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was for twelve years a member of the State Board of Law Examiners, and was at different times chairman of the Montgomery County Republican Committee, chairman of the Ninth District Republican Committee, and was the Ninth District member of the Republican State Central Committee, holding the latter position in the campaigns of 1912, 1914, and 1916. President Harding appointed him United States attorney for the Southern District of Iowa and he assumed the duties June 16, 1922, which position he was filling at the time of his death.

RAYMOND W. CASSADY was born at Whiting, Iowa, November 13, 1881, and died in Des Moines, July 7, 1924. Burial was at Whiting. He attended common school, the State University of Iowa in 1899 and 1903, and the Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in 1903, and again in 1908 and 1909, specializing in animal industry. In 1909 he was one of the Iowa State College judging team at the International Live Stock Exposition in Chicago, and in judging beef cattle won the ranking score. He engaged in farming and stock raising, giving special attention to breeding Hereford cattle. He was associated with his father, E. M. Cassady, in the operation of the latter's extensive farming, stock raising, and other large business interests. From 1919 to 1923 he served as a member of the State Commission of Animal Health. When the Fortieth General Assembly passed an act consolidating many administrative agencies into the State Department of Agriculture, Governor Kendall appointed Mr. Cassady secretary. He came to Des Moines May 1, 1923, and began the organization of the new department, which went into operation on July 1 following, and successfully administered it to the time of his death. He had been nominated without opposition in the June primary in 1924 as the Republican candidate for that office for the ensuing term.

CHARLES G. SAUNDERS was born at Westmoreland, Oneida County, New York, April 10, 1861, and died at Council Bluffs, Iowa, March 2, 1924. His parents were George W. and Mary E. Walker Saunders, both natives of England. The family removed to Iowa City, Iowa, in 1868, to a farm in Adair County, near Stuart, in 1873, and to another farm near Vail, Crawford County, in 1876. Charles attended public school and entered Drake University in 1882, and was graduated in the classical course in 1886. He taught school a year in Des Moines, read law with Hon. C. C. Nourse, entered the Law Department of the State University of Iowa and was graduated in 1888, and that fall commenced practice in Council Bluffs. In 1894 he was elected county attorney of Pottawattamie County and was re-elected in 1896, serving four years. In 1902 he was elected senator to fill a vacancy, was re-elected in 1903, and again in 1908, serving inclusively from the Thirtieth to the Thirty-fourth general assemblies. He took high rank as a legislator. In the Thirtieth General Assembly he was appointed on

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