

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Keller
Spencer H. - Represented Decatur, Taylor and Ringgold Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 29. Sept 1828 Noble County, Ohio

2. Marriage (s) date place
Rachel Morris 4 Sept 1851

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Admitted to the bar in 1860

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Lawyer; farmer; lumber business

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 12th, 13th General Assemblies 1868, 1870

6. Public Offices 18th, 19th General Assemblies 1880, 1882

A. Local Ringgold County Judge; Board of supervisors for 3 years; Justice of the Peace 1883-1903; Ringgold County Treasurer;

B. State

C. National

7. Death 3 April 1923 Omaha, Nebraska; buried Rose Hill Cemetery, Mount Airy, Iowa

8. Children S. C. Parson (Mrs. Jay Dunning); Clara Belle (Mrs. H. H. Young); Florence Jewel (Mrs. Wright)

9. Names of parents

10. Education _____

_____11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

Republican

- His wife, Rachel, died 4 Sept 1916 at age 83.
- at age 22 he came to Iowa settling on a farm in Ringgold County, Iowa in 1855 near Eugene, Iowa
- Three years later he moved to Mount Ayr, Iowa
- He studied law in Mount Ayr and began his practice there.
- Military service - Civil War - Co. G, 29th Iowa Infantry.
- After the war he returned home and for five years was associated with H. T. Laughlin in practicing law.
- He then returned to the farm for 3 years, then returned to Mount Ayr and engaged in the lumber trade until 1879.
- In 1882 he returned to practicing law
- He lived in Ringgold County for 60 years.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
-			Obituary - <u>The Des Moines Capital</u> , Des Moines, Iowa Wed. Apr. 4, 1923, p. 1, col. 4
-			Obituary - <u>The Mount Ayr Record News</u> , Mount Ayr, Iowa, Wed. Apr. 4, 1923, p. 1, col. 5 and Wed. Apr. 11, 1923 p. 1, col. 2

attorney, the witness stood before the jury box and, as each record was handed to him, pointed out on the ledger sheets the names of L. F. Rierman, Herbert Winterbottom, "Ben Roger" and "Rodgers" and "Geo. Simmons," the latter four names variations of those of Miller's alleged "brain children."

The witness identified the time sheets, upon which the pay rolls were predicated, as being in Miller's handwriting.

The work of identification, made more slow and tedious by the steady fire of objections of the defense, is expected to last through today and Thursday. Hardly a single question as yet asked Mr. Munn by County Attorney Seeburger has not failed to draw objections from Attorney George S. Wilson for the defense.

At one time, when questions, objections and motions to strike came all too close together a stormy scene was narrowly averted. Mr. Seeburger turned from his questioning to suggest to the defense that the parties agree at the start all question were objected to. The suggestion was met by Attorney C. C. Putnam, of the defense, with the remark that, "The county attorney will please allow Mr. Wilson and myself to conduct the defense!" Judge Bonner intervened.

"MYTHICAL NAMES."

Only one defense objection, that against the identification by Mr. Munn of the name of H. Winterbottom on one of the time sheets on the grounds that the sheet had not been accepted as an exhibit, was sustained by the court. This obstruction was soon removed when Mr. Seeburger entered the sheet as an exhibit and it was accepted by the court.

GOVERNOR VETOES RAIL RATE BILL

Measure Viewed As Advantage to Some Shippers

Governor Kendall at noon today transmitted to the senate his veto message of the long and short haul bill.

The bill was sponsored by the Iowa Traffic League composed of rate experts representing commercial clubs of Iowa's larger

and ecclesiastical purposes, but on the contrary has for its object the enrichment of Benjamin Purnell and his elevation to the rank of temporal king and the establishment within the state of a kingdom, whose king and his subjects are, or eventually shall be, free and independent of the civil power of the state."

PIONEER IOWA JUDGE IS DEAD

Judge I. W. Keller, Age 94, Dies In Omaha.

Judge Isaac W. Keller, one of Iowa's pioneer lawyers, died Tuesday at the home of his daughter, in Omaha, at the age of 94.

Judge Keller was born in Noble county, Ohio, on Sept. 29, 1828. He was married to Rachel Morris on Sept. 4, 1851, who died Sept. 4, 1916, at the age 83.

Judge Keller is survived by one son, S. C. Keller, of Des Moines, and three daughters, Paroda Dunning, of Omaha; Clara Belle Young, of Omaha, and Florence Jane Wright, of Des Moines.

During Judge Keller's twenty-second year he came to Iowa and settled on a farm in Ringgold county. Three years later he moved to Mt. Ayr, and after studying law, was admitted to the bar in 1860.

Judge Keller held numerous political offices, being state senator for four different terms, serving in the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Eighteenth and Nineteenth General Assemblies. He was county judge of Ringgold county, a member of the Ringgold board of supervisors for three years, and from 1883 to 1903, a period of thirty years, was justice of the peace.

Funeral services will be held Friday at Methodist church, Mt. Ayr. Burial will be in Rose Hill cemetery.

NEGRO HELD AS DOPE PEDDLER SUSPECT

Alleged by detectives to have been selling cocaine to two men, Harry Bloomfield, a Negro, was arrested today by Detectives Howard and Pettit.

Bloomfield had thirty capsules of cocaine on him, and a complete dope outfit, police said. Howard

at Atlanta.

ATLANTA, GA., April 4.—By The Associated Press.—Sheriff J. I. Lowry of Fulton county with a force of deputies early today took charge of the imperial palace, headquarters of the Knights of Ku Klux Klan, under an order signed by Judge Thomas, dispossessing W. J. Simmons, imperial emperor, who took charge of the headquarters and the klan yesterday under a temporary injunction secured by him against Imperial Wizard H. W. Evans.

The order directed Emperor Simmons and the other plaintiffs in the action to appear for a hearing before him this afternoon to show cause why the temporary injunction against Imperial Wizard Evans and the other officials of the klan should not be dismissed.

Sheriff Lowry at once proceeded to the palace on Peachtree road and placed Deputy Sheriff Milan in charge, all of the Simmons faction leaving after having taken charge yesterday when they secured a temporary injunction against Imperial Wizard Evans following the break when the emperor undertook to organize a woman's order on the lines of the Ku Klux Klan.

Park Golf Links To Open April 15

Badges to Be Required From That Date On.

The Waveland and Grand View municipal golf links will be officially thrown open to the public Sunday, April 15. Golfers will be required to pay from that day on.

Assistant Park Head Paul Porter stated that the \$5 season fee and the 25-cent daily charge will be in effect, and that badges and tags will be on sale at the custodian's house at Waveland, and at the club house at Grand View. Porter emphasized that the season badges are not interchangeable between the two golf courses or between persons.

LUMBER RATES TO DES MOINES PROTESTED

The present transportation rates on all kinds of lumber from the Pacific coast and Rocky Mountain states to Des Moines

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EMINAL DEBATE

JUDGE I. W. KELLER CALLED BY DEATH

Passed Away Yesterday in Omaha.
Funeral Will be Held Friday
Afternoon at M. E. Church.

A message was received yesterday evening by Hon. F. E. Sheldon announcing the death of Judge I. W. Keller, who passed away shortly after noon yesterday at the home of his daughter in Omaha. The body will be brought to Mount Ayr and the funeral will be held Friday afternoon at two o'clock from the Methodist church, conducted by Rev. W. B. Thompson, assisted by Rev. Jay Kirkendall.

Announcement of the death of Judge Keller did not come as a surprise, for he had been in feeble health for several years and for for many months had been practically helpless. He was born in Noble county, Ohio, September 29, 1828, and was therefore aged ninety-one years, six months and four days. His death marks the passing of another pioneer settler of Ringgold county and a man who during his long residence of more than sixty years in the county exercised a powerful influence for good. He came to the county in 1855 and located near old Eugene, where he followed farming for three years and then moved to Mount Ayr and begun reading law. He was admitted to the bar in 1860 and began the practice of his profession in Mount Ayr. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G, Twenty-ninth Iowa Infantry and was sent south on the Mississippi river. He was commissioned first sergeant and in June, 1864, was promoted to second lieutenant of his company, in which rank he served until May, 1865, when he was discharged on account of disability. After receiving his discharge he returned home and for five years was associated with W. T. Laughlin in the practice of law. He then returned to the farm, where he remained three years, and then returned to Mount Ayr and engaged in the lumber trade, which he followed until 1879. In 1882 he resumed the practice of law, which he followed successfully for many years. Judge Keller served the

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MOUNT AYR WINS SEMI-FINAL DEBATE

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he debate team of the Mount
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e members of the local team—
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county in several different offices
and always with fidelity. In 1859
he was appointed treasurer to com-
plete an unexpired term and in the
fall of the same year was elected
county judge, was re-elected to the
same office in 1861 and resigned in
1862 to enter the army. In 1865
he was again elected county judge
for a two-year term and in 1867
was nominated for county judge and
also for state senator, but declined
the former nomination and was elect-
ed to the state senate, in which po-
sition he served with distinction. In
1872 he was elected member of the
board of supervisors and served one
term of three years. In 1879 he was
re-elected state senator and after
completing his term of service re-
sumed the practice of law. Judge
Keller also filled a number of city
and township offices.

Judge Keller was a man of sterl-
ing honesty, a true patriot and
throughout his long and useful life
commanded the admiration and re-
spect of his fellow men.

Methodist Notes.

Prayer meeting on Thursday
evening at 7:30. Bring some one
with you and come to prayer meet-
ing. Teachers meeting at 8:30 p. m.
O. Stephens presided with
us the Simpson College Girls' Glee
Club. We all remember with plea-

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Mothers' Congress

The Mothers' Congress
Tuesday, March 27th. Be-
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in and around Kellerton, attending the public schools there and graduated May 18th, 1917. She became a Christian when a few years of age and as she grew into womanhood she grew in the grace and her last days were the happiest days for her as she learned to know her Savior better.

She was united in marriage to Charles Raymond Teale, of Mount Ayr, May 19th, 1917. To this union were born one son, Charles William, who is left at a tender age to cherish the memory of a mother's love and devotion.

She was blessed with an abundance of talent and by her thoughtful and happy disposition won many friends who are left to mourn her and to carry on the work which she loved so well.

She never forgot them in the hours of sickness and was never happier than when planning some way to make life easier for others. She was a firm believer in the principle of giving and during her last illness she carefully put aside the tenth of what she earned from her work, her gift being for the orphans at Mount Ayr. Her greatest desire was that all her friends might learn to know the Christ as she knew and never lost an opportunity to express her faith in Him.

Her last illness dates from March 1921, since which time she has been constantly confined to her bed. Her mother has cared for her continually since August 1st, 1921, giving only the care that a mother's hands can give.

She leaves a son, Charles William, and, mother, father, grandfather, Mrs. Etta Hale, grandmother and grandfather, Mr. and Mrs. William Dunn, of Springer, N. M., aunt, Mrs. Walter Duckett, of Arapahoe, Colo., two uncles, Sylvester and John, of Mount Ayr, and John, of Cornia, as well as hosts of friends to mourn her loss and cherish her memory.

Funeral services were held at the Barton Church of Christ, and interment in the Maple Row cemetery.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thus express our thanks to the many friends for their kindness during the illness and death of our daughter and wife.

MR. AND MRS. W. C. SMITH,
RAYMOND TEALE.

Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:30. W. F. M. S. Thank Offering will be taken at 11:00 a. m.

The League service at 7:00 p. m. and the preaching service at 8:00 p. m.

There will be an official board meeting at 8:00 p. m. on Monday evening.

All members of the board please be present if possible.

Funeral of Judge I. W. Keller.

The body of Judge I. W. Keller, whose death at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. W. Young, in Omaha, Neb., was mentioned in last week's issue of the Record-News, was brought to Mount Ayr Thursday evening, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Day Dunning and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Young, and the funeral was held Friday afternoon at two o'clock from the Methodist church, being conducted by Dr. D. W. Thompson, assisted by Rev. Jay Kirkendall. The funeral was largely attended by older residents of the county who came to pay their last tribute of respect to one whose influence for good was felt throughout the county during his long residence of more than sixty years in the county. The funeral address was made by Doctor Thompson, who served as pastor of the local church for a number of years. Tribute was paid to the sterling qualities of the deceased, who was ever known as a loyal and patriotic citizen; a good man; upright in his dealings, faithful in the discharge of every obligation; constant in attendance and loyal in devotion to the church.

Relatives who attended from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Day Dunning and Mr. and Mrs. Young of Omaha, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Dunning of Ottumwa, Curt Keller and son Harold, of Des Moines, Mr. and Mrs. Will M. Wright of Des Moines, J. E. Doze and son Lynn of Humeson, Mrs. Adair of Diagonal, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. Talley and daughter, Miss Jessie, of Diagonal, Mrs. Curt Willey of Delphos and two nephews of Allerton.

Card of Thanks.

To the friends of Judge Keller and family. We want to thank you for all the many courtesies and deeds of kindness extended to us on the occasion of the funeral of our father and grandfather.

MR. AND MRS. DAY DUNNING.

Tingley, April 9.—Free who was called here by his father, departed for in Aurora, Ill., this morning. Otis Cass, of Diagonal town Saturday on business. As an equalization board council made no changes in assessment.

Rev. P. D. Cline was visitor Friday.

Miss Fae Gardner, of Tingley, Monday for a few days to visit relatives and friends.

Clarence Blauer is quit from rheumatism.

J. E. Overholtzer went today to Grand River, on account of sickness of Mrs. Cline's mother.

C. W. Baker was a visitor over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Creston visitors last week there that Mr. Alien met before a meeting of surveyors which was found to be very nicely. It was broken up two weeks ago.

John Boyd and Cecil Tarkio visitors over Sunday.

W. C. Smith went Monday to Shenandoah on a turning Tuesday.

John and Don Frasier Clearfield Wednesday on business.

George Archibold was in Clearfield last week painting.

Mrs. Jennie Foster, of Clearfield, who was here Wednesday week in the interest of the T. U., left Thursday for Clearfield to assist the W. C. T. U. at Clearfield.

A correction in my last week. It read the school hired a janitor at five dollars more per month year.

Mrs. C. A. Moore and family Monday were Diagonal visitors.

Mrs. G. E. Kester and family Florence were Diagonal visitors Friday.

Harley Wilhelm accompanied his friend, Miss Orpha I. Kester, to Drake University for Easter vacation with her Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wilhelm.

Miss Hazel Archibold was in Clearfield for a day.

L. M. Gardner