

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Jay, Austin Senator _____

Represented Moravia County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 9 Mar 1857 near Blakesburg, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place

Arminia Sheker 19 Feb 1881 Hopkins, Missouri

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mason

C. Profession Farmer; banker; real estate and insurance business

4. Church membership Quaker, later Brethren

5. Sessions served 24th, 25th General Assemblies 1892, 1894

6. Public Offices

A. Local Mayor of Moravia; city councilman; treasurer of the public school board

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 25 Jul 1941 Moravia, Iowa; buried Moravia Cemetery, Moravia, Iowa

8. Children George; a daughter died in infancy

9. Names of parents Job Pugh and Rachel C. Jay

JAY, Austin

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Republican

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- After marriage he and his wife moved to a farm northwest of Moravia, Iowa where they lived until moving into Moravia in 1897.
- In Moravia he entered the banking business with H. H. Trussell. Later this business merged with the Bradley banking interests.
- He also was active in the real estate and insurance business.

This and That

by H.K.S.

To all appearances the show company that operated in our vicinity for a couple of weeks has closed a successful season. Proceeds of one or more shows, bolstered with 3c from each actor or stage hand, was used last week to provide the wherewithal for the makin's of ice cream. And when the dividends have been declared, it usually means the project is ended. Again, what a life.

There is mostly praise for the Moravia city officials for the dustless streets that we now have. Visitors in the town this week have complimented us highly on our progressive spirit. Now that we have such fine clean streets, why not make an effort to keep them that way? Some residents have been inclined to throw ashes and rubbish in the streets near their homes and business places. This should not be, and if continued on the surfaced streets that we now have will soon have us again at the task of cleaning grit from our teeth.

he postoffice early this morning. Here to find a letter from our special representative at Camp Claiborne, no less a person than the former "devil", Private Day. Much of it is of a personal nature, but perhaps there will be enough that is not personal to fill the remainder of this column.

It seems Roscoe has been moved up to the duties of orderly, whatever that is (I once knew what an orderly was but they have messed up the army so much that for all I now know an orderly may be next thing to a general). At any rate, he lives with the first sergeant, and I'm telling you that is getting into pretty high class company. One can afford to do some of the flunky work if he can just hob-nob with a first sergeant. Roscoe says his duties there are to look after the sick list chart, do typing, carry the mail from regimental headquarters, and several other things around the tent. " . . . Mustn't forget to mention, too, that I do the sweeping and scrubbing—the sergeant doesn't care for that kind of work." The job also seems to carry with it the ordeal of writing a column of Co. G news for the Ft. Dodge Messenger. Ft. Dodge is the home of m men of Co. G. Well, he can do it if they will force him to it. Writing was about the only thing in the Union office from which Roscoe shied. But why not let Roscoe speak for himself? . . .

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Death Of Austin Jay Is Mourned

The death of Austin Jay, prominent and long time resident of this vicinity, which occurred at his home here at about 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, is mourned by many acquaintances and friends. He had been bedfast for nearly a year, having suffered a stroke in September of last year.

The passing of Mr. Jay removes from the community one who was a friend of the community; one who in many ways had shown he had the welfare of the community at heart. The following obituary is but a brief resume of the life of one whom many people in this and other vicinities had come to know and to love.

Obituary

Austin Jay, son of Job Pugh and Rachel C. Jay, was born on a farm south of Blakesburg, March 9, 1857, and passed to his eternal home July 25, 1941, at the age of 84 years, 4 months and 16 days.



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Source: Iowa Territorial and State Legislators Collection compiled by volunteers and staff at the State Historical Society of Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa. His birth until he reached the age of young manhood.

Foglesongs Move To Hudson, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Foglesong moved Wednesday to their new home at Hudson, Iowa, where Mr. Foglesong will have charge of a barber shop. Mr. Foglesong has previously been working at Hudson.

Manp friends here are sorry to have the Foglesongs leave this vicinity. Coming here ten years ago from Centerville they have made many acquaintances and friends.

Until about a year ago, Mr. Foglesong was associated with M. H. Johnson in the management of the Success Barber and Beauty Supply, mail order concern.

More Moravia Boys In Army

Reports have been received of Moravia young men or former Moravia young men being called for duty with the United States army. Lyle Hough, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hough of near Albia, formerly of this vicinity, has been inducted from Monroe county. From the induction center at Ft. Des Moines he was sent to the CAC replacement training center at Camp Wallace, Texas.

Clifton Boardman, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Boardman of Brompton, has been called in Monroe county and will report for final examination about August 24.

Dr. John Potter of Muscatine, husband of the former Dorothy Reich of Moravia, a reserve officer, has been called for duty. He will be at Camp Carlisle, Pa., for a month and then at Camp Grant, Ill., for awhile.

Goughnour-Pearson

Mr. and Mrs. Ira P. Boyer of Centerville, route 2, announce the marriage of their daughter, Opal June, to H. L. Pearson, Saturday, July 26.

Floyd H. Tarr Dies In Dakota

Bonesteel, S. D.—Floyd Haver Tarr, second son of Ed B. Tarr, was born in Keya Paha county, Nebraska, on Dec. 32, 1892. In the following spring he moved with his parents to a farm south of Bonesteel, where he lived until the time of his death. He died in a hospital in Mitchell, S. Dak., on July 14, after an operation for a ruptured ulcer of the stomach.

He was enlisted on October 6, 1917, and served in a machine gun company of the 117th infantry. He was discharged April 10, 1919, eleven months of which he served

Aluminum Here This

The aluminum drive will be conducted Thursday week, according to an announcement of Mayor D. K. Ore, chairman of the local committee.

The town truck will gather up aluminum cans Monday day. Those having all cans will donate for the defense of the country are urged to bring them to the street before noon.

J. A. Hoover, chairman of the county committee, was in Moravia Monday afternoon and the county pick-up will be Friday, so it is imperative that the campaign be complete by that day.

The local campaign was postponed from last week because the street surfacing project was in progress. It is expected that Moravia will not be found in this nationwide mobilization for defense.

Aged or out-moded utensils and equipment for home use is needed at the United States for manufacture of airplane defense equipment. The collection is declared urgent, and it should do the best that the emergency.

Farmers Respond People living on the rural routes responded in to the call for the pick-up routes. Carriers Bishop and others brought in many aluminum cans during the week.

HIATT SERVICE STATION OF DERBY PI

In an advertisement in the Union the Hiatt highway No. 60, and now handling the De Gasoline, kerosene, oils and Grease. They announce both tank wagon service.

New tanks have been placed near the Hiatt garage for the handling of bulk products. A new service has also been arranged for new equipment.

The Derby gas station is operated by M. Wilbert Hiatt. Mr. H. some time conducted a repair service in that town and will continue with it.

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... not a new lieutenant last week and he is something different from what we have been having. I've seen pictures about the sergeants who bawled out everyone and had a gruff voice. Our Lt. Marchi is just back from Ft. Benning, Ga., where they 'make or break' one, and I guess he's been made (plenty tough). His bark is 'plenty loud and comes pretty often, but a good thing about him is that he will compliment you just as quickly for doing the right thing as he'll give you the dickens for doing wrong. He is short and we can see his short legs stepping off a rapid pace nearly all the time. He covers more ground and gets more done than anyone in the regiment. Before he left Ft. Dodge he was a soap salesman and he has carried his salesmanship and enthusiasm with him for he can talk the shirt off most any higher ranking officer in the division. On maneuvers, when we are tired of walking and carrying packs, we can see him on the run from the rear of the column to the front. He must be made of steel.

... "About our training. We have been in what is called the second phase of our training. Instead of having the close and extended drill we have been having several short maneuvers. On some of them we go out about midnight and come in about supper time the following night. The last time we left about midnight and rode for about 4 1/2 hours before stopping. Several in our truck laid down in the wet grass for we were to be held in reserve in that particular problem. Since the grass was wet I decided to lay in the bottom of the truck. Had it not been for my body already being shaped to fit the uneven contour of the earth I would have put in a good night's rest. But the steel floor of the truck slowly flattened me out until I was flat as a pancake, and sleep was impossible.

... "The maneuver was a brigade problem and we (the 133rd and 168th) were together fighting another brigade. The enemy brigade had 75 or 80 trucks stuck in the mud and it looked doubtful that they would be out for a day or so. It was decided to call off the whole thing and we were back in camp at 9 the next morning.

... "The summer temperature and the association with a few southern boys is getting the best of me. I'm beginning to see why these southern people set in the shade all day long, and let the cotton and the cane grow without being bothered. Seems that we never see



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Feb. 19, 1881, he was married to Arminia Sheeks at Hopkins, Mo. To this union one son, George, and one daughter, who died in infancy, were born.

After his marriage he and his wife moved to a farm northwest of Moravia where they resided until moving into Moravia in 1897. Here he entered the banking business with W. H. Trussell. This business after some years was merged with the Bradley banking interests. He was also active for a number of years in the real estate and insurance business.

Mr. Jay served two terms as representative of Monroe county in the state legislature, being elected in 1892 and again in 1894. At home he was active in public interests, serving as mayor, city councilman, treasurer of the public school, and for many years was teacher of the Bible Class of the United Brethren Sunday School.

He was a member of the local Masonic Lodge, receiving his 50-year certificate September 15, 1938. He was also a member of the Royal Arch Masons of Albia and the Knight Templars of Centerville.

Mr. Jay was of Quaker parentage and by virtue of inheritance was a member of that church. After locating on the farm northwest of Moravia he united with the Salem United Brethren church in 1891.

He leaves his wife; one brother, Charles Jay of Los Angeles, Calif.; his son, George Jay of Douglas, Arizona; three grandsons, Austin Jay, Jr., Thomas and George, Jr., all of Arizona; four great grandchildren, other relatives and many friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted from the Moravia United Brethren church at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, July 28, Rev. F. C. Scott of Toledo, Iowa, officiating, assisted by Rev. T. J. Zike. The Masonic ritualistic service was given at the grave. Music was furnished by a male quartet composed of Zell Callen, Ben Jones, Harold Mason

and anyone working in the fields. After I get out of the army I'm sure I'll have to be coaxed to work. In fact I'm getting so lazy I feel that I must quit for taps have just sounded and I don't want to work over time."

Ed. Note—The last paragraph sounds as though Roscoe was becoming thoroughly accustomed to army life and is doing some good soldiering.

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He was an active member of Roy Garringer Post No. 36 of Bonesteel since its organization and was a Past Commander of the Post. He was township clerk of Pleasant Valley township for many years and also served on the school board of district No. 15.

Surviving him, besides his father, are two brothers, Horace, of Dallas, S. D., and Harry of Bonesteel; five sisters, Mrs. Frank Vosacek of Pierre, S. D., Mrs. Helen Nebola of Colome, S. D., Mrs. George Fauser and Miss Mayme Tarr of Bonesteel, and Mrs. George Kahlust of Butte, Mont.; seventeen nieces and nephews, besides other relatives and a host of friends. His mother preceded him in death on Dec. 8, 1940, and his sister, Mrs. Lois Schultz, in 1920.

Funeral services were held in the auditorium of the city hall on Wednesday afternoon, and he was buried with military honors in the Rosebud cemetery.

Church Of Christ Menu For Wednesday, Aug. 6

- Fried Chicken and Gravy
- Mashed Potatoes
- Corn on Cob Sliced Tomatoes
- Cabbage Slaw
- Bread Butter Jelly
- Pie
- Ice Tea or Coffee

Family Reunions

PENCE
The annual Pence reunion will be held at the Centerville City Park, Aug. 3, 1941.
Hattie Stilwell, president

and Forrest Main with Mrs. Chas. Coffin accompanying at the piano. Burial was in the Moravia cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation of the friends who have been so kind to us with acts of sympathy and assistance during the illness and death of our loved one, and for the beautiful floral tributes. Especially do we appreciate the courtesies and service of the Masonic lodge and other Orders.
Mrs. Austin Jay
Mr. and Mrs. George Jay
and family

Entertainment To Be Capital Feature Of County Fair

Entertainment is the capital feature of the county fair, which opens at noon Monday, August 6, at the new wooden park district. The entertainment committee has contracted for several features. They have "Future Stars of America" as the big event for August 8. This show is headed by Robert Blaylock, of Centerville, who has selected the nation's best young talent at to be the nucleus of a new theatrical attraction. Blaylock has selected Gus Edwards who such stars as W. V. Bierne, Eddie Cantor

On the night of August 10 will be a big display which is known as "I'll Fight Fire". This display is one of the best in the field. Beautiful set large bombs that burst in the air throwing off garlands of lights are all a part of the old favorite, "Niagara Fire".

Bauman, the Belie man will present some work at the fair. He will show the very difficult "Hanging Spikes" trick in which a bed of sharp spikes is presented his human talent.

The Skating Sailors is said to be unique sailors skate on a tightrope. It is the smallest in the fair. Plenty of thrills and comedy too is their specialty.

Mr. Blaylock will present his quiz show the night of August 11. This is said to be a quiz show of the big range. The prizes are promised to be loaded for everybody. Every audience will have a share in the prizes. The merchant will be furnishing the entertainment portion of the fair. The prizes are promised to be excellent.

Today the fair committee has announced the correction of an error in the Fair book. It is announced that a charge will be made for children over 10 years of age. However, all children under 10 years of age will be admitted free and all 4-H members admitted free. There will be no admission charge of all those over 12 years of age who are not club members.

Masonic Notice

Regular meeting of the Centerville Masonic Lodge No. 252, A. F. & M. S. on Monday evening, August 6, 1941. Members urged to attend.
O. A. Burton