

BOARD OF PAROLE

Appointed by Governor

(Office located on ground floor Capitol Building)

VIRGINIA BEDELL, Dickinson County, Republican; term expires June 30, 1955.

OTTO H. HENNINGSSEN, Clinton County, Republican; term expires June 30, 1957.

C. E. GODFREY, Monroe County, Democrat; term expires June 30, 1959.

RUSSELL W. BOBZIN, Secretary and Director, Polk County.

The board of parole was established in 1907 by the Thirty-second General Assembly.

The statutes of Iowa provide: "When any person over sixteen years of age is convicted of a felony, except treason or murder, the court imposing a sentence of confinement in the penitentiary, men's or women's reformatory shall not fix the limit or duration of the same, but the term of such imprisonment shall not exceed the maximum term provided by law for the crime of which the prisoner was convicted," thus leaving to the court imposing the sentence no discretion as to the length of confinement. The board of parole is charged with the duty of investigating and studying each case, and is authorized to release on parole any prisoner, except those sentenced for life terms, after serving portion of the maximum time it deems proper. Parole rules are provided which must be observed by the person on parole and for the violation of which he may be remanded to prison. By statute, each member serves as chairman in the last two years of his appointment.

BEDELL, Virginia, Dickinson County
Republican
Member State Board of Parole

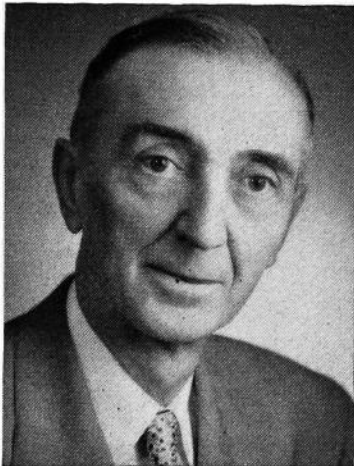
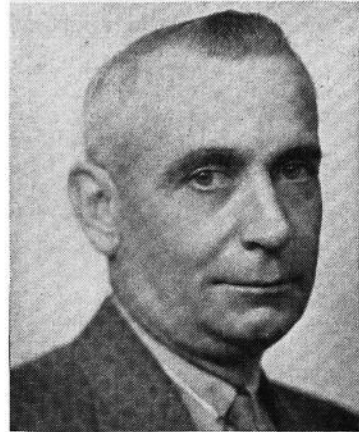
Born at Spirit Lake, Iowa, June 17, 1895. Admitted to the practice of law in 1920. Married August 13, 1919, to Walter B. Bedell. Mother of two sons, both married. Six grandchildren. Dickinson county attorney 1937-1940; vice president Iowa County Attorney Association 1939; president district bar association 1938; state Republican vice chairman 1931-32; Republican district vice chairman four years; president Central States Correction Conference 1951-52; practices law in Spirit Lake with husband and son Jack, under name Bedell, Bedell & Bedell. Past state president Business & Professional Women's Clubs; past state president American Legion Auxiliary; state vice president National Association of Parliamentarians; member Presbyterian Church, National Probation and Parole Association, and D.A.R. Active in civic affairs. Lectures on juvenile problems.



GODFREY, C. E., Monroe County
Democrat

Member State Board of Parole

Born in Mahaska County, Iowa, July 29, 1886, son of George W. and Matilda E. Godfrey. Worker with father in ice and coal business in youth; later became manager and owner. Married August 20, 1908; father of three married daughters; has ten grandchildren. Member of the Elks, Masons and Shrine.



HENNINGSSEN, O. H., Clinton Republican
Member State Board of Parole

Born at Clinton, Iowa, September 15, 1883. Member city council for four years; board of education three years; president of board for one year. Secretary and general manager Clinton Plate Glass Association for 31 years; also is engaged in insurance and real estate business. Appointed Clinton postmaster by President Hoover in 1932. Member of Masonic bodies; Past Exalted Ruler B. P. O. E.; Past Noble Grand I. O. O. F.; member of F.O.E., L. O. O. M. Married January 20, 1909 to Ethel May Bohart of Clinton; father of one son, Dr. A. B. Henningsen. Elected to Senate in 1938, re-elected 1942, 1946 and 1950. Appointed to Board of Parole by Governor Beardsley.

IOWA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

(Office located on ground floor Capitol Building)

EARL A. HART, Director

Members of the Commission:

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State and Chairman.

ALLAN F. BECK, Mason City.....June 30, 1957

ALFRED DEMENT, Anita.....June 30, 1955

REUBEN HARGROVE, Bloomfield.....June 30, 1957

HAL H. LANG, Sioux City.....June 30, 1955

The first real estate license law was enacted by the 43rd General Assembly and became effective January 1, 1930. The law was administered by the secretary of state who was designated as real estate commissioner. This law was amended and revised by the 51st General Assembly and among other things provided that as of January 1, 1946, the law would be administered by a five-member commission composed of the secretary