

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____ **Senator** Cosson,
George - Represented Audubon, Dallas and Guthrie Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 21 Jan 1876 LeClade County, Missouri

2. Marriage (s) date place

Jennie Morrison Biggs 29 Dec 1908

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Modern History of America

C. Profession Attorney

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 33rd General Assembly 1909

6. Public Offices

A. Local Audubon County attorney 1904

B. State Attorney General of Iowa 1911-1917; assistant attorney general 1907-1908

C. National In 1932 he sought the Republican nomination for United States Senator, but was unsuccessful

7. Death 15 June 1963 Des Moines, Iowa; buried Glendale Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa

8. Children Mrs. William Allen Heywood; Clarence Lyman; George, Jr.; Mary Katherine; Jennie Eleanor

9. Names of parents George Willis and Mary Ann (Briggs) Cosson

10. Education Educated in the public schools at Manning, Iowa,

11. Degrees Graduate of Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana;
graduate of University of Iowa Law School, Iowa City, Iowa,
June 1898

12. Other applicable information Republican

- His father was a contractor and construction worker
who died when George was age 10.
- He began practicing law at Audubon, Iowa at age 22.
- During World War I he served as chairman of the Iowa
Russian War Relief Committee. He also headed numerous
state committees to aid the Allies before the United States
entered World War II.
- He retired from his law practice in August 1962.
- He worked as an operator and station agent on the Milwaukee Railroad
from age 16 to 20.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
-	<i>Obituary</i>	-	<i>The Des Moines Register, Des Moines, Iowa, June, June 16, 1963, p. 4L, col. 5, 6</i>
-	<i>Iowa Press Association of This Year Iowa 1940</i>		<i>p. 974</i>
-	<i>Obituary</i>	-	<i>The Audubon News Advocate, Audubon, Iowa, Thurs. June 20, 1963, p. 1, col. 5</i>
-	<i>Iowa Official Register 1909-1910</i>		<i>p. 642</i>
-	<i>Who's Who in Iowa 1970-1971</i>		<i>p. 21</i>

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The county has opened the entire 10 miles of county road "N" for public use. Some shoulder work still is in progress, and motorists are urged to drive with caution.

BAND CONCERT

The summer band concert will be held here Wednesday night in the city park at 8 o'clock.

"PANCAKE BREAKFAST"

The Methodist Men's club will hold its annual "pancake breakfast" Sunday, from 6-8 a.m. This year the breakfast will be in the dining room of the church. Tickets are \$1 (children free when accompanied by parents). The public

Area Deaths

June 1 — Otis Nelson, 58, formerly of Elk Horn, in Alberta, Canada.

June 5 — Mrs. James Hood, 65, the former Eva Farnham of Audubon, in Grand Junction, Colo.

June 13 — Mrs. Victor Louise Hansen, 63, native of Brayton vicinity and sister of Sophus Hansen and Mrs. N. Peter Esbeck of Exira, at Atlantic hospital.

June 13 — Hans Christian Andersen, 75, father of John Andersen of Brayton, at Atlantic hospital.

June 13 — Charlie Knudsen, 69, of Boulder, Colo., former Exira farmer, at a Boulder hospital.

June 14 — Michael Macke, 89, has made his home with his son, Lawrence, at Audubon County Memorial hospital.

June 15 — George Cosson, 87, former Iowa attorney general who once practiced in Audubon, at home of daughter, in Des Moines.

June 17 — Chris W. Hansen, 65, Exira, at Audubon County Memorial hospital.

June 16 — Mrs. Alfred Christensen, 73, former resident of Audubon and Exira, at Iowa Methodist hospital.

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County Red Cross Meet Friday Night

The Audubon County Red Cross chapter, waging an aggressive campaign to secure key workers in every town and township, has scheduled a county-wide meeting at the courthouse Friday night at 8 o'clock.

"This meeting will determine future programs of Red Cross in this county," said Bill Budatz, new chairman of the chapter. "Those who have consented to work for the chapter, and those interested in serving, are urged to attend the meeting. We extend a special invitation to those living in the townships."



BILL BUDATZ

Cosson, 87, Began Career In Audubon

George Cosson, 87, former Iowa attorney general who died Saturday morning in Des Moines, once practiced law in Audubon.

Mr. Cosson, who worked his way through public schools at Manning, Valparaiso (Ind.) University and the State University of Iowa Law School, began practice here in 1898 at the age of 22.

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Budatz said the Red Cross Blood program is of vital importance to every man, woman and child in the county. But the Blood program and other programs, such as water safety and emergency, will cease to function unless people are willing to work for the chapter, the chairman warned.

The Audubon County Red Cross treasury is dangerously low; so low, in fact, that the 1963 water safety program was dropped. Only a successful fund drive this Fall will assure a continuation of Red Cross activities in the county after 1964.

Exira's Robbie Robinson is vice-chairman of the county chapter.

CR Centennial Set July 2-7

COON RAPIDS — The Main Street of this Carroll County town will be dressed as in days of old for the centennial celebration week, July 2-7.

Gov. Harold Hughes will attend the Centennial Queen's Coronation ball July 2. Two bands will provide modern and special square dance music.

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Injured were Randy D. Marshall, 6, who suffered head cuts and possibly a broken collarbone, and his sister, Vickie, 8, who suffered leg cuts. The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Marshall of 3315 Second ave., were treated at Broadlawns Polk County Hospital.

Police said they were struck by a car driven by Jerome E. Glassman, 23, of 3820 Grand ave. A witness told police the children were not in the crosswalk. No charges were filed.

Funeral Set Monday for Cosson, 87

Services for George Cosson, 87, former Iowa attorney general, will be at 11 a. m. Monday at Dunn's Funeral Home here. Burial will be in Glendale Cemetery.

Mr. Cosson died Saturday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Allen Heywood of 431 Twenty-eighth st., where he had lived for the past two years.

Honorary pallbearers will be R. J. Fischer, Peter Janss, Robert Burlingame, Henry Wiseman, Gordon Gammack and Dring Needham. The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Cosson, a prominent Iowa Republican, served as attorney general from 1911 to 1917.

He was a member of the Iowa Senate in 1909-10, and was assistant attorney general in 1907-08. In 1916 he was an unsuccessful candidate for nomination as governor in the primary election.

In 1932, he unsuccessfully sought the Republican nomination for U. S. senator and waged a hot campaign battle against Republican Senator Smith Brookhart. He was defeated in the June primary.

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After his graduation from Iowa law school, in 1898, he began practice at Audubon at 22.



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assistant in the attorney general's office, then became a candidate for the state senate from the Audubon-Guthrie-Dallas county district, and was elected.

While in the Senate, he offered nine bills fixing penalties for maladministration of public office and for protection of farmers against discrimination. The Cosson removal laws, under which public officials may be removed for graft, incompetency or maladministration, were passed during his Senate term.

During World War II Mr. Cosson served as chairman of the Iowa Russian War Relief Committee and made a trip to Russia. He also headed numerous state committees to aid the Allies before the U. S. entered World War II.

He traveled widely and had been to Europe several times.

In 1958, Mr. Cosson returned to Russia and was provided an official escort, entertainment and praise from Georgi Zhukov, chairman of the Soviet Committee of Cultural Relations with Foreign Nations.

It was only in August of last year that Mr. Cosson quit his law practice.

Mr. Cosson's son, Clarence, of 936 Thirty-seventh st., joined him in law practice in 1933. Mr. Cosson was the senior partner in the law firm of Cosson, Stevens, Hauge and Cosson.

Other survivors include a son, George, jr., of Washington, D. C.; a daughter, Catherine Cosson of Culver City, Cal., and six grandchildren.

Adele Hollenbeck

Services at Nashua

Mrs. Adele Hollenbeck, 84, of Grayson Nursing Home, 1725 Sixth ave., died there Saturday of Parkinson's disease. She was born at New Hampton and lived here the last 36 years. She was a member of P. E. O. Graveside services will be 1 p. m. Tuesday in Nashua Cemetery at Nashua. Friends may call at Hamilton's Funeral Home this afternoon and Monday.

Cecil Jackson Rites Monday

Services for Cecil Jackson, 44, of 1711 E. Twelfth st., will be 9:30 a. m. Monday at Visitation Catholic Church. A Rosary will be recited at 8 p. m. today at Conley Capitol Hill Funeral Home. Burial will be at Glendale Cemetery.

Mr. Jackson died Friday at Mercy Hospital of a cerebral hemorrhage.

He was born in Ringgold County. He came to Des Moines five years ago from McComb, Ill. He was custodian at Bryon Rice Elementary School. He was a member of the Engineer's Local of the Des Moines School Association, of Visitation Church and the church's Holy Name Society.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann; three daughters, Mrs. Connie Lou Dahleen, Jeannie Marie and Deborah Sue; two sons, Tim Gerard and Joseph Anthony, and a brother, LeRoy, all of Des Moines.

Sabra Wheeler Rites Monday

Services for Mrs. Sabra Wheeler, 79, of 239 S. E. Thirtieth st., will be at 3 p. m. Monday at Hamilton's Funeral Home. Burial will be at Woodland Cemetery.



Mrs. Wheeler died of a heart ailment Friday after a three-week illness.

She was born at Marysville and lived in Des Moines 50 years. She is survived by a brother, Samuel Barnhill of Bussey.

\$115 Theft Here At Restaurant

About \$115 in cash was taken late Saturday from the cash register in the restaurant part of the Kaffe Korner Grill and Lounge, 1032 E. Ninth st.