DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERALS

(Office located at 307 E. Seventh Street)

The Department of Mines and Minerals consists of the State Mine Inspector and a State Mining Board of five members.

State Mine Inspector

Appointed by the governor. Term four years, expiring June 30, 1967.
W. DEAN AUBREY, Altoona, State Mine Inspector.
DOROTHY L. SHELLEY, Altoona, Secretary to State Mine Inspector.

State Mining Board

Appointed by the governor for a term of two years. Terms expire June 30, 1966.
DR. JOHN LEMISH, Ames, Chairman.
J. R. HAMM, Centerville, Operator Representative.
H. J. ZELMS, Fort Dodge, Operator Representative.
NELS GRANQUIST, Des Moines, Miner Representative.
ANDREW E. ERSKINE, Ottumwa, Miner Representative.

The Department of Mines and Minerals was created by the Fifty-eighth General Assembly and has for its purposes the following:

1. To supervise and enforce the mining laws of the state.
2. To acquire and diffuse information concerning the nature, causes and prevention of mine accidents.
3. To make inquiries into the economic conditions affecting the mining, utilization and marketing of the minerals of the state.
4. To make available to all interested parties information relative to the production of coal and other minerals within the state.

Primary duty of the mine inspector is the inspection of all coal and gypsum mines in the state for safe operation as set forth in the mining laws of the state. The work of the inspector includes a complete examination of each mine, safety devices for mine workers, adequate ventilation, escape ways, blasting practices, electricity and precautions against fire and other dangers. Such examination must be made as often as time will permit but at least once every six months.

The state mining board, in addition to its other duties in the department, is required to give examinations to candidates for mine inspector, mine foreman, hoisting engineer and pre-shift inspector.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR COURT SHORTHAND REPORTERS

(Office location: Call Clerk of Supreme Court)
ALLAN A. HERRICK, Des Moines.
FLOYD L. PINDER, Des Moines.
WESLEY W. HART, Cambria.

Term three years, all ending July 1, 1968

Authorized by the Thirty-eighth General Assembly. The examiners are appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court to conduct examinations of those seeking to become certified shorthand reporters. Under the law two of the examiners must be official shorthand reporters and one a practicing attorney of the state.

WATCHMAKERS' BOARD

LLOYD A. HAMBLETON, Fort Dodge; term expires June 30, 1968.
LEO E. LANGLEY, Williamsburg; term expires June 30, 1968.
JAMES R. WILLIAMS, Storm Lake; term expires June 30, 1967.
GERALD DOUGAN, Waterloo; term expires June 30, 1966.
KENNETH WOLDRUFF, Griswold; term expires June 30, 1966.
RAY A. WILEY, Des Moines, Executive Secretary, 507 Flynn Building.

The Fifty-first General Assembly created a Watchmakers' Board to register all persons or firms engaged in watchmaking or repair. Members of the board are paid $10 per day during sessions of the board, with maximum compensation of $300 a year. They are required by law to meet at least once every six months.