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FOLGER, Alonzo Dillard, (1888 - 1941)



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FOLGER, Alonzo Dillard, (brother of John Hamlin Folger), a Representative from North Carolina; born in Dobson, Surry County, N.C., July 9, 1888; attended the public schools; was graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1912 and from its law department in 1914; was admitted to the bar in 1914 and commenced practice in Dobson, N.C.; moved to Mount Airy, N.C., and continued the practice of law; also interested in banking; trustee of the University of North Carolina 1932-1938; served as judge of the State superior court in 1937, resigning after two months' service to become a Democratic national committeeman; member of the Democratic National Committee 1936-1941; elected as a Democrat to the Seventy-sixth and Seventy-seventh Congresses and served from January 3, 1939, until his death in an automobile accident in Mount Airy, N.C., April 30, 1941; interment in Dobson Cemetery, Dobson, N.C.

Alonzo Dillard Folger

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Alonzo Dillard Folger (9 July 1888 - 30 April 1941) was a Democratic U.S Congressman from North Carolina between 1939 and 1941.

Born in Dobson, North Carolina, Folger attended public schools in Surry County and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Folger graduated from UNC with a bachelor's degree in 1912 and a law degree in 1914.

He was admitted to the bar and opened a law practice in Dobson in 1914, relocating to Mount Airy to practice law there. From 1932 to 1938, he was a trustee of the University of North Carolina, and was named to the state's Superior Court in 1937.

Folger had served only two months as a judge when he resigned to serve on the Democratic National Committee; he was a member of the Committee from 1936 until his death in 1941. As a Democrat, he was elected to the 76th United States Congress in 1938 and re-election to the 77th U.S. Congress in 1940, but his second term was cut short by his death in a car accident in Mount Airy on April 30, 1941. In a special election, his brother John Hamlin Folger was chosen to succeed him on Congress. Alonzo Folger is buried in Dobson Cemetery in his hometown of Dobson.



Alonzo Dillard Folger, 1940. Photo by Marion Post Wolcott.

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- Alonzo Dillard Folger (<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=F000240>) at the *Biographical Directory of the United States Congress*

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Preceded by Franklin W. Hancock, Jr.	Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from North Carolina's 5th congressional district January 3, 1939 - April 30, 1941	Succeeded by John H. Folger

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◆ **John Hamlin Folger (1880-1963)** — also known as **John H. Folger** — of Mt. Airy, **Surry County**, N.C.; Danbury, **Stokes County**, N.C. Born in Rockford, **Surry County**, N.C., **December 18, 1880**. Democrat. **Lawyer**; member of **North Carolina state house of representatives**, 1927-28; member of **North Carolina state senate**, 1931-32; delegate to Democratic National Convention from North Carolina, **1940, 1944** (alternate); **U.S. Representative from North Carolina 5th District**, 1941-49. Member, **American Bar Association**; **Freemasons**; **Shriners**; **Junior Order**. Died in Clemmons, **Forsyth County**, N.C., **July 19, 1963** (age **82 years, 213 days**). Interment at **Oakdale Cemetery**, Mt. Airy, N.C.

☞ *Relatives:* Son of Thomas Wilson Folger and Ada Dillard (Robertson) Folger; brother of **Alonzo Dillard Folger (1888-1941)**; married, **November 5, 1899**, to Maude Douglas; father of **Fred Folger**.

☞ *Political family:* **Folger family** of Mt. Airy, North Carolina.

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◆ **Alonzo Dillard Folger (1888-1941)** — also known as **Alonzo D. Folger** — of Mt. Airy, **Surry County**, N.C. Born in Dobson, **Surry County**, N.C., **July 9, 1888**. Democrat. State court judge in North Carolina, 1937; member of **Democratic National Committee from North Carolina**, 1939-40; **U.S. Representative from North Carolina 5th District**, 1939-41; died in office 1941. Died in an **automobile accident** in Mt. Airy, **Surry County**, N.C., **April 30, 1941** (age **52 years, 295 days**). Interment at **Dobson Cemetery**, Dobson, N.C.

☞ *Relatives:* Brother of **John Hamlin Folger**; uncle of **Fred Folger (1900-?)**.

☞ *Political family:* **Folger family** of Mt. Airy, North Carolina.

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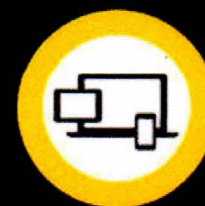
◆ **Fred Folger (b. 1900)** — of Mt. Airy, **Surry County**, N.C. Born in Dobson, **Surry County**, N.C., **September 12, 1900**. Democrat. **Lawyer**; member of **North Carolina state senate 23rd District**, 1935-36, 1939-40, 1959; resigned 1959. **Methodist**. Member, **Freemasons**; **Junior Order**; **American Bar Association**. **Burial location unknown**.

☞ *Relatives:* Son of Maud L. (Douglas) Folger and **John Hamlin Folger (1880-1963)**; nephew of **Alonzo Dillard Folger**.

☞ *Political family:* **Folger family** of Mt. Airy, North Carolina.

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