

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Sweet, Silas Bates Senator _____

Represented Linn County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 17 Dec 1827 Mahoning County, New York

2. Marriage (s) date place

Sarah Jane Griffith 1 Apr 1862 Millersburg, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Lawyer; miller; contractor; teacher

4. Church membership Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 10th General Assembly 1864

6. Public Offices

A. Local Justice of the Peace

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 9 Apr 1916 Altoona, Iowa; buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa

8. Children Adeline (died in 1883); Georgia E. (Mrs. C. L. Bare);
Silas Clarence

9. Names of parents Reuben and Adeline (Bates) Sweet

10. Education Education in the public schools of his native county;
attended the Seminary of Casenovia, New York and a
short term in the academy at Fredonia, New York

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

- He came to Iowa in April 1855 settling at Millersburg, Iowa
in Iowa County where he engaged in milling and in the
contracting business.
- In 1870 he moved his milling business to Valley Junction (now
West Des Moines, Iowa) where he lived until 1881 when he moved
to Des Moines
- His wife, Sarah Jane, died in 1872.

Large Vote List

In the recent contest in the Rural Schools of Polk County for the best list of favorable voters on the Woman Suffrage Amendment June 5, 1916, the first prize of \$5. was won by District No. 6 in Was Township, Miss Ethel Davy, Teacher the percentage of favorable votes being 82.58% in favor of the amendment. The second prize \$2.50, was won by the West School, District No 4 in Delaware Township, Mrs. Edna V. Jeffers, Teacher, the percentage being 59.23%. The Polk County Suffrage Committee takes much pleasure in awarding these prizes to the respective schools, and the Committee is greatly pleased with the splendid reports received.

F. A. Harsh, Chairman.

April 22 is Annual Clean-Up-Day

Saturday, April 22 has been set aside as an annual "Clean-up Day." We ask that everyone put forth a special effort to have your yard and premises cleaned and in order by that day. If you have old cans and such material which has gathered about your premises, pile them on the street or in the alley and the town will furnish a wagon to haul them away. Don't expect the town to haul boxes, manure or rubbish that will burn. Let everyone work to have the town clean and in fine shape on or before April 22. J. C. Jones, Mayor.

BOY SCOUT NOTES

As warm weather comes the boys are anxious to get out and have a good time on the river.

before realizing that her faith in the Christ was far from being shallow. What the pastor said of one of his faithful workers can also be said of her, "She hath done what she could." —Bondurant Journal.

Silas Gates Sweet was born December 17, 1827 in Madison county, N. Y. and died at the home of his daughter Mrs. C. L. Bane at Altoona, A. pr. 9, 1916. He got his education in the public schools of his native county, in the seminary of Catsenovia, N. Y. and a short term in the Academy of Fredonia, N. Y. He came to Iowa in April, 1845 and settled at Millersburg, in Iowa county, where he engaged in the milling and contracting business. He was married April 1, 1862 to Sarah Jane Griffith. Mr. Sweet was very active in the civic and social life on the pioneer days of the early settler of central Iowa, progressing through school-teaching, assessorship, justice of the peace, to a seat in the lower house of the Iowa Legislature in 1864. At the time of his death, he probably was the oldest Pioneer Lawmaker of Iowa. In 1870 Mr. Sweet removed his milling interests to Valley Junction, where he resided until 1881, when he took up his residence in Des Moines. In early life he united with the Methodist Episcopal church and continued an active member until failing health interfered with regular attendance. Mrs. Sweet, who was a sister member and very helpful in the early days of Grace M. E. Church, in Des Moines, died in 1892. A daughter, Adaline, passed away in 1883. Two children, J. C. Sweet of Des Moines and Mrs. C. L. Bane of Altoona, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren survive.

to be placed in action. Then that gun fired three shots, jammed and was useless. These are the facts known to all on the border, that all on the border cite as foundations for investigation by a court martial."

But will this investigation or court marshal be pushed or will the whole affair be carefully "whitewashed" and laid aside in order not to injure political? The actual reports have been censured and kept from the public and it is only from those who come from the place that we learn the actual facts.

Mass Meeting at Rising Sun

"There will be a mass meeting at the Coliseum in Rising Sun on Monday evening, April 17th, to which everyone is most cordially invited. There will be no admittance fee and we feel safe in promising a most entertaining and instructive program. Judge Hugh Utterback and Mrs. F. W. Dolsen will speak, and there will also be vocal and instrumental music. No matter what may be your views on the subject of equal suffrage, do not fail to come to this meeting and also bring your neighbors, and enjoy the evening with us."

F. A. Harsh, Chairman.

Lost or Stolen

2 yearling steers, wt about 600 each, red color, from the Hawbaker farm. Liberal reward for information or return. —John Lewis, phone 42-H, Rennella, Ia.

HERALD

13, 1916.

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There will be no regular scout meeting this week as we will all be so busy with other matters.

The Scouts enjoyed a visit from the mothers last Friday night. Many of the ladies made speeches for the boys, which they enjoyed very much. It is a great help to the boys to know that the mothers are so interested.

A Scout is Reverent. Is another law. He is faithful to God and to the Church, a real scout will be in Sunday School and at church every Sunday. You will find the Altoona scouts at Sunday School and church every Sunday.

A Scout is Trustworthy. This is one of the Scout laws. A scout's honor is to be trusted. If he tells a lie or cheats he may be directed to hand over his scout badge. We feel that none of the Altoona scouts will have to hand over their badges.

Car Load of Overland Cars

The first car load of automobiles was unloaded in Altoona last Friday, when J. W. Porter received a shipment of Overlands. These cars were of the latest type being five and seven passenger and four and six cylinders. Mr. Porter is selling a number of these machines this spring and informs us that the outlook for the season is for a strong demand. The Overland is becoming a very popular car and agencies are being established almost as numerous as the Fords.

OBITUARY

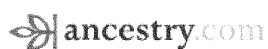
Anna Stouten was born in Holland on October 9th 1831 and died Wednesday, March 29th 1916, at the age of 84 years 5 months and 20 days. At the time of her death

Mr. Sweet's family of eight brothers and sisters, Eli Sweet of North English, Iowa alone remains.

The funeral services were held in the Altoona Methodist church Tuesday morning at 11 a. m. conducted by Rev. C. H. Miller. At the Woodland cemetery Des Moines, Rev. E. E. Highley, pastor of Grace Methodist church made a short address after which the body was consigned to its last resting place.

Tells of Disgraceful Situation

The report of the situation at Columbus, New Mexico, at the time of the Villa raid, as told by L. B. Maytag, of Newton, in the Sunday Register & Leader, is appalling. That there is something radically wrong with our army officials is evident when he says: General Slocum ignored warnings which could have prevented the raid, could have taken Villa and have saved the lives of our soldiers and millions of dollars for the United States. Before the night of the raid he was warned that the bandits were approaching the border, a little over two miles from Columbus. On the night of the raid itself, after the Mexicans had crossed the border in fact, a cowpuncher roused Slocum out of his sleep and told him that the Mexicans were on this side of the line. His answer was, 'If that is what you came to tell me, get out.' And a short time afterward the bandits were shooting our citizens and soldiers and burning the town. Contrary to the general impression of the raid it was not made from the south of the town but from the northwest, the bandits entering the town by riding down two deep ditches which converge at the edge of town. One bandit



You searched for **Silas G. Sweet** in **Iowa**

1870 United States Federal Census

Name:	Silas G Sweet	
Birth Year:	abt 1828	
Age in 1870:	42	
Birthplace:	New York	
Home in 1870:	English, Iowa, Iowa	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Value of real estate:	View image	
Post Office:	Millersburg	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Silas G Sweet	42
	Sarah J Sweet	32
	Lyddia Sweet	5
	Silas C Sweet	1

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You searched for **Silas G. Sweet** in **Iowa**

1900 United States Federal Census

Name:	Silas G Sweet	
Home in 1900:	Des Moines, Polk, Iowa	
Age:	72	
Birth Date:	Dec 1827	
Birthplace:	New York	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Relationship to Head of House:	Father	
Father's Birthplace:	New York	
Mother's Birthplace:	New York	
Marital Status:	Widowed	
Occupation:	View on Image	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Silas C Sweet	30
	Mabel A Sweet	30
	Mary E Sweet	10
	Mabel G Sweet	8
	Homer G Sweet	5
	Sarah C Sweet	3
	Dorothy Sweet	1
	Silas G Sweet	72

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Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	Silas G Sweet				
Birth Year:	abt 1828				
Birth Place:	New York				
Gender:	Male				
Race:	White				
Marital Status:	Widowed				
Census Date:	1915				
Residence State:	Iowa				
Residence County:	Polk				
Locality:	Altoona				
Mother's Birthplace:	New York				
Father's Birthplace:	Wales				
Roll:	IA1915_414				
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Silas G Sweet	87				

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Description:

This database contains Iowa state censuses for the following years: 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, and 1925. It also includes some head of household censuses and other special censuses from 1836-1897. Information available for an individual will vary according to the census year and the information requested on the census form. Some of the information contained in this database though includes: name, age, gender, race, birthplace, marital status, and place of enumeration.

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Husband's Name

Silas Gates SWEET (AFN:1N5J-5FN)

Pedigree

Born: 17 Dec 1827**Place:** , Madison, New York**Died:** 9 Apr 1916**Place:** , Polk, Iowa**Married:** 1 Apr 1862**Place:** Millersburg, , Iowa**Father:** Rufus SWEET (AFN:1N5J-5C8)

Family

Mother: Adeline GATES (AFN:1N5J-5DG)

Wife's Name

Sarah Jane GRIFFITH (AFN:1N5J-5J9)

Pedigree

Born: 15 Jun 1838**Place:** , Golemnsey, Ohio**Died:** 10 Jan 1892**Place:** , Polk, Iowa**Married:** 1 Apr 1862**Place:** Millersburg, , Iowa**Father:** Abel GRIFFITH (AFN:1N5J-5GV)

Family

Mother: Lydia BERSTLER (AFN:1N5J-5H3)

Children

1. Sex Name**F** Georgia E. SWEET (AFN:1N5J-5LP)

Pedigree

Born: 4 Jan 1872**Place:** Millersburg, , Iowa

2. Sex Name**M** Silas Clarence SWEET (AFN:1N5J-59T)

Pedigree

Born: 22 Jul 1869**Place:** Millersburg, Iowa, Iowa**Died:** 4 Aug 1938**Place:** Des Moines, Polk, Iowa

3. Sex Name**F** Adeline SWEET (AFN:1N5J-58M)

Pedigree

Born: 11 Aug 1865**Place:** Millersburg, , Iowa**Died:** 1883**Place:**

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First Name

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Age

Sweet

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- **ID:** I81182877
- **Name:** Silas Gates SWEET
- **Given Name:** Silas Gates
- **Surname:** Sweet
- **Sex:** M
- **Birth:** December 17, 1827 in Cazenovia, Madison Co., NY
- **Death:** April 9, 1916 in Altoona, Polk Co., Iowa
- **MARR:**

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Mother: [Adeline GATES](#) b: 1797 in Lebanon Twp., Madison Co., NY

Marriage 1 [Sarah Jane GRIFFITH](#) b: June 15, 1838 in Guernsey Co., Ohio

Children

1. [Silas Clarence SWEET](#) b: July 22, 1869 in Millersburg, Iowa Co., Iowa

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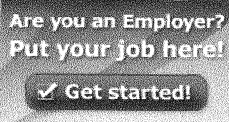


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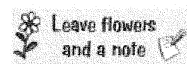
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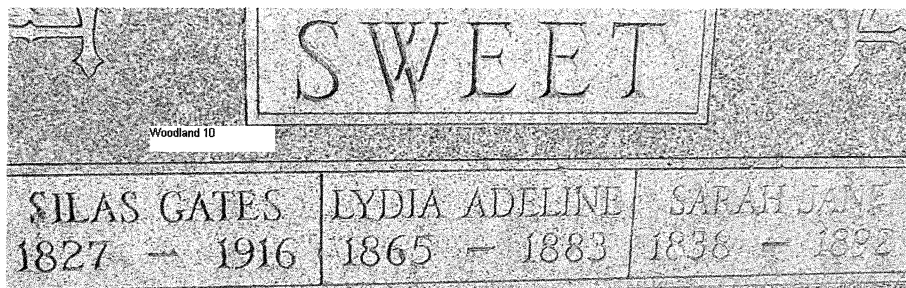
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