



BERRY HALDEN

HALDEN, Berry F., Chariton

Republican

Secretary Executive Council

Born in Moulton, Iowa, April 13, 1894. Graduated from Moravia high school; attended Iowa Wesleyan College; married, in 1917, to Nina Hamilton of Centerville; has one daughter, Maudetta. Served with 331st Infantry in France during World war. Newspaper man, temporary chairman and keynote speaker Republican state convention, 1936. Republican candidate for United States Senator, 1936. Methodist, Mason, and member American Legion and Forty and Eight.

The executive council was created by the adoption of the code of 1860. The secretary of state acted as secretary of the council until the enactment of the code of 1897 which provided for a secretary.

Among the duties placed upon the executive council by the laws of Iowa, are the following: to purchase all stores, supplies and furniture for state departments and officers; the execution of contracts for fuel, lights, repairs; the approval of articles of incorporation and by-laws of building and loan associations, and plan for liquidation of said associations; the custody of supplies for state officers and commissions; the canvass of votes cast for state and district officers; the declaration of changes in classification of cities; the assignment of office rooms to state officers; the appointment of the board of examiners of mine inspectors; approval for the repayment of inheritance taxes when wrongfully paid; the approval of plans for buildings at the state educational institutions, under certain conditions; and the determination of the value at which property may be taken by Iowa corporations and the amount of stock which may be issued on account thereof. The secretary of the executive council is also secretary of the conservation commission and of the board of engineering examiners.

STATE FAIR BOARD

(Office located on basement floor of capitol building)

Ex officio Members

GEO. A. WILSON, Governor.

CHARLES E. FRILEY, President of the Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Ames.

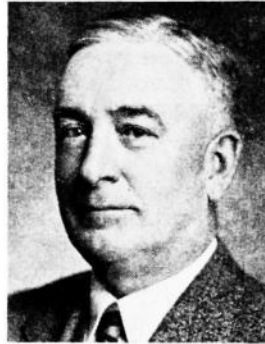
M. G. THORNBURG, Secretary of Agriculture, Emmetsburg.

Directors

- First Congressional District*—E. T. DAVIS, Iowa City.
Second Congressional District—C. J. KNICKERBOCKER, Fairfax.
Third Congressional District—EARL FERRIS, Hampton.
Fourth Congressional District—L. B. CUNNINGHAM, Cresco.
Fifth Congressional District—C. ED. BEMAN, Oskaloosa.
Sixth Congressional District—W. H. MAXWELL, Winterset.
Seventh Congressional District—CARL E. HOFFMAN, Atlantic.
Eighth Congressional District—PAUL P. ZERFASS, Algona.
Ninth Congressional District—HAROLD L. PIKE, Whiting.

Officers

- President*—J. P. MULLEN, Fonda.
Vice President—F. E. SHELDON, Mt. Ayr.
Secretary—ARTHUR R. COREY, Des Moines.
Treasurer—N. W. MCBEATH, Des Moines.
Assistant Secretary—FRANK HARRIS, Des Moines.
Assistant Secretary—J. L. SMITH, Des Moines.
Assistant Secretary—TED L. HARPER, Des Moines.



ART R. COREY

COREY, Arthur Robert, Des Moines

*Republican***Secretary Iowa State Fair Board**

Born July 25, 1881, in Richland county, Wisconsin. His parents moved to Kossuth county, Iowa, in 1883, where he resided on a farm until seventeen years old. Educated in the public schools of Kossuth county and graduated from Toland's Business University in 1903. He moved to Des Moines, July 1, 1903, to become clerk in the office of the State Labor Commissioner. He served in that capacity until February 1, 1908, when he was appointed assistant secretary of the State Board of Agriculture. He occupied this position until February 1, 1911, when he was elected secretary of the Iowa State Fair Board.

The Iowa state fair as an institution has existed since the first fair was held at Fairfield October 25, 26 and 27, 1854, but it remained for the fortieth general assembly in 1923 and the extra session thereof to set out the Iowa state fair board as a separate and distinct department.

Previous to 1923 the fair was operated under the state department of agriculture. The fortieth general assembly, however, created a new department of agriculture, consolidating therewith a number of other departments and at the extra session the law was passed creating the state fair board, effective October 28, 1924.

The law provides for a state agricultural convention to be held at the state capitol in Des Moines on the second Wednesday in December of each year. The delegates to this convention are the officers and members of the state fair board; the president, secretary or accredited delegate of each of the county and district fairs; the president or accredited representative of the following organizations: each farmers' institute organized according to law and receiving aid; the state horticultural society; the Iowa state dairy association; the Iowa beef producers' association, and the Iowa corn and small grain growers' association. In counties where no fair is held the board of supervisors may appoint a delegate.

The convention elects a president and a vice president for a term of one year, and a director from each congressional district, whose term expires the day following the convention, for a term of two years. The terms of the directors representing the first, fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth congressional districts expire December 12, 1940, and the terms of the directors from the second, third, sixth and ninth congressional districts expire December 13, 1939. The secretary and treasurer are elected annually by the state fair board. The law fixes the compensation of the president, vice president and directors at ten dollars (\$10) per day and expenses while in attendance at board and committee meetings. The law also fixes the maximum amount to be paid the treasurer at \$250 and the secretary at \$5,000 annually.

By statute the state fair board is made the custodian of the state fair grounds and the board of managers of the annual state fair. The state makes no regular appropriations for the operating expenses of the state fair. The law specifically provides that all operating expense, maintenance, etc., shall be paid out of the receipts of the state fair unless there is a special appropriation providing for same. The law also provides that the state will not be liable for any debt incurred by the board. The state has appropriated since 1902, \$1,080,500 for buildings, \$93,013 for additional land, \$14,000 for sanitary sewer system, and \$28,280 for paving and sewer assessments against the grounds. In the same period \$578,700 has been appropriated for insurance premiums and maintenance of grounds and buildings.

During this same thirty-five year period there has been expended from the fair receipts, \$1,119,489 for buildings and other improvements, \$237,100 for insurance premiums and maintenance of the grounds and buildings, and the entire operating expense of the fair amounting to \$8,565,572.

The inventory taken November 30, 1938, shows the present value of the grounds and buildings to be worth \$2,472,086. This inventory takes into consideration the original cost of all permanent buildings and other improvements with the usual annual depreciation. It is safe to say that the replacement value of buildings and other improvements would be more than double the amount carried in the inventory.

The title to the state fair grounds and all property is held in the name of the state of Iowa and all deeds and abstracts are on file in the state comptroller's office.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Geological Board *ex officio*: George A. Wilson, Governor; Chet B. Akers, Auditor of State; Eugene A. Gilmore, President, State University of Iowa; Charles E. Friley, President, Iowa State College; and R. B. McClenon, President, Iowa Academy of Science.