close application, careful preparation of cases and his strong and forceful presentation of his case before judge or jury.

Mr. Sweeley was married in 1879 to Miss Alice J. Slocumb, a daughter of Charles and Lydia (Vedder) Slocumb, of Albany, Illinois, and they have one son, Everett M., who is now pursuing a course of study in the University of Michigan. Mr. Sweeley has been a member of the Masonic fraternity for nearly a quarter of a century and is also affiliated with the Elks lodge. He is very energetic, enterprising man, with excellent business and executive ability as well as professional skill. In

every community in which he has resided for any length of time he has been called to public office and there has been no exception to this rule in Sioux City. He has been a prominent Republican since attaining his majority and was president of the McKinley Club in the campaign of 1896. In 1891 he was elected by a large majority to represent Woodbury county in the twenty-ninth general assembly and has been prominently mentioned for other offices. His efforts have not been a minor element in the growth and success of his party in this portion of the state, nor is his prominence limited to professional and political circles, for in social life he receives the warm personal regard which arises from manliness and true nobility of character.

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#### WILLIAM W. VAN DYKE.

Concentration of purpose and persistently applied energy rarely fail of success in the accomplishment of any task however great, and in tracing the career of William W. Van Dyke it is plainly seen that these constitute the secret of his advance in the business world. He is now a representative of various leading insurance companies in Sioux City and has secured a clientage which makes his business at once extensive and profitable.

Mr. Van Dyke is a native son of Iowa, his birth having occurred in Fort Madison on the 1st of September, 1839, and is of Holland lineage. The family was established in America at an early day and the grandfather, William Van Dyke, was a farmer who spent the greater part of his life in agricultural pursuits in Ulster county, Pennsylvania. His parents, John and Sarah (Canner) Van Dyke, were natives of Ulster county, Pennsylvania. Not long after their marriage they came to Iowa, driving across the country to Fort Madison, where they arrived in January, 1837, in a pioneer epoch in the history of this state.

The father was a carpenter and became actively identified with building interests in the localities in which he made his home. In 1877 he became a resident of Sioux City, where he died at the age of sixty-four years, and his wife, surviving him for a long period, passed away in Sioux City at the age of eighty-four years. They had a family of six children: William W.; Henry, deceased; Mary, the wife of D. T. Hedges, of Sioux City; Henry H., who was killed in a railroad accident; Kate, the wife of Craig L. Wright, of Sioux City, Iowa; and Lizzie R., who died at the age of three years.

William W. Van Dyke, having acquired his education in the common schools, began clerking in a dry-goods store in Keokuk, Iowa, when yet but a boy. From an early age, therefore, he has been dependent upon his own resources and whatever success he has achieved has come as the direct reward of his earnest, persistent labor. In 1860 he went to Nebraska City with a stock of dry goods and opened a store, which he conducted for a year. The enterprise was then removed to Plattsmouth, Nebraska, and at that time Mr. Van Dyke retired. Soon afterward he went upon the Mississippi river, becoming interested in navigation. In 1861 he was in the employ of the United States government as a clerk and was also captain of a vessel a portion of the time. Near the close of the Civil war he became part owner of a steamboat line operating in Mobile Bay, but in 1865 he sold his interest therein and again purchased an interest in a line of boats running from St. Louis, Missouri, to St. Paul, Minnesota. His attention was devoted to that business from 1865 until 1871. The following year witnessed his arrival in Sioux City, where he entered the employ of the firm of Tootle, Livingston & Company, acting as bookkeeper for two years. On the expiration of that period he became an employe of the firm of Hornick & Wall and after successive promotions eventually became a partner in their wholesale drug business, with which he was connected until

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## NOTABLE DEATHS

MARLIN J. SWEeley was born in Dallas County, Iowa, on a farm in Washington Township, December 18, 1857, and died in Twin Falls, Idaho, February 20, 1939. He attended high school in Adel, finishing under John B. White, principal, and after teaching for a year or two he graduated from the law department of the state university. He practiced law and in 1880, was elected clerk of the court for Dallas County and served four years. Having removed to Storm Lake he was elected county attorney. He later became attorney for the Farmers Loan and Trust Company in Sioux City, and in 1901, was elected to represent Woodbury County in the 29th General Assembly.

He removed to Twin Falls, Idaho, in 1906, and engaged in the practice of his profession with his son. He became active in business and public affairs, and was sent to the Idaho state senate in 1910. He sponsored a law that made a state park at Shoshone falls, which is the pride of the state. He was member of the Masonic lodge and other organizations. He was married March 28, 1879, to Alice J. Slocumb, of Albany, Ill., niece of Judge S. A. Callvert, of the circuit bench, and their son, Everett, survives. His wife died in 1927; Mr. Sweeley was married to her sister, Mrs. Geneva Lewis, who died in 1935. He was an able lawyer and good legislator in two states.

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EDWARD K. PUTNAM, museum director and administrator, died in Davenport, May 22, 1939. He was the son of Charles E. and Mary L. Putnam, and was born in Davenport, November 17, 1868. Educated in the public schools of Davenport, he later attended Illinois College, Jacksonville, Illinois, receiving his A. B. degree in 1891. From 1891-96 he was engaged in newspaper work in Chicago, Detroit, and New York, during which time he did some graduate study in the University of Chicago. In 1899, he received an A. M. degree from Harvard University. From 1901, to 1906, he was an instructor in English at Leland Stanford University.

His first direct association with museum work and its related fields began in 1906, when he was called to Davenport to assume direction of his brother's estate, William C. Putnam, and to take charge of the Davenport Public Museum, a chief beneficiary of the Putnam estate. He continued in charge and in close relationship to the museum from that date until his death. In many fields the collections in the Davenport Public Museum are of outstanding excellence and compare favorably with any museum in the country.

Mr. Putnam is survived by his wife and son, and by two brothers.

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JAMES S. CARPENTER, contractor and lover of art, died in Des Moines, April 5, 1939. He was born in Waterloo, Iowa, in 1871, removing to Des Moines with his parents when eight years old. Educated in the public schools of Des Moines and at the State University of Iowa, he early entered his career as a building and construction contractor, first as the Iowa Bridge Company, later as the J. S. Carpenter Construction Co.





You searched for **Marlin J. Sweeley** in Iowa

### Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	<b>Marlin J Sweeley</b>	
Birth Year:	<b>abt 1858</b>	
Birth Place:	<b>Dallas</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Census Date:	<b>1885</b>	
Residence State:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Residence County:	<b>Dallas</b>	
Locality:	<b>Adel</b>	
Roll:	<b>IA1885_171</b>	
Line:	<b>6</b>	
Family Number:	<b>238</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<b>Marlin J Sweeley</b>	<b>27</b>
	<b>Alice J Sweeley</b>	<b>29</b>
	<b>Everett Sweeley</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>Harry Ford</b>	<b>4</b>
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### 1910 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Marlin J Sweeley</b> <b>[Marlin J Siverley]</b>	
Age in 1910:	52	
Estimated birth year:	abt 1858	
Birthplace:	Iowa	
Relation to Head of House:	Head	
Father's Birth Place:	Pennsylvania	
Mother's Birth Place:	Ohio	
Spouse's name:	Alice J	
Home in 1910:	Twin Falls, Twin Falls, Idaho	
Marital Status:	Married	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">Marlin J Sweeley</a>	52
	<a href="#">Alice J Sweeley</a>	49
	<a href="#">Eliza Jones</a>	33

**Source Citation:** Year: 1910; Census Place: Twin Falls, Twin Falls, Idaho; Roll T624\_228; Page: 94; Enumeration District: 269; Image: 230.

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Original data: Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910 (NARA microfilm publication T624, 1,178 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C. For details on the contents of the film numbers, visit the following NARA web page: [NARA](#)

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### 1920 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Marlin J Sweeley</b> <b>[Martin J Sweeley]</b>	
Home in 1920:	Twin Talls Ward 2, Twin Falls, Idaho	
Age:	60	
Estimated birth year:	abt 1860	
Birthplace:	Iowa	
Relation to Head of House:	Self (Head) [Head]	
Spouse's name:	Alice J	
Father's Birth Place:	Pennsylvania	
Mother's Birth Place:	Ohio	
Marital Status:	Married	
Race:	White	
Sex:	Male	
Home owned:	Own	
Able to read:	Yes	
Able to Write:	Yes	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">Marlin J Sweeley</a>	60
	<a href="#">Alice J Sweeley</a>	58

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**Source Information:**  
 Ancestry.com. 1920 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2010. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

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### 1930 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Marlin J Sweeley</b>	
Home in 1930:	<b>Twin Falls, Twin Falls, Idaho</b> <a href="#">View Map</a>	
Age:	<b>72</b>	
Estimated birth year:	<b>abt 1858</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Occupation:		
Education:		
Military service:	<a href="#">View image</a>	
Rent/home value:		
Age at first marriage:		
Parents' birthplace:		
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>
	<a href="#">Marlin J Sweeley</a>	<b>72</b>

**Source Citation:** Year: 1930; Census Place: Twin Falls, Twin Falls, Idaho; Roll 404; Page: 2B; Enumeration District: 28; Image: 100.0.

**Source Information:** Ancestry.com. 1930 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2002.



Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1930. T626, 2,667 rolls.

**Description:**  
Containing records for approximately 123 million Americans, the 1930 United States Federal Census is the largest census released to date and is the most recent census available for public access. The census gives us a glimpse into the lives of Americans in 1930, and contains information about a household's family members and occupants including: birthplaces, occupations, immigration, citizenship, and military service. The names of those listed in the census are linked to actual images of the 1930 Census. [Learn more...](#)

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