

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** ELLIS, GEORGE PARIS SR. Senator _____

1. Birthday and place 30 August 1817, Shelby County, Kentucky

2. Marriage (s) date place

- (1) Mary Ann Hampton (April 1818, Ky - 14 May 1862 Ia); 29 October 1839 Hendricks Co, Ind.
(2) Frances Amelia Linvill Wilson, Pa. c. 18-29 - Nebr. 22 July 1910), 15 Feb 1863, Keokuk Co, Ia

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business farmer, lawyer

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession _____

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 8th GA 1860, HD 21, Keokuk Co

6. Public Offices

A. Local Notary public 20 yrs; JP 20 yrs.

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 31 January 1890, Springfield, Iowa--bur. Humes Cemetery, Keokuk Co.

8. Children See #12

9. Names of parents William Ellis; Polly Paris. Moved from Shelby Co Ky to Hendricks Co. Ind. 1834.

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Lived in Hendricks Co. Ind with first
wife from 1839 to 1852. Six children born there. 1852 to Lee Co., Iowa. Then to Sigourney
c. 1857, then to Van Buren Twp, where Mary Ann died. After 2nd marriage, in Springfield, Iowa,
moved to Springfield 1869. Francis first marriage (to Dr. John Patterson Wilson, was in Champaign
Co. Ohio--they had four children). There were six children of 2nd marriage. One Wilson son
married the widow of an Ellis half-brother.

After death of George, Francis moved to Nebraska to be near some of her children,
and died on a son's ranch in Harrison County, Nebraska; she is buried in cemetery in Harrison.

George was a Mason from 1844 on.

Children of 1st marriage: (1) Phoebe Jane (Foster, Davenport) (c. 1839 -); (2) Andrew
Lewis (c. 1841 -); (3) Mary Frances (McAdams) (c. 1843 - 14 May 1862); (4) Isabella M.
(McKelvey) (c. 1846 -); (5) William Wallace (c. 1847 -) (6) George P. Jr. (c. 1848 -).
Children of 2nd marriage: (1) Margaret (d. infancy); (2) Solomon Linvil (c. 1865 - d)
(his widow married his half-brother); (3) Davis P. (c. 1867- d infancy); (4) Avis Amelia (Bourke)
(c. 1867--twin of #3) -); (5) Robert Theodore (c. 1870 -) (6) Mabel Estell (Duell)
(c. 1872 -).

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Applicability

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Jr. kept from 7-4-1898 to 8-17-1902. The family or several members of the family were going someplace on the train or to town often. They had many visitors in their home and overnight guests a good part of the time. The children were very active in Church and the family life centered around events that had to do with their Church. Peter Eckley Jr. asks of buying 8 gallons of blackberries for .75 cents, he sold hogs—6 weighed 1,860 lbs. And they brought \$68.82.

A lot of their time was spent choring, picking apples, digging potatoes and harvesting ice for the icehouses. Peter speaks in his diary of working on the roads with neighbor men and their teams of horses to keep the roads in condition for travel. His last diary entry was the 17th of August 1902, and he passed away August 28th, 1902, burial was in Mt. Zion Cemetery. He was active until a week before he died. Taken from descendants of Peter and Esther Ralph Eckley, by Myrna J. Madsen and Sally J. Flanagan. Submitted by Myrna Eckley Madsen

ELLIOTT FAMILY



Seated, left to right: Martha Green, Charles Henry Elliott and Bernice Martin. Standing, left to right: Margery VanPatten, Charles Elliott, James Elliott, David Elliott, Marion Elliott, and Lucille Rogers

Charles Henry Elliott, the youngest child of Charles Severance and Mary Urmson Elliott, was born April 11, 1877 near Alpha, Henry County, Illinois.

His father, Charles Elliott died in 1881. His mother, Mary Elliott, then operated a hotel and restaurant in Alpha. In 1884, she married George Porter, a harness maker in Alpha.

As a young man, Henry learned the trades of broom making and gardening at businesses in Alpha.

He married Phoebe Hendricks June 26, 1907 in Galesburg, Illinois. Phoebe was born October 11, 1875 in Birchwood, Tennessee, the daughter of Nathan and Mary Campbell Hendricks. After the death of her father in 1901, Phoebe and her mother had moved to Alpha, Illinois to be near relatives.

In 1907, Mr. Elliott joined Mr. Everman in Sigourney Broom Works business. He also started his own fruit and garden business at his home on the Old Delta Road in southwest Sigourney. On December 30, 1908, Mr. Everman and Mr. Elliott dissolved partnership. Mr. Elliott then started his own broom shop at his home and operated this business for fifty years.

Henry and Phoebe became the parents of two daughters. Bernice married Ernest Martin and Martha married Johnston Green.

Phoebe died August 12, 1920 and is buried in Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

Henry married Carrie Thompson May 20, 1922 in Ottumwa, Iowa. She was born November 28, 1896 near Floris, Davis County, Iowa, and the daughter of Charles A. and Myrta McVey Thompson.

Carrie had a daughter, Dortha who married O.J. "Joe" Dewberry.

Henry and Carrie became the parents of six children. Lucile married Lee Rogers, Margery married Charles VanPatten, Charles married Alice Courtney, James married Laurel Eastburn, David married Mary Robinson and Marion married Shirley Pierce, later Frances Greene.

In 1934, Mr. And Mrs. Elliott added a greenhouse to their business, raising spring vegetable and flower plants.

The Elliott family attended the Sigourney Baptist Church. Mr. Elliott was a 50- year member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and both he and his wife, Carrie, were members of the Rebekah Lodge. Carrie was also a member of the Royal Neighbors Lodge and the Sigourney Garden Club.

Carrie died December 17, 1949 and is buried in Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

Henry lived at his home until his death June 5, 1961. He is buried on the family plot in Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

Many people in Sigourney remember earning their first spending money as young people picking strawberries. In the 1930's Mr. Elliott paid pickers 2 cents a quart. He sold strawberries for 10 cents a quart or \$1.50 for a sixteen quart crated. These were depression years.

Many farmers near Sigourney raised broomcorn. They would take it to Mr. Elliott's broom shop and in return received a share of the finished brooms.

Mr. Elliott's broom machinery is on display at the Keokuk County Historical Society Museum in Sigourney. Submitted by Lucile Elliott Rogers

GEORGE ELLIS

George Paris Ellis was born 30 August 1817 in Shelby County, Kentucky, the son of William Ellis & Polly Paris, and the grandson of Joseph Ellis Jr. & Frances Woodson of Franklin County, Virginia. George and his family lived in



George Paris Ellis (1817–1890)



Francis Amelia Linvill Wilson Ellis (1829–1910)

Shelby Co., KY. for the next 17 years, then moved to Hendricks Co., IN. George married his first wife, Mary Ann Hampton on 29 October 1839 in Hendricks Co., Indiana, and six children were born; Phoebe Jane who married 1st Reuben Y. Foster, 2nd George P. Overfelt, Andrew Lewis who married Emma Carpenter, Mary Frances who married Charles L. McAdams, Isabelle who married John S. Kelvey, William Wallace who married Josephine Hogin, and George Paris Jr. who married Cecilia A. Baker.

In 1852, George and Mary Ann Ellis & family moved to Lee Co., Iowa where they resided for 5 years, then moved to Keokuk County, settling first in Van Buren Township. On 14 May 1862, Mary Ann Ellis died and was buried in the Humes Cemetery.

On 15 February 1863, in Springfield, Iowa, George married his second wife, Francis Amelia Linvill, daughter of Solomon Linvill & Mary Louisa Passmore. Six children were born to George and Francis, Margaret who died in infancy, Solomon Linvill Ellis who married Anna Luella Morgareidge, twins Davis P. dying in infancy, and Avis Amelia who married William John Bourke, Robert Theodore who married Flora Sageser, and Mabel Estell who married Fred Jarvis Deuel.

Francis has been previously married to Doctor John Patterson Wilson on 4 February 1855 in Champaign County, Ohio. Four children were born to that couple, Leonidas Gear who married Marcia Alice Smith, Llewellyn Augustus who married Mary Gruber, Lorenzo Linvill who married Anna Luella Morgareidge Ellis (widow of his half-brother, S. L. Ellis) and Mary Anna Louisa who was unmarried.

Dr. John Wilson died 26 November 1861 in Keokuk County, and is buried in the Rice Cemetery where his parents are buried also.

George Paris Ellis died 31 January 1890 in Springfield, Iowa and is buried in the Humes Cemetery beside his first wife. During his life, he practiced law off and on, was a Notary Republic for 20 years, was elected Representative for the County in 1859, and served as Justice of the Peace for 20 years.

George's widow, Francis then moved on to Sioux County, Nebraska to be near some of her children. She spent the rest of her life on her son's ranch not far from Harrison, Nebraska. Francis died on 22 July 1910 and is buried in the Harrison

Cemetery, Harrison, Nebraska.



House of Jonathan Wolfe Emery east of Indianapolis, IA 1895



Frank Leslie and Mary A. Garrett Emery married 1892



Frank L. Emery's line up of cars in front of his garage circa 1908. Notice steering wheel is on the right side



Frank Leslie Emery—Empire Cream Separator salesman with pet wolf "Fanny" circa 1900

The Emerys of Keokuk County began with the coming of Jonathan Wolfe Emery to Monroe Township, Mahaska County, Iowa in 1878. He and his three brothers and three sisters were all born in Wayne County, Ohio and came with their parents, John and Martha (Marks) Emery, to Henry County Illinois. Jonathan grew to manhood and on April 6, 1862 was married to Lovina Elspa Carson. Together they became the parents of six children: Etta May, Welcome Grant, Frank Leslie, Martha Elizabeth, J. Carson and Warren DeForest.

which he has an orchard of 250 bearing apple trees; February 25, 1854, he married Miss Ann Gregson, a native of Indiana; they have twelve children; Nettie (now Mrs. Wallace), Florence I. Sarah E., Susan M., Samantha N., Willard H., Alta B., Ioma M., Jefferson, Eli H., George W. M. and Walter T. deceased; Mr. E. is a member of the A. F. and A. M. lodge.

Emmons, John, farmer, Sec. 5; P. O. Coal Creek.

Emmons, Albert, farmer, Sec. 5; P. O. Coal Creek.

ELLIS, G. P., SR., farmer and mechanic, Springfield; born in Shelby county, Kentucky, August 30, 1817; lived there until 1834, when in October he moved with his parents to Hendricks county, Indiana; he remained in that State for fourteen years, and then came to Lee county, this State; he staid there until the spring of 1852, when he settled in Sigourney, making that place his home for three years; he again moved, this time to Van Buren township, and in 1869 came to Springfield, where he has since resided; Mr. Ellis has been notary public for twenty years; in 1859 he was elected Representative from the county; he has served as justice of the peace in the county for thirteen years; he married Miss Mary A. Hamilton; she was born October 29, 1837, in Kentucky; Mrs. E. died, leaving six children, five of whom are living: Tebe J. (now Mrs. Foster), Andrew L., Isabel (now Mrs. Kelvey), Wm. J. and George P., Jr.; Mary Francis McAdams died May 14, 1862; he married again to Mrs. Frances A. Wilson; they have four children: Solomon L., A. A., Robert T. and Mabel E.; lost two: Margaret A. and Davis P.; Mrs. Ellis has four children by a previous

marriage: Leonidas G., Llewellyn A., Lorenzo L. and Mary A. L.; Mr. E. has been a member of the A. F. and A. M. lodge since 1844.

EWING, L. W., dealer in dry goods and groceries, Springfield; born in Licking county, Ohio, September 17, 1822; his parents were Josiah and Elizabeth Ewing; the former died at the age of 67; his mother, when he was a child; Mr. Ewing was raised in Ohio, and there learned the carpenter trade; in 1855 moved to Fulton county, Ill.; lived there for three years, and then came to Iowa, locating in this township; established himself in business in January, 1877; March 14, 1843, married to Miss Martha J. Wadell; she died April 21, 1859, leaving a family of six children, five of whom are living: Sanford P., Francis S. (now Mrs. Snodgrass), Rufus B., Sarah J. (now Mrs. Lowers), Julia A.; lost one: Dr. Franklin, who died in Little Rock, Arkansas, while in the army; he belonged to company C, Fortieth Iowa; married again to Miss Nancy A. Leathers; they have three children: Mattie E., William D., and Schuyler G.; have lost three: Austin E., Sarah F., and an infant.

FEAR, W. A., farmer, Sec. 26; P. O. Delta.

Foster, George, farmer, Sec. 33; P. O. Springfield.

Fisher, William, What Cheer.

Flathers, William, hotel, What Cheer.

Flathers, B., furniture, What Cheer.

Flitscraft, Thomas, What Cheer.

Forsythe, R., farmer, Sec. 4; P. O. What Cheer.

FLATHERS, WM. H., proprietor of Valley House, What Cheer; born June 14, 1814, Kentucky being his native State; in 1824 he moved with his father to Montgomery county, Indiana; there he

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and is assisted by Rev. Lindsey, a
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Herroun, will preach. Everybody
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List of letters remaining uncalled
for in What Cheer post office for
week ending Feb. 3, 1890.

LADIES.

Mrs. William Barit.

GENTLEMEN.

W. A. McCord,	Rob't Madaggen,
Oscar Norlin,	Charles Spauld.
G. E. Anderson,	Andrew Brady,
Jeh'n Bangston,	C. F. Breneman,
Alex. Cuviller,	Ole H. Eldern.
Duragh Griger,	Albert Granquist,
Larc Hoode,	Ed Hickey,

FOREIGN.

J. G. Bergquist,	Soren Blausen,
Ataka Davis,	Chan A. Trension.
Valborne Herr S.	Kant Harloman,

Persons calling for any of the above
please say "advertised" and give date
of list. I. A. RIGGEN, P. M.

DIED.

ELLIS.—At his residence at Spring-
field, Jan. 31, 1890, of heart trouble,
Geo. P. Ellis, age 72 years 5 months
and 1 day.

Mr. Ellis was born in 1817 in Shelby
county, Ky. When a boy he moved
with his parents to Indiana. In 1837
he married Miss Mary Hampton. He
was admitted to the bar about this
time and practiced law more or less
all through his life. In 1848 he moved
to Lee county, Iowa, and to Sigour-
ney in 1853. In 1860 he represented
this county in the legislature. His
wife died in 1862. He moved to
Springfield in 1869. He married Mrs.
Wilson, widow of Dr. Jno. Wilson,
for his second wife. He has served
as justice and post master for many
years. He was highly respected for
his integrity and good sense and
leaves many friends behind who re-
member his kindness.

Some days ago one of our citizens
found out the fact that "when a wo-
man will, she will, and there's the end
on't." In a bantering way the sub-
ject was discussed about a woman
making money out of her voice by
singing, when the husband remarked
to his wife: "You can make \$5. by
keeping still for twenty-four hours."
She accepted the offer at once, and
went on the awful tour of duty thus
involved. Aside from the natural,
which is common to the better
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roduced. Thompson, Walker &
Thompson wished to make an offer
but did not have figures ready for a
bid. Mr. Windett, acting for the
What Cheer Electric Light and Power
Co., wished a renewal of the franchise
granted to the Ramer Bros. last fall.
Griffith moved that the same condi-
tions be allowed this new company
that were given the Ramer Bros.,
with the following exceptions: 1st.—
That the franchise only be granted

for three instead of five years. 2nd.—
That \$1.00 per month be paid by the
city for each 32 candle incandescent
light for the streets instead of \$1.50
as before agreed. 3rd.—That they be
put under \$500 bond to fulfil their
obligations. Mr. Windett acceded to
all these. A motion was made to lay
the subject on the table till the next
regular meeting which carried. The
council then adjourned.

Mr. Bowen, manager of the Hawk-
eye Company of Davenport, attended
the meeting and was allowed to ad-
dress the council and air his knowl-
edge, although he did not claim he
was asking to put in his system. His
evident wish was to demoralize
things. He was out because the
What Cheer Co. had rejected his sys-
tem and agreed with Mr. Steadman,
agent of the Thompson & Hueston
Co. of Boston, to put their system in,
and he was working revenge, and we
believe, willingly injuring the city
too.

The What Cheer Company is com-
posed of a number of our business
men. I. B. Wilson is president and
W. C. Windett secretary. They have
bought of the Ramer Bros. their
franchise and the plant now here.
They have agreed with Thompson &
Hueston to put in new electric apar-
atus. They intend to go ahead, be-
lieving that Ramers were unavoid-
ably delayed and that the franchise
is yet good.

The What Cheer Company made a
most liberal offer, and we are sorry
the council did not accept it and not
hold the thing in check any longer.
If the franchise proves good, the city
will be out \$120.00 a year by not ac-
cepting. We want electric lights and
we want them soon. This Thompson
& Hueston system is in use in the
principal cities of Iowa, such as Des
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Grinnell, Keokuk, Belle Plaine and
a score of others and it is perfectly

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