Committee, during his second term chairman of the Municipal Corporations Committee, and during his last term chairman of the Appropriations Committee. In 1934 he was a candidate for the Republican nomination for representative in Congress, but lost to C. C. Dowell, the then congressman. He was a past president of the East Des Moines Commercial Club, was a member of the Lutheran church, was formerly treasurer of the Lutheran Brotherhood of America, and served three years as a trustee of the Norwegian Lutheran Synod of America.

Ezekiel J. Sankey was born at Potters Mills, Center County, Pennsylvania, August 2, 1843, and died in Leon, Iowa, September 29, 1935. Burial was in the Leon Cemetery. His parents were Ezekiel and Elizabeth (Brown) Sankey. He was with his parents in their removal to near Burlington, Iowa, in 1849, and with his widowed mother late in 1849 to Louisa County, and in 1856 to Decatur County where they lived on a farm. He received his education in country public schools. He enlisted in Company L, Third Iowa Cavalry, August 15, 1861; re-enlisted February 2, 1864; was wounded severely June 11, 1864, when near Guntown, Mississippi; was returned home on furlough, but soon rejoined his regiment although the wound in his leg was not entirely healed; and was honorably discharged February 26, 1865. Twenty years later his leg was amputated between the knee and hip because of the wound. Returning from the war he bought a farm in Franklin Township, Decatur County, but the fall of 1869 was elected sheriff and was re-elected two years later, serving from January 1, 1870, to January 1, 1874. He then returned to farming and stock raising until the fall of 1877 when he was elected county treasurer and removed to Leon. He served as treasurer from January 1, 1878, to January 1, 1880. He later served as clerk of the District Court of Decatur County from January 1, 1885, to January 1, 1889. He was elected representative in 1903 and served in the Thirty-second Assembly. Politically he was a Democrat. During the latter part of his life he engaged in the real estate and loan business.

Francis Rhinehart Fry was born at New Haven, Mason County, West Virginia (then Virginia), December 28, 1852, and died in Corydon, Iowa, November 21, 1935. His parents, Samuel and Mary A. (Zerele) Fry removed their family to a farm in the northern part of Wayne County, Iowa, in 1857. He was educated in country schools and in Western College, at Western, Linn County, being graduated there in 1872, after which he taught school for three years. He then engaged in farming and stock raising in which he was very successful, being scientific and progressive in his methods. He held several township offices, was a member of the school board for twenty years when residing on his farm, and was also on the school board for several years after removing to Corydon. He was officially connected with three banks in Corydon, and from 1903 to 1934 was president of the Wayne County