

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____ **Senator** Carry
John W. - Represented Van Buren and Davis Counties Iowa

1. Birthday and place 14 Nov 1836 Franklin County, Ohio

2. Marriage (s) date place

Henrietta Moore 20 Dec 1860

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer, merchant in dry goods and general
merchandise, teacher

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 20th, 21st General Assembly 1884, 1886

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 31 Dec 1891 Milton, Iowa; buried Sunnyside Cemetery, Milton, Iowa

8. Children _____

9. Names of parents _____

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Democrat

- He moved with his parents to Madison County, Illinois in 1844. Here his father died in Oct 1845, and as the mother returned the family to Ohio in spring 1853.
- He moved to Van Buren County, Iowa locating in Jackson Township where he farmed in summer and taught school in the winters.
- In July 1860 he began his mercantile business in Milton, Iowa. He worked with George Smith and Robert Russell. He was joined by his father-in-law, Joseph Moore.

An exchange says: If a doctor makes a mistake he buries it; if a merchant makes a mistake, he never tells it; if a lawyer makes a mistake he crawls out of it: but if an editor makes a mistake he puts it upon a large sheet of paper for the world to look at.

J. H. DeFord, of Des Moines township, this year raised 268 bushels and 30 pounds of corn on three acres of ground. Is there another farmer in the county that can make as good a showing? The largest yield reported in the State is from Polk county and was 346 bushels and 65 pounds.

The new year came in rather rough. It began raining Thursday evening and kept it up all night with considerable thunder and lightning. Friday the rain turned to snow and sleet, and left the ground covered with its mantle of white. The frost was all out and the prospect is the roads will again become impassible.

We are in receipt of the handsome new catalogue of the Iowa seed Company of Des Moines and consider it by far the largest and best of any ever issued by an Iowa seed firm. It is chuck full of good things for the garden and farm illustrated with more than 300 engravings. They offer to mail a copy free to all readers of this paper.

Fairfield is in great luck. Through the influence of Senator James F. Wilson, Andrew Carnegie has donated \$30,000 for the erection of a public library building in that city. Senator Wilson has donated a fine lot and the building will be erected in the early spring.

The board will not allow the bill for publishing the delinquent tax list at its session this week. That was done during vacation by one member of the board, when the law says it shall be done at a meeting of the board. But Rowley appears to have a powerful grip on two members of the board. We shall give a full expose of this act, together with some others, as soon as we can get the necessary information.

Geo. Nichols, of Lyons, Kas., is visiting parents near Libertyville, and gave us a call last week. He presented us with a specimen of the salt taken from the mine at that place. It appears of extra strength and quality. He says it is being taken out in unlimited quantities, and sells by the wagon load at fifteen cents per hundred pounds.

It is with sincere sorrow that we learn of the death of W. A. Gebhardt at his home in Ellsworth, Kas., Dec. 23d. Al. was a well known resident of this county prior to his removal to Kansas. For several years he was deputy clerk, and also clerk of the court. He was a whole-souled generous fellow that counted as friends all of his acquaintances. His good qualities were numerous, his faults few.

Last Thursday evening while Supt. Walker waiting at the depot, two discharged employes of the mill approached and asked for a reason for their discharge. He refused to give any and they proceeded to knock him down, blacking his eyes and bruising his face. He took the train and proceeded home to his family.—Bonaparte Record.

MILTON, Ia. Jan. 2.—At one minute before twelve o'clock midnight, December 31, 1891, the spirit of Hon. John W. Carr passed from earth forever. It was fitting that a career of so great and wide influence in Southern Iowa should wear out with the old year. Mr. Carr was state senator from Van Buren and Davis counties six years ago, and was a prominent member on the committee on agriculture. Since his term has expired he has been on the retired list. For several years he has been in poor health, that dread disease consumption carrying him to the grave step by step. He has held several public positions, and had he aspired to political preferment, he could have risen to higher steps. He has been Milton's favorite son and has been a great benefactor for our town. He is mourned by a large circle of friends all over Iowa, and his funeral will no doubt be the largest ever known in the city or county. It will take place at his late residence next Sunday at one o'clock.

farm, one mile west of town, died Tuesday morning of last week, and was buried at Winchester Thursday. He had been sick for about two weeks but was confined to the bed about a week. For some time his wife had been ill, and finally her mind gave way. He washed and worked with her even after she should have been in bed. She was taken to the asylum week before last, and soon afterward he was taken to his bed, rapidly grew worse until at last relieved him of his suffering. He leaves four children, the youngest a babe, to the tender mercies of the people. His disease was pneumonia.

He was run in this county, near Utica, and was aged about 38 years. He leaves three brothers and two sisters—both the others residing in this county. Two others W. J. and Frank live near Dora, Kas., and Lafayette to at Fort Mison.

Miltonald: Last Monday morning a telegram was received here bringing the startling news that Ed. King had committed suicide. J. K. Waller took the evening train for St. Louis where he met the remains and returned with them Wednesday morning. We copy from the Daily American of Nashville Tennessee:

Paris, Tenn., Dec. 27.—Special—This morning about 7 o'clock Ed. H. King committed suicide in bed at his boarding house shooting himself in the temple with a pistol. His face was powdered but very little, though the bullet made a frightful hole in his head and scattered his brains all about the bedclothing. Mr. King was a young man and was mail agent on the Paducah Tennessee & Alabama railroad. His home is in Milton, Iowa. He had been in Paris since March last and has made many friends. No cause is known for the rash act.

Waller says that Ed. went to bed in his boarding house Saturday night as usual. Sunday morning his roommate arose for breakfast, and King not getting up he asked him if he was going down to breakfast. He said that he was not. A few minutes afterward while at breakfast the report of the revolver was heard. Waller revealed the above facts.



Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name: **John W Carr**
 Census Date: 1885
 Residence County: Van Buren
 Residence State: Iowa
 Locality: Milton
 Birth Location: Ohio
 Family Number: 132
 Marital Status: Married
 Gender: Male
 Birth Year: abt 1837
 Line: 8
 Roll: IA1885_269

Neighbors:

Household Members:	Name	Age
	John W Carr	48
	Heneretta Carr	44
	Lydia Worley	37

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