

# LEGISLATORS

1937 - 1939



*Ernest A.  
Adams*



*John  
Adams, Jr.*



*Robert M.  
Armstrong*



*Hugh B. Ashmore*



*Frank J. Brady*

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Brandt*



*Emil E.  
Brodecky*



*P. L. Cady*



*Swan Carlson*



*Earl W. Carpenter*

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Carsten*



*John H.  
Comstock*



*Charles A.  
Datoe*



*W. H. Diers*



*Lester L. Dunn*

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Frost*



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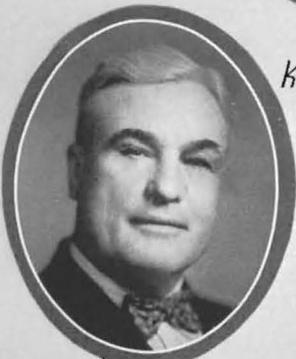
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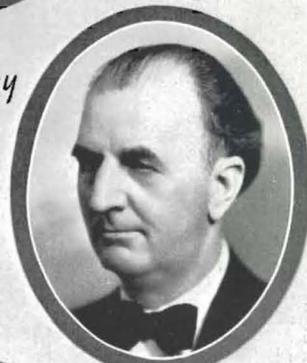
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Murphy*



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Neubauer*



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Norton*



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Pizer*



*R. C.  
Regan*



*John D. Reynolds*



*O. Edwin Schultz*

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Slepicka*



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Strong*



*Amos  
Thomas*



*Charles F. Tvrdek*



*E. M. Von Seggern*

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*Charles J.  
Warner*



*Frank S.  
Wells*



*Wm E. Worthing*

## LEGISLATURE OF 1937-1939

**ERNEST ARTHUR ADAMS.** Tenth district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born at Omaha, December 17, 1896. Ancestors came from England in 1890. Married Vera Christensen, October 11, 1928; one child. Attended public schools, Omaha Municipal university, and Omaha College of Law. Has been athletic coach. Is in the insurance business. Is member of the Congregational church, Masonic lodge and the American Legion. Address: Benson.

**JOHN ADAMS, JR.** Fifth district. Member of house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Columbia, South Carolina, August 14, 1905. Came to Nebraska in 1923. Married Miss Singleton, September 3, 1931; one child. Has A.B. and LL.B. degrees from University of Nebraska. Is a practicing attorney. Is member of Methodist church and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. Address: Omaha.

**ROBERT McDOWELL ARMSTRONG.** Second district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born at Auburn, April 29, 1892. Married Alma Grace Plasters, May 6, 1914; two sons. Ancestors came from Ireland and Scotland about 1700. Attended public schools of Auburn and University of Nebraska. Received LL.B. degree in 1913. Is an attorney. Was city attorney of Auburn for eight years; county judge of Nemaha county for eight years. Served as department commander of the American Legion in Nebraska, 1932-33 and as district governor of Iowa-Nebraska district of Kiwanis International 1930-31. Is a member of the Methodist church, the American Legion, Nebraska State Bar Association, Kiwanis club, Masonic lodge, and Auburn chamber of commerce. Address: Auburn.

**HUGH BENTON ASHMORE.** Thirty-seventh district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born in Red Willow county, February 13, 1881. Married Ruth Esther Hubbard, October 15, 1913. Attended county and grade schools in Nebraska and Colorado and high school in East Denver, Colorado. Was clerk in a steel corporation for eight years. Is a farmer. Served several terms as member of school board, and was 4-H club leader for five years. Is a protestant. Is a member of the Blue lodge, chapter and commandery of A. F. & A. M. Address: Palisade.

**FRANK J. BRADY.** Twenty-eighth district. Member of senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Atkinson, September 15, 1894. Married Miss Olson, July 12, 1930; one child. Attended public schools and the University of Nebraska. Is a rancher and coal and grain dealer. Has been member of city council, president of the Nebraska division of the Izaak Walton League. Is a Methodist. Is a member of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity and A. F. & A. M. lodge (Scottish Rite). Address: Atkinson.

**HENRY FERDINAND BRANDT.** Twenty-first district. Member of house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Germany, June 20, 1882. Came to Nebraska in 1883. Married Miss Stellar, September 16, 1903; four children. Educated in Beatrice public schools. Is a farmer. Has been justice of peace, assessor, director of school board, and member of Gage county democratic committee. Was president of Gage county extension service, chairman of 4-H Club of Gage county and chairman of corn and hog program for Gage county. Address: Beatrice.

**EMIL E. BRODECKY.** Sixteenth district. Member of the senate in 1933 and 1935, member of the legislature in 1937. Born in Schuyler, June 26, 1885. Married Lucy M. Novak, October 14, 1908; three sons. Parents came from Czechoslovakia. Attended public schools; was graduated from Howells high school in 1904 and from the University school of agriculture in 1907. Is engaged in farming and dairying. Served as member of the state militia for three years, on board of education three terms, and as secretary-treasurer of Farmers' lumber and grain company at Howells for seventeen years. Is a member of Z. C. B. J., of Howells band, and St. John's church. Address: Howells.

**PEARL LEROY CADY.** Eleventh district. Member of senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Bellwood, August 1, 1883. Married Margaret Larson, September 17, 1910; three children. English ancestry. Attended Columbus high school, Fremont normal, Veterinary college, Kansas City, Missouri. Has taught school. Is a practicing veterinarian. Has been mayor of village, president of fair board and president of state veterinary medical association. Is a member of Congregational church and A. F. & A. M. lodge (Knight Templar, Shriner), and Rotary International. Address: Fremont.

**SWAN CARLSON.** Thirty-sixth district. Member of house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Urshult, Sweden. Came to Nebraska in 1893. Married Miss Olson, in 1901; eight children. Educated in common schools of Sweden. Is a farmer. Has served on school district and township boards. Is member of Lutheran church and Master Farmers' Club of Nebraska. Address: Funk.

**EARL WILFRED CARPENTER.** Thirty-second district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born at Douglas, July 10, 1894. Married Olive Grace Reeve, December 23, 1917. Attended Douglas high school and Nebraska Wesleyan university. Is a farmer. Was director of Glenwood telephone company. Served as second-lieutenant, U. S. infantry during the World war. Is member of the Methodist church, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Farmers' Union, American Legion, and Taxpayers' league. Address: Guide Rock.

**FRED L. CARSTEN.** Third district. Member of the senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Otoe county, November 25, 1886. Is of French and German descent. Married Nancy Ethel Fleshman, May 3, 1911; one son. Attended rural schools near Avoca, Iowa Wesleyan university, Lincoln Business college, and the Nebraska State College of agriculture. Is a farmer. Has served as secretary and treasurer of the Farmers' mutual telephone company and director of Nehawka oil company. Has been precinct assessor and president of the Cass county fair for five years. Is a member of the Congregational church, A. F. & A. M. and I. O. O. F. lodges. Address: Avoca.

**JOHN H. COMSTOCK.** Nineteenth district. Member of the house of representatives in 1931, 1933, 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Lincoln, March 28, 1904. Ancestry English, French and Scotch Irish. Married Phyllis K. Jones, October 5, 1936. Educated in Lincoln public

schools and University of Nebraska where he received the B.Sc. of B.A. degree in 1924, and LL.B. with "cum laude" in 1927. Is a member of the University "N" club. Is a practicing lawyer. Is member of the Unitarian church, of Phi Alpha Delta, Alpha Kappa Psi, and Order of the Coif. Address: Lincoln.

CHARLES A. DAFOE. First district. Member of the senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Tecumseh, September 22, 1901. Married Miss Findley, June 26, 1924. Ancestors were Dutch and German. Received A.B. degree from Nebraska Wesleyan university and LL.B. degree from University of Nebraska. Was city attorney four years and county attorney, Johnson county for eight years. Is a member of the Methodist church, Theta Phi Sigma, Phi Alpha Delta, A. F. & A. M. and Knights of Pythias. Address: Tecumseh.

WILLIAM H. DIERS. Twenty-fourth district. Member of the house of representatives in 1933, 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Ulysses, May 27, 1890. Married Marjorie Berryhill, November 29, 1916; two sons. Attended University of Nebraska, 1909-1911. Is in the general merchandise business. Is a member of the Presbyterian church, Delta Tau Delta fraternity, I. O. O. F. and A. F. & A. M. lodges. Address: Gresham.

LESTER L. DUNN. Twentieth district. Member of house representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Atlantic, Iowa, November 29, 1890. Came to Nebraska in 1910. Married Aetna Eakin, June 4, 1919. Ancestry Irish and German. Attended Lincoln academy, Valparaiso university, Valparaiso, Indiana, and University of Nebraska. Is a practicing attorney. Was chief of bureau of workmen's compensation. Is member of Presbyterian church, A. F. & A. M. lodge (Scottish Rite, thirty-second degree), Lincoln University Club, American Legion, chamber of commerce. Address: Lincoln.

TRACY T. FROST. Twenty-ninth district. Member of house of representatives, special session, October, 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Elkhorn, October 13, 1886. Married Miss Anderson, April, 1919; one child. Ancestry, English. Attended public school. Is a farmer. Has been member of city council and road overseer. Is a member of Lutheran church. Address: St. Paul.

HARRY E. GANTZ. Forty-first district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born in Osborne county, Kansas, May 20, 1886. Moved to Alliance in 1905. Married Pearl Mitchell, October 14, 1908. Received LL.B. degree from Creighton law school in 1916. Is a practicing attorney. Served twelve years on the board of education of Alliance. Is a member of the Episcopal church, Delta Theta Phi fraternity, A. F. & A. M. (Scottish Rite, Commandery and Thirty-second degree) and Elks lodges. Address: Alliance.

LELAND HALL. Thirty-first district. Member of the senate, special session, October, 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Elkhorn, May 6, 1894. Married Hazel A. Parks, June 23, 1920; two children. Is a graduate of Roseland high school and Hastings college. Received A.B. degree in 1915. Is a banker. Was village clerk nineteen years, member of the school board eleven years, secretary Glenwood telephone company ten

years and member of the Democratic state central committee. Is a member of the Methodist church, the Masonic, Knights of Pythias and U. C. T. lodges. Address: Roseland.

WILLIS F. HAYCOCK. Thirty-fifth district. Member of the house of representatives in 1933 and 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Edmundston, New Brunswick, Canada, March 28, 1889. Came to Nebraska in 1890. Married Ethel MacFarlane; two children. Ancestry, English. Attended Callaway public schools, Lincoln academy, and University of Nebraska. Is president of Callaway Milling and Electric Company. Is member of Episcopal church, A. F. & A. M. (Past Master, Scottish Rite, Shrine), American Legion (past county commander), Rotary. Address: Callaway.

RUFUS MELVIN HOWARD. Thirty-ninth district. Member of the house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Grant City, Missouri, May 23, 1888. Came to Nebraska in 1909. Married Florence M. Wingerd, October 31, 1915; two children. Ancestry, English. Attended University of Missouri and University of Nebraska. Is a ranchman. Was member of school board twenty-three years and county commissioners two terms. Is a member of Methodist church. Address: Flats.

ROY W. JOHNSON. Thirty-fourth district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born at Weeping Water, June 19, 1882. Ancestry, English. Married Miss Maddox, May 22, 1902. Attended Sumner high school and Lincoln business college. Has been merchant and banker. Is a rancher. Served on school board at Sumner for twelve years, on school board in Buffalo county fifteen years, and was township clerk for twelve years. Is member of A. F. & A. M. and Eastern Star. Address: Miller.

WALTER RICHARD JOHNSON. Fourth district. Member of house of representatives in 1925, 1931, 1933 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Omaha, October 30, 1897. Ancestry, Swedish. Married Mary V. Burt, June 17, 1924; four children. Attended Omaha public schools, University of Nebraska and Creighton university law school. Is an attorney. Is member of Lutheran church, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Delta Theta Phi fraternities, American Legion, Omaha and Nebraska bar associations. Was lieutenant in the air service during World war, and is major in Air Corps Reserve. Address: Omaha.

JOHN KNICKREHM. Thirtieth district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born in Grand Island, January 18, 1890. Ancestry, German. Married Emma Stoppkotte, August 20, 1913; three children. Mrs. Knickrehm died, December 20, 1921. Married Raamah Schwartz, June 17, 1926. Served three terms on the city council and was president of the Nebraska Grocers' Association in 1927 and 1928. Was educated in the Grand Island schools. Is a retail grocer. Is a member of the Lutheran church, Grand Island chamber of commerce, Federation of Nebraska Retailers, National Grocers' Association, Elks and Masonic lodges, Order of the Eastern Star, Plattedeutsche Verein, Liederkrantz Society, Traveler's Protective Association, Woodland country club, and Rotary club. Address: Grand Island.

PATRICK J. McMAHON. Eighth district. Member of the house of representatives in 1927, 1929, 1931, 1933 and of the legislature in 1937. Born

in Omaha, March 17, 1888. Married Annie Tague, March 29, 1907; seven children. Attended Omaha public schools. Is a clerk in county treasurer's office. Is a member of Catholic church. Address: Omaha.

ARTHUR L. MILLER. Forty-third district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born in Pierce county, May 24, 1892. Was married in June, 1934; one child. Was graduated from Plainview high school in 1911; attended University of Nebraska for one year, was graduated from Loyola university medical school in Chicago, in 1918. Has M.D. and F.A.C.S. degrees. Is a physician and surgeon. Has served as mayor of Kimball; was member of school board for ten years; was district governor of Nebraska Lions club; and county commander of the American Legion. Is member of the Methodist church, A. F. & A. M. (32nd degree and Shrine), Knights of Pythias, and fellow in the American College of Surgeons. Address: Kimball.

LESLIE B. MURPHY. Forty-second district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born at Humansville, Missouri, October 24, 1884. Came to Nebraska in 1916. Married Lillie B. Dippel, December 12, 1906; one child. Attended Bles military academy and William Jewell college. Is a merchant. Has been member of city council at Scottsbluff. Is member of Masonic and Elks lodges. Address: Scottsbluff.

E. M. NEUBAUER. Thirty-third district. Was member of house of representatives in 1925, 1927, 1929, of the senate in 1931, 1933 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Oxford, in 1885. Ancestry, German. Educated in the public schools and Hastings college. Married Annetta Davis, November 22, 1906; two children. Has been in hardware business. Is a farmer and stock raiser. Is member of the school board. Has been township clerk, president of Farmers' elevator for five years, secretary-treasurer of Farmers' Butter factory for three years. Is member of Presbyterian church and Modern Woodmen lodge. Address: Orleans.

JOHN NATHANIEL NORTON. Twenty-fifth district. Member of the house of representatives in 1911, 1913, 1915, 1917 and member of the legislature in 1937. Born in Polk county, May 12, 1878. Married Selma Josephine Floodman; two children. Attended public schools of Polk county, Bryant Normal, Nebraska Wesleyan and University of Nebraska where he received A.B. degree in 1903. Is interested in farming. Served as county clerk and recorder four years, and was twice mayor of Osceola. Was member of the constitutional convention, 1919-1920; Democratic nominee for governor, 1924; representative in congress 1927-29 and 1931-33. Was president of Nebraska farm bureau federation and Chautauqua and lyceum lecturer. Is member of Methodist church and Woodmen lodge. Address: Polk.

L. C. NUERNBERGER. Thirteenth district. Member of house of representatives in 1931, 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Buckley, Illinois, February 16, 1879. Ancestry, German. Came to Nebraska in 1883. Married Amy Leonard, January 16, 1907; four children. Attended public schools, Nebraska Normal college and University of Nebraska. Was a merchant and vice president of the First national bank. Served as member of board of education for twenty-one years. Is member of Presby-

terian church and Masonic lodge (York Rite and Shrine). Address: Wakefield.

CARL HENRY PETERSON. Fifteenth district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born at Argyle, Wisconsin, October 5, 1895. Came to Nebraska in 1901. Ancestry, Norwegian and Danish. Educated in Neligh public schools, University of Nebraska where he received LL.B. degree. Is a lawyer. Has been county attorney, Madison county. Is a member of Episcopal church, American legion and Veterans of Foreign wars. Address: Norfolk.

JOHN B. PETERSON. Seventeenth district. Member of the house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Omaha, August 12, 1899. Married Inez M. Issac, March 16, 1935. Ancestry, Danish and English. Attended Ashland high school. Is a truck farmer. Is a member of Presbyterian church, A. F. & A. M. (32nd degree, Scottish Rite, Shrine, Past master Pomegranate lodge), and I. O. O. F. lodges. Address: Ashland.

HARRY LEON PIZER. Thirty-eighth district. Member of house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at North Platte, January 1, 1898. Ancestry, Jewish. Attended North Platte high school, Wentworth military academy, University of Nebraska and University of Colorado. Is a realtor. Has been a merchant. Affiliated with Hebrew church. Is member of American Legion, Forty and Eight, B. P. O. E., and North Platte country club. Address: North Platte.

RICHARD C. REGAN. Twenty-sixth district. Member of house of representatives in 1911-1917, 1923-1931, of the senate 1935, and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Malden, Illinois, September 25, 1863. Came to Nebraska in 1871. Married Agnes Keating, January 14, 1920. Ancestry, Irish. Is member of Catholic church, Knights of Columbus, Elks, T. O. E., A. O. U. W., and Modern Woodmen of America. Address: Columbus.

JOHN D. REYNOLDS. Fourteenth district. Member of the senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Vermont, June 10, 1870. Came to Nebraska in 1890. Married Annie Ortman, November 30, 1899; nine children. Ancestry, Scotch Irish. Educated in public schools. Is a farmer. Has been in mercantile business and was a police officer. Served as director of school district twelve years. Was member of State board of the farmers union of Nebraska, twelve years, member of the Livestock board of Sioux City, Iowa, twelve years; and member of the Farmers' union credit corporation twelve years. Address Niobrara.

OSCAR EDWIN SCHULTZ. Twenty-seventh district. Member of senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Elgin, October 31, 1898. Married Merle Farris, October 4, 1928. Attended Elgin public schools. Is a farmer. Is a member of the board of directors of Antelope county fair. Is a Presbyterian, a member of A. F. & A. M. lodge and Elgin Commercial club. Address: Elgin.

ALOIS SLEPICKA. Twenty-third district. Member of senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Saline county, February 13, 1875. Married Antonie Melichor, May 21, 1895; four children. Ancestors came from Czechoslovakia in 1863. Attended country school. Has been county

clerk and mayor of Wilber. Is a Catholic. Is member of Knights of Pythias, Eagles and Z. C. B. J. Address: Wilber.

ALLEN A. STRONG. Fortieth district. Member of house of representatives in 1933, 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Canadice, Ontario county, New York, May 9, 1884. Came to Nebraska when he was two years old. Married Alyce M. Leverenz, September 5, 1916; four children. Ancestors migrated from Ireland about 1800. Educated in Gordon high school and summer normals. Is engaged in stock raising. Was postmaster at Gordon from 1922 to 1932. Has been a farmer, teacher, bookkeeper, curio dealer and in government service. Has been a member of Gordon city council, board of education and a police magistrate. Is a Baptist, a member of A. F. & A. M., and I. O. O. F. lodges. Address: Gordon.

AMOS THOMAS. Ninth district. Member of the legislature in 1937. Born at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 30, 1882. Came to Seward county, Nebraska in 1886. Married Gertrude Owen, August 25, 1917; three daughters. Ancestors came to this country before the Revolutionary war, from Scotland, England and Wales. Educated in the public schools and the University of Nebraska where he received LL.B. degree in 1909. Is an attorney. Was formerly a wood preservation engineer with the federal government and with the Burlington and Illinois Central railroads. Served as assistant attorney general of Nebraska, 1919-1920; as chairman of Omaha municipal airport commission, as Brig. General of Nebraska National Guard and National Guard of the U. S. Is a member of the Methodist church, Masonic lodge and the American legion. Address: Omaha.

CHARLES F. TVRDIK. Seventh district. Member of senate, special session, October, 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Omaha, May 9, 1903. Married Agnes Cecilla Vondra, June 6, 1927; three children. Ancestry Bohemian. Mother came to this country in 1886, father in 1892. Attended parochial school, South high school and Boyles Business College. Does stenographic and clerical work for the Union Pacific R. R. Has been president of South-East Progressive Improvement Club. Is member of the Catholic church, Bohemian Catholic Workmen and Catholic Sokol. Address: Omaha.

E. M. VON SEGGERN. Twelfth district. Member of house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Hooper, February 28, 1882. Married Margaret Romberg, January 2, 1908; three sons. Parents came from Germany. Attended Hooper high school and Fremont Normal. Is editor and publisher. Has served on city council and as president of West Point community club. Is member of A. F. & A. M. lodge. Address: West Point.

CHARLES JOSEPH WARNER. Eighteenth district. Member of the house of representatives, 1901-1905, of the senate 1919-1935, and of the legislature in 1937. Born in Lancaster county in 1875. Ancestry, Swedish. Attended Lutheran academy in 1891-1892, Lincoln normal university, 1894, and graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1899, and from the Columbian law school, Washington, D. C. in 1902. Mr. Warner is a progressive farmer. Is member of Congregational church, Masons (Scottish Rite, Knights Templar), and Modern Woodmen. Address: Waverly.

FRANKLIN STEWART WELLS. Twenty-second district. Born in Putnam county, Ohio, January 7, 1865. Came to Nebraska in 1879. Married Estella May Beach, September 2, 1886; seven children. Ancestry, English and Scotch. Educated in grade and high schools. Is a farmer. Has served on school board for thirty-five years. Assessor for seven years. Was member of the house of representatives in 1923, 1927, 1929, 1931, 1933, of the senate in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Is a member of the Christian church and the Modern Woodmen of America. Address: Fairbury.

WILLIAM E. WORTHING. Sixth district. Member of house of representatives in 1935 and of the legislature in 1937. Born at Omaha, July 28, 1909. Attended Omaha public schools and Creighton University where he received degrees of Ph.B and LL.B. Is an attorney. Is member of Catholic church. Address: Omaha.