

veterans; assist county Veteran Affairs commissioners and hold two service schools annually for them; administer the War Orphans Educational Aid fund; maintain a permanent military graves registry; and establish commission policy for the operations and conduct of the Iowa Veterans Home.

The executive director, who shall be a veteran, is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the governor. The executive director of the Commission of Veteran Affairs has supervisory direction and control of the commission and is responsible to the governor for carrying out the provisions of Chapter 35A.

#### **The Iowa Veterans Home**

*Jack Daack, commandant; Marshalltown 50158; 515/752-1501*

The Iowa Veterans Home in Marshalltown provides long-term care to disabled, chronically ill or aged Iowa veterans and their dependent or surviving spouses. The facility provides services to meet physical, psychological, social, emotional and spiritual needs.

## **VOTER REGISTRATION COMMISSION**

*W. Douglas Lovitt, director; Hoover State Office Building, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-5781*

PAUL D. PATE, Secretary of State, chair

MIKE WILD, designee for chair of Republican Party of Iowa

MIKE PETERSON, chair of Iowa Democratic Party

GRANT VEEDER, president of Iowa State Association of County Auditors

The Iowa Voter Registration Commission determines general policy to be followed by the state registrar of voters and county commissioners of registration. It adopts rules and standards regarding forms and procedures to be used in the registration process.

The commission actively promotes registration and participation in elections by all Iowans. Each year, millions of postcard registration forms are made available from hundreds of sites across the state. Information concerning registration procedures and deadlines are routinely released to the public before major elections.

Established in 1976, the commission is composed of the chairs of the two major political parties and the secretary of state, or their designees. Commissioners serve no specific terms.

## **VOTING MACHINES AND ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS, BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR**

*c/o Secretary of State, Statehouse, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-5828*

CURTIS P. MINEART, chair, Washington; term expires 1996

DOUGLAS JONES, Iowa City; term expires 1998

MARY SHULTZ, Webster City; term expires 2000

Requests for certification of voting equipment and voting booths are submitted to the secretary of state, who then notifies the Board of Examiners of the time and place for the examination and testing of the equipment. Following administrative rules and the requirements of the *Code of Iowa*, the board examines and tests the equipment and determines whether or not the equipment may be used in the state. The reports of the Board of Examiners are filed and kept in the Office of the Secretary of State. Only voting machines or systems and voting booths approved by the Board of Examiners may be used at Iowa elections. Board members are appointed by the secretary of state for five-year terms.

**Opposite: Shown is aerial view of U.S. Capitol with Senate office buildings on left and House office buildings on right. A Capitol reflecting pool is in foreground.**