

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.

NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE, THIRTY-SECOND SESSION, 1911

Democrats and People's Independent, 19; Republicans, 14—
Total, 33.

District, Name, Postoffice, Politics, Occupation and Nativity	Years in Nebraska.	Age	Previous Legislative Experience
1 John H. Morehead, Falls City, Democrat, Banking and Stock Raising.....	27	49	0
2 L. A. Varner, Sterling, Republican, Lawyer, Ohio.....	32	56	1
3 H. H. Bartling, Nebraska City, Republican, Merchant, Nebraska.....	33	33	0
4 W. B. Banning, Union, Democrat, Lumber and Grain Dealer, Nebraska.....	11	41	1
5 E. E. Placek, Wahoo, Democrat, Lawyer, Nebraska.....	33	33	0
6 Richard S. Horton, Omaha, Democrat, Lawyer, Ohio.....	17	44	0
7 John E. Reagan, Omaha, Democrat, Lawyer, Missouri.....	22	42	0
6 John M. Tanner, South Omaha, Democrat, Publisher, Iowa.....	27	49	1
7 M. S. Wilcox, Craig, Democrat, Farmer, New York.....	43	68	0
8 J. M. Talcott, Crofton, Democrat, Physician, Iowa.....	14	39	1
9 *Aubrey A. Smith, St. Edward, Republican, Banker, Nebraska.....	32	32	1
10 Fred Volpp, Scribner, Democrat, Banker, Germany.....	23	43	1
11 Phillip H. Kohl, Wayne, Democrat, Real Estate and Loans, Ohio.....	21	43	0
12 I. L. Albert, Columbus, Democrat, Lawyer, Pennsylvania.....	23	54	0
13 J. D. Lee, Lynch, Democrat, Farmer and Stockman, Virginia.....	20	50	1
14 W. H. Reynolds, Chadron, Republican, Real Estate, Illinois.....	26	61	1
15 J. A. Ollis, Jr., Ord, Democrat, Farmer and Stockman, Illinois.....	29	52	2
16 C. F. Bodinson, Kearney, Democrat, Merchant, Sweden.....	33	64	1
17 J. H. Buhrman, St. Libory, Democrat, Farmer and Banker, Illinois.....	29	46	1
18 J. H. Kemp, Fullerton, Republican, Lawyer, Virginia.....	14	38	0

19	Charles M. Skiles, David City, Democrat, Lawyer, Iowa.....	31	44	0
20	Edward P. Brown, Davey, Republican, Lawyer, Nebraska.....	40	40	2
20	William A. Selleck, Lincoln, Republican, Merchant, Minnesota.....	26	53	0
21	Peter Jansen, Beatrice, Republican, Retired Farmer, Russia.....	38	58	1
22	F. W. Bartos, Wilber, Democrat, Lawyer, Bohemia.....	27	33	1
23	Wes Pickens, Powell, Democrat, Farmer, Indiana.....	42	63	1
24	Charles C. Smith, Exeter, Republican, Manufacturer, New York.....	40	44	0
25	J. M. Cox, Hampton, Republican, Farming and Banking, Illinois.....	42	63	1
26	James B. McGrew, Bloomington, Republican, Banker, Ohio.....	23	60	0
27	George W. Tibbets, Hastings, Democrat, Lawyer, New York.....	25	62	1
28	H. A. Cox, Wilcox, Republican, Stockman, Illinois.....	26	57	0
29	*John F. Cordeal, McCook, Republican, Lawyer, Illinois.....	25	37	0
30	W. V. Hoagland, North Platte, Republican, Lawyer, Illinois.....	38	40	0

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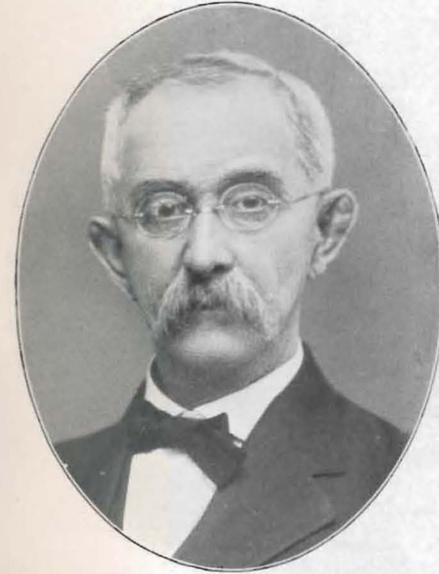
John H. Morehead (Democrat), Falls City

Senator John H. Morehead represents the First Senatorial District, which embraces Richardson and Pawnee Counties. He was born in Lucas County, Ia., December 3, 1861, and lived on a farm in that county and attended country school. He also attended select school at Knoxville, Ia., and the business college at Shenandoah, Ia. He came to Nebraska in the year 1883, where he engaged in teaching school in country districts for about two years. He was married in 1885 to Minnie Weisenreider. He was engaged in mercantile business at Barada, Richardson County, Neb., for ten years. He was elected county treasurer in 1895 by a majority of 235, re-elected in 1897 by majority vote of 835. At the expiration of office he was elected cashier of the First National Bank at Falls City, Neb., and served for a term of nine years. He has been vice president of the same bank for two years. Senator Morehead organized the National Bank at Humboldt, Neb., and was president of the same. He also organized the State Bank at Barada, and is now president of same. He served one year as mayor of Falls City, and was elected state senator in fall of 1910 by majority vote of 572, and upon organization of the senate he was elected its president pro tem. While engaged in other business, he has also been interested in farming and raising stock and it has been one of his principal occupations.



I. L. Albert (Democrat), Columbus

Senator I. L. Albert represents the Twelfth Senatorial District, composed of Platte and Colfax Counties. He was born in Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, on the 28th day of December, 1856. At the age of eighteen he left his home and went to the State of Iowa, where he entered what is now known as Leander Clark College, of which institution he is a graduate. He entered upon the practice of law in the city of Cedar Rapids, Ia., in the summer of 1883. Later he moved to Albion, Boone County, Nebraska, remaining there until late in 1887, and, after spending a winter on the Pacific Coast, he returned to Nebraska, locating in the city of Columbus, Neb., where he has ever since practiced his profession. He has served as county attorney of Platte County, judge of the Sixth Judicial District, Supreme Court commissioner, and is now serving his first term in the Legislature. He affiliates with the Democratic party, but has never been a pronounced partisan. He is known as the author of the Nebraska Bank Guaranty Law, which was drafted by him. He is also one of the attorneys who defended that law in the Federal Court. His family consists of a wife and six children.



M. S. Wilcox (Democrat), Craig

Senator M. S. Wilcox represents the Seventh Senatorial District, composed of Cuming and Burt Counties. He was born at Litchfield, Herkimer County, N. Y., September 20, 1842. At the age of 2 years his parents moved to Sauquoit, Oneida County, N. Y. Upon completing the prescribed course at the district school, Mr. Wilcox attended the Sauquoit Academy, and later attended the Whitestown Seminary for one year. At the age of 21 he removed to Fond du Lac, Wis., and remained one year, then removed to Chicago and entered the service of C. Mears & Co., wholesale dealers and manufacturers in lumber. He came to Nebraska February 7, 1867, and in that year located at Elk City, Douglas County, Neb. Mr. Wilcox had the privilege of attending the joint session of the Territorial Legislature, convened in the state house at Omaha, and heard the vote on state announced. In 1882 he removed to Burt County, Neb., where he now resides. During his residence in Nebraska he has been engaged in farming. Never sought an office, but was assessor several terms in Douglas and Burt Counties. Senator Wilcox is married and has a family of five children, four of them now residing in Burt County and one residing in Idaho.



J. M. Talcott (Democrat), Crofton

Senator J. M. Talcott represents the Eighth Senatorial District, composed of Dixon, Dakota, Knox, Cedar and Thurston Counties. He was born at Dow City, Ia., September 17, 1871. He graduated in medicine at the State University of Iowa March 11, 1896. He moved to Crofton, Neb., in June, 1896, where he has since resided, and practiced medicine. Dr. Talcott, in the fall of 1908, was elected as state representative from the Twentieth Representative District, and he was therefore not without legislative experience when he entered the Senate of the Thirty-second session.



John F. Cordeal (Republican), McCook

Senator John F. Cordeal represents the Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, composed of Furnas, Red Willow, Hitchcock, Dundy, Gosper, Frontier, Chase and Hayes Counties. He was born at Pontiac, Ill., October 1, 1873. He removed to Red Willow County, Nebraska, in November, 1885. He attended the College of the City of New York one year, and graduated from the Northwestern University Law School in 1898. He was admitted to the bar in Illinois in 1898 and in Nebraska in 1903. Senator Cordeal is now engaged in the practice of law at McCook, Neb., and has extensive farming interests.



L. A. Varner (Republican), Sterling

Senator L. A. Varner represents the Second Senatorial District, composed of Johnson and Nemaha Counties. He resides at Sterling, Nebraska, and is a republican. He was born in Harveysburg, Warren County, Ohio, August 15, 1854. After graduating from the public school of his home town he taught school during the school seasons for about seven years and spent the summers working on his father's farm. During this time he also studied law. He was married to Miss Alma Gary September 16, 1874; four children were born to them, all living: Mrs. S. P. Arnot of Chicago, Mrs. Jay C. Moore of Tecumseh, Neb.; E. W. Varner, publisher of the Adams Globe, and Macie Varner, a kindergarten teacher in the Humboldt school. In April, 1879, with his family he moved to Harvard, Nebraska, and was admitted the same year to practice law. August, 1882, he moved to Sterling in Johnson County, where he continued the practice of law, and in 1887 purchased the Sterling Gazette, later the Sun, which he continued to publish until March, 1909. He was elected to represent Johnson County in the lower branch of the Legislature in the session of 1885, renominated for the session of 1887, and defeated by a VanWyck democrat. Since then he has numerous times refused to be a candidate, until the campaign of 1910, which resulted in his election by 345 majority. He has no desire to ever again become a candidate for any office. In 1908 Senator Varner was elected president of the State Press Association.



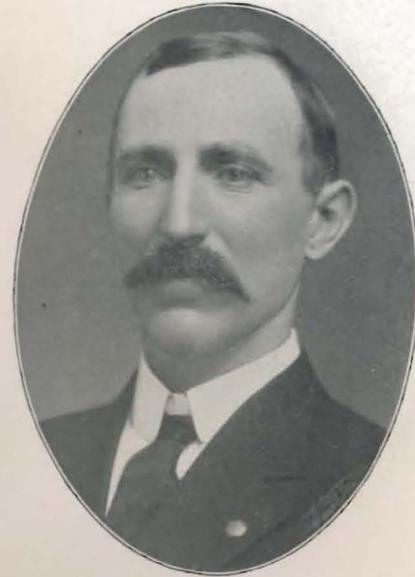
C. M. Skiles (Democrat), David City

Senator C. M. Skiles represents the Nineteenth Senatorial District, composed of Butler and Seward Counties. He was born on a farm near Fort Madison, Ia. He came to Cass County, with his parents, in 1880. He worked his way through the State University of Nebraska and won the oratorical contest, going to Minneapolis as delegate to the interstate oratorical contest. He was elected editor-in-chief of the college paper, and played right end on the first varsity football team and won the wrestling contest in which all the colleges of the state participated. He graduated with honors from the university in 1892, being a classmate of ex-Governor Sheldon and Chancellor Avery. He was principal of the Cedar Creek schools in the following year, and graduated from the University Law School in 1895. He spent two years in a law office in Lincoln, and located in Ulysses, Butler County, Nebraska, in the spring of 1897, beginning the practice of law. In the fall of 1899 he was elected judge of Butler County and served three terms, and at the last election for such office he carried every ward in David City, the county seat, and every precinct in the county except one. Since retiring from such office five years ago he has been actively engaged in the practice of law under the firm name of Skiles & Harris. Senator Skiles was married six years ago to Miss Anna W. Swarr of Manheim, Pa., and they have one child, a son, aged three years.



Richard S. Horton (Democrat), Omaha

Senator Richard S. Horton represents the Sixth Senatorial District, composed of Douglas County. He was born in Cincinnati, O., February 21, 1866. He is a graduate of the University of Kansas and of the Cincinnati Law School. While in Cincinnati Mr. Horton read law in the office of Taft & Loyd. He began the practice of law in Lawrence, Kas., and has practiced law in Omaha for seventeen years.



J. H. Buhrman (Democrat), St. Libory

Senator J. H. Buhrman represents the Seventeenth Senatorial District, composed of Howard and Hall Counties. He was born in St. Libory, Ill., in 1864, and came to Nebraska in 1881, locating at St. Libory and has resided there ever since, and has been engaged in farming and buying and selling stock. Senator Buhrman is vice president of the St. Libory State Bank. He was county assessor for four years, and is now serving his second term as senator.



C. F. Bodinson (Democrat), Kearney

Senator C. F. Bodinson represents the Sixteenth Senatorial District, composed of Buffalo and Sherman Counties. He was born at Soderhamn, Sweden, June 29, 1846. He was educated in the common schools of that country, and for a while clerked in a hardware store. He left Sweden in 1865. He located at Galva, Ill., where he worked in a general store until 1870. He was engaged in the grocery business at Galva until 1878, when he moved to Kearney, Neb., where he has since resided. He was engaged in the grocery business at Kearney for the next ten years, and since has been in the hardware business. He was married in 1870 to Miss Louisa W. Dahlgren, who was born April 9, 1852, at Victoria, Knox County, Illinois. He has three sons, Fred P., Frank A. and Roy W., all living. Senator Bodinson was elected county treasurer of Buffalo County in 1898 and re-elected in 1900. He was elected to the State Senate in 1908, and is now serving his second term.



James B. McGrew (Republican), Bloomington

Senator James B. McGrew represents the Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, composed of Nuckolls, Webster and Franklin Counties. He was born in Ohio, Nov. 11, 1850, and is the son of Simon B. and Urah (Marsh) McGrew. He received his education at Lenox College, Hopkinton, Ia. Senator McGrew married Lula H. Skinner of Wyoming, Ia., and they have two children. He was engaged in the drug business at Wyoming, Ia., from 1873 to 1880, and at Spencer, Ia., from 1880 to 1887; engaged in the railroad construction business from 1885 to 1888; engaged in farming, banking and milling business since 1888. Senator McGrew is president of the following named banks, viz: Naponee State Bank, Naponee, Neb.; Riverton State Bank, Riverton, Neb.; Commercial State Bank, Republican City, Neb.; Bostwick State Bank, Bostwick, Neb.; Woodruff State Bank, Woodruff, Neb. Religion, Quaker; business, farmer, miller and banker; recreation, automobiling.



Fred Volpp (Democrat), Scribner

Senator Fred Volpp represents the Tenth Senatorial District, composed of Dodge and Washington Counties. He was born in Germany on the 18th day of April, 1868. He came to America in 1888, locating at Wayne, Nebraska, where he lived until 1904, and was engaged in the meat market business. Located at Bloomfield, Nebraska, in 1904 and engaged in the banking business, where he remained one year. In 1905 he moved to Scribner, Nebraska, where he has since resided and has been engaged in the banking business. He is president of the Scribner State Bank. Was elected county treasurer in the fall of 1899 of Wayne County and re-elected in 1901. He was elected State Senator in the fall of 1908, and in the session following was chairman of the Banking Committee and had charge of the fight to secure the passage of the Bank Guaranty Law. In the present session he is chairman of the Railroad Committee. Senator Volpp was married in Wayne, Nebraska, in October, 1889, to Sophie Lerner of the same town and they have no children.



Aubrey A. Smith (Republican), St. Edward

Senator Aubrey A. Smith represents the Ninth Senatorial District, composed of Boone, Antelope and Greeley Counties. He was born January 7, 1879, in Boone County, Nebraska, where he has ever since resided. He attended private school at Chicago; the Chateau de Lancy, Geneva, Switzerland; the Ober Real Schule and Heidelberg College, Heidelberg, Germany; at Lawrenceville, N. J., and was graduated from Yale College in 1902, and has been in the banking business at St. Edward, Neb., ever since. He was a member of the lower house of the Nebraska Legislature in the Thirtieth session, held in 1907. Mr. Smith had the distinction of being the youngest member of the House in 1907, and is the youngest member of the Senate in the present session. He is a grandson of Adam Smith and a son of P. D. Smith. Senator Smith is putting forth his best efforts to secure the passage of a bill to exempt real estate mortgages from taxation, which he introduced.



F. W. Bartos (Republican) Wilber

Senator F. W. Bartos represents the Twenty-second Senatorial District, composed of Saline County. Born in Bohemia August 1, 1877. Came to America in 1894, locating in Lancaster County, where he lived with his parents in a dug-out for one year and a half. Then moved to Wilber, Saline County, Nebraska, where he has since resided. Graduated in high school in 1896. Taught school for two years. Graduated from the law department of the University of Nebraska in 1900 and then engaged in practice of law at Wilber, Nebraska, and has continued in the practice there since. Also engaged in banking and other lines of business at that place. Served as State Senator in the thirty-first session, held in 1909, and now serving his second term. Was married in October, 1902, to Miss Anna Svacina of Omaha and has two children—Carmile, age seven, and Helen, age three years.



J. A. Ollis, Jr. (Democrat), Ord

Senator J. A. Ollis, Jr., represents the Fifteenth Senatorial District, composed of Custer, Valley, Loup and Blaine Counties. Born October 12, 1859, in Hancock County, Illinois. Raised on stock farm and received common and high school education. Married in 1880 to Sarah J. Kerr, who died in 1896, leaving eight children. Married again in 1906 to Eliza E. Knatt. Moved to Valley County, Nebraska, in 1882, where he has continuously resided since. Beginning on a homestead his farm has been increased to 1,280 acres, well improved. He also owns three irrigated farms in Colorado. Has served as a member of the county board four terms; been a member of the school board for sixteen years; member of the lower house of the Legislature in 1901; member of the State Senate in 1909, and now serving his second term in the Senate. Member of the State Board of Agriculture for six years, and now member of the Board of Managers. Also president of the Improved Live Stock Breeders Association of the state. Has always taken a leading and active part in the improvement of live stock and has been a heavy feeder of sheep and cattle for a number of years.



Henry H. Bartling (Republican), Nebraska City

Senator Henry H. Bartling represents the Third Senatorial District, which is composed of Otoe County. He was born at Nebraska City, Neb., August 22, 1877, receiving a common school education until he was 14 years old. He worked for his father in grocery store and grain business for about ten years. He was then employed for two years in Burlington train service. His father died January 7, 1905, and Mr. Bartling then left his position with the railroad, and in company with his brother-in-law took charge of his father's grocery business. He never held public office except chairman of the Republican City Central Committee. He was married in St. Louis on June 12, 1907. He has one boy named Ralph. His father went to Nebraska City in 1869 and was mayor of the city three terms. He built the street car line in the city and organized and conducted the Bartling Grain Co., which the family are still conducting, and established a grocery business, which is now owned and conducted by Mr. Bartling and brother-in-law, Mr. George Oetgen. Senator Bartling made a strong fight for election to the Senate and succeeded in being elected, although the district went democratic, giving Mr. Hitchcock, candidate for United States Senator, 637 majority, and Mr. Dahlman, candidate for Governor, 420 majority. Senator Bartling was appointed by Governor Mickey as delegate to the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress at Kansas City.



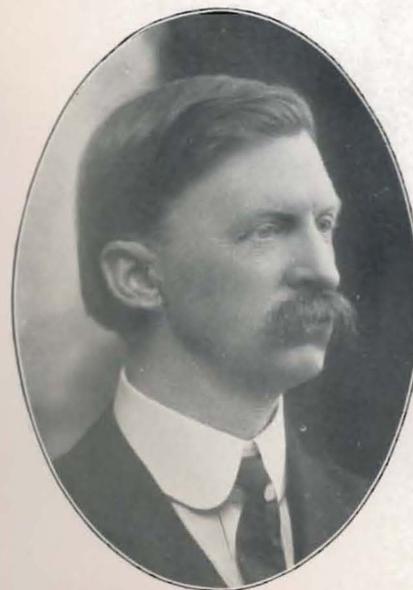
Charles C. Smith (Republican), Exeter

Senator Charles C. Smith represents the Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, composed of York and Fillmore Counties. He was born in Seneca County, New York, in 1866. He has lived in Exeter, Nebraska, since 1871. He graduated from Doane College at Crete with Chancellor Avery in the class of '87. For about fifteen years Senator Smith has been trustee and member of executive committee of Doane College, having succeeded Ex-Governor Dawes as secretary of the board. He is best known as the manufacturer of an extensive line of adjustable or movable indexes bearing his name. Factory gives steady employment to fifty-five men and women. Indexes are used in most of the leading offices in the United States and are exported to every civilized country, largest foreign shipments going to England, Germany and Australia. He has been unusually successful as an employer of labor, and is considered an expert in efficient and economical business organization and management. During the past twelve years the prices of all materials entering into his products have advanced from 25 to 60 per cent, but by securing the intelligent co-operation of his employes and constantly devising more efficient and economical methods of manufacturing he has been able to pay higher wages every year without increasing the cost of his goods to the consumer.



J. H. Kemp (Republican), Fullerton

Senator J. H. Kemp represents the Eighteenth Senatorial District, composed of Nance, Merrick and Polk Counties. He was born in Page County, Virginia, on October 6, 1873. Attended public schools of home county and took collegiate course in William & Mary College, which is the second oldest college in the United States. He came to Nebraska in October, 1896, and immediately entered the law school of the State University at Lincoln and graduated in class of 1898. In the fall of the same year he located at Fullerton, Nebraska, where he has been practicing law ever since. He served one year as State Central Committeeman, two terms as county attorney of Nance County, and at the present time is a member of the Board of Education of the city of Fullerton, and president of the Fullerton Chautauqua Assembly. He was married to Ellinor Orton of Fullerton, Nebraska, June 15, 1909. In his campaign for State Senator Mr. Kemp was elected by the largest majority of any candidate ever elected from his district.



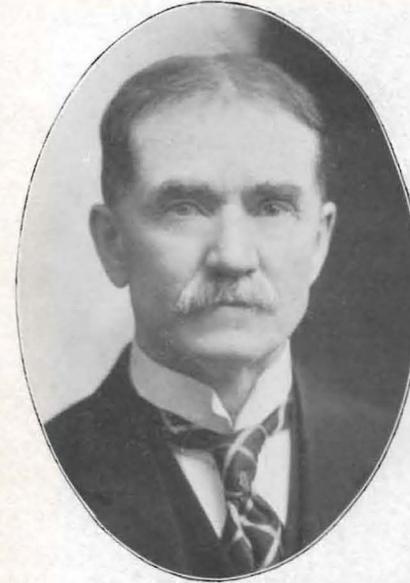
W. B. Banning (Democrat), Union

Senator W. B. Banning represents the Fourth Senatorial District, composed of Cass County. He was born at Wyoming, Otoe County, Nebraska, September 18, 1869. Reared on a farm and attended the district school in winters. Afterward took a course in the Lincoln Business College and graduated in 1891, later teaching school for two years in Gage county. Entered the United States mail service in 1894, but soon after resigned and entered the grain business in Union, Nebraska, and in 1898 also engaged in the implement business. In 1899 was married to Miss Jennie Roush of Keasauqua, Ia. In 1902 was elected county commissioner of Cass County, served three years and refused the nomination for the second term. In 1903 engaged in the lumber business at Union and is still engaged in that business. Holds position on school and town board. In 1908 was nominated for State Senator of the Fourth Senatorial District and was elected in November. Senator Banning is now serving his second term.



John E. Reagan (Democrat), Omaha

Senator John E. Reagan is one of the senators representing the Sixth Senatorial District, composed of Douglas County. Born in St. Louis, Mo., in 1869. His parents moved to a farm in Iowa when he was six years old, and he secured his early education in the country district school. Working on the farm until he was eighteen years old he acquired sufficient education to enable him to get a teacher's certificate, and he taught school for three years thereafter. When twenty-one years of age he came to Omaha and entered the business world by opening a small grocery store, and for five years sold groceries and during his hours of leisure read law and was admitted to the practice in the fall of 1896. He has been in the active practice of his profession since that time. He was married in 1902 and is now the father of three children, Patricia, Margaret and Frances.



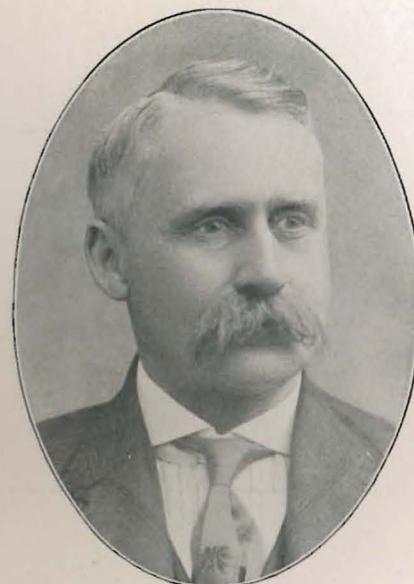
George W. Tibbets (Democrat), Hastings

Senator George W. Tibbets represents the Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, composed of Adams County. He was born in Belfast, Allegany County, New York, July 25, 1848. Educated at the Genesee Valley Seminary at Belfast, New York, and Iowa State University of Iowa. Studied law and was admitted to the bar at Rochester, New York, in 1878, and practiced law in Allegany County, New York, for about eight years. He came to Nebraska in February, 1886, and located at Hastings, where he still lives, engaged in the practice of law. When about twenty-seven years old was elected school commissioner of the Northern District of Allegany County, New York, and served three years. He was elected a member of the State Senate, the thirty-first session in 1908, and when the same convened in the following January was elected president pro tem. of same. He was re-elected last fall and is now serving his second term. Senator Tibbets was married in New York August 3, 1883, to Miss Mary C. Capron, the issue of that marriage being one son, Raymond M. Tibbets, born July 28, 1884, who is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, and is now practicing law at Hastings, Neb.



Wes Pickens (Democrat), Powell

Senator Wes Pickens represents the Twenty-third Senatorial District, composed of Jefferson and Thayer Counties. Born in Henry County, Indiana, November 18, 1847. When of school age he attended the subscription schools of that time until he was fourteen years old. The following six years were spent upon his father's farm. At the age of twenty years he went to Grand View, Iowa, where he engaged in farming for two years. With a company of emigrants he traveled overland in 1869 to what is now Jefferson County, Nebraska, reaching the Helvey ranch on Little Sandy Creek October 12. He filed on a homestead two miles south of Powell in March, 1870. During a period of five years following he alternately worked with grading gangs on the St. Joseph & Grand Island and Sante Fe railroads and improved his homestead. He was married to Miss Marian L. Bower November 28, 1875, and engaged in farming and stock-raising upon the homestead until 1886, when he went into the grain business at Powell. After buying grain there for two years he sold the business and built a grain elevator at Daykin, Neb. He continued in business here for fourteen years, at the end of which time he returned to the homestead, where he now resides. Always a staunch democrat he was elected as representative to the State Legislature on that ticket in 1908, and two years later was elected as State Senator.



J. D. Lee (Democrat), Lynch

Senator J. D. Lee represents the Thirteenth Senatorial District, composed of Boyd, Holt, Garfield and Wheeler Counties. Born in Floyd County, Virginia, in 1861. Came to Nebraska in 1881 and has resided in the state since. Educated in grade and normal schools of Virginia. Is the son of a Baptist minister of distinguished ability. Given early schooling in theology with a view of being engaged in ministry. Politically a democrat, although affiliated with populist party. Active and instrumental in organizing fusion forces. In beginning of Industrial Alliance was engaged as lecturer and public speaker of such organization, and for several years has been one of the campaign speakers of his part of the state. Has been closely affiliated with religious organizations in his section of the state, and is a pronounced county optionist. Served as county judge for four years, being elected in 1905 and 1907. Served in State Senate in 1897 and held other elective offices. Has been elected to office nine times and never defeated, always running on minority ticket. Led his own ticket in the last campaign by about 700 votes. Senator Lee owns considerable land in the northeastern part of the state, consisting of a ranch well improved and stocked with dairy cattle.



Walter V. Hoagland (Republican), North Platte

Senator W. V. Hoagland represents the Thirtieth Senatorial District, composed of Dawson, Lincoln, Keith, Cheyenne, Logan, Kimball, Banner, Scott's Bluff, Deuel, McPherson, Thomas, Hooker, Grant, Morrill, Perkins and Garden Counties. He was born November 30, 1870, at Bunker Hill, Ill. He removed, with his parents, to Lincoln, Neb., in 1873. His father, Joseph S. Hoagland, was sheriff of Lancaster County, Nebraska, in 1878 and 1879. His family moved to North Platte, Neb., in 1884, where Mr. Hoagland has since resided. He was educated in Lincoln and North Platte High Schools and in the State University of Nebraska, receiving from the latter institution the A. B. degree in the class of 1895, and the degree of L. L. B. in the State University of Law, with the class of 1896. He was admitted to the bar by the Nebraska Supreme Court in June, 1896, and entered a law partnership with his father at North Platte in the same year, where he has continued the practice of law ever since, his practice extending over the western part of the state. He never held public office before with the exception of his appointment by Judge Munger, in 1898, as referee in bankruptcy for the western part of Nebraska, which position he still holds. He was elected state senator by a majority in his district of 4,007, and claims to belong to the progressive Republican party. He was married on August 17, 1898, to Miss Hattie S. Singleton of North Platte, Neb., and the children consist of Marie, aged eleven; Eva, aged nine, and Robert, aged five.



Philip H. Kohl (Democrat), Wayne

Senator Philip H. Kohl represents the Eleventh Senatorial District, composed of Wayne, Stanton, Madison and Pierce Counties. He was born May 17, 1868, in Cleveland, Ohio. He came to Nebraska in 1888; was elected county treasurer of Wayne County, Nebraska, in the fall of 1895 and served two terms. He is now engaged in the real estate and loan business at Wayne, Nebraska. Senator Kohl was married in 1892 to Miss Anna Tracy of Wayne, Nebraska, and they have one boy seventeen years old, named Tracy, and one girl fifteen years old, named Marjorie.



E. P. Brown (Republican), Arbor Farm, Davy

Senator Edward P. Brown is one of the representatives of the Twentieth Senatorial District, composed of Lancaster County. Born in Nebraska in 1870; was a student until 1890; lawyer from 1890 to 1900, and a farmer from 1900 to the present time. Represented Lancaster County in the lower house of the Legislature in 1907, served as state senator from said county in the session of 1909, and is now serving his second term in said position.



William A. Selleck (Republican), Lincoln

Senator William A. Selleck represents the Twentieth Senatorial District, composed of Lancaster County. He was born in Minnesota in 1857, residing in that state until 1885, at which time he removed to Lincoln, Neb., where he has since resided. He practiced law in Lincoln for about fifteen years, but finally gave up his practice and became general manager of the Western Supply Co., of Lincoln. He was educated at Carleton College, Northfield, Minn., taking the degrees of A. B. and B. L. He was a member of the Board of Education of Lincoln for nine years, and at different times has served as a member of the city council and deputy city attorney. Mr. Selleck is married and has two children.



E. E. Placek (Democrat), Wahoo

Senator E. E. Placek represents the Fifth Senatorial District, composed of Saunders and Sarpy Counties. Born in 1877 in Fillmore County, Nebraska. Attended public schools until 1894 and graduated from Nebraska University in law department in 1897. Enlisted in the army, 1st Nebraska Regiment, Company G, and served in the Philippines. Received an appointment in the Census Department in 1900 and attended George Washington University during the time served in such position. Located in Wahoo, Nebraska, in spring of 1901 and engaged in the practice of law. Elected county judge in 1905 and served for four years. Was married in May, 1904, to Elizabeth Lindercamp of Wahoo, and they have two daughters named Corenne, age five years, and Enid, age six months.



Peter Jansen (Republican), Beatrice

Senator Peter Jansen represents Gage County, and is a ranchman and banker. He was born in Berdjansk, South Russia, March 21, 1852. He is the son of Cornelius and Helena (Von Riesen) Jansen, and was educated by a governess, private tutor and at gymnasium of Berdjansk. His father was a political exile from Russia, and came to the United States with his family in 1873. Senator Jansen married Gertrude Penner of Beatrice, Neb., March 4, 1877, and went to Nebraska when it was frontier. He started one of the first sheep farms on a large scale, handling from 10,000 to 20,000 a year to date. He took active part in the development of the state, and organized several banks. He was instrumental in bringing many German Russians from South Russia to Nebraska, and engaged in colonizing large tracts of land in the Canadian northwest. He is president of Saskatchewan Elevator Co., vice president Carrot River Valley Land Co., Ltd., and second vice president Saskatchewan Valley and Manitoba Land Co. He has been an extensive traveler in Europe, Asia, Mexico and Canada. He was a republican delegate in 1884

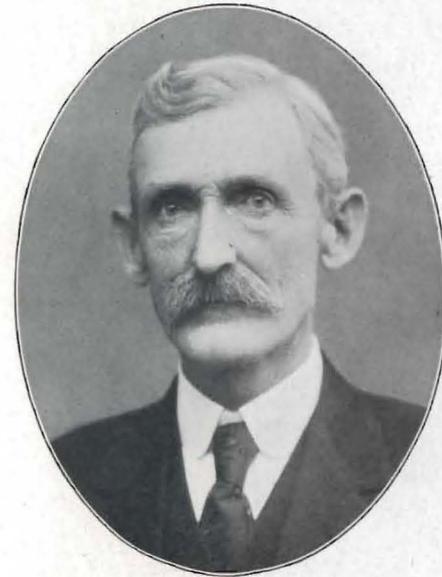
and delegate-at-large in 1896 in republican national conventions, and made a speech in the latter favoring the gold standard. He was appointed by President McKinley United States Commissioner to the Paris exposition in 1900. He was state commissioner to the St. Louis exposition in 1904, and a member of the Nebraska legislature in 1898 and 1899. He is a member of Mennonite church and the Nebraska Historical Society. Clubs—Omaha, Omaha; Saddle and Sirloin, Chicago; Manitoba, Winnepeg. Address, Beatrice, Neb.



W. H. Reynolds (Republican), Chadron

Senator **W. H. Reynolds** represents the Fourteenth Senatorial District, composed of Brown, Keya Paha, Cherry, Sheridan, Dawes, Box Butte, Sioux and Rock Counties. Born July 13, 1849, on a farm in Morgan County, Illinois. His parents dying when he was a small boy, he found employment in the neighborhood at a very small compensation and was only able to attend the country schools a part of the winter months, but at the age of eighteen years he began teaching and afterwards attended the Whipple Academy at Jacksonville, Ill. In 1872 he removed to Harrison County, Missouri, and engaged in farming, soon after meeting Miss Elizabeth Waltz, who was then teaching and to whom he was married in 1875. After their marriage he moved to Jamesport, Missouri, where he engaged in the mercantile business, finally selling out and going from there to Stanberry, Missouri, a new railroad shop town in Gentry County, where he again engaged in the mercantile business and was elected first mayor in the town, serving two terms. In 1884 he came to Nebraska with what was known as the Missouri colony, taking up a homestead in

what was then the unorganized territory of Sioux County, but now known as Dawes County, situated in the western part of the state. He served one year as clerk in the United States Land office and in 1891 was elected county treasurer, serving two terms, and in 1898 was elected to the State Senate, representing the Fourteenth District, which he also represents in this session. Senator Reynolds has for a number of years been engaged in the real estate and abstract business, and for the past ten years has conducted his business in partnership with Ernest M. Slater, an attorney-at-law, their place of business being at Chadron, Nebraska.



J. M. Cox (Republican), Hampton

Senator James M. Cox represents the Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, composed of Clay and Hamilton Counties. He was born in Kendall County, Illinois, August 16, 1849. He received his education in the schools of his native state, his youthful days being mainly passed on the farm. For some years he followed farming in his native state, and in May, 1879, came to Nebraska and located where now is situated the town of Hampton. The country about was then wild prairie, and this land Mr. Cox commenced to cultivate. He has been successful as a farmer, which has been his life's work mainly, and having faith in Nebraska soil, as his means would permit, he acquired additional land, until at the present time he has about 3,500 acres of as good land as can be found in the state. He has carried on farming on an extensive scale and is a large feeder and shipper of live stock. For a short time he was engaged in the lumber business at Hampton and has also been considerably interested in banking. He is one of the self-made men of the Senate and is highly esteemed in his home county, as well as by all who know him throughout the state. For fifteen years he has been a school director in

his home town and chairman of the Board of Town Trustees of Hampton until he declined re-election. He has always been a republican, but has never been among the office-seeking class. He is a thorough home man and has a family consisting of three sons and two daughters. His wife, whom he married at Plano, Illinois, February 3, 1875, died in May, 1908, and he is now making his home with his eldest daughter, Mrs. S. C. Houghton of Hampton, Neb. Mr. Cox is one of the conservative and hard-working members of the Senate, and is now serving his third term.



John M. Tanner (Democrat), South Omaha

Senator John M. Tanner is one of the representatives from the Sixth Senatorial District, composed of Douglas County. He was born at Nevada, Story County, Iowa, April 13, 1861, and educated in the public schools at that place. Learned the printer's trade and worked as a compositor and a reporter on many of the metropolitan newspapers in the middle west. Established the Sunday Morning Sermon, a weekly newspaper, at Atchison, Kas., in 1883. Later city editor of the State Journal and also of the Commonwealth, both of Topeka, Kas., and while in such service was correspondent of several eastern metropolitan papers. He located in Omaha in 1884; served as reported on the Omaha Herald, owned by Dr. Miller, and later on the Evening World, owned by Mr. Hitchcock, and also on the Omaha Bee, which position he held for several years. He was editor of the Deadwood Pioneer for one year. In 1893 he started the Daily Tribune of South Omaha and has been publishing a daily newspaper in South Omaha ever since. For the last several years has been publishing the Daily Democrat of South Omaha, of which he is the editor and owner. He has

always taken an active part in boosting South Omaha. He is a member of many lodges, having been president of the local erie F. O. E. and secretary of the state erie F. O. E.. Served as president of the Press Club, and is now vice president of the Nebraska Editorial Association. Member of the State Senate in the thirty-first session and is now serving his second term. Senator Tanner is married and has three children; his oldest son, Joseph, is city editor of his father's paper and his other son is on the office force of the Armour Packing Company, and his daughter, Miss Frances, is in the High School at South Omaha.



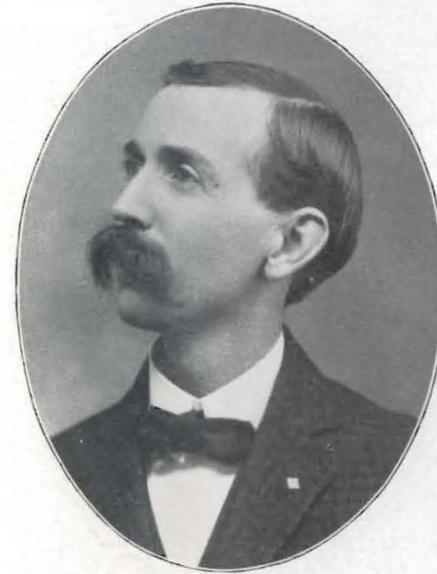
Henry A. Cox (Republican), Wilcox

Senator H. A. Cox represents the Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, composed of Kearney, Phelps and Harlan Counties. He was born February 18, 1853, in Stark County, Illinois. At the age of twenty-one he went west into the gold mines of Colorado, Central City, Georgetown and Leadville camps, where he was engaged in mining for nine years. He was married to Miss Emma Fraser at Central City in 1880, and they have five children, named as follows: Ray, Adeline, Mae, Olive and Pauline. He moved with his family to Pawnee County, Nebraska, in 1884, locating on a farm, where he lived six years. In 1890 he moved to Wilcox, Kearney County, Nebraska, where he now resides. Senator Cox and his son, Ray, are engaged in farming, stock raising, buying and shipping. He is a staunch temperance man and a Christian gentleman. He has filled some county offices and many in the village in which he lives.



William H. Smith, Secretary of the Senate

William H. Smith, secretary of the Senate, was born November 30, 1873 in Henry County, Illinois. He entered the employ of the "Tipton (Ia.) Conservative" in 1891 and learned the printer's trade, his parents having moved to Cedar County, Iowa, from Illinois ten years before. He remained in such service until 1897, and in February of that year purchased the "Seward Democrat" of Seward, Neb., which was later consolidated with the "Independent," under the name of the "Seward Independent-Democrat," which he still owns and conducts. Mr. Smith never sought or held public office except the position of secretary of the Senate, having been elected to that position in the Thirty-first session of the Nebraska Legislature held in 1909, and re-elected in the Thirty-second session in 1911. He was married in 1901 to Della Fletcher of Seward, Neb.



Eugene A. Walrath, Osceola, Assistant Secretary of the Senate

Eugene A. Walrath was born in Rochelle, Ill., November 26, 1867. In 1883 he moved, with his parents, to Greenleaf, Kas., and in 1884 he arrived at Osceola, where he has since resided. He united in marriage to Miss Birdie L. Pulver in 1890 and has two children, two girls, Maurine and GERALYN. Mr. Walrath is proprietor and editor of the "Polk County Democrat," which paper he established in 1888. It is one of the best country papers in the state, and has the largest circulation of any paper within a radius of twenty-five miles of Osceola. In politics the paper and its editor have given their influence and support to the Populist movement, and at the present time Mr. Walrath is the secretary of the State Committee of the People's Independent party. He was assistant secretary of the State Senate in 1909, and in the recent organization of the Senate there was no opposition whatever in the caucus of the majority party. The subject of this sketch is a member of the blue lodge, A. F. and A. M., also of the M. W. of A., of which latter organization he is the chief local officer, a position he has held for five years.



Frank S. Perkins, Assistant Secretary of the Senate

Frank S. Perkins was born in Des Moines, Ia., October 28, 1886. With his parents he moved to Omaha in 1887, where they lived until 1905. After passing through the graded schools and high school, graduating from the latter in 1905, he started to learn the printer's trade in the office of the "Columbus Telegram," Columbus, Neb., in which his father was interested. After a few months at the trade he left for New York City to enter the instruction department of the Mergenthaler linotype factory. He remained there for six months, serving as an instructor during the last two months. When his father, Marc G. Perkins, sold his interest in the "Columbus Telegram," and bought the "Fremont Daily Herald," he went to Fremont and worked for a year in the mechanical department of that paper. Later he took charge of the circulation end of the paper and during the past two years has been advertising manager of the "Herald." He is now secretary of the Herald company. He is a member of the Fremont Commercial Club and several business organizations of that city. He is a member of Post B of the Travelers' Protective Association of Nebraska.



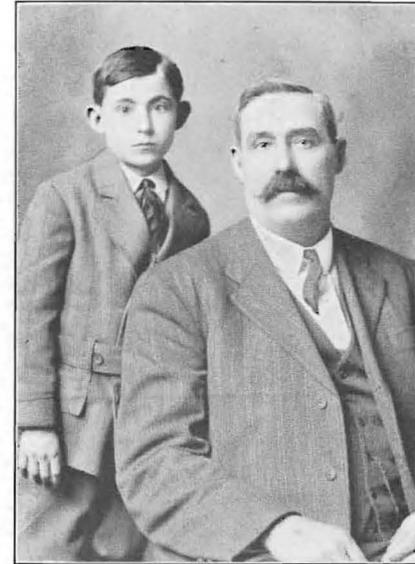
James Huff, Chaplain

Rev. James Huff is chaplain of the Senate. He was born at Sparta, Elgin County, Ontario, March 20, 1845. He came to Nebraska in 1862, locating in Sarpy County. He enlisted in October, 1862, in the Second Nebraska Volunteer Cavalry, and served eleven months in frontier service. He was married to Miss Laura E. Driskell in 1869 and moved to Dodge County, Nebraska, on a homestead near Scribner, Neb., and in 1875 moved to Fremont, Neb. He raised a family of two boys and three girls. While living in Fremont, Mr. Huff held the office of justice of the peace for eight years and police judge for four years. He united with the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ at Fremont in 1887 and was ordained a minister in December, 1889, and acted as pastor of the church at Fremont until 1897, when he moved to Crete, Neb., remaining there for seven months only. He then moved to South Omaha, Neb., and has resided in South Omaha and Omaha since that time. He was general church missionary for four years, traveling in the North Platte territory. He was appointed chaplain of the Nebraska State Penitentiary by former Governor A. C. Shallenberger July 15, 1909, and still holds such position. What education he received was in the country schools of Ontario, his children having received their education in the public schools of Fremont, Neb.



Thomas F. Costello, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate

Mr. Thomas F. Costello was born at Pittson, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, September 8, 1858. He is of Irish ancestry. He attended the free public school for three months of each year, and pay school when possible, until nine years of age. At that time, commencing work for the Pittson and Elmira Coal Company, picking slate in what was known as their "twin breaker." Later on he entered the service of the Seneca Colliery Mines, first as door boy, then as driver, and finally as car runner. He left Pittson July 1, 1877, with his parents, removing to Wood River, Neb. In 1880 he entered the service of the Union Pacific Railroad Company as freight brakeman, and in 1883 was promoted to freight conductor and in 1899 to passenger conductor. On August 17, 1904, when his train was wrecked at Fourteenth street in Omaha, he received injuries from which he never fully recovered. In September of that year Mr. Costello started a grocery store in Grand Island, Neb., and conducted the same until he sold out in May, 1910. He was married October 16, 1883, to Miss Frances M. Harnan at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Grand Island, Neb., and the family consists of Edward F., Walter J., Mary Irene, Thomas E. and Helen G. Two children, William F. and Evaline, died in infancy.



J. W. Hodges, First Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate

Mr. J. W. Hodges of West Point, Neb., is one of the most familiar figures in the upper house of the Thirty-second Nebraska Legislature, and one of its most popular employees. He very narrowly missed being one of the "native sons," for he came to southeastern Nebraska in 1870 and has ever since clung to his adopted state. Mr. Hodges was born in Macoupin County, Illinois, November 24, 1862, of Scottish parentage, and when the family removed to Johnson County, Nebraska, it was to engage in the occupation of farming. It was therefore amid the most healthful surroundings, favorable alike to the development of brain and brawn, that he grew to manhood, possessed of a stalwart and powerful frame and a clear and well-trained mind. It was after he moved to Lincoln, some twenty years ago, that Mr. Hodges began to consider a field offering a wider scope for his energies, and two years later he left the farm and entered the real estate business, for which he was especially qualified by long experience with the soil and with farm conditions, and his acquaintance and transactions were soon state wide. Having located in West Point, Neb., in 1892, he was united in marriage in 1894 to Miss Annie

Reznichek, and there have been born to them three children, two daughters and one son, Mark, the youngest, nine years old, whose picture appears with that of his father in the above illustration. That Mr. Hodges has prospered in his calling goes without saying, and that he is honest as well as shrewd in all his business dealings is a proverb in his community. The esteem and confidence in which he is held have been evidenced in many ways, one of which was his appointment as deputy sheriff of his county, which position he now holds. Being of a naturally congenial disposition, as well as an observant and well-informed man on all the conditions and problems of the day, he is constantly adding to his circle of acquaintances, his most valuable asset, as he views it, and his future career is regarded as most promising, for not only his personal reward, but in benefit to his home people and his state, which has been brought to its present high rank by the efforts of just such wide-awake, active and progressive Western spirits as Mr. Hodges. He has always affiliated with the Democratic party.

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE, THIRTY-SECOND SESSION, 1911

**Democrats and People's Independent, 54; Republicans, 46—
Total, 100.**

Allen, H. A., 61, Real Estate.....	Atkinson
Anderson, C., 48, Farmer.....	Norman
Anness, W. W., 37, Druggist.....	Dunbar
Bailey, W. F., 31, Real Estate.....	Kearney
Baker, D. W., 56, Farmer.....	Benedict
Barclay, A. D., 53, Merchant.....	Bookwalter
Bartels, H. C., 46, Farmer.....	Carroll
Bassett, S. C., 56, Farmer.....	Gibbon
Bolan, P. G. H., 43, Bookkeeper.....	Omaha
Bonham, Luther, 25, Bank Cashier.....	Fairbury
Brecht, Chas., 56, Farmer.....	Falls City
Bulla, J. H., 54, Farmer.....	South Omaha
Bushee, B. K., 39, General Merchandise.....	Kimball
Bussee, C. H. W., 61, Farmer.....	Decatur
Clarke, E. D., 47, Lawyer.....	Valentine
Clayton, I. R., 66, Farmer.....	Wymore
Colton, Wm., 54, Miller.....	York
Cronin, Dennis, 42, Editor.....	O'Neill
Dolezal, Frank, 44, Farmer.....	Wahoo
Dort, E. H., 50, Druggist.....	Auburn
Dostal, Joseph, 67, Farmer.....	Abie
Eager, Earl O., 29, Athletic Manager.....	Lincoln
Eastman, L. H., 51, Retired Farmer.....	Campbell
Eggenberger, Peter, 40, Farmer.....	Strang
Ellis, E. H., 59, Farmer.....	Allen
Evans, J. D., 66, Farmer.....	Kenesaw
Filley, H. Clyde, 32, Farmer.....	Beatrice
Fries, G. M., 49, Farmer.....	Dannebrog
Fuller, G. W., 66, Retired Farmer.....	Seward
Gallagher, F. L., 41, Banker.....	Rosalie
Galt, A. A., 44, Farmer.....	Edgar
Gandy, Jesse, 60, Farmer.....	Broken Bow
Gerdes, Henry, 55, Retired Farmer.....	Falls City
Grossmann, J. H., 56, Attorney.....	Omaha
Grueber, Wm., 51, Farmer.....	Byron
Gustafson, C. H., 41, Farmer.....	Mead
Haller, W. D., 64, Druggist.....	Blair
Hardin, D. S., 51, Stockman.....	Alma
Harrington, B. S., 60, Retired Rancher.....	Ainsworth
Hasik, Jno. D., 36, Farmer.....	Abie
Hatfield, I. H., 39, Attorney.....	Lincoln
Heiliger, Henry, 42, Farmer.....	Plymouth

Herzog, H. H., 44, Lumber Dealer.....Herman
 Hospodsky, J. A., 52, Editor.....Wilber
 Holmes, Robert H., 46, Contractor.....Omaha
 Housh, F. M., 52, Merchant.....Neligh
 Howard, T. J., 49, Attorney.....Greeley
 Johnson, Porter C., 74, Minister.....Tecumseh
 John, James, 60, Druggist.....Cambridge
 Jones, John H., 67, Newspaper.....Clay Center
 Kent, Walter R., 48, Rancher.....Hay Springs
 Kirk, Wert L., 42, Editor.....Clayton
 Kotouc, Otto, 25, Banker.....Humboldt
 Kuhl, John, 42, Broker.....Randolph
 Lawrence, Frank P., 70, Stockman.....Fremont
 Leidigh, G. W., 61, Stock C'r.....Nebraska City
 Lindsey, Geo. W., 68, Farmer.....Red Cloud
 Liver, C. B., 49, Merchant.....Omaha
 Mast, S. D., 59, Farmer.....Moorefield
 Matrau, H. C., 66, Coal Dealer.....Norfolk
 Metzger, C. E., 25, Farmer.....Cedar Creek
 Meyer, Ernest, 52, Miller.....Oak
 Minor, Andrew J., 67, Retired.....Lincoln
 Mockett, J. H., Jr., 50, Insurance.....Lincoln
 Moody, O. H., 40, Farmer.....Ainsley
 Moore, Frank, 65, Farmer.....Indianola
 Moriarty, Jno. F., 29, Attorney.....Omaha
 Murphy, M. J., 40, Farmer.....Friend
 McArdle, E. J., 33, Manufacturer.....Benson
 McCarthy, Con., 37, Farmer.....Bancroft
 McClellan, M. E., 41, Farmer.....North Loup
 McKelvie, S. R., 35, Publisher.....Lincoln
 McKissick, J. W., 35, Insurance.....Beatrice
 Neir, Clark E., 47, Druggist.....Aurora
 Nelson, H. J., 31, Farmer.....Hooper
 Nordgren, T. E., 32, Farmer.....Phillips
 Norton, J. N., 32, Farmer.....Polk
 Nutzman, F. L., 49, Farmer.....Nehawka
 Potts, G. W., 40, Grain Dealer.....Du Bois
 Prince, W. A., 46, Attorney.....Grand Island
 Puls, W. H., 34, Farmer.....Murray
 Quackenbush, E. B., 44, Attorney.....Auburn
 Regan, R. C., 47, Farmer.....Platte Center
 Riha, Frank J., 25, Printer.....Omaha
 Roberts, E. W., 62, Contractor.....Holdrege
 Sagl Anton, 34, Banker.....Wilber
 Sanborn, C. W., 38, Farmer.....Gretna
 Scheele, Henry, 60, Retired Farmer.....Utica
 Schueth, Charles, 62, Farmer.....Humphrey
 Shoemaker, W. S., 66, Attorney.....Omaha
 Sindelar, J. B., 57, Merchant.....Howells

Sink, John W., 49, Cigar Manufacturer.....Grand Island
 Skeen, Ben T., 59, Farmer.....Brownville
 Smith, Roscoe R., 26, Farmer.....Elgin
 Stebbins, W. M., 47, Real Estate.....Gothenburg
 Swan, H. N., 52, Farmer.....Fairmont
 Taylor, H. G., 30, Editor.....Central City
 Taylor, W. Z., 62, Lawyer.....Culbertson
 Waite, Wilber S., 40, Manager Telephone.....Loup City
 Weesner, W. L., 50, Farmer.....Red Cloud



John Kuhl (Democrat), Randolph
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Honorable John Kuhl represents the Nineteenth District, composed of Cedar and Pierce Counties. He was born in Wisconsin and grew to manhood on a farm in Shelby County, Iowa, coming to Nebraska in 1891. During his residence in Nebraska, Mr. Kuhl has been engaged in farming, the harness business, real estate and other business enterprises. The confidence and good opinion of his constituents has been exemplified by his election to the House of Representatives for three consecutive terms, namely, the Thirtieth, Thirty-first and Thirty-second sessions, convened in 1907, 1909 and 1911, respectively. He was the caucus nominee of his party and was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second session, when the same convened in January, 1911.



William Colton (Republican), York

Honorable William Colton is one of the representatives from the Thirtyeighth District, composed of York County. He was born in Lincolnshire, England, in 1857. He came to America in 1872, and for several years lived in Indiana and Illinois, coming to Nebraska in 1883 and locating at Tecumseh, where he lived five years. At the end of said period he removed to York, Neb., where he has since resided. He was in the flour mill and elevator business for twenty-eight years, but is now retired and looks after his real estate. He served two years on the Republican County Central Committee; four years as city councilman of York, Neb., and two years as mayor of said city. Mr. Colton received a flattering vote in the city of York when a candidate for the legislature, 806 out of 1,150 having been cast in his favor.



C. H. W. Busse (Democrat), Decatur

Honorable C. H. W. Busse represents the Twelfth District, composed of Burt County. He was born in Germany in 1849, and came to America in 1854, locating in Clay County, Indiana, and in 1858 he removed to Mills County, Iowa. In 1894 he removed to Burt County, Nebraska, where he has since resided. Mr. Busse is a farmer, and is also engaged in banking and stock raising.



Charles Brecht (Democrat), Falls City

Honorable Charles Brecht is one of the representatives from the First District, composed of Richardson County. He was born February 1, 1854, in Buffalo, Erie County, New York. He moved, with his parents, to Waterloo County, Ontario, in 1855. Mr. Brecht removed to Richardson County, Nebraska, November 14, 1867, and is therefore one of the pioneer settlers of said county, and still lives on the farm where he first located.



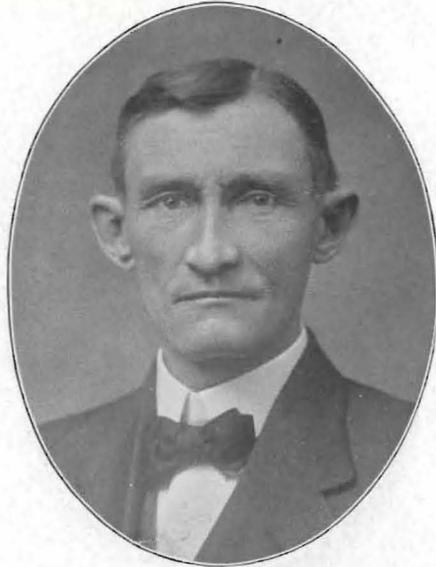
Charles Schueth (Democrat), Humphrey

Honorable Charles Schueth represents the Twenty-fourth District, composed of Platte County. He was born in New Orleans in 1847, and, with his parents, removed to Germany in 1849, returning to America in 1855, and locating in Nashville, Tenn. In 1856 he moved to St. Louis, Mo., and came to Nebraska on October 18, 1868, locating in the northern part of Dodge County on a farm, which he sold in 1876, and then removed to Cuming County, Nebraska. In 1883 he was elected county commissioner from the First District of said county. In 1888 said county adopted township organization and he was elected supervisor of St. Charles Township. In 1890 he removed to Humphrey Township, Platte County, Nebraska, and in 1896 was elected assessor for said township, and in the following year was re-elected for said office. In 1899 Mr. Schueth located in the village of Humphrey, Platte County, Nebraska, and in 1901 he was elected justice of the peace and police judge of said township and village, which office he still holds. In the fall of 1910 he was elected representative of Platte County without opposition. Mr. Schueth is chairman of the Committee on Corporations and a member of the following committees: Claims, County Boundaries, County Seats and Township Organizations, Federal Relations, Other Asylums, and Revenue and Taxation.



Willard F. Bailey (Democrat), Kearney

Honorable Willard F. Bailey is one of the representatives of the Fifty-eighth District, composed of Buffalo County. He was born January 16, 1880, in Boone County, Illinois. His parents came to Boone County, Nebraska, in the fall of 1887 and located on a farm, where Mr. Bailey grew to manhood. He attended country school until seventeen years of age. During the year of 1902 he was editor of the Ideal Magazine of Albion. During the next five years he traveled for a commercial house in Nebraska and South Dakota, in connection with newspaper work as a side line. In the fall of 1907 he moved to Kearney and became secretary of the Kearney Land Company, Inc., and still holds such position, and now owns a half interest in the company. Mr. Bailey has been secretary of the Kearney Commercial Club for the last two years and secretary of the Nebraska Capital Removal Association since the organization of the same, initiating and having charge of the publicity and organization work of such association. Mr. Bailey was elected to the Legislature with a majority of nearly 600 in a Republican county. He was married to Miss Isabella Corriell of Fullerton, Neb., in 1904, locating then at Grand Island, and later removing from there to Kearney. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey have two children, both of whom are girls.



Fred L. Nutzman (Democrat) Nehawka

Honorable Fred L. Nutzman represents the Eighth District, composed of Cass and Otoe Counties. He was born February 7, 1861, near Schwerin, Mecklenburg, Germany. In September, 1865, he came with his parents to Milwaukee, Wis., and in the following spring removed to Otoe County, Nebraska, and located on a farm one and one-half miles from where Mr. Nutzman now resides. He was only ten years of age when his father died, but he continued to live on the farm with his mother and assisted with the farm work until he was seventeen years old, and then began farming for himself. On April 25, 1882, he was married to Mary Gruber, whose parents were also old settlers of Cass County, locating there in 1866, the family consisting of four children, three daughters, Amelia, Clara and Mrs. H. L. Ross, and one son, named Eugene, who, with their mother, all live near Nehawka. Mr. Nutzman is closely identified with the business and social life of his community, and is greatly interested in agriculture and stock raising, and is a large land holder, his home place consisting of 960 acres. He also owns 640 acres near Bertrand, Neb., and 640 near Sidney, Neb. He is vice president and a stockholder in the Cass Land Company of Colorado, and has an interest in several banks. He is one of the directors of the Copper Bar Mining Company of Wyoming, and is interested in numerous business enterprises.



I. R. Clayton (Republican), Wymore

Honorable Isaac R. Clayton is one of the representatives of the Thirty-second District, composed of Gage County. He was born August 10, 1844, at Trivolia, Peoria County, Illinois, and reared on a farm and educated in country schools, going to school in winter only after ten years of age. He enlisted in the service of his country at the age of twenty years in Company A, 151st Regiment, Illinois Infantry, and served one year, returning home February 8, 1866. October 10, 1866, he was married to Emma Littell of Peoria, Ill. From this union nine children were born. Three died young, two died after maturity, leaving two widows and three children. Mr. Clayton has twenty-three grandchildren. One grandchild was married in December, 1910. Mr. Clayton lived one year at Trivolia, then removed to Stark County, Illinois, where he lived fourteen years. From there he removed to Hopkins, Mo., remaining one year, and on March 16, 1883, he located on a farm near Wymore in Gage County, which place he now owns. In 1905 he removed to the town of Wymore. He was justice of the peace for twelve years, member of the school board fourteen years, township treasurer one year and county superintendent two years. He has belonged to the Baptist church since the age of eighteen years, and is now serving as deacon.



C. W. Sanborn (Democrat), Gretna

Honorable C. W. Sanborn represents the Nineteenth District, composed of Sarpy County. He was born March 17, 1872, in Council Bluffs, Ia. He removed, with his parents to Sarpy County, Nebraska, when six months old, and has made his home there practically ever since. He owns the farm upon which he lives, consisting of two hundred and forty acres, located about five miles from Gretna. He also owns stock in the Bank of Gretna. In addition to farming he is largely interested in raising, buying and selling mules. He was educated in the public schools and at Doane College at Crete, Neb. Although Mr. Sanborn has never held public office before, he has been very active in farmers' organizations and is now state vice-president of the National Farmers' Congress and second vice-president of the State Farmers' Congress. Recognizing his work along this line, he was selected as chairman of the Agricultural Committee in this session of the Legislature. Mr. Sanborn was married in 1896 to Miss Etta Calhoun of Little River, Kas., and they have seven children.



John W. McKissick (Democrat), Beatrice

Honorable John W. McKissick is one of the representatives from the Thirty-second District, composed of Gage County. He was born November 2, 1875, near Hamburg, Ia., and lived on a farm until twenty-one years old. He was educated in country schools and at the high school at River-ton, Ia. After leaving the farm, when about twenty-five years old, he engaged in the insurance business, and continued in such business until elected to the Legislature. He was with the Modern Woodmen for two years and since then has been with the Nebraska Mutual Life Insurance Company of Hast-ings, Neb., as general agent. He was married to Della Swan of Shelby, Neb., on the 6th day of February, 1896, and has one boy, named William, aged thirteen, and three girls, namely, Ruth, aged eleven; Bertha, aged nine, and Gertrude, aged seven. Mr. McKissick's grandfather and grandmother were the first settlers in southwest Iowa, and his father was the first white child born in that part of the state. Representative McKissick is the first and only Democrat ever elected to the Legislature from Gage County.



Anton Sagl (Democrat), Wilber

Honorable Anton Sagl is float representative of the Thirty-third District, composed of Gage and Saline Counties. He was born March 22, 1877, in Crete, Neb., His parents moved to Wilber, Neb., in the fall of 1877, where he grew to manhood. He was in the banking business at Wilber for some time, and in September, 1901, organized the Bank of Filley of Filley, Neb., and conducted the same, and bought and sold live stock, grain and implements for about three years in that place. Mr. Sagl is now retired from active business, and gives his time to looking after his investments. He is the first Democrat ever elected to the Legislature as a float from Gage and Saline Counties. He is married and has three children, named Karl, Helen and Norma. He is chairman of the Committee on Banks and Banking; member of Constitutional Amendments, Public Lands and Buildings; University and Normal Schools; Fish and Game, and also was a member of the Special Committee on Investigation of Omaha Election Charges.



G. W. Potts (Democrat), DuBois

Honorable G. W. Potts is one of the representatives from the Second District, composed of Pawnee County. He was born in Jersey County, Illinois, February 4, 1870. He moved, with his parents, to Pawnee County, Nebraska, in 1878. He was raised on a farm. He was educated in high school and at the Academy of Pawnee County. He left the farm in 1901 and engaged in grain and general merchandise business. In the fall of 1906 he was elected county treasurer of Pawnee County, being the first Democrat elected to such position for thirty years, the county being Republican by about five hundred votes. He was re-elected in the fall of 1908. Upon retiring from such office he returned to DuBois, his old home, where he still resides. Mr. Potts was married in 1891 to Miss Allie M. Lore of Pawnee County, and they have seven children, named as follows: Gladys, seventeen years old; Helen, fifteen years old; Ruth, ten years old; George, four years old, and John, two years old.



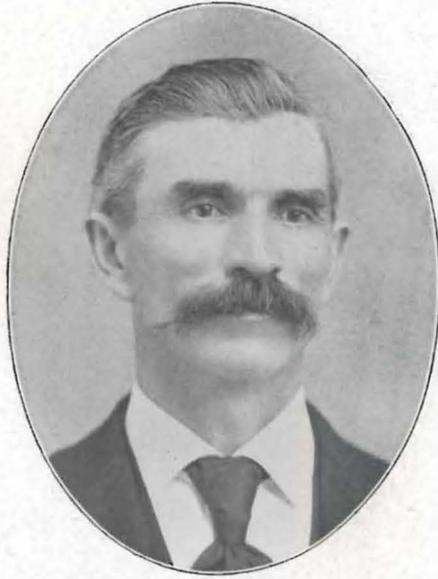
James John (Republican), Cambridge

Honorable James John represents the Sixty-fourth District, composed of Furnas County. He was born February 3, 1851, at Dayton, Ohio. He removed, with his parents, to Connorsville, Ind., and in 1864, during his father's absence in the civil war, removed, with his mother, to Old Middleport, Iroquois County, Illinois. His education was limited to attendance during the winter months at country schools in Indiana and Illinois until eighteen years of age. He removed from Illinois to a farm in Iowa, and in the spring of 1873 removed to Kansas, and in that year was appointed deputy sheriff, serving in such capacity for four years. He was elected constable in the township which now embraces Mankato, Kas. He clerked in a drug store for two years. In March, 1880, Mr. John removed to Cambridge, Neb., and engaged in the drug and jewelry business, continuing in the same up to the present time. In the early years of Furnas County he was engaged in the land business, locating settlers on Government land and practiced before the United States Land Office at Bloomington and McCook. Mr. John has held a notary public commission for twenty-eight years, and has been a member of the school board most of the time since locating at Cambridge. He also held the office of justice of the peace for one term. He is now serving his first term in the Legislature.



Walter R. Kent (Republican), Hay Springs

Honorable Walter R. Kent represents the Fifty-third District, composed of Sheridan, Dawes, Box Butte and Sioux Counties. He was born on a farm at Highland, Wis., in 1863, and was one of a family of eleven children. He grew to manhood on the farm, having attended the district school and graduated from a high school, later attending the State Normal at Platteville, Wis. He came to Nebraska in 1886 and settled on a homestead in Sheridan County, and, being without funds, he worked at various occupations, on the railroad, taught school and was for a time assistant cashier in a bank, all of the time putting his spare money into improvements on his lands, and, though adversity was with him as with many others at that time, he persevered, and purchased other lands and stocked the same, and has at the present time a well-improved ranch, consisting of 2,400 acres of deeded land, and stocked with three hundred head of cattle and one hundred and fifty head of horses. Aside from his ranch duties Mr. Kent has served his county as county superintendent of public instruction and was postmaster at Long Lake for six years, the same being a postoffice that is still maintained on his ranch. Mr. Kent was married in November, 1904, to Miss Laura Gibbs, and they have two children, William and Leo. They now live at Hay Springs, Neb., where Mr. Kent deals in real estate, in addition to attending to his ranch duties and handling stock.



J. B. Sindelar (Democrat), Howells

Honorable J. B. Sindelar represents the Twenty-sixth District, composed of Colfax County. He was born in Bohemia, November 11, 1853, and when fourteen years of age came to America. His education in this country consisted of three years in the public schools. He is a pioneer settler in Colfax County, having lived there for forty-one years. He took a homestead and lived in a sod house for about three years, and he still owns this farm, which is well improved. In 1887 he moved to Howells, when that town was formed, and engaged in the general merchandise and creamery business. His experience in office consists of two terms as justice of the peace, one term as county assessor and nineteen years as precinct assessor. On November 11, 1877, Mr. Sindelar was married to Barbara Kaspar, who died on the 8th of July, 1901, and left a family of five children, whose names are Joseph, Frank, Anton, Lambert and Emma. On November 11, 1902, Mr. Sindelar was again married. The name of his present wife before marriage to Mr. Sindelar was Mrs. Barbara Stover, whose maiden name was Svoboda. Mr. Sindelar is now retired and not engaged in any active business.



A. D. Barclay (Republican), Bookwalter

Honorable A. D. Barclay is one of the representatives from the Second District, composed of Pawnee County. He was born June 27, 1857, on a farm near Aurora, Ill., where he spent his youth. He moved to Pawnee County, Nebraska, in September, 1882, and located on a farm and followed farming until the fall of 1890. Mr. Barclay then went to Colorado, spending a year and a half in the San Luis Valley and six months in Denver, and worked for water companies most of the time. He returned to Nebraska in the winter of 1893, going back to Aurora, Ill., in the spring of 1894, and remained there a year, working for a contracting company. He returned again to Nebraska in the spring of 1895, engaging in the mercantile business at Bookwalter, and was in business there continuously until March 21, 1910, when he sold out. He was educated in the public schools of Illinois. His business in early life was farming, and during the past fifteen years he has been in the mercantile business. He owns a farm in Pawnee county. Mr. Barclay was postmaster at Bookwalter for eleven years, and served as representative from the Second District in the Thirty-first session, and is now serving his second term.



Peter Eggenberger, Jr. (Democrat), Strang

Honorable Peter Eggenberger, Jr., is one of the representatives from the Thirty-seventh District, composed of Fillmore County. He was born January 7, 1871, in the famous city of St. Gallen, Switzerland, and when 1 year of age came to America with his parents and settled in Fillmore County, near what is now Strang, Neb. His early education was received in the district school and the school at Carleton, Neb., and later at the school in Hebron. He received a commercial education in the Lincoln Business College when it was under the management of Messrs. Lillibridge and Courtney. Mr. Eggenberger has held different minor offices in his town and township. This is his second term in the House. He is one of the bachelor members.



Ira H. Hatfield (Democrat), Lincoln

Honorable Ira H. Hatfield is one of the representatives of the Thirtieth District, composed of Lancaster County. He was born in Shellsburg, Benton County, Iowa, April 7, 1871. His father and family moved to South Dakota in the spring of 1883. Representative Hatfield graduated from the South Dakota State College at Brookings in 1892, and from the University of Nebraska Law School in 1894, and has since been practicing law in Lincoln, and has been identified with Lancaster County and First Congressional District politics. He has never before been a candidate for office, either appointive or elective. He claims to be a progressive Democrat, and is the author of several important bills now pending in this session. He is married and has a family of four children.



John D. Hasik (Republican), Abie

Honorable John D. Hasik is one of the representatives from the Twenty-eighth District, composed of Butler County. Born in Bohemia, April 9, 1874. He came to Nebraska in the fall of 1879, and located with his parents near Crete, Saline County, Neb. In 1880 he removed to Butler County and settled near Abie, where he has lived on a farm since. He attended country and city schools until he was 21 years old, and taught school from 1896 to 1903, and carried mail on route No. 1 out of Abie from 1904 to 1910. He has held several township offices in the past years, and in the fall of 1910 was elected representative by a good majority, although he is a republican and represents a strong democratic county.



Wilber W. Anness (Republican), Dunbar

Honorable Wilber W. Anness is one of the representatives from the Sixth District, composed of Otoe County. He was born in Indiana in 1873. He is married and is now living at Dunbar, Neb., where he is engaged in the drug business. Although a Republican, Mr. Anness was elected to this session of the Legislature by two hundred majority in a county that gave Mr. Dahlman, Democratic candidate for Governor, a majority of four hundred. His colleagues in the House will probably remember him best by his speeches delivered in behalf of his Armory bill for Nebraska City, to commemorate the old Fort Kearney site.



Frank Dolezal (Democrat), Wahoo

Honorable Frank Dolezal is one of the representatives from the Twenty-seventh District, composed of Saunders County. He was born March 2, 1867, in Sokoli, County of Trebic, Bohemia, and attended school in his native country until he was 10 years old. He came to this country with his parents in 1877, locating on a farm three miles northeast of Wahoo, Saunders County, Neb., where he still resides. In 1891 Mr. Dolezal married Miss Katherine Zinsola, and they have five children, three boys and two girls. Although a democrat, he was appointed deputy county assessor in 1905 by the republican county assessor of Saunders County and served five years in such position. In 1908 his friends persuaded him to run for representative, and he received the highest number of votes at the primary and also at the general election, and he was re-elected in 1910 with a similar vote. In the session of 1909 Mr. Dolezal introduced and secured the passage of the law to prohibit the sale of dangerous explosives on the 4th of July. In the session of 1911 he introduced a resolution providing for a Federal income tax, which passed unanimously in both houses.



George W. Lindsey (Democrat), Red Cloud

Honorable George W. Lindsey represents the Forty-fourth District, composed of Webster County. He was born in the State of New York, April 12, 1843. At the age of twenty-two he emigrated to Wisconsin, where he engaged in the stock and meat business. In 1869 he moved to Pawpaw, Ill., following the same line of business, and in 1871 was engaged in the commission business at the U. S. Yards, Chicago, Ill. In 1876 he left for the Black Hills on a gold stampede, walking from Cheyenne, Wyo., to the present location of Deadwood, S. D., where he engaged in placer mining on what was known as No. 2, above discovery on Gold Run, being successful on this property. He joined General Crook's command after the massacre of General Custer by the Indians in the fall of 1876. In 1885 he located in Red Cloud, Neb., where he built a small packing house and did a successful business for a number of years. He then engaged in the breeding of pure-bred Galloway cattle, which he followed for nine years with great success. Mr. Lindsey retired from business in 1909, and was elected to this legislative session as a county optionist.



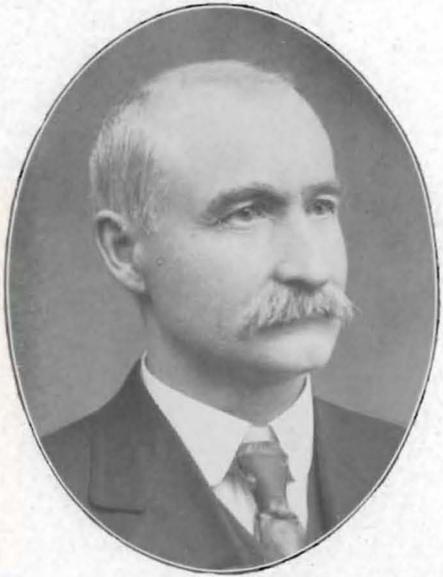
Frank Moore (Republican), Indianola

Honorable Frank Moore represents the Sixty-fifth District, composed of Red Willow County. He was born in the State of Ohio in 1845. When twelve years of age he removed to Mercer County, Illinois, where he grew to manhood. He enlisted in Company F, 140th Regiment, Illinois Infantry, Volunteers. In 1880 he removed to Red Willow County, Nebraska, and has lived there continuously, living on a homestead for twenty-one years, but ten years ago removed to the city of Indianola, his present home. Although engaged in farming and stock raising, he also taught in the public schools of Illinois and Nebraska more or less for more than twenty years. He was mayor of the city of Indianola one year, police judge two years, and was appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of county judge for one year. He represented Red Willow County in the Legislature of 1909, and is now serving his second term in a creditable manner.



T. J. Howard (Republican), Greeley

Honorable T. J. Howard represents the Forty-ninth District, composed of Greeley, Wheeler, Garfield, Blaine, Loup, Thomas, Hooker and Grant Counties. He was born in Lancaster, Mo., June 7, 1861. When a child he located with his grandparents at Muscatine, Ia. He came, with his parents, to Lancaster County, Nebraska, in 1879, and lived in said county until 1888, when he located in Perkins County, Nebraska, and began buying grain for Kendall & Smith. He moved from there to Greeley County, Nebraska, in 1890, and continued in the service of said firm for two years. He then engaged in the real estate and insurance business, and in 1894 was admitted to practice law, which profession he has since followed. Mr. Howard was county attorney of Greeley County for four years. He was married in 1888 to Sarah E. Sapp of Lincoln, Neb. They have one boy, named Ray, who is eighteen years of age.



Clark E. Neir (Republican), Aurora

Honorable Clark E. Neir is one of the representatives from the Forty-first District, which is composed of Hamilton County. He was born in Lee County, Illinois, March 27, 1863. He was educated at Jennings Seminary, Illinois, and at East Pawpaw Seminary, Illinois. He engaged in the furniture business for two years at Roseville, Ill., and came to Nebraska in the spring of 1887. He was engaged in the drug and wall paper business in Utica, Neb., for one year, also at Henderson, Neb., for one year. He moved to Aurora in the spring of 1889 and has been engaged in the drug and wall paper business there since that time. He was married in July, 1889. He was elected and served as Great Sachem of Nebraska, Improved Order of Redmen, and has served six terms as representative of the Great Council of the United States. He has never held public office before. Mr. Neir is financially interested in several other lines of business outside of the drug business.



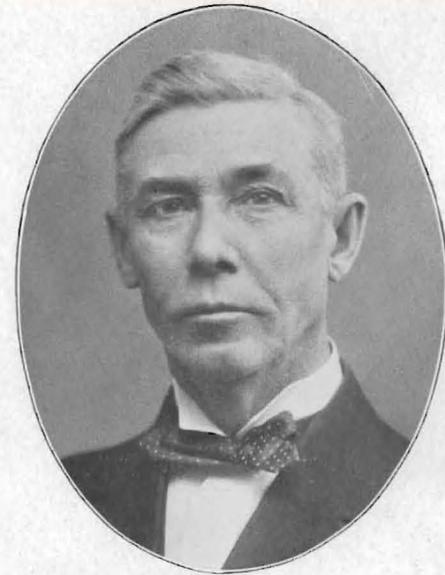
Wert L. Kirk (Republican), Creighton

Honorable Wert L. Kirk represents the Twentieth District, which embraces Knox and Boyd Counties. He was born in Mason County, Kansas, January 31, 1869. When two years of age his parents came to Nebraska, locating in Richardson County, where they lived for ten years. His parents then removed to the northeastern part of the state, where his father took up a homestead near Creighton, Neb. Mr. Kirk received his education in the country school and at the Creighton High School. At the age of seventeen he started to learn the printer's trade. After working in several places, he returned to Creighton about ten years ago and purchased "The Creighton News," which he now owns and conducts. Mr. Kirk was married on April 28, 1892, to Miss Rosa M. Buckingham of Plainview, Neb., and they have two daughters, aged ten and five years. He never sought or held public office before. He was elected to the Legislature as a Republican in a district which usually gives about 500 Democratic majority.



M. E. McClellan (Republican), North Loup

Honorable M. E. McClellan represents the Fifty-fifth District, which is composed of Valley County. He was born on the 25th day of March, 1869, at Berlin, Green Lake County, Wisconsin. He left there with his parents when ten years old, removing to Clay County, Nebraska, where they lived for five years, and then his parents moved to North Loup, Neb., where Mr. McClellan has lived since. He has always lived on the farm. He received his education in the common schools.



Hugh A. Allen (Republican), Atkinson

Honorable Hugh A. Allen is one of the representatives from the Fiftieth District, composed of Holt County. Born in Danville, Illinois, October 5, 1849. Lived there until 1884, when he came to Nebraska and located at Atkinson, Nebraska, where he has since resided. Taught school in Illinois. Been in real estate business at Atkinson most of the time. Never held public office before serving in 1909 session of the Legislature. He is now serving his second term. Mr. Allen has a wife and one daughter, named Natalia.



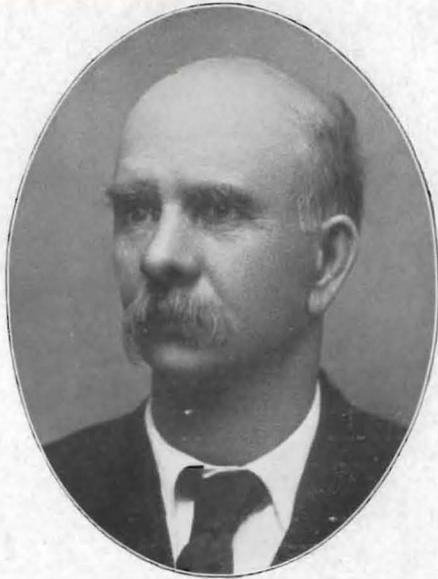
Soren M. Fries (Democrat), Dannebrog

Honorable Soren M. Fries represents the Forty-eighth District, composed of Howard County. He was born in Denmark, September 27, 1861. He came to Nebraska in May, 1880. In 1885 he located near Dannebrog, in Howard County, Nebraska, where he engaged in stock raising and dairying, which he has continued to follow with success. He was married at Minden, Nebraska, November 13, 1884, to Jacobine F. Koster and has a family of ten children living, four sons and six daughters, and lost one daughter in 1905 at fourteen years of age. Mr. Fries is now serving his fourth term in the Legislature, having represented Howard County in the session of 1903, 1907 and 1909, previous to this session. He is chairman of the Committee on Claims at this session, and by reason of long experience was given a place on several other important committees.



W. M. Stebbins (Republican), Gothenburg

Honorable W. M. Stebbins represents the Fifty-ninth District, composed of Dawson County. He came from Sherman, Chautauqua County, New York, to Dawson County, Nebraska, in 1884, locating on a homestead and timber claim, where he lived until he proved up on same in 1889, at which time he moved to Gothenburg and engaged in the hardware and implement business, continuing in the same for nineteen years. He sold out two years ago and since then has been engaged in the real estate business. Mr. Stebbins is a firm believer in Nebraska and its future, and has proven his faith by investing heavily in real estate in and near Gothenburg. He was married January 1, 1891, to Avis A. Wilcox of Gothenburg. They have three boys and two girls. Verna, the oldest girl, is attending the Wesleyan University at Lincoln; Guy graduates this year from the high school, and others, except the youngest, are attending school at Gothenburg.



S. D. Mast (Republican), Moorefield

Honorable S. D. Mast represents the Sixty-sixth District, composed of Frontier and Gosper Counties. He was born in Clarion County, Pennsylvania, in 1851. He located in western Iowa in 1875, crossed the Missouri Christmas Day, 1877, and in the following spring located on a homestead in Harlan County, Neb., and lived there until the spring of 1884, when he sold out and moved to Frontier County, where he has since resided on a farm. Mr. Mast was married in 1889, and has three children.



Otto Kotouc (Democrat), Humboldt

Honorable Otto Kotouc is one of the representatives from the First District, composed of Richardson County. He was born at Humboldt, Neb., April 22, 1885. He graduated from the Nebraska State University in 1908 and was elected a member of the 1909 Nebraska Legislature, and during that session was chairman of the Committee on Public Schools. He is now serving his second term, and is chairman of the Insurance Committee. Mr. Kotouc is engaged in the banking business at Humboldt, Neb.



Henry Gerdes (Democrat), Falls City

Honorable Henry Gerdes is one of the representatives from the First District, composed of Richardson County. Born in McHenry County, Illinois, December 22, 1855, and from there moved with parents to Vandalia, Ill., where his mother died when he was three years old. He came with his father, Wm. Gerdes, to Nebraska territory in 1862, locating in Richardson County. His early education was acquired under difficulties, as the country was then new and school facilities very limited. He has been engaged in farming and raising live stock all the time, although of late years he has given considerable attention to business enterprises, in which he is financially interested. He is vice president and a member of the board of directors of the Barada State Bank, and was one of the organizers of the same. He has probably had more experience in legislation than any member of either House in this session, having previously served as a member from Richardson County in the sessions of 1891, 1893, 1897, 1905, 1909, and is now serving his sixth term. He has never sought office, but by reason of his long residence in his county and his broad experience in legislation he seems to be the logical candidate and has never been defeated. Mr. Gerdes was married in 1880 to Mary Buchols of Richardson County, and the family consisted of one son, Conrad, who is now conducting the farm, and one daughter, Ada, who died about three years ago.



Ben T. Skeen (Democrat), Brownville

Honorable Ben T. Skeen is one of the representatives from the Eighth District, composed of Nemaha County. He was born in Tennessee in 1851. Removed with parents in 1855 to a farm close to Brownville, Nebraska, where he has since resided. Mr. Skeen's parents made the trip from Tennessee to Nemaha County with a two-horse wagon and were six weeks on the road. The only settlement for miles around their new location was a collection of three houses on the bank of the Missouri river, where Brownville is today. They had to travel about nine miles to reach there, on account of the lack of bridges and undeveloped roads. Mr. Skeen in his boyhood days experienced all the privations of pioneer life. The lack of grist mills and provision stores made it necessary to send for or bring the necessaries of life from the state of Missouri, and the lack of companionship of white people was another great hardship that had to be endured. Mr. Skeen attended church in his father's house and subscription school and later public school in a log house until 1867. He has witnessed the change of Nemaha County from a barren prairie to a fertile farming area. He is still living on the homestead, farming and raising stock and can sit in the shade of walnut trees which he planted in 1859. At the time the family came to Nebraska it consisted of six children, but the only survivors are Representative Skeen and a brother living in Kansas.



Con McCarthy (Democrat), Bancroft

Honorable Con McCarthy represents the Fifteenth District, composed of Cuming County. He was born in Ireland in 1859, and came to America in 1880, and located in Dubuque County, Iowa, remaining there seven years engaged in farming. He moved to Nebraska in 1887 and located in Cuming County on the farm which he owns and is still residing upon. He was married in 1889 to Annie McLaughlin of Cuming County. He has four children, namely, Charlie, Ellen, Delia and John. Mr. McCarthy has been a member of the school board for twelve years, and justice of the peace for ten years. He is president of the German Telephone Company of Cuming County at the present time.



C. B. Liver (Democrat), Omaha

Honorable C. B. Liver is one of the representatives from the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County. Born in Switzerland in 1862 and educated in the public and normal schools of that country. Came to the United States in 1878, locating at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he lived until the last eighteen years, which have been spent in Omaha, Neb. He is president of the company known as C. B. Liver & Company of Omaha, dealers in butchers' supplies, pool and billiard tables and general store fixtures. Mr. Liver was married in 1890 and he has one child, a daughter, seventeen years old, named Florence. He has never sought or held public office before.



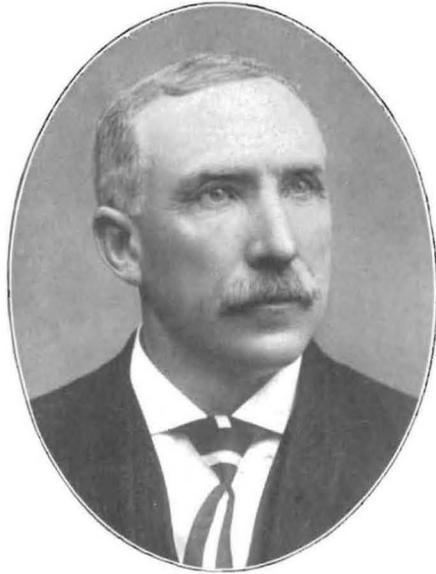
F. M. Housh (Democrat), Neligh

Honorable Francis Marion Housh represents the Twenty-first District, composed of Antelope County. He was born in Knox County, Illinois, in 1858. He spent his boyhood on the farm and received his education at the district school and Heading College. He taught school for several years, and in 1881 moved to Johnson County, Nebraska, where he lived on a farm three years and also taught school in the towns of Vesta and Smartville. In 1884 he moved to the newly organized county of Antelope, Nebraska, and took up a homestead. Mr. Housh continued to teach school during the winters, and, after surmounting the difficulties of early life on the homestead, he became a very successful stock grower and farmer. In 1891 he was chosen manager of the newly organized Farmers' Co-operative Creamery Company, establishing his residence at Neligh, and for seven years conducted this company in a successful manner, resulting in much benefit to the farmers of that community, whose principal income in the early days was from the dairy business. In 1898, having had considerable experience with the hand separator and in the dairy business, he was offered a position as traveling salesman for the DeLaval Separator Company, which he accepted, traveling over eastern Nebraska, western Iowa and Kansas. In 1902 he gave up this position and established a business of his own in Neligh, Neb., where he is now located. In 1881 Mr. Housh was married to Miss May Morgan, and they have five children—Mabel, Earl, Edna, Elsie and Bessie.



C. H. Gustafson (Republican), Mead

Honorable C. H. Gustafson is one of the representatives from the Twenty-seventh District, composed of Saunders County. He was born April 1, 1869, in Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois. He came to Saunders County, Nebraska, in December, 1869, with his father and mother, who located on a homestead in Section 2, Township 14, Range 8 East, Wahoo Precinct. Mr. Gustafson is the oldest of a family of eight children, who are all living in Saunders County. When twenty-three years old he married Miss Anna M. Matson, who was twenty-one years old and who was his childhood friend and school-mate, being born within two miles of their present home. Mr. and Mrs. Gustafson are the parents of five children, two girls and three boys, the eldest being sixteen years and the youngest five years old. He has lived forty years on the same section of land. This is the first political office he has held. He is now president of the Saunders County Agricultural Society; member of the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture; president of the Saunders County Old Settlers' Association; moderator of the school district; President of the Saunders County Brotherhood of Threshermen; also chairman of the church board of his church. In addition to farming he owns and operates a corn sheller and a threshing machine. He received his education in the public schools and attended the Omaha Commercial College two winter terms.



H. C. Bartels (Democrat), Carroll

Honorable H. C. Bartels represents the Seventeenth District, composed of Wayne and Stanton Counties. He was born in Germany, in 1864, and came to America in 1879 and located in Indiana, where he resided four years and then moved to Crawford County, Iowa, where he resided six years. He then moved to Wayne County, Nebraska, where he has since resided. Mr. Bartels has devoted nearly all his time to farming and stock raising. He was married in 1891 to Emma Buck of Crawford County, Iowa, and they have nine children. He owns the farm he resides upon, consisting of 320 acres.



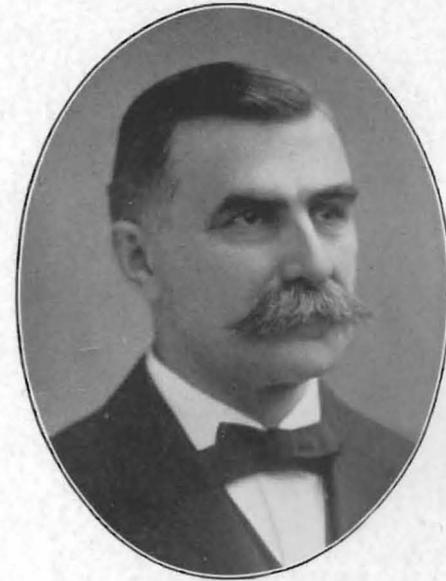
H. N. Swan (Democrat), Fairmont

Honorable H. N. Swan is one of the representatives from the Thirty-seventh District, composed of Fillmore County. He was born at Corydon, Ind., February 22, 1858. He was educated in the common schools and at Central Normal College, Danville, Ind. He followed farming and teaching school until 1885, when he removed to Dodge City, Kas., and for nearly ten years was engaged in farming and stock raising. He located at Fairmont, Neb., in 1894, and has since been engaged in farming. He is now serving his second term in the Nebraska Legislature. Mr. Swan was married in 1882, and has a family of four children.



W. L. Weesner (Democrat), Red Cloud

Honorable W. L. Weesner represent the Forty-sixth District, embracing Webster and Adams Counties. He was born in Green County, Tennessee, August 23, 1860. His father was killed in the Confederate Army when he was four years old, leaving the family destitute. He lived with his grandfather until thirteen years old, when his mother remarried, and he lived with his step-father until twenty-one years old, working for board and clothes. He was married June 7, 1883, to Julia White of Green County, Tennessee. In February, 1884, he moved to Jewell County, Kansas, and engaged in farming. He lived there until five years ago, when he located on a farm of 240 acres, which he now owns, adjoining Red Cloud, Neb. He also still owns the farm in Jewell County, Kansas. They have two boys and two girls, and are also raising another little girl. Their oldest boy is named John M., the other boy is named Roscoe P. Their girls are twins, named Lora B. and Cora A. The boys conduct the farm, and Mr. Weesner is engaged in buying and shipping stock.



John H. Grossmann (Democrat), Omaha

Honorable John H. Grossmann is one of the representatives of the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County, Nebraska. He was born at Salem, N. J., January 17, 1854. He served an apprenticeship of five years as a glass blower of hollow ware, or bottles, commencing in 1869 and finishing the trade in 1874. In the fall of the latter year he entered the Salem Collegiate Institute at Salem, N. J., and, after three years' study, graduated in June, 1877, and in the fall of said year entered the freshman class of 1881 at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and graduated therefrom in June, 1881. During July of that year he began to read law at Salem, N. J., and continued the same until November, 1884, when he was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the State of New Jersey. He practiced law after admission to the bar at Jersey City, N. J., until October, 1885, and on the 10th of that month moved to Omaha, Neb., where he has practiced law ever since, with the exception of four years, during which time he was deputy clerk of the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska. Mr. Grossmann also served two years as deputy county attorney of said county.



P. G. H. Boland (Democrat), Omaha

Honorable P. G. H. Boland is one of the representatives from the Tenth District, which is composed of Douglas County. He was born in Lee, Mass., May 13, 1868, and came to Nebraska in 1889, locating in Omaha, Neb., where he still lives. He was married in Omaha April 29, 1891, and has two sons. Mr. Boland has been employed in various positions with the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Company for the last twenty-one years. He was elected to the Legislature in 1908 and re-elected in 1910. He has been a home owner and tax payer since living in Omaha.



Roscoe R. Smith (Republican), Albion

Honorable Roscoe R. Smith represents the Twenty-second District, composed of Boone County. He moved to Nebraska with his parents in 1888, locating at Schuyler, Neb. In 1895 he moved to Leigh, Neb., and graduated from the high school there in 1901. He moved to Albion in 1903. Mr. Smith graduated from the Fremont Normal in 1904 and from the law department of the state university in 1908. He practiced law for one year and is now engaged in farming. Mr. Smith is unmarried and has never held public office before.



W. H. Puls (Democrat), Murray

Honorable W. H. Puls represents the Seventh District, which is composed of Cass County. He was born in Cass County, March 11, 1876, and lived with his parents on a farm until twenty-one years of age. He was educated in the country school and at the Western Normal and Business College at Lincoln. He started farming for himself at twenty-one years of age, and has devoted all his attention to the same since. He was married when twenty-six years old to Minnie Bannick of the same county. They have four children, one son named Harry, who is seven years old, and three daughters, Marie, Alsie and Esther. Mr. Puls has never held public office, except precinct assessor, until elected to the Legislature. He has been secretary of the Farmers' Elevator Company at Murray, Neb., since organization, five years ago.



William M. Grueber (Democrat), Byron

Honorable William M. Grueber represents the Thirty-fifth District, composed of Thayer County. He was born December 10, 1859, in Hannover, Germany. He came to America when fifteen years of age, locating in Nemaha County, Nebraska, in 1876. He lived in said county until 1897, when he moved to Byron, Thayer County, where he has since resided. Mr. Grueber has been engaged in farming and stock raising nearly all the time since he came to America. He attended school in Germany for eight years and for two years in America. He was married on the 8th day of April, 1884, to Annie Rockemann of Nemaha County, Nebraska, and they have nine children, seven boys and two girls. He is now serving his second term in the Legislature.



H. Clyde Filley (Republican), Beatrice

Honorable H. Clyde Filley is one of the representatives from the Thirty-second District, composed of Gage County. He was born on a farm near Filley, Nebraska, thirty-two years ago. His boyhood was that of the average farm boy in Nebraska, district school in winter, farm work in summer and chores all the year round. He graduated from the Filley High School in 1896, the Pern State Normal in 1899 and the University of Nebraska in 1903. After completing his course at the University he was superintendent of schools at Bancroft, Nebraska, and later at Albion, Nebraska, which latter position he resigned in order to devote his entire time to farming. At present he is farming three miles north of Beatrice and making practical application of the principles of scientific agriculture. Mr. Filley made his first political campaign when he was a candidate for election last fall to his present office, and led the legislative ticket in his county, both at the primaries and at the election.



Amos Allen Galt (Republican), Edgar

Honorable A. A. Galt is one of the representatives from the Forty-second District, composed of Clay County. He was born in a log cabin on a farm in Fremont County, Iowa, near the present city of Shenandoah, December 9, 1866. After completing the work offered in the home district school, he entered the Shenandoah High School, graduating with first honors in the class of 1886. In April, 1888, he located near Douglas, Otoe County, Nebraska, and commenced his independent career as a farmer and live stock breeder and feeder, in which pursuit he has been actively engaged ever since, changing to the present location near Edgar, Clay County, Nebraska, in the spring of 1897. Mr. Galt was married July 7, 1891, to Miss Anna Cameron, a bonnie Scotch lassie, who had been raised on an Otoe County homestead and who was eminently well fitted to be his life companion. With them in their pleasant country seat are five sturdy, manly boys, of whom any parents might well be proud. Mr. Galt has been known as a progressive, practical farmer, keenly alive to the importance and needs of agriculture and active in farmers' institute and farmers' grain elevator movements. He has also

been a firm believer in the doctrine that the good of the nation demands the furthering of all moral, temperance and social reforms to the end that the citizenship may be able to meet and rightly solve the great and pressing questions of the day. Becoming intensely interested in the fight for county option in the 1910 campaign, he became a candidate for the office of representative, and was elected by a decisive majority. His work in this position has won for him the respect of his colleagues, and his record is one of which he, as well as his constituents, may well be proud.



S. R. McKelvie (Republican), Lincoln

Honorable S. R. McKelvie is one of the representatives from the Thirtieth District, composed of Lancaster County. The subject of this sketch was born upon a farm near Fairfield, Neb., April 15, 1881, and lived there until of age. The original McKelvie farm, which was settled upon by Sam McKelvie in Clay County in 1881, is one of the best known in central Nebraska. This, for the reason it has always been the home of improved live stock and the most progressive type of farming. Perhaps it was this training and the daily study of the better class of farm papers which early established in the mind of the junior McKelvie a desire to publish a farm paper, commensurate with the needs of this great state. Hence the "Nebraska Farmer," of which he is the publisher. This paper was established in 1869. It came into its present management and ownership five years ago, since which time it has shown remarkable progress, and today has a paid-in-advance circulation of over 40,000 subscribers in Nebraska. Though affiliated with the Republican party, Mr. McKelvie allows no party politics to be represented in the "Nebraska Farmer." The publication has gained its strength among

the farmers because of an unwavering fidelity to the interests of Nebraska farmers at all times. Mr. McKelvie permitted his election only that he might further legislation favorable to the farmers of Nebraska. His only other activity in politics has been to serve one term in the city council of Lincoln. Mr. McKelvie insists on being known as a farmer, and it is said of him in the House that he cannot even make a motion to adjourn without referring to the importance of better methods of farming and agricultural education.



Porter C. Johnson (Republican), Tecumseh

Honorable Porter C. Johnson represents the Fourth District, composed of Johnson County. He was born in Long Island, N. Y., and spent his early life in New York City in the vicinity of Washington Market. He was educated in private and public schools of the city. Upon the death of his mother, when ten years old, he was put out on a farm in New Jersey, and was to receive "board, clothes and three months' schooling in each year." He worked on a farm for several years, as an apprentice at the carpenter's trade, in stores, in express business and at school teaching, and in the year 1868 entered the Methodist ministry in the New Jersey conference. In 1876 he came to Nebraska, and joined the Nebraska conference, of which he is yet a member. Mr. Johnson has held appointments in Tecumseh, Omaha, North Platte, Grand Island and elsewhere in the state. He was presiding elder for five years and was twice elected to the general conference of the Methodist-Episcopal church. He served in the Union army from July, 1861, to September, 1862, and in the seven days' fight before Richmond, he was wounded at Charles City Cross Roads and discharged on account of

"wounds received in battle." He has been a Republican since 1856, and cast his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1860. He never held but one political office (county superintendent) until he was elected to the Legislature. Mr. Johnson is seventy-five years of age, and is in good health and takes an active interest in all that affects mankind. He is a man who has no prejudice against race, color, religion or party, yet has his own opinions about all. Mr. Johnson was appointed chaplain of the State Penitentiary January 1, 1905, by Governor Mickey and served until July 1, 1909, four and one-half years.



Daniel W. Baker (Republican), Benedict

Honorable Daniel W. Baker is one of the representatives from the Thirty-eighth District, composed of York County. He was born September 25, 1854, in Fulton County, Pennsylvania, descending from Swiss and Scotch-Irish ancestry (which settled in Pennsylvania in the early part of the eighteenth century). He grew to manhood on the farm where born, and was educated in country schools, supplemented by instruction from his father, who possessed more than ordinary attainments. He came, with his parents, to Nebraska in 1874 and settled in York County, near the village of Benedict, where he still resides. In 1879 he married Esther A. Black at her home in Fulton county, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Baker have fourteen children, twelve sons and two daughters, all of whom are living. Pioneer residence and known integrity and ability soon forced Mr. Baker into public affairs. He has been director of his home school district for more than twenty years. He served four years as a member of the county board of supervisors. In 1902 he assisted in the organization of the Farmers' Grain Association of Benedict, and was chosen its president and still holds the position. In 1906, at the solicitation of

friends, he became a candidate, and was elected to the House of Representatives and took an active interest in the Thirtieth session assembled on January 1, 1907. Being a member of the majority party, he greatly aided in the passage of the many good laws for which that session was notable. Mr. Baker became a candidate in 1908 for a second term and was re-elected, and, although a minority member in this, the Thirty-first session, he was given a place on the Finance, Ways and Means Committee and on other important committees. In 1910 he had no desire to be re-elected again, but was nominated without opposition and was re-elected in November by a greatly increased majority, and in this, the Thirty-second session, he was again made a member of the Finance, Ways and Means Committee, and was one of the active members of the minority party.



E. H. Dort (Republican), Auburn

Honorable E. H. Dort is one of the representatives from the Third District, which is composed of Nemaha County. He was born at Harpersville, N. Y., July 17, 1860. At the age of eight his parents moved to Missouri, locating on a farm near Rockport, continuing to live there until the spring of 1873, when they moved to Brownville, Neb. At the age of fourteen he entered the employ of W. H. McCreery, druggist, with whom he remained six and one-half years. In the summer of 1880 Mr. Dort went to Pawnee City, Neb., for a few months, and, being offered a good position by H. M. Garlich of St. Joseph, Mo., accepted same, holding the position for four and a half years. In May, 1885, he purchased a drug store at Auburn, Neb., at which place he has continued to live. Mr. Dort has not only been successful in the drug business, but is identified with other business enterprises of the town. For seven years he served on the Board of Education, and was one of the promoters of the Auburn Mutual Lighting and Power Company, established in 1901, and was elected president of the company, which office he still holds. For the past eight years he has been president of the Auburn Com-

mercial Club. He is a member of the Nebraska State Pharmaceutical Association, holding the office of president of the association during the year 1906. He is also a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association. He was married June 8, 1887, to Florence M. Fisher, daughter of Lewis Fisher of Peru, Neb. They have a family of three children, Clark L., Edward N. and Edith E.



Jesse Gandy (Democrat), Broken Bow

The Honorable Jesse Gandy is one of the representatives from the Fifty-sixth District, embracing Custer and Logan Counties. He was born in Preston County, Virginia, in 1850, and removed with the family to Davis County, Iowa, in 1851. In 1870 he removed to Adams County, Iowa. In 1871 he located in York County, Neb., on a homestead near the town of York. He has had a varied experience in frontier life in connection with Indians, and hunting antelope, deer and buffalo, and in the year 1871 was held in front of the guns of the Sioux Indians. In 1872 he married Matilda E. Evans of Adams County, Iowa. He removed to Custer County, Nebraska, in 1880, ranching on the Loup River. In 1882 he laid out the town of Broken Bow, and was afterwards elected mayor. He was sheriff of Custer County in 1883. He gave to the county one hundred lots, including the Court House square at Broken Bow. Half of his life has been devoted to farming. In 1890 he was admitted to practice law. He has been a candidate for office twice, each time leading the ticket by about nine hundred votes. In connection with his brother, Honorable James P. Gandy, who served four terms as representative

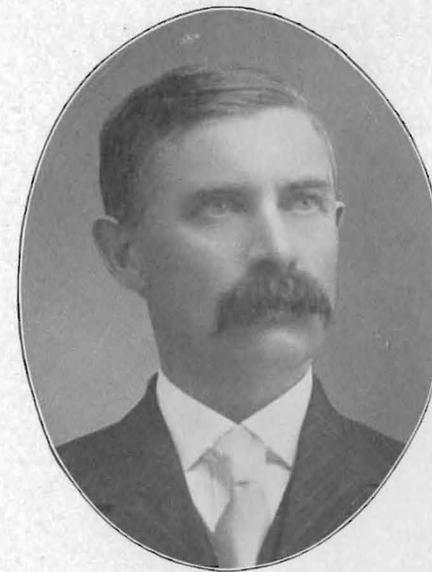
and senator in the Legislature of Oklahoma, he located the town of Gandy, county seat of Logan County, Nebraska. He had seven brothers, five living, two now living in Aranson Pass, Tex., where Mr. Gandy holds some property. He is the author of a book, "How to Control the Sex." He is a strong temperance man and favors woman suffrage. He was a Republican until 1896, when he became a follower of William J. Bryan. He served as colonel on the staff of former Governor Shallenberger.



Henry Scheele (Democrat), Utica

Honorable Henry Scheele is one of the representatives from the Twenty-ninth District, composed of Seward County. Born in Bielefeld, Germany, January 7, 1851. Learned the baker's trade and traveled over Germany from 1868 to 1873, working at different bakeries, with a view to complete his knowledge of the trade. In 1878 he disposed of his bakery and came to America, locating first at Utica, Neb., and later buying a homestead of eighty acres near Waco, Neb. He now owns 480 acres in York County and a good residence in Utica, where he has lived since retiring from the farm. Realizing the advantages of citizenship he immediately took out his first naturalization papers in Seward County, and took out his second papers five years later or in 1883, which was as soon as he could complete his citizenship. During the later years of his farm life he was very active in promoting the interests of the farmer. He was one of the organizers of the York County Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co., which has at the present time over one million dollars of insurance in force, and was at different times president, vice president and director of said company; also assisted in organizing the Farm-

ers Grain Elevator Company and the Farmers Institute of York County. He was a member of the thirty-first session of the Legislature held in 1909, and is now serving his second term. He considers it his first duty to look after the interest of the taxpayer, and his record in the last session and in the present session is evidence of his endeavors along this line and along the lines of home rule and personal liberty. Mr. Scheele was married in 1874 in Germany to Miss Johanna Temming, and they have six children, three boys and three girls, all of whom are married.



C. Anderson (Republican), Norman

Honorable C. Anderson represents the Sixtieth District, composed of Kearney County. Born in North Nebell, Denmark, on the 6th day of November, 1863. Came to America in fall of 1880, and located at Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois. Returned to Denmark in fall of 1884, returning again to America in spring of 1885, locating at Davis Junction, Illinois, and soon after re-located at Rockford, Illinois, where he engaged in foundry work, learning the moulding trade, at which he worked a short time. In the fall of 1886, moved to Nebraska and soon after located in Kearney County, where he has lived since, excepting a few years, when he resided in Franklin County. Been engaged in farming and raising stock since becoming a resident of Nebraska, and now owns one of the best farms in Kearney County. Has served as justice of the peace and member of the school board in his township for several terms, also assisted in organizing the Kearney County Independent Telephone Company, and for several years was a director and is now a stockholder in same. Also helped to organize and is a director and stockholder of the Farmers Grain and Live Stock Association at Norman, Ne-

braska. Also member of the Kearney County Mutual Insurance Company and is now acting as an agent of same. Mr. Anderson was married in 1885 to Anna Marie Lauridsen of Rockford, Illinois, formerly of Sonder Bork, Denmark, and they have nine children, seven boys and two girls. The oldest girl, Marie, is married and lives at San Diego, California. The two older boys, Andy and Adolph, are married and are engaged in farming in Kearney County. The other children are living at home.



Henry C. Matrau (Democrat), Norfolk

Honorable Henry C. Matrau represents the Twenty-third District, composed of Madison County. Born April 24, 1845, on a farm in Berrien County, Michigan. Father Canadian-French and mother New England-Welsh ancestry. He received his early education in common schools and in high school at St. Joseph, Michigan. Enlisted in April, 1861, when only sixteen years old in company formed at St. Joseph, Michigan, and when same was disbanded went to Wisconsin, and on July 16, 1861, was mustered into the service in the 6th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, one of the regiments which formed the Iron Brigade of the Army of the Potomac. Served four years therein, participating in most of its battles. Promoted from private to captain, commanding a company in the battle of Hatcher's Run when less than twenty years old. At close of war returned to his home in Michigan, and, after taking a short course in a business college, was engaged in the mercantile business for three years. Entered the railway service in fall of 1871, working as station agent in Michigan most of the time, and from 1885 to 1907 was agent at Norfolk, Neb., for the Chicago & Northwestern R. R. Co., in latter year re-

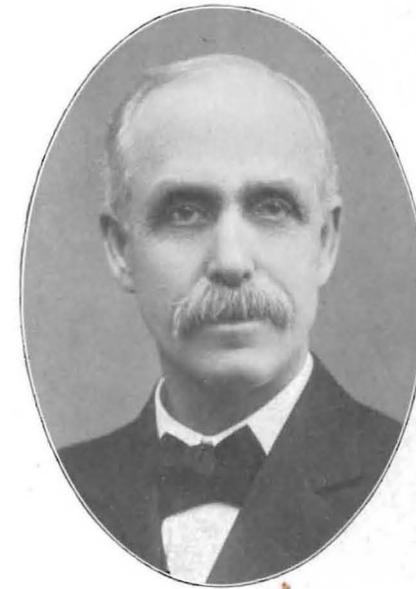
signing such position to engage in the retail coal business in that city. Married in 1867 to Jerusha O. Woodruff. Family consists of two children, deceased, and five living, namely: Mrs. O. R. Eller of Lincoln, Neb.; Miss Grace; Mrs. Dr. C. A. McKine of Norfolk, Neb.; Harry J., in Chicago, and Miss Agnes, a student in the University of Nebraska. Mr. Matrau served several terms as a member of the city council at Holland, Mich., and at Norfolk, Neb., where he now resides. He has been mayor of the latter city, and for several years was secretary of the Board of Education.



George W. Fuller (Democrat), Seward

Honorable George W. Fuller is one of the representatives from the Twenty-ninth District, composed of Seward County. Born in Whiteside County, Illinois, February 7, 1844, where he grew to manhood. Educated in the common schools, and on August 12th, 1862, enlisted in the 75th Illinois Infantry, and served to the end of the war in the Department of the Cumberland, under Grant, Sherman, Rosecrans and Thomas, and was in all of the heavy engagements of that department, being wounded at Stone River and taken prisoner there and held three days. At the close of the war he went to his old home, and in 1868 came to Nebraska and filed on a claim in York County, Neb. He moved to Seward County in 1869 and took a homestead in "1" township. He was one of the earliest contractors in Seward County, following it extensively for several years. He was very prominent and active in the early development of his county, and now owns a well-improved farm just east of the city of Seward, the same being the second homestead in that county. Also owns a great deal of other property in Seward and elsewhere. He was married in 1869 to Miss Matilda J. Ashton of Whiteside County, Illinois, who

was a native of Plymouth, England, but came to America when four years old. Mr. Fuller has a family of nine children living, and lost two, one dying in infancy and the other at eighteen years of age. His wife died in 1907 and his daughter Maude now acts as manager of his household. Mr. Fuller is a member of the G. A. R. post at Seward; he was the first democratic mayor ever elected in the city of Seward, the same being strongly republican. He was a member of the House in the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh session and a member of the Senate in the thirty-first session, and, therefore, entered the present session well fitted for the work by his long experience in legislative matters.



D. S. Hardin (Republican), Alma

Honorable D. S. Hardin represents the Sixty-second District, which embraces Harlan County. He was born at Homer, Ill., September 3, 1855. His parents moved to Hardin County, Iowa, and located on a farm near Eldora in October, 1865, where he lived until twenty years of age. He received a common school education sufficient to get a certificate to teach. In the spring of 1876 he entered the Iowa State College at Ames, completed the course and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in November, 1880. Mr. Hardin paid his own way through school, without aid from any source. Upon graduation, he moved to Beatrice, Neb., and taught school in Gage County and read law in the office of County Judge Cobbe for two years. He was admitted to practice law in 1883, and in September of that year he returned to Iowa and married Luria E. Marks, an old school-mate. He returned to Liberty, Neb., where he had been dealing in real estate and practicing law since he had been admitted. He lived at Liberty until 1893, then removing to Alma, Neb., where he has since resided. He practiced law at the latter place for several years until other business grew to such an extent that it was neces-

sary to give up the practice of law, and he has since devoted his entire attention to buying and selling land. Mr. Hardin came to Nebraska without a dollar, and now owns 3,000 acres of land, all paid for, 1,000 acres of which being in Scotts Bluff County, in the Government Ditch territory. He has five children, of whom three are boys and two are girls. One boy graduated at the Nebraska State Agricultural School and is now farming at Alma, and another took the Electrical Engineering course at the Nebraska University and then went back and took the Mechanical Engineering course and now has a position with the Westinghouse company in Pennsylvania. One boy is fourteen years old, and one girl is ten years old, both attending the High School at Alma, Neb. Mr. Hardin has always been a Republican. He is a generous host, and a man who always extends a cordial welcome to any friends or acquaintances who visit his home.



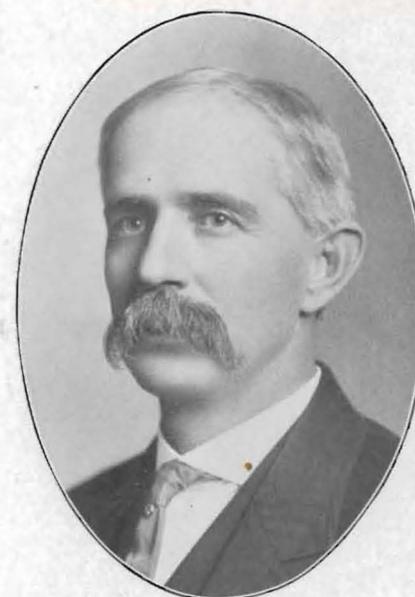
O. H. Moody (Republican), Ansley

Honorable O. H. Moody is one of the representatives from the Fifty-sixth District, composed of Custer and Logan Counties. He was born in Illinois. Mr. Moody has been a resident of Nebraska for thirty-two years. He is a farmer of Custer County, Nebraska.



J. A. Hospodsky (Democrat), Wilber

Honorable J. A. Hospodsky is one of the representatives from the Thirty-first District, composed of Saline County. Born in Bohemia in 1858. After completing high school education became an actor, but discontinued same at request of grandparents and accepted position as clerk in a law office. When twenty-three years old, with several other adventurous young friends, went to Dresden, Germany, and after remaining there a few months in the year 1879 came to America, locating at Cleveland, Ohio; worked there on a Bohemian paper and later read law for two years in one of the oldest law offices in the city. In 1885 came to Nebraska and at different times published a newspaper at Omaha, North Bend, Wahoo and Wilber. About eight years ago disposed of business and traveled on road in United States and Europe. At present is one of the editors of the "Daily Herald," a Bohemian paper at Chicago. Now serving his second term in the Legislature, being re-elected last fall with 400 majority, although absent from home from July 16 until December 29 and unable to make an active campaign. Mr. Hospodsky is married and has a family of six children. His eldest daughter, Ella, is a nurse in the Lincoln Asylum.



E. B. Quackenbush (Democrat), Auburn

Honorable E. B. Quackenbush is a float representative from the Fifth District, composed of Nemaha and Johnson Counties. Born in Racine County, Wisconsin, August 24, 1866. Removed with parents to Gage County, Nebraska, in fall of 1867, locating on a farm close to Beatrice, which is still owned by the family. Lived in Nebraska about forty-four years, with the exception of two years spent in Salt Lake City. Educated in common schools and at York College, and graduated in law department of State University of Nebraska in class of 1896. Moved to Auburn, Nebraska, in fall of 1896 and has since resided there, engaged in the practice of law. Served as city attorney of Auburn for four years and county attorney for four years. Was a very active member of the Legislature in 1907, and in the present session he is taking a leading part, being chairman of the Judiciary Committee. Mr. Quackenbush was married September 8, 1890, to Rose Mills of Gage County, Nebraska, who died on the 30th day of October, 1907, leaving three children—Paul, who is now eighteen years of age and who is a member of the freshman class of Bellevue College; Ralph, sixteen years, who graduates in the high school of Auburn with this year's class, and Claude, age seven, who is living with his father and grandmother at home, where the family has been kept together since the mother's death.



J. N. Norton (Democrat), Polk

Honorable J. N. Norton is a representative from the Thirty-ninth District, composed of Polk County. Born May 12, 1878, on his father's homestead in Polk County, Nebraska, where he still resides. Graduated from the State University of Nebraska and the Wesleyan School of Oratory. Always takes an active interest in public affairs. Served four years as county clerk of Polk County, and while residing in Osceola, the county seat, was twice elected mayor. He is independent, but progressive in his position on questions of public importance, as indicated in his work in this session of the Legislature. Mr. Norton is married and has two children, one boy and one girl.



Frank J. Riha (Democrat), Omaha

Honorable Frank J. Riha is one of the representatives from the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County. He was born at Chamberlain, S. D., May 12, 1885, living there four years and then moved to Omaha, where he has lived continually for twenty-one years. He attended Omaha High School. Upon leaving school, Mr. Riha worked in a blacksmith's shop for one year. After working in a printing office and learning the trade, he started in business at Omaha in 1907 as a member of the firm of Comstock & Riha. Since 1902 he has been athletic instructor of the Bohemian Turner organization of Omaha. He never held public office before. Mr. Riha is one of the youngest members of the House.



W. A. Prince (Republican), Grand Island

Honorable W. A. Prince is one of the representatives of the Forty-seventh District, composed of Hall County. He was born in Pierpont, Ohio, September 3, 1864. He worked on a farm and attended public schools there until eighteen years of age. He taught school for two years and graduated from Hillsdale College, Michigan, in 1886. He came to Lincoln in the summer of 1886 and studied law in the office of Harwood, Ames & Kelly. He was superintendent of schools at Ulysses, Neb., from 1886 to 1888 and admitted to practice law in the latter year. He located at Grand Island, Neb., in the summer of 1888, where he has since resided, and engaged in the practice of law. He was a member of the Legislature of 1889, and county attorney of Hall County and city attorney of Grand Island for ten years. He was married to Miss Carrie Roberts of Jefferson, Iowa, on December 26, 1888, and has one boy and three girls.



F. L. Gallagher (Democrat), Rosalia

Honorable Felix L. Gallagher represents the Sixteenth District, composed of Cuming, Dakota and Thurston Counties. Born in Kain County, Illinois, November 30, 1869. Came with parents to Nebraska in the spring of 1875, locating on a farm in Cuming County. Educated in the rural and city schools and in the Omaha Commercial College. Was acting sheriff of Cuming County in 1899 and 1900. Has been engaged in the real estate and banking business since then. Located at Rosalia, Nebraska, at opening of the town and organized the Rosalia State Bank, of which he is cashier at the present time. Elected to this session of the Legislature by majority of nearly one thousand. He has always been a consistent democrat and in this session is chairman of Finance, Ways and Means Committee and a member of other important committees. Mr. Gallagher was married on June 9, 1901, to Miss Ella Frahm of West Point, Nebraska, and they have four children, three girls and one boy.



Enos E. Ellis (Republican), Allen



H. J. Nelson (Democrat), Hooper

Honorable Enos E. Ellis represents the Eighteenth District, composed of Dixon County. He was born July 28, 1851, in Jefferson County, Iowa. Came to Dixon County, Nebraska, in 1869 and has resided therein ever since. Engaged in farming and stock raising. Has held the offices of justice of the peace, assessor and member of school board in his township for several years. Was a member of the Legislature in the twenty-third session, and is now serving his second term.

Honorable H. J. Nelson is one of the representatives from the Fourteenth District, composed of Dodge County. Born at Hooper, Nebraska, September 15, 1880, on a farm, and has resided there all his life. Educated in the common schools and graduated at the Fremont Normal College at Fremont, Nebraska. Has been engaged in farming all his life. Never held public office before being elected to the Legislature. Mr. Nelson's father, N. P. Nelson, is one of the oldest settlers in Dodge County, Nebraska.



Michael J. Murphy (Democrat), Friend

Honorable Michael J. Murphy is one of the representatives from the Thirty-first District, composed of Saline County. He was born in Boston, Mass., March 1, 1862, and removed to Providence, Ill., with his parents in April, 1865, and received his education from the public schools of that place. He located at Friend, Neb., in March, 1880, and has been a practical farmer since that time. Mr. Murphy owns a farm of 160 acres one mile east of Friend, Neb. He was married February 2, 1886, to Margaret Crowley of Friend, Neb., and they have five children, four girls and one boy.



W. S. Waite (Republican), Loup City

Honorable Wilber S. Waite represents the Fifty-seventh District, composed of Sherman County. Born in Palmyra, Warren County, Iowa, on July 22, 1870. Came to Nebraska in the fall of 1880 and located with parents in Valley County, Nebraska, on a farm. Removed to Loup City, Sherman County, Nebraska, in 1893, and has resided there since. Is at present general manager of the Sherman County Telephone Company, a position which he has held since the organization of same six years ago. He was married February 1, 1899, to Bertha M. Sutton of Loup City, and they have three children, two girls and one boy. Never aspired to or held public office before, except member of school board.



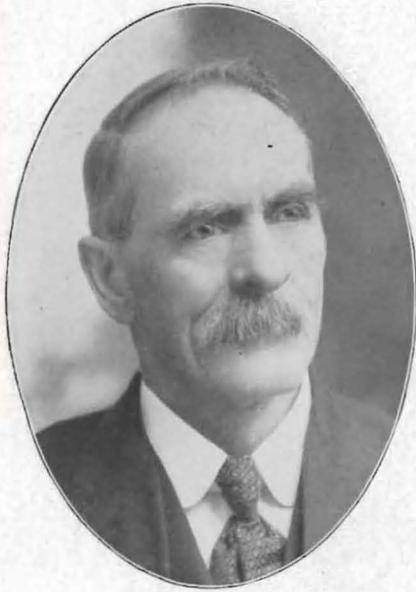
John W. Sink (Democrat), Grand Island

Honorable John W. Sink is one of the representatives from the Forty-seventh District, composed of Hall County. Born in Marion County, Iowa, in 1861. Came to Nebraska about thirty years ago and located at Ulysses, Butler County. Removed from there to Hastings, Neb., where he resided fourteen years, and from there to Denver, Colo., where he resided one year. Took a trip west, with a view of locating, but returned to Nebraska and was in the employ of Kirkendall Shoe Company of Omaha, at Ord, Neb., for six months. In 1903 he removed to Grand Island and engaged in the wholesale cigar business and has continued in the same since. He was a member of the Legislature in 1909 and was the author of the bill compelling hotels to have long bed sheets. He is now serving his second term, and in this session is intensely interested in the bill providing for the removal of the state capitol. Mr. Sink is married and has three boys.



E. J. McArdle (Democrat), Benson

Honorable E. J. McArdle is one of the representatives of the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County. He was born in the county he represents in 1878, and has lived there all his life. He was educated in the public schools and in the Creighton University at Omaha. Mr. McArdle's father was one of the first settlers in Nebraska, having located in Douglas County in 1854. He was county commissioner for twenty years, and was prominent and active in public affairs of the state. Representative McArdle lived on the farm until thirteen years of age. He was with the Omaha Bee for four years and with the Woodmen of the World of Omaha for six years, and since then has been proprietor of the Western Stamp and Stencil Company of Omaha. He married Katherine O'Hanlon of Omaha, whose father is J. P. O'Hanlon, connected with the Phelan & Shirley Railroad Company of Omaha.



Joseph Dostal (Democrat), Abie

Honorable Joseph Dostal is one of the representatives from the Twenty-eighth District, composed of Butler County. Born in Austria in 1843. Came to America in 1855 and located at Davenport, Iowa. Lived in Iowa about twenty years. Located at Abie, Butler County, Nebraska, in 1875, where he still lives. Mr. Dostal has been engaged in farming all the time. Served as township assessor three terms, justice of the peace two terms and was elected member of County Board of Supervisors for eight terms. He is now serving his second term in the Legislature. He is married and has raised a family of ten children, seven girls and three boys, all living.



Luther Bonham (Democrat), Fairbury

Honorable Luther Bonham is a float representative from the Thirty-sixth District, composed of Jefferson and Thayer Counties. Born at Mound City, Missouri, April 10, 1885. Moved with parents to Mahaska, Kansas, soon after birth and lived there for nineteen years. Was cashier of the Farmers Bank of Reynolds, Nebraska, for the next three years and has been cashier of the Bonham National Bank of Fairbury, Nebraska, ever since. Was educated in common schools and also at Campbell University of Holton, Kansas, which he attended four years. Was married in 1908 to Myrtle Fisher of Hubbell, Nebraska. This is the first public office he ever held.



W. S. Shoemaker (Democrat), Omaha

Honorable W. S. Shoemaker is one of the representatives from the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County. He was born in Portage County, Ohio, May 27, 1844. He came, with his parents, to Council Bluffs, Ia., in May, 1854. In making the trip the family came by boat on the Ohio, Mississippi and Missouri Rivers. He attended public school in a log house in Council Bluffs. He enlisted in the First Nebraska Regiment June 15, 1861, at seventeen years of age, and on the 26th day of August, 1864, was discharged at the Herndon House (now Union Pacific headquarters) at Omaha, by reason of the expiration of his term of service. He took the stump in Iowa for the Democratic party in 1866. He was admitted to practice law in Iowa courts in November, 1870. He practiced law in that state until 1881, when he went to Colorado to engage in mining. He returned east and located at Omaha November 2, 1884, where he has been practicing law since. Mr. Shoemaker was assistant city attorney under A. J. Poppleton in 1890 and 1891, the second year having charge of all damage cases against the city. He was city prosecutor of Omaha in 1884 and 1885. He was a member of the previous session of the Legislature held in 1909.



J. H. Bulla (Democrat), South Omaha

Honorable J. H. Bulla is one of the representatives from the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County. Born in 1856 at Albany, Missouri, where he lived thirty-one years engaged in farming. Came to South Omaha, Nebraska, in 1887, where he has since resided. Employed by the Stock Yards Company for a few years and then engaged in handling stockers and feeders, which occupation he still follows. Says he has played in politics for fun and fun only for eighteen years, and has been asked to run for everything and never refused and was never defeated. Was a member of the city council six years and president of the same for two years. Member of the city school board of education for seven years and president of same for three terms. Elected president of Trader's Exchange for five terms. He has always been a "booster" for South Omaha, and says that this legislative experience is the crowning event of his life, and that he is now ready to quit politics and is in love and at peace with the whole world. Mr. Bulla was married in 1879 to Miss Lizzie Rose of St. Joseph, Missouri, and they have three children, all married. Mr. Bulla is the proud grandparent of twin girls, eighteen months old.



Robert H. Holmes (Democrat), Omaha

Honorable Robert H. Holmes is one of the representatives from the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County. Born in Bureau County, Illinois, in the sixties. Educated in the common schools and moved west in 1878. Resided in Omaha nearly all the time since, being in the brick contracting business. He was elected member of the city council of Omaha in 1894 and served one term. Elected to Legislature in 1909, and he is now serving his second term.



John H. Moriarty (Democrat), Omaha

Honorable John H. Moriarty is one of the representatives from the Tenth District, composed of Douglas County. Born October 7, 1880, in Omaha. Resided there all his life. Graduated from the Omaha High School and University of Nebraska. He has been engaged in the practice of law in Omaha for the past seven years. Mr. Moriarty never held public office before.



Henry Heiliger (Democrat), Plymouth

Honorable Henry Heiliger represents the Thirty-fourth District, composed of Jefferson County. He was born in Bureau County, Ill., January 21, 1869. In the spring of 1890 he came to Jefferson County, Nebraska, locating on the farm where he now resides, which formerly consisted of two hundred and forty acres of unimproved land, and now consists of seven hundred and twenty acres, well improved. Mr. Heiliger not only conducts the farm but is also engaged in buying and shipping live stock, and is a director and stockholder of the Bank of Plymouth in Jefferson County, Neb. He was the second Democrat ever elected to the Legislature from Jefferson County. He was married in the spring of 1890 to Pena Hoppler of Selby, Bureau County, Illinois, and they have eight children, consisting of seven boys and one girl.



H. G. Taylor (Republican), Central City

Honorable H. G. Taylor represents the Fortieth District, composed of Merrick County. He was born in Saline County, Nebraska, on June 30, 1880. When five years of age he moved to Norton County, Kansas. He resided on a farm in that county until twelve years of age and then moved, with his parents, to Almena, in that county. After completing the course in the city schools at Almena he attended the Wesleyan University at Salina, Kas., and York College at York, Neb. He was compelled to give up his school work in 1899 on account of sickness, and later in that year engaged in the newspaper business, leasing the "Plaindealer" at Almena. He conducted this paper for four years, moving to Central City, Neb., in 1903, where he purchased the "Nonpareil," which paper he has conducted for the past eight years.



John M. Jones (Republican), Clay Center

Honorable John M. Jones is one of the representatives from the Forty-second district, composed of Clay County. He was born in Jefferson County, Iowa, near Pleasant Plain, in 1843. He was raised a Quaker. He lived on a farm until 1863, when he enlisted in Company "F," Thirty-third Iowa Infantry, and served three years. After the war he resided at Sigourney, Ia., until 1879, when he located on a farm in Clay County, Nebraska. He moved to Clay Center in the fall of 1881, soon after the location of the county seat at that place. He engaged in the real estate and abstract business for several years, and from 1898 to 1908 was postmaster of Clay Center. In March, 1910, he commenced the publication of the "Clay County Sun." The family consists of two sons, Dr. L. R. Jones of Osceola, Neb., and Archie B. Jones of Clay Center. He has always been a Republican, and his first vote was cast while in the army in the State of Arkansas for Abraham Lincoln during his second election.



E. W. Roberts (Republican), Holdrege

Honorable E. W. Roberts represents the Sixty-third District, composed of Phelps County. Born of Welsh parents in Union, Rock County, Wisconsin, October 6, 1848. He was married in 1871 to Miss Mary E. Child of Union, Wisconsin. He was engaged in farming nearly all the time until 1877, when he began working at carpenter work, and after he came to Nebraska, in 1879, was engaged in contracting and building in Gibbon, Shelton and Minden, Nebraska, until the townsite of Holdrege, Phelps County, Nebraska, was surveyed. Since that time he has been contracting and building in Holdrege and vicinity. He was a member of the Holdrege city council for eight years; a member of the school board of Holdrege fifteen years and a member of the county board of supervisors for nearly twenty years, several years of that time being chairman of the board, and he resigned from the same in 1909, when elected to the Nebraska Legislature as representative from Phelps County. He is now serving his second term.



C. E. Metzger (Democrat), Cedar Creek

Honorable C. E. Metzger is one of the representatives of the Seventh District, composed of Cass County, and is one of the youngest members of the House. He was born in 1885 in the county he represents, on a farm, where he was reared, and has since devoted all his time to farming and to raising, buying and selling stock. Mr. Metzger is one of the large shippers of the state. He was educated in the public schools of Cedar Creek and in the Plattsmouth High School, and also took a course in a business college. He never held public office before being elected to the Legislature.



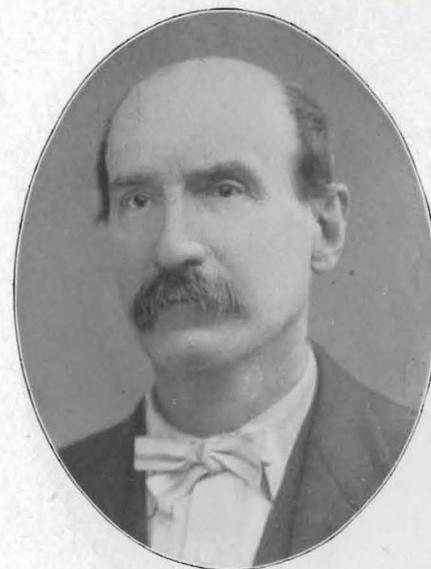
Edward D. Clarke (Republican), Valentine

Honorable Edward D. Clarke represents the Fifty-second District, composed of Cherry and Keya Paha Counties. Born in Adams County, Iowa, in 1864. Lived there until the spring of 1885, when he moved to Valentine, Nebraska. Graduated from Iowa State University, Law Department, in 1884. Been engaged in practice of law at Valentine ever since. Served five different times as county attorney of Cherry County. Was married in 1899 to Martha Carlisle of Topeka, Kansas, and they have four children, named as follows: Rush, Harriet, Ruth and Jean.



Frank P. Lawrence (Democrat), Fremont

Honorable Frank P. Lawrence is one of the representatives from the Fourteenth District, composed of Dodge County. He was born in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., in 1840. In a few months his parents moved to Racine, Wis., where he received his education and grew to manhood. When Lincoln called for troops he responded to the call and enlisted as a private in Company A, Twenty-second Wisconsin Infantry, and later was promoted to lieutenant. He was captured at Brentwood, Tenn., and served a term in Libbey Prison. Soon after his release his health failed, and he was discharged on account of inability to serve. In a few months, on regaining his health, he again entered the service as captain of Company F, Thirty-ninth Wisconsin Infantry, and served until the end of the war. He has been a resident of Nebraska since 1876. He resided in Lincoln from 1884 until six years ago, when he moved to Dodge County. Mr. Lawrence is now serving his second term in the Legislature.



George W. Leidigh (Democrat), Nebraska City

Honorable George W. Leidigh is one of the representatives from the Sixth District, composed of Otoe County. Born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 11, 1850, and educated in the common schools of said city. Came to Nebraska City in May, 1870, and in the fall of same year located upon a homestead in Jewel County, Kansas, returning to Nebraska City in fall of 1871, where he was engaged in different lines of business from that time until May, 1895. He was then appointed warden of the Nebraska State Penitentiary by Governor Holcomb, serving until September, 1899, when he resigned on account of ill-health and returned to Nebraska City, where he has since resided. Mr. Leidigh was married in 1873 to Miss Sarah L. McConiga of his home town, and they have had eight children, two boys, now deceased, and four boys and two girls living. Having been a member of the Legislature in the sessions of 1893 and 1909, Mr. Leidigh entered upon his third term well equipped for the work before him.



T. E. Nordgren (Republican), Phillips

Honorable T. E. Nordgren is one of the representatives of the Forty-first District, composed of Hamilton County. He was born in the county he represents December 19, 1878. He has lived there all his life, and has been engaged in farming and raising stock. He was married March 24, 1906, to Georgia Haner, who died February 15, 1910. Mr. Nordgren has two children. He has never held public office before being elected to the Legislature.



Earl O. Eager (Republican), Lincoln

Honorable Earl O. Eager is one of the representatives from the Thirtieth District, composed of Lancaster County. Born March 3, 1881, on a farm north of Lincoln, Neb. Lived in Lincoln twenty-five years. One of the republican members of the House who is opposed to county option. Graduate of University of Nebraska Law School in 1907. Received the A. B. degree in 1908. Is manager of athletics of University of Nebraska and is unmarried.



W. D. Haller (Republican), Blair

Honorable W. D. Haller represents the Eleventh District, composed of Washington County. He was born upon a farm near East Troy, Wisconsin, April 27, 1846, where his parents located in 1833. He grew to young manhood on the farm, and at the age of twenty years found himself possessed of good health, an ambition to strike out for himself, and equipped to do life's battle with such education as usually falls to the lot of a farmer's son, topped out with a college course at Berea, Ohio. He entered the employ of J. H. Cooper at Burlington, Wisconsin, the leading druggist. His companion clerk was the doctor's son, Henry A. Cooper, present congressman from the first Wisconsin district. After four years of close application to business he ended his engagement with Dr. Cooper, possessed of a thorough knowledge of pharmacy and no inconsiderable learning of the physician's art. In 1871 he established himself in the drug business at Blair, Nebraska, which he has since followed. Liberal in his dealings, fair and honest in his daily walk, and progressive in all matters relating to the public weal he has never failed to win friends and hold them. The Nebraska druggists insisted that he should serve as a member of the State Board of Examiners, and beginning in 1891 he creditably filled this position for five years. Mr. Haller was married at Blair November 24, 1885, and has two children. In politics he is a staunch republican. He has been elected to serve his district four times, twice in the House and twice in the State Senate.



B. K. Bushee (Republican), Kimball

Honorable Berton K. Bushee represents the Fifty-fourth District, composed of Lincoln, Cheyenne, Keith, Banner, Deuel, Kimball, McPherson, Morrill, Scott's Bluff, Perkins and Garden Counties. He was born in Dartford, Green Lake County, Wisconsin, May 3, 1871. Was educated in the common schools of Wisconsin and removed to western Nebraska with his parents when seventeen years of age. After homesteading a few years in Kimball County he taught school four years. Was elected county superintendent of schools of Kimball County in 1895, and twice re-elected to that office. In 1898, with Henry Vogler, he engaged in the general merchandise business in Kimball. In 1906 he bought Mr. Vogler's interest in the business and has now one of the best general merchandise stores in that section of the country, doing business under the name of the "Daylight Department Store." Mr. Bushee is also director and vice president of the bank of Kimball, a stockholder in the Kimball Lumber and Supply Company, and owns several farms. He has served as a member of the village council; was a member of the Legislature in 1909, and is now serving his second term. Mr. Bushee was married to Ruth Cunningham at Sidney, Nebraska, on April 4, 1894, and they have one daughter, Helen Bernice, born June 2, 1897. He has taken an active interest in fraternal lodges, and has twice represented his state in the National Head Camp of the M. W. A.



Herbert H. Herzog (Republican), Herman

Honorable Herbert H. Herzog represents the Thirteenth District, composed of Burt and Washington Counties. He was born in Knox County, Indiana, July 31, 1867. He graduated from the Worthington, Ind., High School in 1884. He taught school in Indiana in 1884 and 1885. He came to Washington County, Nebraska, in November, 1885, and taught a district school until 1892, then engaging in the lumber business at Herman, Neb., and has continued in the lumber business since that time, which is conducted under the firm name of Herzog & Houston. He was married to Esther Patrick in 1893, and they have three daughters and one son. He has not previously held public office, except minor ones. Mr. Herzog is a member of I. O. O. F. and Masonic lodges.



Richard C. Regan (Democrat), Platte Center

Honorable Richard C. Regan is a float representative from the Twenty-fifth District, composed of Nance and Platte Counties. Born at Malden, Bureau County, Illinois, September 25, 1863, and resided there until 1871, then removed with parents to a farm near Platte Center, Neb., where he still resides. Mr. Regan can be properly called one of the pioneer settlers of his county, and his parents, until the death of his mother on the 3d of last March, were probably the oldest couple in the county in years and in residence of any married couple living therein. Mr. Regan is the most jovial and probably the oldest bachelor member of the House in this session. He is chairman of the Committee on Apportionment and a member of other important committees. He has devoted all of his time to farming and raising stock and never before held public office.



S. C. Bassett (Republican), Gibbon

Honorable Samuel C. Bassett is one of the representatives from the Fifty-eighth District, composed of Buffalo County. Born in Walton, Delaware County, New York, in 1844, and from 1845 to 1851 lived in Virginia. Returned to New York in 1851 and lived on a farm until 1862. Served as a private in Company "E," 142d New York Infantry, receiving an honorable discharge at the close of the Civil War. Came to Nebraska in 1871, taking a soldier's homestead in Buffalo County, the same being the fourth homestead in that county upon which claims had been filed in the United States Land Office, and his family has continued to reside upon the land since it was taken up. Taught school at Gibbon, Nebraska, during the winter of 1871-2, the same being the first winter term of school held in Buffalo County. He was a member from Buffalo County in the lower house of the Legislature in the session of 1885, and is, therefore, now serving his second term. He was the first president and for twenty-one years was secretary of the Nebraska Dairymen's Association, organized in February, 1885. For many years was a member of the State Board of Agriculture and served two years as president of same. Was deputy food commissioner in 1901-2. Mr. Bassett was married to Miss Lucia M. Baker in 1867, three years before locating in Nebraska.



John H. Mockett, Jr. (Republican), Lincoln

Honorable John H. Mockett, Jr., is one of the representatives from the Thirtieth District, composed of Lancaster County. He was born in Genesee, Wisconsin, December 18, 1860; removed with parents to Cuning County in 1872; was educated in public schools; commenced teaching at the age of eighteen and followed that occupation for several years. In 1881 he entered the State University and took classical and scientific work for three years, then became a member of the firm of J. H. Mockett & Sons, general agents of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, withdrawing from that firm in May, 1906, to become superintendent of agencies of the Midwest Life Insurance Company, which position he resigned in June, 1910, to engage in the insurance and investment brokerage business. Mr. Mockett was elected to the city council of Lincoln in 1897 and again in 1899, the last time without opposition from either party, and was president of that body from April to December, 1900, resigning at that time to take up his work in the Legislature of 1901, to which he had been elected. During this, the twenty-seventh session, he was chairman of the Revenue and Taxation Committee, a

member of the Insurance Committee, and was one of the leaders of the republican majority in the House. He was re-elected by an increased majority in 1902 to the twenty-eighth session, and upon organization of the House was elected speaker, and in that position proved himself to be a good parliamentarian and fair in his decisions. He was elected to the State Senate and served in the twenty-ninth session in 1905; was also a member of the Lincoln School Board from May, 1909, to May, 1910, when he removed outside the city limits. Mr. Mockett was married February 8, 1888, to Miss Harriet H. Jones of Omaha, Neb., and they have a family of five children, two sons and three daughters.



I. D. Evans (Republican), Kenesaw

Honorable Isaiah David Evans represents the Forty-fifth District, composed of Adams County. Born in Tioga County, Pennsylvania, December 25, 1844. Enlisted in Company "E," 49th Wisconsin Infantry, and held at the time of his discharge the rank of first sergeant. Drove four mules across the plains in 1866 from Nebraska City to Salt Lake City, and from there to Montana, where he remained several years, mining in the summer and teaching school in the winter. Been a resident of Nebraska for forty years. Editor of a country newspaper for ten years. Bought the land and platted the town of Stockham in Hamilton County, Nebraska, managing and disposing of the lots composing the townsite. Organized and for seven years was cashier of the Bank of Stockham. Been farming near the village of Kenesaw, Adams County, Nebraska, for past fifteen years. Member of the Kenesaw school board for twelve years. Cashier of the Internal Revenue office at Omaha. Supervisor of the census for the Fifth Congressional District in 1900. Frequently a contributor to the press, discussing public questions in brief, but pointed articles that were widely read. Always a republican and believes in party con-

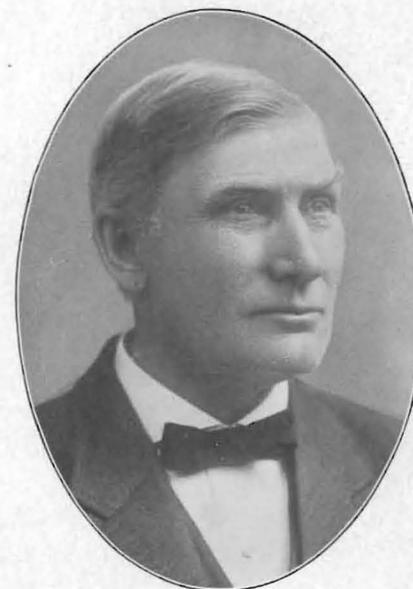
trol, yet independent in his actions and conclusions. Frequently a delegate to county, district and state conventions of his party. Was a member of the House of Representatives in 1899 and was one of the "old guard" who voted for Judge Hayward for United States Senator every time until he was elected on the 8th of March. Also in that session introduced the first Bank Guarantee Bill ever presented to a legislature in this state, and, although it did not become a law, it opened up a discussion that only ended with the passage of the present guarantee of deposits law. In the organization of the present House Mr. Evans took a prominent part, being chairman of the republican organization and being selected as the candidate of his party for speaker and also for floor leader. He is a good fighter, as evidenced by the filibuster which he led on the 10th of March for about four hours, when the majority were trying and finally succeeded in defeating his anti-treat bill, breaking the filibuster by resurrecting an old rule.



L. H. Eastman (Democrat), Campbell

Honorable L. H. Eastman represents the Sixty-first District, composed of Franklin County. Born in Lafayette County, Wisconsin, February 16, 1859. His boyhood days were spent as most boys of poor parents spent theirs in that rough and wooded country, where school advantages were limited and the climate very severe. Four months was considered a long term of school, and facing such conditions the education of Representative Eastman was sadly neglected. In 1878 he came to Nebraska, locating at Roca, in Lancaster County. The first three years were spent working in a stone quarry and the next three in farming. In the year 1884 Mr. Eastman married Miss Alma Palmer and the following spring located in Franklin County. He endured all the hardships of drouth and blizzards, but he had the grit, honesty and industry which won for him in the end a comfortable home and a standing among the business men of his county of which he may justly feel proud. He helped organize the First National Bank of Campbell and was president of same the first two years. He has served his people in town and county office and was a member of the thirty-first session of the Legisla-

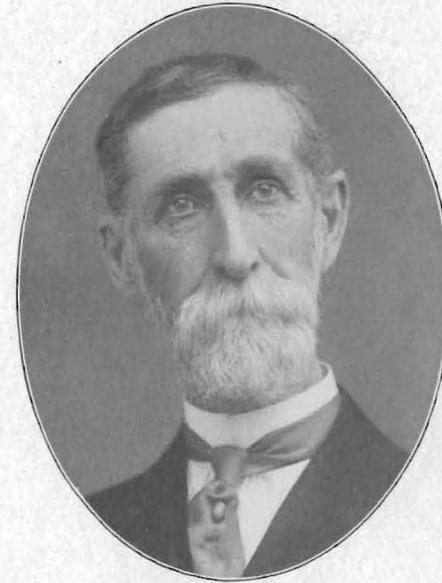
ture, and is now serving his second term. Mr. Eastman is an honest, hard working member and takes great pride in House Roll No. 2, of which he is the author, same being a bill to establish an agricultural school in southwestern Nebraska. In politics he is a democrat, but is very liberal in his views and has become quite popular in the House. He is at present residing at Campbell, Nebraska, where he has just built a modern home, and there he expects to spend the rest of his time enjoying the fruits of his labor.



Buel S. Harrington (Democrat), Ainsworth

Honorable Buel S. Harrington represents the Fifty-first District, composed of Brown and Rock Counties. He was born in Squaw Grove Township, DeKalb County, Illinois, on March 22, 1850, and lived on the farm where born until twenty-one years of age. At that age he commenced working in a general store at a place which is now called Hinkley. In the fall of 1871 he went to State Center, Ia., and purchased a farm. He removed from there in 1872 to Sandwich, Ill., and worked for J. M. Hummell for six years in the retail implement business. In 1878 he was employed by the Sandwich Manufacturing Company, and remained in their service until 1884, working as a machinist and traveling on the road, and as general agent for them in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn. He located in Lyons, Burt County, Nebraska, in 1884, engaging in the retail implement business. He sold out this business in 1885 and then engaged with Parlin, Orendorf & Martin, wholesale dealers in implements, at Omaha. In the spring of 1886 he purchased an implement stock at Oakland, Neb., while there also bought and sold grain, horses and part of the time was engaged in the general merchandise business.

He sold out his business in 1899, and in the spring of 1900 he moved to Ainsworth, Brown County, Nebraska, and purchased a large tract of land and fitted the same for ranch purposes. In 1901 he sold out the ranch, and in 1902 purchased a herd of registered Hereford cattle, which he now has. He is vice-president of the Citizens' State Bank at Ainsworth. He has been continually a member of the school board of Burt and Brown Counties for the last fifteen years. He was elected to the Legislature as a Democrat in 1908, and was re-elected without opposition from the Republicans in 1910.



Andrew J. Minor (Republican), Lincoln

Honorable Andrew Jackson Minor is one of the representatives from the Thirtieth District, composed of Lancaster County. He was born on a farm near Carmichaels, Greene County, Pennsylvania, October 22, 1843, being the youngest of a family of ten children, three of whom were soldiers in the civil war. Mr. Minor was educated in the country schools and grew up on the farm. In 1859 he removed, with his parents, to Linn County, Iowa, and in 1861, while visiting in Pennsylvania, enlisted in the Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry and was a member of Companies K and H of that organization. This regiment was engaged in a great deal of active service throughout the war, and took part in driving Lee's rear guard across the Potomac River at Williamsport, and also an active part in the battle at Stone's River. Mr. Minor's company, with two others, was detailed as a body guard for General Rosencrans, and was with him throughout the entire campaign of 1863, including the Battle of Chickamauga, afterwards becoming the body guard of General Thomas, and remained with him until after the Atlanta campaign. In the early part of General Thomas's command Mr. Minor was detailed for duty at the office of Colonel John G. Parkhurst, the provost marshal general, Department of the Cumberland, and remained there on duty until the close of the war, when he returned to his Iowa home. On account of injuries re-

ceived in the service he was unable to perform farm labor, and he engaged in the carpenter and wagon work, which he followed until 1870. He was then married in Fulton County, Illinois, to Miss Nancy L. Rine. He returned to Iowa and resumed farm work, but had to give it up, and thereupon moved to Adair, McDonough County, Illinois, and, with a small capital saved from his wages, entered into the mercantile business and was very successful. In 1883, disposing of his business, he moved to Fairfield, Clay County, Nebraska, engaging in the general merchandise, grain and stock business, which was also successful. He removed to Nelson, Nuckolls County, Nebraska, in 1886, engaging in the grain business, and built the first grain elevator in the town. He was president and vice-president of the First National Bank at Nelson from 1896 to 1903, when he removed to Lincoln and became interested in the Bank of Commerce. Mr. and Mrs. Minor have raised a family of five sons and two daughters, and have lost two sons by death. The eldest son, Walter L., is a merchant at Morrill, Neb.; Harry V. enlisted in Company H, First Nebraska Volunteers, serving throughout the Philippine campaign, and now resides in Denver and is connected with the wholesale lumber firm known as the Handy-Minor Lumber Company; Guy E., another son, enlisted in Company H, First Nebraska Regiment, participating in all its battles and was wounded in the Battle of Quingua, in which Colonel Stotsenberg was killed, and now resides at Lincoln, Neb.; Ralph, a student in the University of Nebraska; Merle D., a graduate of the Lincoln Business College; Nellie, now the wife of Percy Baird, cashier of a bank at Ruskin, Neb., and Helene, who resides at home. At the time of enlisting in the Union army Mr. Minor was a Douglas Democrat, but after the war, becoming dissatisfied with the Democratic party, he became a Republican. He was made Master Mason in Greene County, Pennsylvania, in 1865, and has remained a member in good standing and is entitled to the honor of being a veteran Mason. He is a member of Mt. Moriah Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar, at Lincoln, and was a member of George H. Thomas Post No. 15, G. A. R., of Nelson, Neb., in which body he has filled all the offices up to and including post commander. He is a member of the Baptist church in Lincoln, and is always ready to advance the interests of his community.



W. Z. Taylor (Democrat), Culbertson

Honorable William Z. Taylor represents the Sixty-seventh District, composed of Hitchcock, Dundy, Hayes and Chase Counties. Born in Crittenden County, Kentucky, September 24, 1848. Raised on a farm and educated in common schools and Simpson Academy. In 1861, during the war, moved with parents to Lucas County, Iowa. In spring of 1864 enlisted in Union Army in Colonel D. B. Henderson's regiment. After the war worked on a farm, attended and taught school until 1870; then going to Burlington, Iowa, and entered employ of the Merchants Union Express Company. In April, 1873, took up homestead where Culbertson is now located, in Hitchcock County, Nebraska. Still resides there. He was married to Belle Holliday at Belleville, Kansas, January 19, 1876. Been engaged in farming, raising cattle and the mercantile business. Also founded the town of Culbertson and has been interested financially in most of its business enterprises. Built the first frame house in Hitchcock County and first one in Dundy. Also established first newspaper in Culbertson in 1878. Was one of the surveying parties that in 1875 made the preliminary survey of the B. & M. Railroad across the plains to Denver, Colorado. Following up the extension of that road west of Indianola, Nebraska, in the early eighties he was one of the largest contractors in grading, bridging, etc. He was right-of-way agent of the company west of Red Willow County. As agent of the Lincoln Land Company he located, procured title

to lands and named most of the towns west of McCook, Nebraska, to and including Wray, Colorado. During the early settlement of southwestern Nebraska Mr. Taylor had many interesting experiences, which could not be narrated in the limited space herein. He was one of the first white men to visit the famous Pawnee-Sioux battle field, near the present town of Culbertson, which battle occurred on the 5th day of August, 1873, being the last fight between the Pawnee and the Sioux Indians. His story of saving the life of Dr. Carver; his first meeting with Buffalo Bill; his early acquaintance with "Wild Bill," "Texas Jack," "Curly Jack," and "Big Jack;" his buffalo hunts, etc., would make a book worth reading. During his school days he worked at the jeweler's trade to meet his expenses, and he has followed this business as a side line ever since. He was secretary of the Southwestern Nebraska Cattle Growers Association from 1876 to 1884. In 1873 he was appointed by Governor Furnas to office of county clerk, preparatory to organizing the county, which took place August 30 of that year, at which time he was elected county clerk and continued in such position for ten years, then resigning to take a seat in the Legislature of 1883, to which he had been elected, and to which position he was re-elected in 1884, 1908 and 1910. He was admitted to the bar in 1885. Served two terms as county attorney and has received many honorable appointments by the several governors of the state, one of them being a commission to the Atlanta Exposition. He has always used his time, money and energy for the upbuilding of southwestern Nebraska. He was author and champion of the "Anti-Mercantile Discrimination Bill" and the "Dormant Judgment Bill" of state wide interest, which became a law in 1909. During that session he was chairman of one of the most important committees and a member of several other prominent committees. During the present session of the Legislature he has been prominent in the work throughout the session and particularly so in fighting for the passage of his bill regulating stock yards in Nebraska, which at the present time, March 22, seems to be sure of final passage and of becoming a law. In this session he is chairman of the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, one of the most important committees. His long experience as a legislator and thorough knowledge of parliamentary rules has enabled him to overcome many intricate problems and serious obstacles with which he has come in contact during this session.



Dennis H. Cronin (Republican), O'Neill

Honorable Dennis H. Cronin is one of the representatives of the Fiftieth District, composed of Holt County. Born at Hecla, Michigan, January 10, 1869. Moved from Michigan to Holt County, Nebraska with his parents in February, 1877, and located upon a farm adjoining the city of O'Neill. Has been a resident of the county continuously since. Attended public school in Michigan and in O'Neill. Entered a printing office in 1884. In February 1891 leased the O'Neill Item and published same for one year. In March, 1892, purchased a half interest in the O'Neill Frontier. In 1894 Mr. Mathews retired from the firm and Mr. Cronin continued as editor and publisher and still owns and conducts the paper. He served as postmaster of O'Neill from 1899 to 1907. Been a member of the O'Neil city council. Also served as a member of the Republican State Central Committee three terms and was a member of the Executive Committee of same for two years. Mr. Cronin is married and has five children, viz.: Julius D., Beatrice K., Francis N., Geraldine K. and Clinton E.



Ernest Meyer (Republican), Oak

Honorable Ernest Meyer represents the Forty-third District, composed of Nuckolls County. Born October 22, 1858 at Lenzen, Province Brandenburg, Germany. Came to America in 1876, locating at Oelwein, Iowa, where he learned the miller's trade, and then went to Minneapolis, Minnesota, shortly after the great mill explosion in which twenty-two lives were lost, securing employment in the Minnetonka mill as machine tender, gradually working his way up to be a miller. In 1880 went to Sioux Falls, S. D., to help start the Queen Bee Mill, which was the finest in the world at that time. In 1882 he came to Thayer County, Nebraska, and in 1883 was married to Miss Augusta Ahrens, and they had seven children, six of whom are living. The many friends of Mr. Meyer insisted last fall on his becoming a candidate for state representative, and he thus took his first step in politics. His strength was shown in his defeat of Mr. A. H. Bowman, a democrat who had served very creditably in the previous session. Mr. Meyer is a republican and believes in the general principles of his party, but does not believe in a policy of putting into the party platform what he considers narrow-minded issues.



Henry C. Richmond, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives

Mr. Henry Clifford Richmond, chief clerk of the House, Thirty-second session, was born in Mt. Pleasant, Gentry County, Missouri, July 4, 1869. He has always been joined in the celebration of his natal day with much enthusiasm. In infancy he accompanied his parents to Kansas, his father, Captain Stephen N. Richmond, homesteading in Republic County. In 1884 Mr. Richmond's father went extensively into sheep raising on his big ranch in Webster County, Nebraska. Soon thereafter the death of young Richmond's mother left him a broken-hearted boy of thirteen years. He worked on a farm and joined an aunt at Canton, Mo., where he got a smattering of the sciences in Christian University. Then his taste turned to literary work, and he began to contribute to the newspapers. He ran several country newspapers, did reportorial work on the city dailies, and for several years was a staff correspondent of the Omaha World-Herald. He was elected president of the Nebraska Press Association in 1908, and in that year was chosen by Mr. Bryan to the position of assistant secretary of the Democratic National Committee in Chicago. He acquired the title of "Colonel" in the newspaper

profession, but is contemptuous of its application in a military way, having no use for militarism in any form. Mr. Richmond is a good mixer, and shakes hands like he means it. He is very fond of children. Colonel Richmond resides in Omaha. His family consists of a charming wife and two lovely children.



Horace M. Davis, First Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives

Mr. Horace M. Davis, first assistant clerk of the House was born in Greeley County, Nebraska, in September, 1873, soon after the county was organized, and while the possession of the hills and prairies were a matter of dispute between the Sioux Indians and the few straggling settlers who had come in from Eastern states. It is said that he was the first white child born in the North Loup Valley, a statement which he neither denies or affirms, claiming that his early recollection of contemporaries is too hazy to be made a matter of record. Mansell Davis was the first teacher and the first county superintendent of Greeley County, and made it possible for his son to have the benefits of a college education. The young Davis in turn taught for a number of years, and quit at Ord in 1900 to enter the newspaper business at that place, where he publishes the "Ord Journal," a staunch, well-edited and well-patronized Democratic weekly paper. Mr. Davis was married to Miss Bessie Fackler at Ord in 1901, and they have two boys, Mansell, eight years old, and Keith, three years old. Mr. Davis was elected first assistant clerk of the House for the Thirty-second session without solicitation and without his knowledge. He served in a similar capacity in the Thirty-first session of the Senate, and is particularly qualified by instinct and training for the duties that have been assigned him. His political activities have always been those of a party worker rather than an office seeker.



Curtis S. Clayton,
Assistant Clerk of the House and Clerk of Finance, Ways and Means Committee

Mr. Curtis S. Clayton was born at Siam, Ia., August 19, 1878. He removed, with his parents, to Nebraska in the spring of 1884, locating five miles southwest of Pender, on a homestead on the Omaha Indian Reservation. His parents, V. W. Clayton and wife, later removed to Wisner, Neb. He was educated in the Wisner High School and at the Omaha Commercial College of Omaha, Neb., where he took up a stenographic course with a view to working his way through a college of law. The hard times of 1896 and 1897 made this impracticable. After working two years in wholesale grocery and wholesale drug departments, he took up telegraphy and entered the service of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway at Wisner, Neb., and was later promoted to the position of secretary to the superintendent at Norfolk. He continued in the employ of the Northwestern, Great Northern and Denver & Rio Grande Railroads in the capacity of private secretary to the general superintendent, purchasing agent, general manager and vice-president. He is at present engaged in the real estate business at Scribner, Neb., and was elected assistant clerk of the House of Representatives when it was organized last January.



J. N. Kelly, Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives

Honorable J. N. Kelly was born at Hillsboro, Ohio, in 1845. Came to Iowa in 1868, locating at Villisca, where he lived until 1882, then removed to Furnas County, Nebraska, where he still resides. Has been engaged in the stock and meat business most of his life. Was elected to the Legislature in the fall of 1908, and in the thirty-first session which followed he was chairman of the Committee on Public Lands and Buildings and a member of other important committees. He was re-nominated last fall, but was defeated in the election by a very close margin. At the caucus of the democratic members of the present session, held prior to the organization of the House, Mr. Kelly's name was presented for sergeant-at-arms, and there being present many of his friends of the former session, he was endorsed for the position and elected the following day, and is now filling the position in a very creditable manner. As a member of the previous session he was very insistent upon carrying out his party platform pledges and was at that time nick-named "Platform Kelly," a title which he still carries.



John B. Gaffany, Postmaster of House of Representatives

Mr. John B. Gaffany was born at Newtown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, June 16, 1850. He lived on a farm and attended the public schools until twelve years of age, after which he worked in a woolen factory in the summer and attended an academy in the winter, for four years, finally completing his education at a college of pharmacy. After graduation he served an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade. In 1872 he entered the employ of a prominent detective agency. While in their employ he traveled extensively through the Eastern states with show companies, and worked for four different railroad companies, besides making one trip to Europe and a trip to Cuba. He emigrated to Illinois in 1875, then to Iowa, and back again to Illinois in 1876. He married Miss Mary S. McReynolds January 11, 1877, at Mason City, Ill. He moved to Harvey County, Kansas, in February, 1878, and to Fillmore County, Nebraska, March 24, 1880, where he has lived ever since. He has always taken an active part in politics, and has always been a firm believer in progressive Democracy and the best man in local affairs. He lost a leg by an accident in South Omaha, Neb., August 11, 1906. He was chosen House postmaster for the Thirty-second session of the Nebraska Legislature by the Democrats in a caucus held January 2, 1911, and elected to same upon organization of the House.



James E. Ferris, Journal Clerk of the House of Representatives

Mr. James E. Ferris was born in Oneida, Knox County, Illinois. His father being dead, at an early age he removed with the rest of the family to Seward, Nebraska. He received a general and stenographic education in the high school of Seward. Taught school for one year, and later took a law course in the University of Nebraska. When nineteen years of age was appointed chief clerk and stenographer in the office of Governor John M. Thayer, serving nearly six years, and later served in the same position under Governor Lorenzo Crouse during his term, and also under Governor Silas A. Holcomb for a short period. Mr. Ferris has also served as official stenographer for different judges of the Supreme Court of Nebraska, and has held many other stenographic and clerical positions of trust in connection with public offices and corporations. He has made a specialty of stenography and is widely recognized as an expert court and convention reporter. He is a man of genial and affable disposition and has many friends.



James A. Keegan (Fairmont, Neb.), Custodian of House of Representatives

Mr. James A. Keegan was born in Maine in 1847. He lived there ten years, moving then to Jackson County, Iowa, where he lived until 1878. He then moved to Fillmore County, Nebraska, where he has since resided. He has been engaged in farming practically all his life. Mr. Keegan owns one of the best farms in the State of Nebraska. He gave up farming three years ago, and has been renting his farm since. He lives on his farm during the summer and at a hotel during the winter months. He was married in 1869 to Miss Sarah J. McLeese of the State of Maryland, who died about seven years ago. Mr. Keegan has seven children living, all grown, named as follows: John, Mary J., Aggie, Nathaniel C., Sadie, William E. and Emma. He also has lost one child named Frank.



E. E. E. Ridgway, South Omaha
Clerk Committee of Whole, House of Representatives

Mr. E. E. E. Ridgway is clerk of the Committee of the Whole of the House of Representatives. He was born February 9, 1864, at New Sharon, Ia. He was educated in the common schools in Iowa, finishing at Grand Island College, Grand Island, Neb. Occupation, an accountant. His home is in South Omaha (Haverly Hotel), Nebraska. Mr. Ridgway served two years as deputy city treasurer, South Omaha; three years as a deputy in the county clerk's office, Omaha, Neb. For many years he has been a newspaper and magazine writer.



W. H. Talcott,,
Chief Clerk Enrolling and Engrossing Department, House of Representatives

Mr. W. H. Talcott was born in Rock Island, Ill., March 11, 1844. He lived in Rock Island and Henry County, Illinois, until of age. He married Martha A. Edwards of Oxford, Ia., December 5, 1866. He came to Nebraska in 1872 and engaged in farming. He built the first regular hotel building in the town of Johnson, Nemaha County, Nebraska. He was in the hotel business for several years in the towns of Johnson, Table Rock and Auburn, Neb. He has lived in Tecumseh, Johnson County, Neb., for the last seven years. Mr. Talcott has always been active in politics. He was formerly a Republican. He joined the People's Independent party when it was organized and is a very independent voter still. He was an unsuccessful candidate for the State Senate in the recent campaign in the Second Senatorial District.