

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Parkinson, Benson T. Senator _____

Represented Washington County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 3 Mar 1831 near Cammons, Virginia (now
Marshall County, West Virginia)

2. Marriage (s) date place

(1) Mary Katherine Derry 14 Oct 1862 Jacksonville Grant County
West Virginia

(2) Mrs. Nina C. Derry 25 Apr 1882 Albany, New York

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Lumber dealer; physician; banker

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 17th General Assembly 1878

6. Public Offices

A. Local Washington, Iowa city councilman

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 7 Feb 1899 Palo Alto, California. Buried Elm Grove Cemetery, Washington, Iowa

8. Children By 1st wife - Fred, Elizabeth (died Apr 1891). Sumner died Jan 1892;

John (died 1883); John Francis; Sammie; George; Charles R.; by 2nd wife -
Lieut. Mary; Jack

9. Names of parents John and Elizabeth (Savers) Parkinson

10. Education Educated in the schools of Marshall County, West Virginia

11. Degrees Educated as a physician at Kyrlebury College, Cleveland, Ohio

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He was educated as a physician. When the Civil War began he served in the medical field.
- Military service - Civil War - 3rd West Virginia Cavalry, attaining rank of assistant surgeon; later he became surgeon in chief of the 17th West Virginia Infantry until the close of the war.
- After the war was over he practiced medicine in his area of West Virginia when he decided to move to Ainsworth, Iowa in Washington County, Iowa.
- At Ainsworth in 1870 he established a lumber business.
- His first wife, Catherine, died 17 May 1880/1882
- The family moved to Washington, Iowa where he continued his lumber business.
- In 1893 the family moved to Palo Alto, California where he again engaged in the lumber business. He also became president of a bank in Palo Alto.
- His second wife, Nina, died circa 1938.

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Death of Dr. B. Parkinson.
"As we go to press the sad news comes of the death of Dr. B. Parkinson who passed away at 3:15 o'clock this afternoon. Dr. Parkinson has been in failing health for two years past and his death had been expected at any time. Yesterday he was, about the street as usual, but early this morning he was taken suddenly worse."
"Dr. Parkinson has been one of the prominent citizens of Palo Alto since the early days of the town. He has been a member of the Town Trustees and president of the Bank of Palo Alto since its organization. He came here from Washington, Iowa, where he had filled many positions of trust and honor. He was a generous, public spirited citizen, honorable in every thought and deed. He was sixty-three years old and a native of West Virginia."
"His death comes as a sad blow to his wife and children. Six children reside in Palo Alto. The date of the funeral has not yet been set, but it is known that the interment will be at his old home in Iowa. The remains will be accompanied east by Mrs. B. Parkinson and G. S. Parkinson."—Palo Alto (Cal.) Times, February 7, 1899.
It was no surprise to his friends here to learn of his death, although it was a great shock. He has been going down ever since his apoplectic stroke, two years ago. He has been gradually going down although he kept on his feet and was able to attend to his affairs in a measure. He visited here last summer a year ago and was better than he had been, although his friends were aware that he was far from well. His death really comes as a relief, for he has not enjoyed life since his affliction.
Dr. Benoni Parkinson was born near Cameron, Virginia, (now West Va.), March 3, 1836. He was educated as a physician and when the war broke out he enlisted as a private, but soon got a position as assistant surgeon in the 3rd West Virginia cavalry. Later he became surgeon in chief of the 17th West Va. infantry and served, if we mistake not, to the close of the war. After the war he continued in the practice until 1870, when he located at Alnsworth, in the lumber business. He made lots of money there, although he was always liberal in his dealings and contributed plentifully to all public enterprises. Throughout all his life he was noted for his public spirit and progressiveness. There was no penurious drop of blood in his veins.
In 1883, he was married to Miss Catherine Gray. They had seven children. Sarah Elizabeth died in April 1891, Summer died the following January. Fred died when a small boy in 1883. The mother died in 1880. The same year they moved to Washington where he continued in the lumber business. In 1888 Dr. Parkinson was married to his surviving wife in Albany, N. Y. There are three children, Lieuba, Mary and Frank. In 1893 they moved to California and have done well there. All the boys, John, George and Charley are in business there. Mrs. L. H. Wallace, the only daughter, resides here.
Of Dr. Parkinson's father's family there survive him Mary Parkinson and Mrs. Clara Baldwin of Mountville, W. Va., Henry of this city, William of Kansas City and George in Palo Alto, California.
We never knew Dr. Parkinson. His associates say he was an estimable gentleman. He was enterprising and pushing. He was successful in a financial way and spared not his means for the advancement of public benefits. He served creditably as a member of the Iowa legislature in 1878 and also as member of the city council, but he never sought office. Those who knew him best say he was a good citizen, a good neighbor and a good man. What higher eulogy could one have?

water passage, increasing desire to urinate, with scalding sensation in passing, small quantities being passed with difficulty, sometimes necessary to draw it with instruments. If uric acid or gravel has formed, it will prove dangerous if neglected.
The third stage is Bright's Disease. There is comfort in knowing that Dr. Kilmer, the great kidney and bladder specialist, has discovered a remedy famous for its marvelous cures of the most distressing cases and known as Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root.
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D. H. Griffith, Crawfordville.
Ray Stagner, Kalona.
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S. M. Newland, Wellman.
Wm Nellis, Crawfordville.
John Long,
R. H. Pringle, Brighton.
A. H. Humeston, City.
J. L. Downs, Brighton.
F. G. Martin, Lexington.
J. W. McKinley, Wellman.
Anton Davis, Richmond.
C. Bonnisson, Brighton.
C. A. Arnold, "
Geo. Whetstone, Wellman.
J. W. Hunter,
Ab Edwards, Coppock.
Milt Bahor, Riverside.
W. B. Horne, City.
L. C. Kessler, Kalona.
G. H. Smith, Nira.
Robbed the Grave.
A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunk, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying Electric Bitters, and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 60 cts. a bottle, at Chilcote & Cook's drug store.
Marriage Licenses.
Luther Elmore, Minnie E. Collins, 21-24.
Wm. J. Brady, Minnie M. Porter, 30-29.
J. A. Sharpe, Mary Shalla, 30-29.
Wm. T. Clark, Jessie E. Park, 22-18.
F. H. Duwa, Margarette Waldschmidt, 30-24.
Charles D. Green, Cora M. Fordice, 21-18.
Joseph Prymek, Mary Weber, 28-20.
P. H. Boyd, Debbie Tobin, 23-18.
O. H. Dowell, Della Vincent, 69-37.
A Chance to Get a Globe.
We have an elegant 12-inch globe, which we will sell cheap. It is worth \$25.00, but we got it through a trade and will sell it for less than half price. We will take \$12.00. Or we will give it as a premium to any school that will send us ten new subscribers to the DEMOCRAT at \$1.50, or \$2.00 for the DEMOCRAT and St. Louis Republic. This is a chance worth while, and a school that needs a globe will do well to buy this one or get up a club. The globe may be seen at our office.
The Rev. M. J. Sigler of Waterloo will conduct special meetings in the New Haven Baptist church, commencing Wednesday evening of this week. Everybody invited to attend.
J. W. COFFMAN, Pastor.
Dr. J. F. Ponge and Mrs. Minnie Orenbaugh graduates of the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo., are in Washington to locate and practice their profession. They have a

Washington, Feb. 9.—The war department Wednesday received the following dispatch:
"Manila, Feb. 1.—Situation rapidly improving. Reconnoissance yesterday to south several miles to Lagunadebay, to southeast eight miles, driving straggling insurgent troops in various directions, encountering no decided opposition; army disintegrated and natives returning to villages displaying white flag. Near Calocan, six miles north, the enemy made a stand behind entrenchments; charged by Kanak troops led by Col. Punston. Close encounter resulting in rout of the enemy with heavy loss. Loss to Kanakas, Lieut. Alford, killed; six men wounded.
"On the 4th Aguinaldo issued flying proclamation charging Americans with intolerance and declared war. Sunday issued another calling all to resist foreign invasion; his influence throughout this section destroyed; now applies for a cessation of hostilities and conference; have declined to answer in regard to subject of origin until on night of 4th unrealized. Provost marshal general with admirable disposition of troops defeated every attempt. City quiet; business resumed, natives respectful and cheerful, fighting qualities of American troops a revelation to all inhabitants."
"OTIS."
Applied the Torch.
Washington, Feb. 10.—The navy department Thursday received the following dispatch:
"Manila, Feb. 9.—After continued inter-

MAP OF MANILA AND VICINITY.



The above map shows the eastern and southern suburbs have been encamped in a semicircle around the city, extending north to Manila on the south. Their main strength, however, and around Santa Ana and Mandalaya, their forces near the smaller through fear of shells from Dewey's ships should force to the southeast of Manila which forced the recent fig

ference and intimidation of our workmen. I ordered armed insurgents to leave San Roque by nine this morning. They left during the night, a few remaining, who burned the village this morning. It is now occupied by our troops. All quiet."
(Signed) "DEWEY."
Otis' Latest Report.
Washington, Feb. 10.—All that Gen. Otis had to report to the war department Thursday related to the casualties that have occurred so far among the American troops as the result of the actions since Saturday night. Gen. Otis reports: Total casualties resulting from all engagements since the evening of February 4, aggregate 265, as follows: Killed, 3 officers, 56 enlisted men; wounded, 8 officers, 199 enlisted men; missing, 2 enlisted men.
The Fall of Calocan.
Washington, Feb. 11.—The following dispatch from Gen. Otis was received Friday night:
"Manila, Feb. 10.—Adjutant General: Insurgents collected considerable force between Calocan and Laguna de Bay, and reported to be, and threatened attack and uprising in city. This afternoon swung left of McArthur's Division, which is north of Pasig river, into Calocan, driving enemy easy. Our left now at Calocan. Our loss slight, that of insurgents considerable. Particulars in morning. Attack preceded by one half hour's firing from two of Admiral Dewey's vessels."
(Signed) "OTIS."
Secretary Alger reiterated that he had not sent any instructions since the beginning of hostilities and would send none. He fully expects that Otis will make no terms with Aguinaldo while the latter is armed, and that a condition precedent to dealing with him at all is the return of the insurgents to their homes and the surrender of their arms.
Story of the Battle.
Manila, Feb. 11.—The American forces at 3:40 yesterday afternoon made reduced it in short order. At a signal from the tower of the De la Loma

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Name: **Benoni T Parkinson**
Rank: **Surgeon**
Unit: **WV 17 Inf S**
Birth Information: **03 Mar 1836.**
Death Information: **07 Feb 1899.**
Cemetery: **Elm Grove**
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Veteran's name Parkinson, Benoni T

Residence Washington, Iowa

Occupation

Date birth May 3 1836 Place

Date death Feb 7 1899 Place

Cause Elm Grove Ceml Place burial Washington Twp.
Washington Co., Ia.

War record

Surgeon

Rank Company

17 Regiment

W.Va. Inf.

State Organization

Children

Enlisted

Date

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Battles, etc.

Nearest relatives

Father

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Sources Ex. Soldiers living in Ia. 1886:
Parkinson, B.T. - Washington, Ia.
3d ed Dept Roll - B.F. Parkinson
Record of Posts: B. Parkinson - no record

Department of Iowa
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Parkinson, Benoni

Offices of honor in G. A. R.

Record Membership and Dues Paid

Post name	Post No.	Place	Date Joined
Ishmael G. White	108 (69)	Washington	1886
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Member-at-Large

Year	Date Paid	Amount

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Year	Date Paid	Amount	Year	Date Paid	Amount
Iowa Census 1885	Washington Co., Washington	p. 650			
Parkinson, Benoni, age 49	widower born Va.	Lumber			
man. John S 20, Sarah A 18 and Fannie G 16, born					
Va. Sumner G 13, George R. 11 and Charles W 9					
born Washington Co., Iowa					

1888 List Surgeons p. 292, West Virginia: 3d Cavalry
Parkinson, Benoni, Asst Surgeon, Washington or
Ainsworth, Ia. To 17th Inf June, 1864. (3d Cav
Must out June 30, 1865).

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ID: I6024

Name: Benoni PARKINSON

Sex: M

Change Date: 12 FEB 2003

Birth: 03 MAR 1836 in Marshall Co., WV ^{1 2}Residence: 22 JUN 1880 Ainsworth, Washington Co., IA ³Residence: 1889 Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., CA ⁴Death: 07 FEB 1899 in Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., CA ^{4 5}Military Service: Co. F, 17 West Virginia Infantry, Union Army, Surgeon ⁴Occupation: Physician ⁴Occupation: Lumber dealer 1880 ⁶

★ Ancestry Hints for Benoni PARKINSON

[4 possible historical record matches](#)

Father: [John PARKINSON](#)Mother: [Elizabeth SAYERS](#)Marriage 1 [Katharine Mary GRAY](#) b: 28 NOV 1840 in Greene Co., PAMarried: 14 OCT 1862 in Jacksonville, Greene Co., PA ⁷

Children

[John Francis PARKINSON](#) b: 02 DEC 1864 in Rock Lick, Marshall Co., WV

[Sarah Elizabeth PARKINSON](#) b: 02 NOV 1866 in Cameron, Marshall Co., WV

[Frances Gray PARKINSON](#) b: 01 NOV 1868 in Cameron, Marshall Co., WV

[Sumner Garrettson PARKINSON](#) b: 28 JUL 1871 in Ainsworth, Washington Co., IA

[George Sayers PARKINSON](#) b: 28 DEC 1873 in Ainsworth, Washington Co., IA

[Charles Roseberry PARKINSON](#) b: 28 MAY 1876 in Ainsworth, Washington Co., IA

[Fred Lloyd PARKINSON](#) b: 27 SEP 1878 in Ainsworth, Washington Co., IA

Marriage 2 [Nina C. DEWEY](#) b: 01 SEP 1852 in Hudson, Columbia Co., NYMarried: 25 APR 1888 ^{8 9}

Children

[Luiba Hiller PARKINSON](#) b: 13 JUL 1889 in Washington, Washington Co., IA

[Mary PARKINSON](#) b: 01 NOV 1892 in Washington, Washington Co., IA

[Frank Dewey PARKINSON](#) b: 15 MAY 1894 in Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., CA

Sources:



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3 Mar [Birth](#)
[Marshall Co., WV](#) [2 source citations](#)

1862
14 Oct [Marriage to Katharine Mary Gray](#)
[Jacksonville, Greene Co., PA](#) [1 source citation](#)

1880
22 Jun [Residence](#)
[Ainsworth, Washington Co., IA](#) [1 source citation](#)

1880
Age: 44 [Occupation](#)
Lumber dealer [1 source citation](#)

1888
25 Apr [Marriage to Nina C. Dewey](#)
Age: 52 [2 source citations](#)

1889
Age: 53 [Residence](#)
[Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., CA](#) [1 source citation](#)

1899
7 Feb [Death](#)
[Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., CA](#) [2 source citations](#)

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Co. F, 17 West Virginia Infantry, Union Army, Surgeon [1 source citation](#)

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Parents

[John Parkinson](#)

[Elizabeth Sayers](#)

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Spouse & Children

[Katharine Mary Gray](#)
1840 –

[John Francis Parkinson](#)
1864 – 1956

[Sarah Elizabeth Parkinson](#)
1866 – 1891

[Frances Gray Parkinson](#)
1868 –

[Sumner Garrettson Parkinson](#)
1871 – 1892

[George Savers Parkinson](#)
1873 –

[Charles Roseberry Parkinson](#)
1876 – 1973

[Fred Lloyd Parkinson](#)
1878 –

Other Spouse & Children

[Nina C. Dewey](#)
1852 –

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[Mary Parkinson](#)
1892 – 1967

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