

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** ELLISON, FREDERICK OSCAR **Senator** ELLISON, F. OSCAR

Represented Cedar and Jones Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place \$ 4 July 1853, New York City, N.Y.

2. Marriage (s) date place

- (1) Anna Elida McCutcheon, (1856-1927), 3 November 1875, Indianola, Iowa
(2) Dorinda Abbott (of London, Canada), 1930

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business lawyer, judge, farmer

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 25th G.A., Jones County house, 1894-5
26th and 27th GA, Cedar and Jones County, Senate, 1896-1899

6. Public Offices

A. Local Mayor, Wyoming, Ia; council, city atty, mayor of Anamosa, Iowa;
Jones County Atty; President of Library Board, Anamosa;

B. State district judge 32 years

C. National

7. Death 7 October 1944, at home, Anamosa; bur. Riverside Cemetery

8. Children (1) Dr. Clifford (Aug. 1876-); (2) Frederick Harold (1884-1897);
(3) Rolland (Mar. 1887-); (4) Mildred (PAUL) (May 1889. Clifford of New York City.

9. Names of parents Thomas B. (c. 1809-1891) and Ann (RUXTON) ELLISON (c. 1819-
1891); both from Ireland, married in Connecticut, lived New York City until 1870, moved to
Indianola, Iowa, then either returned to NYC in 1882 (obit), or moved to Lyons, Iowa (Jones
county history).

10. Education ~~High School and academy in New York City; Simpson college, read law in Indianola law firm.~~

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information ~~At age 17 came from New York City to Warren County with parents, to take charge of their farm. although study at Simpson, apparently no degree. Admitted to bar in 1874. Began law practice in Clinton, Iowa, then soon to Wyoming, Iowa, and in 1889 in Anamosa, Iowa. In two law firms there before becoming district judge in 1906.~~

~~Married Anna Elida McCutcheon in Indianola, 7 November 1875. She died in 1927, and is buried as Elida. In 1930 he married Dorinda Abbott of London, Canada.~~

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~~Past grand commander of Knights Templar of Iowa; Mason; Knights Templar; Red Cross of Constantine; trustee and member of finance committee of Methodist church.~~

~~Survived by 2d wife, two sons, one daughter.~~

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
Anamosa Eureka, Thur. 12 Oct. 1944		x	death, obit
Stork/Clingan, Legislators		x	sessions served
House Journal 1945		x	memorial
Hist. Jones County Past & Present 1910		x	bio
WPA cemetery records		x	Elida's death
1900 Census Jones Co. 53-16-71		x	FO, wf, 3 ch, 1 servant
Jones Co. birth/death index	x		
Jones Co. parentage index	x		
Jones Co. marriage index	x		

Farmer

was guaranteed, and what the market would be more—I am informed by authority that some farmers deliberately refused to support the support and filled their requirements with lightweight and heavyweights, the prices of which were supported.

meanwhile, the brackets were held over in the day after day, losing any of them dying, and the quality rapidly deteriorated. How many million farmers as a result of the chaotic in the hog market no longer.

ing through all that, the farmers are asked now to floor prices which are inadequate and ceiling certainly are unjust to the farmer.

that the hog producers are entitled to better than they are about the hands of the Office of Administration. They have done their part in meeting the food in spite of grossly inept administration by the government. The administration is now on one extreme to the other they wanted every pound of pork that could be had and they used every device and exhortation to make their hogs grow. They became frightened by the feed situation and the slaughter hogs. Then they wanted more pork production and they slashed the

St. Patrick's Closes Sat. Masses

Masses at St. Patrick's church, conducted by Fr. Kenealy of Clinton, this week with the closing of services on Saturday at 8 o'clock and at 10:30 o'clock masses on Sunday. Services are held at 8 o'clock with mass at 6 o'clock each morning.

Sale Calendar

Monday, October 16—J. S. Peet closing out 4 miles S.W. of Anamosa. Listing page 7 in this issue. Walt Challis, auctioneer.

Wednesday, October 18—Jennie Steenhoek household goods sale at 303 Dubuque street, Anamosa. Listing page 10 this issue. Lee Bebec, auctioneer.

Tuesday, October 24—C. H. (Pete) Freeman closing out sale. Listing next week.

Wednesday, November 1—Lister Brothers closing out sale. Complete listing later.

Mrs. Van Voltenburg

1896-1944

Daisy May McMurrin Van Voltenburg, daughter of the late Nathaniel and Mary May McMurrin, was born on April 13, 1896, at Morley, Iowa, and after a short illness at the age of 48 on October 8, 1944, at 10:53 a.m., passed from this life.

She spent her early life with her parents on a farm near Morley, but after her marriage to Daniel F. Van Voltenburg in September, 1913, she resided in Cedar Rapids devoting her full time unselfishly to her husband and her five sons: Lyle and Carl of Cedar Rapids, Sgt. Milo of Scott Field, Ill. Dean and Gean at home. In later years it was her fond delight to devote her love to her grandchildren: Roger, Judith Ann, and Sally Jane.

Besides her immediate family she is survived by her sister, Mrs. Neil Townsend of Anamosa, a half sister, Mrs. Milton McGuire of Central City; four brothers, William of Cedar Rapids, Albert of Walbridge, Ohio, Glen of Cedar Rapids, Elvin of Central City. Her brother, Dewey, preceded her in death in November, 1940.

Her sons paid her the following tribute: She was a righteous woman who lived by the laws of God, gave her all to her family and friends, consoling and comforting. She was hopeful and trustful. She took the gifts and problems of life as they came, fighting cheerfully through with an unflinching determination. And to the end her thoughts were of others.

Services were conducted by the Rev. Frederick Mastin of McCausland, Iowa, at Cedar Memorial chapel Tuesday afternoon.

Hon. F. O. Ellison



1853-1944

Services were held at Smykil's Home for Funerals at 2:30 Monday afternoon for Judge F. O. Ellison, 91, pioneer resident of Anamosa, who served 32 years on the district bench before his retirement in 1938. The Rev. J. K. Delahooke officiated and interment was made at Riverside cemetery with the Anamosa Masonic lodge No. 46 in charge. Pallbearers were W. S. Frazier, J. E. Heiserman, Warren Rees, Alfred G. Remley, G. R. Wilkinson and Cecil Wilson.

Judge F. O. Ellison was born in New York City July 4, 1853, and died at his home in Anamosa on October 7, 1944. In 1870 he came to Iowa with his parents. He studied at Simpson college and first read law in the office of Todhunter and Williamson of Indianola. He was admitted to the bar in 1874.

In 1875 he was united in marriage to Miss Anna Elida McCutcheon of Indianola, who preceded him in death on December 8, 1927.

As a young attorney he began his practice of law at Clinton, later moving to Wyoming and then to Anamosa in 1889, where his home had been maintained through the years. He was first associated with Ezra Keeler, and was the senior member of the firm Ellison, Ercanbrach and Lawrence, and of Ellison and Gorman. He was associated with Gorman until his elevation to the bench in 1906.

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Miss Maudsley Crowned Queen

Raiders Tie Maquoketa, 0-0

Miss Katherine Maudsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Maudsley, was crowned the homecoming queen at the dance following the homecoming game at Anamosa high school last Friday night. Her escort was Stanley Wroblewski, senior class president.

The queen's attendants and their escorts were Joan Story, Nancy Davenport, Leanna Wehling, Ruth White, Patsy O'Brien, Patty Dunlap, Florence Jean Buckner, Doris Wilson, Jay Steele, Gene DeLancey, Ray Freese, Louie Freese, Bill Rosencrans, Don Dearborn, Charles Clark and Cletus McNamara.

Miss Helen Schuchman, soloist, sang, and Jane and John Westphal presented a dance routine before the Queen.

Showing the first promise of the season and looking like a football team, the Raiders held Maquoketa to a scoreless tie. Both teams threatened but were unable to make the final push to run up a score. Tomorrow night the Raiders play Manchester at Manchester. This is a WAMAC game and if the local gridmen keep up their spirit they should be able to show the Delaware boys something.

TWO COUPLES RECEIVE LICENSES TO MARRY

Two marriage licenses were issued this last week in the office of Leigh Pearson, clerk. The couples who obtained permits to marry were Bruce E. Ruhl, legal, Anamosa, and Geraldine Frances Neville, legal, Anamosa, October 6; Charles E. Herron, 29, Lockburne, Ohio, and Lorraine Hanna, 21, Onslow, October 11.

Plan T. B. Survey For Jones County

Plans for the sixth annual survey in a continuing fight against tuberculosis in Jones county have been completed, according to a joint statement from Dr. C. R. Smith, county medical society president, and Dr. L. T. Flancher, tuberculosis case-finding director of the state health department and the Iowa Tuberculosis association.

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NEWS OF THOSE—

In The Service



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The Jones county Christmas Seal Sale organization and the state tuberculosis association will finance half of the cost of the program with funds made available through the annual sale of Christmas seals. The remaining cost will be paid by the state health department.

The home visits necessary in this program will be made by Ruth Hurley, R. N.

Ezra M. Franks

1882-1944

Ezra M. Franks, son of Milan M. and Florence Franks, was born October 19, 1882, on a Jones county farm near Onslow and died suddenly on October 4, 1944, at his home in Lisbon at the age of 61 years, 11 months and 15 days.

He graduated from the Onslow high school in 1900 and attended the Cedar Rapids Business college two terms. On September 28, 1910, he was joined in marriage with Miss Mary D. Hansen in Onslow where they established their home. Three children were born to this union, Marion Lucille, Stuart Milan and Ensign Dillon Walter Franks, now serving in the navy.

He entered the lumber business with his father in 1905 in Onslow and was associated in business with him until his father's death in 1929. He moved to Lisbon in April, 1929, and bought the lumber yard from George Albright. Since his sons have finished college, the firm has been called Franks and Sons.

He was baptized in the Presbyterian church in Onslow as a child, was a member of the Lisbon Methodist church and was one of its trustees at the time of his death. He was a member of Benjamin Franklin lodge No. 574, Order of the Eastern Star No. 490, the Iowa Consistory and the Knights of Pythias.

He is survived by his widow and the families of his three children, Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Andre and son, David Milan, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart M. Franks, Sarah, Kate and John Milan and Mr. and Mrs. Dillon

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In his long career in public service he was mayor of Wyoming, councilman and mayor of Anamosa, Jones county attorney, state representative and state senator. His election as Jones county attorney came when the office was created in Iowa in 1887. In his 15 bids for public office he never was defeated. Beginning his tenure on the bench in the old court house at Marion, Judge Ellison was the first to sit in the \$200,000 Jones county court house, where a motto typical of his philosophy, "Justice To All Men," is mounted. His period of service to the Eighteenth Judicial district is one of the longest among Iowa jurists.

In his 65 years as an Iowa lawyer, Judge Ellison saw and promoted the development of the state's judicial system. When he first hung out his shingle at Clinton, few courts used shorthand reporters. He shared ably in the tremendous responsibility placed upon the state's judges as Iowa rose from a frontier state to an agricultural and industrial commonwealth.

Pioneered on Bench

In his four decades on the bench, Judge Ellison pioneered the application of many new laws, and wrote hundreds of case instructions. Regarded by him as one of the most exhaustive cases in his judicial career was the celebrated "Council Bluffs water case," in which the city, the water company and its bondholders deadlocked over the extent of service. Judge Ellison was specially assigned to the case by the state supreme court, and hearings occupied two months.

He weighed the evidence in several thousand law suits, and decided cases of nation-wide interest. Cedar Rapids' low gas rates • Judge Ellison

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Sexton Named for Riverside Cemetery

Announcement was made this week that Arthur Berve has been appointed sexton of Riverside cemetery by the board of directors of the cemetery association. He succeeds Cloyd Biggart, who held that position for the last 14 years.

MONTICELLO MAN

Rudolph J. Langer, who has been

The mission at St. Patrick's Catholic church, conducted by Father G. L. Eganally of Clinton, will continue this week with the solemn closing of services on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock and at the 9:30 o'clock masses on Sunday morning. Services are held nightly at 8 o'clock with mass at 6 and 7:30 o'clock each morning.

NEWS OF THOSE— In The Service— —OF THEIR COUNTRY

Irene Neville in Waves

Irene Neville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neville, left last week for Hunter College, N. Y., for her basic training in the Waves.

Pfc. Broderson Home

Pfc. Lyle F. Broderson of Camp Breckenridge, Ky., visited during a six-day furlough with Lorenz Broderson and with his aunt, Mrs. M. R. Grafft in Chicago. Mrs. Broderson entertained in his honor at a dinner Sunday.

Wayne Wyeth in France

Mrs. Dewey Weaver received word recently that her son, Pvt. Wayne Wyeth was now in France. This is the second overseas assignment for Wayne. He served a year in Greenland. Mrs. Weaver has two other sons in the service, Russell with the Seabees in England and Raymond with the army in the South Pacific.

Pvt. Buckner in England

Pvt. J. Paul Buckner has arrived safely in England, according to word received last week by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Buckner. Paul is with a parachute company.

Tom Brown Visits

Tom Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Brown, spent from Wednesday until Monday of this week visiting in the home of his parents. Tom is a seaman first class and a radioman third class. His present address is New York.

Cpl. Yarrington Returns

Cpl. Paul Yarrington has returned to his post in Camp Polk, La., after visiting in the home of his family and other relatives.

Wave Smith Visits

Wave Glydel Smith and her sister, Jean Edwards visited with friends in Anamosa. Wave Smith is on leave from duties at Washington, D. C.

Robert Ruhl Home

Robert Ruhl, chief pharmacist's mate, is visiting during a leave with his mother, Mrs. John Ruhl. Robert recently returned to the states after serving 40 months overseas. He will report back to California October 20.

Marine Ann Dumont Home

Pfc. Ann Dumont of the Women's Marine corps is visiting during a furlough with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dumont. Pfc. Dumont will report back to Camp Lejune, N. C., on October 20.

Bill Finn Home

Bill Finn, fireman 1/C, has completed his course at the University of Minnesota in St. Paul and is visiting during a four-day delay enroute to the naval base at Shoaemaker, Calif., with his wife and daughter and his mother, Mrs. George Finn and family.

Pfc. Finn in Germany

Mrs. George Finn received word this week that her son, Pfc. Merlin Finn, was now in Germany. This was the first word received in two months. Another son, Raymond, is in France.

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Wyoming Reaches War Fund Goal

Wyoming has already gone over the top in the country War Fund

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● Judge Ellison

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are the result of a decision made by Judge Ellison in the old Dows building more than 30 years ago. Gas experts from New York and many large midwestern cities came to hear his reasoning as he upheld the city's ordinance setting the maximum rate at 90 cents a thousand cubic feet, against the company's claim for \$1.25. The Iowa supreme court and the United States supreme court later affirmed his action, which formed a precedent in rate disputes.

At the time of his retirement in 1938, he contended that the courts had developed too much red tape, formality and technicality, so that lawyers had become prone to gain advantage through

fine discriminations, sometimes making it impossible to convict a guilty man because of technicalities. He believed that the maze of conflicting laws and contradictory legal precedents combined to create a serious problem which should be recognized by the supreme court.

He was past grand commander of the Knights Templar of Iowa. Upon moving to Anamosa, Judge Ellison affiliated with the Methodist church of which he was an active member through the years. As chairman of the finance committee at the time the present church was erected, he had a large share in the success of that undertaking. For years he was a trustee, an office he held at the time of his death.

In 1920 he was united in mar-

riage to Dorinda Abbott of London, Canada. During the past months of his failing health, she was his constant companion.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife; two sons, Rolland of Anamosa, Dr. Clifford Ellison of New York City; a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Paul of Anamosa, besides a host of friends and associates who have labored with him throughout his long life time.

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● Robert Secrist

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in the air corps. He was a faithful attendant of church and Sunday school and at the age of 15 became a member of the Methodist church of Viola.

He is survived by his parents, his brother and family, S/Sgt. Charles F. Secrist, aerial engineer at Lafayette, La.; Mrs. Charles F. Secrist and Larry of Huron, S. D.; an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Schwab of Springville; another aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Secrist of Santa Fe, N. M., and his fiancée, Kathleen Hampton of Whittier.

Pallbearers were his high school classmates, Marion Armstrong, Kenneth Butler, James Wild, Wayne Larson and Dale Armstrong.

The American Legion post of Marion was the military escort. Lt. L. F. Sievers of Ft. Sumner, N. M., was the escort from the air force base at Ft. Sumner.

RUMMAGE SALE
AT CIRCLE SHOP

LIONS HEARD TWO SPEAKERS MONDAY

Capt. Charles A. J. S/Sgt. LaVerne Fulwider, guests of the Lions club Monday. Capt. Jones, the son of R. A. Russell, has been in the South Pacific. Sgt. son of Mr. and Mrs. Fowler, recently returned from Africa where he is credited with missions as a gunner on the

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'I SEE BY THE EYE

—Guests of Mrs. F. C. are Mrs. Arthur C. Allen, Chicago and Dr. Hodson of Linden, Neb.

—Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ison, Wayne, were dinner Monday evening in the F. Kins home.

—Miss Marian Kimball, Rapid Rapids spent the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hankins.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lester and Laura and Josephine Patterson returned Sunday from Palisade, Minn., after spending the week with Mr. Ankney's Mrs. W. B. Shoovemaker.

—Mrs. Vernon Vagts of City visited over the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steele.

—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith, the former's brother, Mrs. Smith of Center Junction will be in Shenandoah. They will be Sunday with Jack Smith in

BOB'S GROCERY

BOB WENSORRA, Proprietor

YACHT CLUB BAKING MOLASSES, 4 1/4 pounds	29c
RANCH HOUSE PANCAKE FLOUR, large size	25c
SALAD BOWL SANDWICH SPREAD	14c
KELLOGG'S CORN FLAKES, large size	14c
FLOUR, Golden Prairie, Guaranteed, 49 pounds	\$2.09
FLOUR, Quaker, Guaranteed, 50 pounds	\$2.39
SALAD DRESSING, full quart	39c
VIGOR DOG FOOD, 6 boxes	25c
CORNFLOUR, 50 pounds	15c
MACARONI, Cook Best, 2 pounds	15c
PROTEX SOAP, large bar	5c

the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

A. EARL MCNEILL,
PAUL KUHLMANN,
CHARLES S. VAN EATON,
Committee.

Unanimously adopted,

FREDERICK O. ELLISON

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Frederick O. Ellison, begs leave to submit the following memorial: .

Frederick O. Ellison came of sturdy Irish ancestry and was born July 4, 1853, in New York City, where he received his early education. He passed away at his home at Anamosa, Iowa, on Saturday evening, October 7, 1944. At the age of seventeen he came with his parents to Iowa, to take charge of a farm in Warren county. He studied at Simpson College and entered the law office of Todhunter & Williamson at Indianola and there pursued his legal studies until he was admitted to the bar in 1874, after which he practiced his profession at Clinton and Wyoming, Iowa. In 1889 he moved to Anamosa, where he was first associated with Ezra Keeler and was senior member of the firm of Ellison, Ercanbrach & Lawrence and later of Ellison & Gorman, which continued until his elevation to the bench in 1906.

During his long career of public service, he was mayor of Wyoming, Iowa, councilman and mayor of Anamosa and county attorney of Jones county. He was state representative from 1894 to 1896 and state senator from 1896 to 1900. During his term in the senate, he spent three winters, with other legislators, in framing the 1897 Iowa code. Beginning his tenure on the bench in the old court house in Marion, Iowa, he later was the first judge to sit in the new Jones county court house. His period of service in the Eighteenth Judicial District was one of the longest among Iowa jurists. He was an able jurist and many of his decisions were quoted and had far reaching effect, including the famous Council Bluffs water case and his decision for the lowering of gas rates in Cedar Rapids. He retired from the bench in 1938 after serving the district as judge for thirty-two years.

He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, serving on the finance committee and as one of the trustees.

In 1875 he was united in marriage to Anna Elida McCutcheon at Indianola, who preceded him in death on December 8, 1927. In 1930 he was united in marriage to Dorinda Abbott of London, Canada. He is survived by his wife, who was his constant companion during his failing health, two sons, Rolland R. Ellison, a dairy farmer near Anamosa, and Clifford W. Ellison, a New York City physician, and a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Paul of Anamosa.

He was a member of Anamosa Lodge No. 46, Ancient Free and Ac-

cepted Masons, Mount Sinai Chapter No. 66, Royal Arch Masons and Mount Olivet Commandery No. 36, Knights Templar, all of Anamosa, Iowa. He was also a member of Saint Bartholomew Conclave No. 37, Red Cross of Constantine.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-first General Assembly, That in the passing of the late Honorable Frederick O. Ellison the state has lost an eminent jurist, an outstanding public servant, an active Mason, and a Christian gentleman.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

CLIFFORD M. STRAWMAN,
GEORGE E. FARMER,
C. A. BRYSON,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted,

DANIEL ALANSON EMERY

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the Honorable Daniel A. Emery, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Mr. Daniel Alanson Emery, who represented Wapello county in the Thirty-ninth General Assembly, was prominent in Ottumwa civic, church, political and business circles for more than half a century before his death November 12, 1943, at the age of 85 years.

Mr. Emery was born in Ridgeville Corners, Ohio, June 18, 1858, the son of Josiah Bartlett and Mary Harper Emery. The father died in 1861, while engaged in recruiting an Ohio company for the Union army. The widow and two sons came to Wapello county in 1863, and Mr. Emery lived in the Wapello county and Ottumwa community since.

Mr. Emery attended rural and Ottumwa public schools; in 1881 he was graduated from Highland College in Kansas, and in 1883 he received a law degree from the University of Iowa. He actively practiced law for 10 years in Ottumwa and maintained his membership in the Bar Association. At the time of his death he was the dean of local attorneys.

Mr. Emery was president of the Peoples Building and Savings Association when he died. He helped establish the firm in 1892 and served as its secretary until 1939. He was a past president of the Iowa State Building and Loan League.

He helped organize the Ottumwa Rotary Club more than 25 years ago and served as an early president. He helped organize the company that built the present Ottumwa Hotel, and served as an officer in the association many years. He helped pioneer electric lights for Ottumwa, and helped organize many other activities.

Mr. Emery had a public career that included one term as a member of the State House of Representatives, 1921-22; secretary of the State Board of Education, 1909-13; member of the Ottumwa City Council,

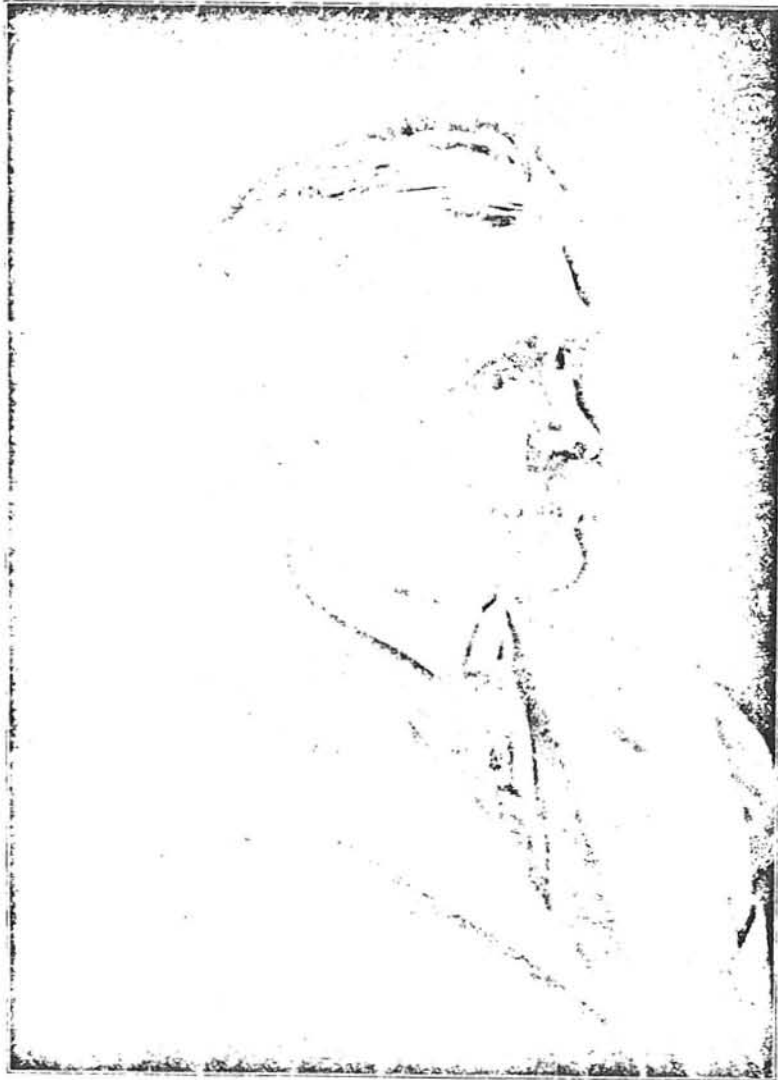
of the great Napoleon, and after the disastrous march of Moscow he was captured and for some time acted as a teacher of the French language to the Russian nobility. Mr. and Mrs. Cash now have one son, Charles J., who was born June 1, 1905. Their parents are members of the Catholic church, and Mr. Cash belongs also to the Modern Woodmen, the Mystic Workers and the Knights of Columbus, while in more specifically professional lines he is connected with the Jones County Bar Association. His political allegiance is given to the democracy, and he is recognized as one of the local leaders of the party. He was chairman of the democratic county central committee and for many years was one of its members, while since attaining his majority he has taken a very active part in whatever has pertained to the welfare and the interest of the party. For four years he served as justice of the peace and was also alderman from the second ward. In 1902 he was elected prosecuting attorney, was defeated in 1904 and was reelected in 1906 and 1908, so that he is now the incumbent in the position. Chosen three times for this office, his reelection is incontrovertible proof of the ability which he has displayed in discharging his duties. He has been unusually successful as a prosecutor and is the only incumbent in that office who has been returned by increased majorities at each succeeding election. As a candidate for office he has commanded the votes of those who know him best, having in every instance received his party vote and nearly a majority of the republican vote in his home town.

FREDERICK OSCAR ELLISON.

Judge Frederick Oscar Ellison was in 1906 called to the bench of the eighteenth judicial district and his course has been distinguished by high legal ability. To wear the ermine worthily it is not enough that one possess legal acumen, is learned in the principles of jurisprudence, familiar with precedents and thoroughly honest. Many men, even when acting uprightly are unable to wholly divest themselves of prejudice and are unconsciously warped in their judgments by their own mental characteristics or educational peculiarities. This unconscious and variable disturbing force enters more or less into the judgments of all men but in the ideal jurist this fact becomes so small as not to be discernible in results and loses its potency as a disturbing force. Judge Ellison in the opinion of the bar is exceptionally free from judicial bias. His varied legal learning and wide experience in the courts, the patient care with which he ascertains all the facts bearing upon every case that comes before him gives his decisions a solidity and exhaustiveness from which the members of the bar can take no exception.

A native of New York city, Judge Ellison was born July 4, 1853, of the marriage of Thomas B. and Ann (Ruxton) Ellison, both of whom were natives of Ireland. They came to America in early life and were married in Connecticut. After living for some time in New York city, they removed to Indianola, Warren county, Iowa, in 1870 and there remained for about ten years, after which they returned to the eastern metropolis. The father died in New York in 1891 at the venerable age of eighty-two years while the mother passed away in 1891 at the age of seventy-two years. In their family were the following named: Levina

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F. O. ELLISON

M., who is the wife of E. M. Pearson and resides in Detroit, Michigan; Anna G., who is the widow of Henry Laird and resides in New York City; Charles R., of New York City, who wedded Mary Brown, now deceased; Margaret and Henrietta, both of whom died in childhood; Thomas W., who wedded Mary Cadugen and died in 1894; Frederick, of this review; George Walter, who died at the age of sixteen years; Florence A., who became the wife of Dr. D. C. Cox, of New York City, and after his death, which occurred in 1889, married J. W. Cassell; Nina D., the wife of John Eakins, a resident of New York City.

Reared in the American metropolis, Judge Ellison continued his studies in the high school of New York and also in the academy there. At the age of sixteen, however, he started out in life on his own account and in 1870 took charge of a farm his father purchased for him. The following winter was passed in St. Louis but in the spring he returned to the farm which was located near Indianola, Iowa. About a year later he began reading law with the firm of Todhunter & Williamson of Indianola and after thorough preliminary study was admitted to the bar in 1873. He then located for practice in Clinton, Iowa, where he remained for a year and a half and in 1875 came to Jones county, soon establishing a large law practice in Wyoming. His ability was recognized in the able manner in which he handled his cases and his clientage increased in volume and importance, connecting him with much of the litigation tried in the courts of the district. In June, 1889, he removed to Anamosa, where he has since resided. In 1887 he had been elected county attorney, which office he filled for six years, his reelection coming as the merited expression of public confidence in his ability and trustworthiness. He is so thoroughly well read in the minutia of the law that he is able to base his arguments upon thorough knowledge and familiarity of precedents and to present a case upon its merits, never failing to recognize the main points at issue and never neglecting to give thorough preparation. His logical grasp of facts and principles of the law applicable to them has been another potent element in his success and the remarkable clearness of expression and adequate and precise diction which enables him to make others understand not only the salient points of his argument but his every fine gradation of meaning may be accounted one of his most conspicuous gifts and accomplishments.

Judge Ellison has long been recognized as one of the leaders of the republican party in his district and in 1894 was elected a member of the Iowa house of representatives, in which he served for one term. He was then chosen state senator and while serving in the upper house as well left the impress of his individuality and far-sighted judgment upon the laws enacted during that period. In 1904 he was chosen presidential elector from his district and in 1906 was elected judge of the district court and is now serving on the bench, his record as a judge being in harmony with his record as a man and lawyer, characterized by the faithful performance of every duty and a masterful grasp of every problem presented for solution.

On the 3d of November, 1875, Judge Ellison was united in marriage to Miss A. E. McCutchen, a daughter of Robert and Rebecca (Adams) McCutchen, who were natives of Pennsylvania and on coming to Iowa in 1868 settled in Indianola, Warren county. There they remained until 1874 when they removed to Lyons, Iowa, where they spent their remaining days, the father passing away in 1881

at the age of seventy-one years while the mother reached the advanced age of eighty-three years. Unto Judge and Mrs. Ellison have been born five children. Dr. Clifford W. Ellison, the eldest, now in New York City, married Miss Maude Spears and they have one son, Frederick Spears. The second member of Judge Ellison's family died in infancy. Frederick Harold passed away in 1895 at the age of eleven years. Roland R. is at home and Mildred is attending the Chicago University.

While Judge Ellison is perhaps best known through the state at large as a strong and able member of the Iowa bar and the capable and impartial judge, he is regarded in Anamosa as a valued citizen because of the active part which he has taken in municipal affairs and in furthering the interests of the community in various ways. He is now president of the library board and is a director in the Anamosa National Bank. While living in Wyoming, he served as mayor of that city and in 1894 was chosen mayor of Anamosa, capably administering municipal interests so that the welfare of the community at large was conserved. He has also been city attorney for one term. Fraternally he is connected with the Odd Fellows and with the Masons, belonging to Anamosa Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M.; Mount Sinai Chapter, R. A. M.; Olivet Commandery, No. 36, K. T.; and the Mystic Shrine at Cedar Rapids. He is likewise a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and his religious faith is indicated in his membership in the Methodist Episcopal church. His life is typical of all that is progressive and loyal in citizenship and honorable in manhood. While on the bench he fully maintains the dignity of the office, his friends find him a social, genial gentleman, with whom association means expansion and elevation.

FRED J. STORM.

Fred J. Storm, a substantial and enterprising agriculturist of Jones county, is the owner of a well improved and productive farm of two hundred and fifteen acres in Madison township. He was born in Jackson county, Iowa, on the 3d of March, 1865, his parents being Fred and Dora (Ehlers) Storm, the former a native of Mecklenburg, Germany, while the latter's birth occurred in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. They came to the United States in young manhood and womanhood and eventually located in Jackson county, Iowa, where they were married. There the father took up the work of farming but was not long permitted to enjoy his new home, being drowned in the flood on the 17th of March, 1865, when his son, Fred J., was but fourteen days old. His widow afterward married Conrad Meyers, to whom she proved a faithful companion and helpmate until the time of her demise in April, 1907.

In his youthful days Fred J. Storm attended the common schools in pursuit of an education but his opportunities in that direction were somewhat limited, as his assistance was needed in the work of the home farm. He lived with his mother and stepfather until twenty-three years of age, when he secured a position with a horse breeder and for five years had charge of thoroughbred stallions. On the expiration of that period he was married and brought his young bride to Wyom-