

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Carney
James Loring — Served from Marshall County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 29 July 1847 Massachusetts

2. Marriage (s) date place

Minnie E. Tillotson 1 May 1879 Marshalltown Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Attorney for Chicago Great Western Railway Co. and Western Union
Telegraph Co. in charge of local and business affairs of H.E. Boardman
known as the 'Commons' estate'
B. Civic responsibilities Mason; IOOF

C. Profession Lawyer

4. Church membership

5. Sessions served 21st and 22nd General Assemblies 1896 & 1898

6. Public Offices

A. Local City solicitor; county attorney 1891-1895;

B. State President Iowa State Bar Association; 1910
Association 1909

C. National Delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1892

7. Death 19 Sept 1917 Marshalltown, Iowa; buried Riverside Cemetery, Marshalltown, Iowa

8. Children Leonard T.; Leonard (Mrs. Hordberg); Gladys; Lerna

9. Names of parents Bartholomew and Jane (Graham) Carney

10. Education

11. Degrees

Iowa College, Grinnell, Iowa graduating in 1871
University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, graduate of law school
in 1873

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- Moved with parents as a small boy to Ohio; then moved to a farm in Pocahontas County, Iowa in 1855
- In 1861, after his father's death, the family moved to Grinnell, Iowa
- Aug 1873, came to Marshalltown, Iowa to work as a clerk in the law office of Brown, Boardman and Sears
- A few years later he entered the firm of Henderson and Merriam
- Later became editor of The Marshall County Republican newspaper in Marshalltown in Jan 1879
- Law firm of Henderson and Carney was in practice until 1898 when he formed a partnership with J. M. Holt.
- After 2 years this partnership dissolved and he practiced alone until 1911 when his son Lemons T. Carney came into the partnership

SUMMONS COMES TO J. L. CARNEY

WELL - KNOWN ATTORNEY OF
CITY PASSES AWAY FOLLOWING
FEW WEEKS' ILLNESS.

SUCCUMBS TO NEPHRITIS
FOLLOWING SURGERY CASE

Was Former Senator From This Coun-
ty and Widely Known Thruout State
Bar Circles—Has Taken Active Part
in Legal Activities of City For Years
—Funeral Thursday Afternoon.

Death, at 6 o'clock this morning,
claimed another of the pioneer at-
torneys of the city, when James L.
Carney, widely known in Marshalltown
and thruout the state, passed away at
the Deaconess hospital. Mr. Carney's
death was due to nephritis, which fol-
lowed a surgical operation performed
three weeks ago today.

Mr. Carney's death was not unex-
pected. He had been in ill health for
a year or more, due to a chronic
trouble caused by an infected gall blad-
der and gall stones. The operation,
performed Aug. 29, was for this trouble,
and for several days it appeared as
tho the patient would recover. Ten
days following the operation, however,
kidney trouble developed, and at his
age the patient's recuperative power
was not sufficient to overcome the lat-
ter complication. Since the nephritis
set in it has been realized that the
end was only a question of time.

Widely Known in State.

Mr. Carney was widely known thru-

out the state, both in legal circles and
politically. He was a former senator
from this county, and for more than a
year served as president of the Iowa
State Bar Association. He was rated
within his profession as a good law-
yer, possessing a fine legal mind, and
a safe counselor as well as a good trial
lawyer. For many years he had been
identified with the legal activities of
the local bar, and practically all of the
more important cases, both civil and
criminal, for many years, have found
Mr. Carney arrayed on one side or the
other.

For twenty years Mr. Carney has
had charge of the legal and business
affairs of the largest estate in the
county, that of H. E. J. Boardman,
known now as the Conover estate, of
which Mr. Carney was agent. For
many years Mr. Carney has been local
attorney for the Chicago Great West-
ern Railway Company and the Western
Union Telegraph Company, as well as
for local corporations.

Native of Massachusetts.

James Loring Carney was a native
of Massachusetts, having been born at
Lawrence July 29, 1847, a son of Bar-
tholomew and Jane Graham Carney.
When their son James was a small boy
Mr. and Mrs. Carney moved to Ohio,
and in 1855 came to Poweshiek county,
this state, settling on a farm that the
elder Carney had entered from the gov-
ernment. In 1861 the elder Carney died,
and his widow and her children moved
to Marshalltown.

Here James L. Carney entered Iowa
college, from which he was graduated
with the class of 1871. Mr. Carney
then went to the State University of
Iowa to study law, and was graduated
from the law school of that institution
in 1872.

Comes Directly to Marshalltown.

Shortly after graduation from the
law school, or in August, 1873, Mr. Car-
ney came to this city, and entered the
employ as a clerk in one of the pioneer
law firms of the town, Brown, Board-
man & Sears, comprising the well-
known attorneys of that day, Timothy
Brown, H. E. J. Boardman, and R. E.
Sears. After a few years of clerkship
Mr. Carney entered the firm of Hen-
derson & Merriman, composed of Judge

PIONEER

H. C. Henderson and
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PIONEER LAWYER OF CITY CALLED BY DEATH



JAMES LORING CARNEY.

Cooper Wins "Whale of Golf Trophy"

Harold Cooper, of the C. & E. Manufacturing Company, who has just returned from the annual convention of the National Association of Auto Accessories Jobbers, held at Lick Springs, Ind., brought home

You

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H. C. Henderson and H. L. Merriman, and the firm became Henderson, Merriman & Carney. Later Mr. Merriman retired to become editor of the Marshall County Republican, which he and Judge Henderson bought in January, 1879. The law firm then became Henderson & Carney, and continued as such until Mr. Carney retired and formed a partnership with Timothy Brown, known as Brown & Carney. This firm was in existence until 1898, when Mr. Carney and J. M. Holt formed a co-partnership known as Carney & Holt. After two years this was dissolved, and Mr. Carney practiced alone until 1911, when he took his son, Leonard T. Carney, into the partnership of Carney & Carney.

Held City and County Offices.

Mr. Carney's entrance into politics began in 1882, when he became a candidate for city solicitor. He was elected to succeed B. L. Burritt, and served four years, being succeeded by C. H. Forney.

With this office as a stepping stone Mr. Carney aspired to be county attorney, and was elected to this office in 1890, serving, beginning Jan. 1, 1891, for four years. He followed W. W. Miller as county attorney, and was in turn succeeded by B. F. Cummings.

Two years after he retired from the county attorney's office Mr. Carney was elected as the republican candidate for senator from this county, and served in both the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh general assemblies, 1896-1898, also in the special session of the twenty-sixth in 1897. He followed George A. Turner as senator from this district and was succeeded by John B. Classen.

Helped in Code Revision.

In the Iowa senate Mr. Carney took an active and important part. He was a member of the code revision committee which took charge of the revision of the Iowa code of 1897. He was a leader in the movement to place the state institutions in the hands of a board of control instead of boards of trustees of each separate institution and was one of a special committee which prepared the first draft of what became the board of control bill and law.

Mr. Carney also was author of the state-wide primary bill, which he introduced as chairman of the elections committee of the senate. In those days, however, the bill did not meet with much favor, but in later years it became a law and one of the epoch-making reforms of the state.

Mr. Carney served for several years as a member of the school board, and was president of that body. He was formerly vice president of the old City National Bank, and was elected as the first president of the Historical Society of Marshall County, an office he held at the time of his death.

Cast Only Iowa Vote for McKinley.

In 1892 Mr. Carney was elected as a delegate to the national republican

convention at Minneapolis from the Fifth Iowa district. He proved to be the only delegate from the state to cast a vote for William McKinley, Jr., of Ohio, a candidate for the republican nomination for the presidency in opposition to President Benjamin Harrison. Four years later Mr. Carney was deeply gratified to see his favorite candidate become the nominee of his party and elected as the nation's chief executive.

Headed Bar Association.

In 1909 Mr. Carney was chosen as vice president of the Iowa State Bar Association. The president of the association, Charles M. Harl, of Council Bluffs, died in office, and Mr. Carney became president. In 1910 he was elected president of the association.

Mr. Carney owned at the time of his death several city properties, most of which are residences. He owned one business block, situated at 122-124 West Main street.

Mr. Carney was a member of the different Masonic organizations, including the blue lodge, chapter, and commandery. He also was a member of the local Odd Fellows' lodge.

Widow And Four Children Survive.

Mr. Carney is survived by his widow and four children. Mr. and Mrs. Carney were married in this city May 1, 1879, Mrs. Carney having been Miss Minnie E. Tillotson before her marriage. The children are Leonard T., of this city; Mrs. Lora M. Woodbury, of Grinnell; and Misses Gladys and Germa Carney, twin daughters, of this city. A sister, Mrs. Mattie J. Peck, who is the last surviving member of her father's family, lives in Grinnell. A brother, John M. Carney, died in Gilman a few years ago.

Funeral Thursday Afternoon.

Funeral services will be held from the Carney home, 617 West Main street, at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, in charge of Rev. B. F. Martin. The house will be open to friends between 2 and 3. The Knights Templar and Masonic organizations will form an escort to Riverside, and burial rites will be in charge of the Masonic fraternity.

Others in Service.

In the survey of the high school alumni, showing those in college, and those who have enlisted for service in the national army, an omission of four names in the latter section of the article resulted. The four names began the class of 1916, which has the largest representation in the army. The names omitted were Charles Blodgett, Battery E, First Iowa field artillery, Mound Farm, Cedar Rapids; Elderkin Boardman, United States navy, New London, Conn.; Fred Donnelson, Fort Winfield Scott, Cal.; and Ben Goodale transferred from Ames to Princeton ambulance unit, now in France.

Fire, lightning and tornado insurance, George B. Norris, over 35 West Main.

Greeting

WHEN HE COMES

TOP," IF YOU'RE

"YOURSELF.