

GUY A. FEELY,



Representative from Black Hawk county and Speaker of the House in the Thirty-third General Assembly, was born near Gilbertville, Iowa, on September 5, 1875. His father, Duncan M. Feely, was of Scotch-Irish descent and his mother, Susan S. (Miller) Feely, was of German descent. Mr. Feely received his early education in the country schools, and at the age of sixteen commenced a course of study in the Waterloo College, and at the age of eighteen taught his first term of school, and for five years followed that vocation. While teaching school he began the study of law with the firm of Boies & Boies of Waterloo, Iowa, but upon the declaration of the Spanish-American war he enlisted as a private in Company B, Forty-ninth Iowa Volunteer Infantry, and served during the war. At the close of the war he entered the Law Department of the State University of Iowa, from which he graduated and was admitted to the bar, June 12, 1901. Returned to Waterloo, Iowa, and formed a partnership with a classmate, John H. Hildebrand, and under the firm name of Hildebrand and Feely commenced the practice of law. This firm continued until November 1, 1904, when it was dissolved and a partnership formed with his brother, Elmer F. Feely, under the firm name of Feely & Feely. Was married to Delia Mae Burk of Waterloo, Iowa, October 19, 1904, and has one daughter. Is active in lodge circles, being a member of the Masonic, Elks and Knights of Pythias orders. First elected Representative in 1906. At that time factional feeling was bitter in the Republican party in the state and county, and he was elected by a plurality of five votes. His opponent, Geo. Mornin of Cedar Falls, contested his election in the legislature. The contest was decided in Mr. Feely's favor. Re-elected in 1908 by a plurality of 2292 votes. Upon the organization of the Thirty-third General Assembly was elected Speaker of the House. A Republican in politics.

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