

## Clarence L. Ely

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dent Coolidge appointed him chairman of an all-Negro commission to investigate and report on economic conditions in the Virgin Islands, which duty he very creditably performed. He organized in Des Moines the Iowa Negro Bar Association in 1901 and the National Negro Bar Association in 1925, of both of which he was the first president.

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ALBERT BOYNTON STORMS was born at Lima, Washtenaw County, Michigan, April 1, 1860, and died in Berea, Ohio, July 1, 1933. His parents were Irving and Mary (Boynton) Storms. He was graduated from the University of Michigan with the degree of A. B. in 1884, and of A. M. in 1893. He was ordained a minister by the Methodist Episcopal church in 1884 and held pastorates at Franklin, Michigan; Hudson, Michigan; Detroit, Michigan; Madison, Wisconsin; and at First Church, Des Moines, Iowa, the latter being from 1900 to 1903. In 1903 he was chosen president of Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Ames, remaining in that position until 1910. Returning to the ministry he was pastor at Indianapolis, Indiana, and followed that by being district superintendent at Indianapolis. In 1918 he became president of Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio, and retained that position until his death. He was a noted pulpit orator, an able educator and the author of several books and many magazine articles.

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ALFRED MARTIN HAGGARD was born near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, April 11, 1851, and died at Pine Bluff, Colorado, June 20, 1933. He was graduated from Oskaloosa College with the degree of A. B. in 1879 and of A. M. in 1889. He was president of Oskaloosa College from 1889 to 1892, was secretary of Iowa Christian Convention from 1893 to 1898, dean of the Bible College, Drake University, from 1899 to 1910, and professor of Christian evidences at the same institution from 1910 to 1916. Besides his work as an educator, he studied divinity and as early as 1870 became a minister in the Disciples of Christ church and, interspersed with his teaching, was pastor and preacher at the following locations in Iowa: Eddyville, DeSoto, Oskaloosa, and Colfax, besides at Washington, Illinois. At one time he was secretary of the Iowa Christian Missionary Society, was a field worker for the Anti-saloon League, and by ability and fine personality exerted a real influence in his several fields.

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CLARENCE L. ELY was born in Maquoketa, Iowa, April 10, 1886, and died there July 17, 1933. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Maquoketa. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Ely. He was graduated from Maquoketa High School in 1903 and from the Law Department of the State University of Iowa in 1908. From 1910 to 1912 he was secretary to Congressman I. S. Pepper. In 1912 he entered the law office of G. L. Johnson of Maquoketa. The same year he was elected county attorney of Jackson County and continued in that office three terms, or until January, 1919. The fall of 1926 he was elected judge of the Seventh Judicial District, in which position he was serving when he died. He was a Democrat in politics.

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