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District No. 1

Born in Auburn, Neb., March 1, 1916. Attended rural school 1-8, Bratton Union High School, A.B. and M.S. Peru State, Ed.S. Emporia State University, Emporia, Kan.; graduate work at UNL and University of Northern Colorado-Greeley. Married June 6, 1940, to Maxine Aufenkamp; children: four daughters. Occupation, farmer; retired school administrator. Member of Legislature's Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee and Executive Board; chairman of Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1980; re-elected 1984.

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Roger R. Wehrbein

District No. 2

Born in Lincoln, Neb., on Aug. 18, 1938. Attended Plattsmouth High School and University of Nebraska College of Agriculture. Married Jeanene Markussen on Oct. 7, 1961; two children: Douglas and David. Farmer. Member, Board of Directors Lincoln Federal Land Bank Association. Former Cass County commissioner, member Cass County Fair Board, Plattsmouth Rotary Club; past president Nebraska Livestock Feeders Association, Southeast Nebraska Economic Development Committee. Member, Ag Land Valuation Advisory Committee. Member, Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Zeta honorary, Plattsmouth Masonic Lodge AF & AM. Republican. Member of Legislature's Appropriations Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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Emil E. Beyer Jr.

District No. 3

Born May 20, 1929, in Omaha, Neb. Occupation: real estate development and investments. Wife, Barbara; children: Linda, Diane, Randall and Vicki. Member: Board of Directors, Gretna Optimists. Former: president Sarpy County 4-H Council; president, Gretna PTO; chairman, Gretna Planning Board; chairman, Springfield Boosters; president, Gretna Civic Organization. Board of Directors, Gretna Optimists, member Gretna Planning Board; Springfield Boosters, Gretna Civic Organization; Western Douglas County Chamber of Commerce; Gretna American Legion. Served as chairman of Administrative Rules and Regulations Review Committee, 1984. Member of Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee, Transportation Committee and Intergovernmental Cooperation Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1980; re-elected 1984.

Home Address: 404 Pontiac Drive, Gretna, NE 68028

Gary E. Hannibal

District No. 4

Born May 5, 1943; native Omahan, resident of 4th District for 14 years. B.A. degree in economics, University of Omaha, 1970; Married to Mary Lou Hannibal; children: four daughters. Recreational interests: golf, bowling, water-skiing, racquetball, skiing. President of Hannibal Construction Inc., 1965 to present. Licensed real estate broker, 1972 to present. Metropolitan Omaha Builders Association, Board of Directors, 1968 to present; president, 1982. National Association of Home Builders, Board of Directors, 1974 to 1982; Nebraska Association of Home Builders, Board of Directors, 1974-76. Catlin Elementary PTA Board of Directors, 1976-82; vice president, 1979. South/Southwest Branch YMCA Board of Directors, 1972 to 1982; chairman, 1973-75. Metro Y Building Committee, 1980-81. Omaha Suburban Athletic Association softball coach, 1977-79. Republican. Member of Legislature's Appropriations Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 2, 1982, re-elected Nov. 4, 1986.

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Bernice R. Labeledz

District No. 5

Born Sept. 19, 1919, in Omaha, Neb. Married May 9, 1942, to Stanley J. Labeledz, retired from Omaha Police Department. Children: three daughters, Terry Labeledz, Mrs. Tim (Jan) McReynolds, Mrs. Michael (Toni) Lenagh, one son, Frank Labeledz; nine grandchildren. Education: St. Francis Catholic School, Omaha; graduate of South High School, Omaha; postgraduate courses, two years. Activities: Omaha Police and Firemen's VFW Auxiliary #9551; "Q" Street Merchants; Catholic Daughters of America; trustee, Mercy High School Development Council; Board of Directors, Meyer Children's Rehabilitation Institute; chairwoman, South Omaha Christians for Life; Board of Trustees, Uta Halee Girls Village Endowment Fund Inc.; Advisory Committee, Wildlife Rescue Team; Board of Trustees, United Catholic Social Services; vice president, Omaha Telecasters Educational Foundation; various church and school groups. Business experience: 22 years, businesswoman in South Omaha; six years, Nebraska Department of Revenue; four years, secretary to Mayor Ed Zorinsky, Omaha; one year, administrative aide to U.S. Sen. Ed Zorinsky; 18 months, office manager for U.S. Sen. J. James Exon. Appointed by Gov. J. James Exon to fill unexpired

term of Sen. Eugene Mahoney, September 1976. Elected to Legislature for four-year term, November 1976, re-elected November 1980 and 1984. Past chairwoman Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee, member Appropriations Committee. Chairwoman of Legislature's Executive Board; member of committees on Natural Resources, Urban Affairs and Business and Labor. Awards: Goldenrod Athletic Club, Mother of the Year 1977; Distinguished Service to the Deaf, establishment of Commission for the Hearing Impaired, 1979; Golden Pig Award, National Organization for Women, for position on pro-life issues, 1979; Life Admiration Award, Pro-Life Youth of Nebraska, UNL Students for Life, 1981. Game and Parks Commission recognition for efforts in field of conservation, wildlife enhancement and outdoor recreation, 1982; Pro-Lifer of the Year Award, 1982; Pulaski Auxiliary of Omaha recognition of "Right to Life" Movement, 1983; Appreciation Award, River City Roundup, Omaha, 1983; Harry S. Truman Award, Democratic Party Hall of Fame, 1985.

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Brad Ashford

District No. 6

Born Nov. 10, 1949. Attended Westside High School, Gustavus Adolphus College, Colgate University, Creighton University School of Law. Married June 29, 1974. Wife: Paula; two children: John Paul and Eleanor Jane. Attorney, businessman. Member Nebraska Bar Association, Nebraska Juvenile Court Nominating Commission, American Bar Association. Former member Nebraska Commission of Industrial Relations. Democrat. Member of Legislature's Judiciary and Transportation committees. Elected to the Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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Tim Hall

District No. 7

Born in Omaha, Neb., March 8, 1956. Education: St. Joseph's Elementary; Paul VI High; Drake University; University of Nebraska at Omaha. Married Susan Jo Riha Sept. 11, 1981; children: Annie, Tim and Mike. Development officer, United Catholic Social Services. Democrat. Chairman of Legislature's Business and Labor Committee; member of committees on Natural Resources and Urban Affairs. Appointed to Legislature Aug. 9, 1984, to succeed Karen Kilgarin, who resigned. Elected Nov. 6, 1984.

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Vard R. Johnson

District No. 8

Born March 11, 1939, in Kansas City, Mo. Attended Kramer High School, Columbus, Neb., 1956; Yale University, B.A., 1960; Harvard Law School, LL.B., 1964. Married Loretta Turner Jan. 26, 1963; two children: Samuel and Schuyler. Attorney, Broom and Johnson, Omaha. Member: Board of Directors, United Methodist Community Centers, Omaha, 1965-68, 1969-75, president, 1970-73; Board of Directors, Family Service of Omaha-Council Bluffs 1970-76, chairman, Committee on Child Care 1972-73; Board of Directors, Consumer Credit Counseling Service 1976-78; Board of Directors, Omaha Food Bank, 1984 to present; Board of Directors, Planned Parenthood of Omaha-Council Bluffs, 1983 to present. Chairman, Douglas County Welfare Advisory Committee 1975-78; Finance chairman, board member, president of the congregation, First Unitarian Church of Omaha 1976-82; president, Franklin Community Council, Omaha 1965-68; fellow, International Institute on Public Management, Washington, D.C. 1980. Nebraska Bar Association, 1964 to present; contributor, NSBA's Handbook on Evidence 1967, Continuing Legal Education Program on Bankruptcy 1975, Continuing Legal Education Program on Landlord-Tenant Law 1976, Bridge-the-Gap

Program on Public Assistance 1975 to present; NSBA's Long-Range Planning Committee 1978; guest instructor Creighton Law School, Omaha, 1975-77, administrative law, criminal law and poverty law; trainer, National Legal Aid and Defender Association. Technical Assistance Project 1972-75. Honors: Community Service Award, United Methodist Community Centers, 1972; Outstanding Service to the Legal Profession, Student Bar Association, Creighton Law School 1973; Professional Service Award, Omaha's Client's Council 1979; Advocacy Service Award, Nebraska Association for Retarded Citizens, 1982; Outstanding Service to the Legal Profession, Nebraska State Bar Association, 1982; Nebraskan of the Year, Nebraska Welfare Association, 1983. Annual Service to Children Award, 1985, Nebraska Association of Pediatricians; Board Recognition Award, 1986, Center for Rural Affairs. Elected to Legislature Nov. 7, 1978; re-elected 1982, 1986. Legislative Council Executive Board chairman, 1983-84. Chairman of Revenue Committee, member of Education Committee.

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Marge Higgins

District No. 9

Born Aug. 3, 1931, in Lincoln. Attended St. John's and Cathedral schools in Omaha, St. Joseph's College in Owensboro, Ky. Married David Higgins March 24, 1956. Real estate investments. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1980, then appointed Dec. 1, 1980, to complete unexpired term of Ray Powers, who resigned. Re-elected 1984. First candidate to file for governor on Democratic ticket in the 1986 campaign. Member of Legislature's committees on General Affairs, Government, Military and Veterans Affairs and Urban Affairs, and of Executive Board.

Home Address: 127 S. 38th St., Omaha, NE 68131



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Carol McBride Pirsch

District No. 10

Born in Omaha, Neb., Dec. 27, 1936. Attended Beals Grade School, Central High School, University of Miami, Oxford, Ohio; University of Nebraska at Omaha. Married Allen I. Pirsch March 28, 1954; children: Penni Elizabeth, Pamela Elaine, Patrice Eileen, Phyllis Erika, Peter Allen and Perry Andrew. Presently employed by Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. as supervisor of community relations; formerly: Data Processing, Omaha Public Schools; Wage Practices, Western Electric; legal secretary. Former member: Omaha Community Committee, Juvenile Court Nominating Committee, Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women, Mrs. Jaycees, Republican County Central Committee, Adams School PTA Board, Northwest High School PTSA Board, Job's Daughter, Justice of the Peace, church school teacher, Omaha Presbyterian Board. Present member: Board of Directors and founder, Nebraska Coalition for Victims of Crime; University of Nebraska at Omaha Parents Association Board of Directors, Omaha Women's Club, Tangier Women's Auxiliary, Order of Women Legislators, Northwest Civic Club, Benson Republican Women's Club, Omaha Area Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, YWCA, Pilot Club, Developmental Disabilities Council and

Women in Management Association. Member of Legislature's Transportation and Judiciary committees. Elected to Legislature November 1978; re-elected 1982, 1986.

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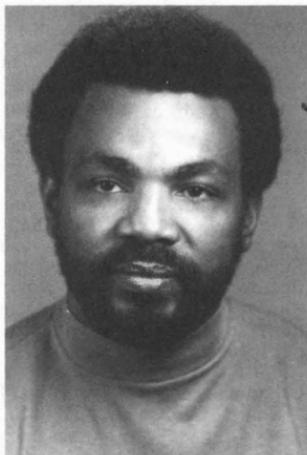
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Ernie Chambers

District No. 11

Elected to Legislature Nov. 3, 1970, re-elected 1972, 1976, 1980 and 1984. Member of Executive Board and of Agriculture, Business and Labor, Judiciary committees.

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Chris Abboud

District No. 12

Born Aug. 29, 1956, in Omaha, Neb. Attended Seymour Elementary, Ralston Middle School, Creighton Prep High School 1975, Creighton University B.A. 1978, University of Nebraska College of Law, J.D., 1982. Attorney. Member: Nebraska and American Bar associations, Ralston Area Chamber of Commerce, German-American Society, Millard Rotary. Member of Legislature's Appropriations Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 2, 1982, re-elected Nov. 4, 1986.

Home Address: 7515 Highland St., Ralston, NE 68127

Daniel C. Lynch

District No. 13

Born in Omaha, Neb., Aug. 9, 1929. Attended Park Grade School, Creighton Prep and Holy Name High School; Loras College, Dubuque, Iowa. Married July 1, 1950: wife, Jane; five children: Debby, Julia, Marianne, Maureen and Dan Jr. Vice president Consumer and Government Affairs, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska; member of Advisory Committee Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging. Formerly, president, Lynch Plumbing & Heating Co.; Nebraska Association Plumbing, Heating & Cooling Contractors; Omaha Association Plumbing, Heating & Cooling Contractors; Nebraska Association of County Officials; National Association of Counties. Former chairman of: Eastern Nebraska Office of Retardation; Eastern Nebraska Human Services Agency; Douglas County Hospital Board of Trustees; Douglas County Board of Commissioners. Former member of: Douglas County Board of Commissioners, 1960-81; Health Planning Council of the Midlands; Metropolitan Area Planning Association; Omaha-Douglas County Health Board; Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska Board Member; Board of Directors of Nebraska Association of County Officials; Board of Directors of National Association Regional Council; President's Council on Intergovernment Affairs; North Omaha Commercial Club and other civic organizations. Chairman of Legislature's Rules Committee; member of Health and Human Services and Banking, Commerce and Insurance committees. Elected to Legislature November 1984.

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Ron Withem

District No. 14

Born in Logan, Iowa, June 9, 1946. Attended West Harrison High School; B.A. in education, Wayne State College; master of science, UNO. Married Diane Weinstein Dec. 29, 1973; children: Suzanne, Justin. Executive vice president Mechanical Constructors Association of Omaha. Former public high school teacher, aide to Congressman John Cavanaugh, Papillion Planning Commission. Member: Papillion-LaVista School Board. Democrat. Appointed March 30, 1983, to complete term of retiring Sen. Thomas D. Doyle. Chairman of Legislature's Education Committee; member of Government, Military and Veterans Affairs and Rules committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984, re-elected 1986.

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Lowell C. Johnson

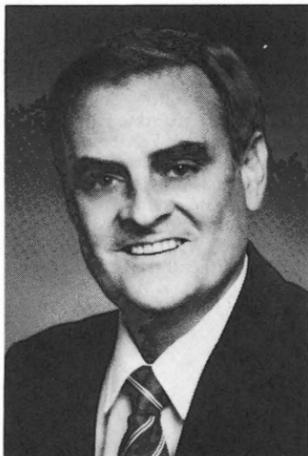
District No. 15

Born in Dodge County June 12, 1920. Attended District #31 Dodge County Rural Elementary, North Bend High School, University of Nebraska College of Engineering (1942 B.S. mechanical engineering). Married Ruth Marion Sloss June 21, 1943; children: Mark C., Kent R., James S. and Nancy L. Occupation: farm and property management; president, Johnson-Sloss Land Co., North Bend. Former: World War II veteran, U.S. Navy; research engineer, Phillips Petroleum Co., plant manager, Watson Industries, North Bend and Fremont. Board of trustees, Memorial Hospital of Dodge County; Veterans Service Committee of Dodge County; Advisory Council member, state Department of Labor; Board of Directors, Equitable Federal Savings & Loan, Fremont; Legislative Affairs Committee, Fremont Chamber of Commerce; North Bend Chamber of Commerce; Citizens Advisory Committee on Mental Health, Immanuel Hospital, Omaha. Member, U.S. Department of Agriculture National Advisory Council on Rural Development; state USDA Rural Development Committee. Former: North Bend Board of Education; Dodge County School Reorganization Committee; field representative for Congressman Charles Thone. Member: North Bend Masonic Lodge No. 119, AF & AM Scottish Rite, Shrine, Eastern Star; Nebraska Livestock Feeders Association; Rotary, Fremont; American Legion Post 340, Morse Bluff. President and Board of Directors, North Bend Senior Citizens Home. Member of Legislature's Appropriations Committee. Elected to the Legislature Nov. 4, 1980; re-elected 1984.

Home Address: RFD 2, North Bend, NE 68649



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Frank Korshoj

District No. 16

Born Oct. 17, 1932, in Herman, Neb. Attended Herman public school. Owner-manager, retail lumberyard. Member, American Legion, Jackson Peck Post #274; Landmark Lodge #222; Masonic Lodge; Tangier Shrine. Member Nebraska State Affairs Committee of Mid-America Lumber Association. Democrat. Member of Judiciary, Urban Affairs and Business and Labor committees of Legislature. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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Gerald Allen Conway

District No. 17

Born July 20, 1947, in South Sioux City, Neb. Education: Graduate, South Sioux City High School; bachelor of science, University of South Dakota, Vermillion; master of science, Chadron State College; Ph.D. candidate, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Married Kathleen Lynch Aug. 26, 1967; one child: Jennifer Erin. Occupation: assistant professor of finance, Division of Business, Wayne State College. Private business consulting and consultant for Small Business Administration through Nebraska Business Development Center at Wayne. Formerly was production supervisor. Community Chest Board of Directors; Action Corps of Executives; second lieutenant, Nebraska Wing of the Civil Air Patrol. Member: Kiwanis, Knights of Columbus, American Legion, VFW, Wayne Chamber of Commerce, Farm Bureau, Phi Delta Kappa, St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Council, Sigma Nu social fraternity, Delta Sigma Pi business fraternity, Midwest Business Administration Association, Midwest Finance Association, Nebraska Business and Economics Association, Lewis & Clark Board of Realtors, and Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. Democrat. Served in Vietnam with First Air Cavalry, holds Nebraska real estate license. Member of the Legislature's Judiciary, Intergovernmental Cooperation and Banking, Commerce and Insurance committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984.

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Stan Schellpeper

District No. 18

Born Jan. 27, 1934, in Hoskins, Neb. Graduate Stanton High School. Married Faye Wiedeman Aug. 4, 1957; children: Jeffrey, Thomas, Mrs. Greg (Nancy) Morfeld. Farmer-livestock feeder. Secretary-manager Stanton County Fair Board, 27 years. Member Executive Board state Fair Board. Past president Stanton County Livestock Feeders Association. Member 81-91 Pork Producers. Norfolk Kiwanis Club's 1985 Area Farmer of the Year. Formerly: director of Stanton County Public Power, state president of Nebraska Rural Electric Association, secretary School District #13. Democrat. Member of Legislature's Health and Human Services and Transportation committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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Elroy M. Hefner

District No. 19

Born Dec. 12, 1923, in Coleridge, Neb. Graduated Coleridge High School 1941. Married Carol Rae Willms June 12, 1949; three children: William, Douglas and Cynthia. President and part owner of Hefner Oil & Feed Co. U.S. Navy 1943-46. Formerly: school board member six years, town council member and mayor of Coleridge, member Coleridge Fire Department 26 years. Member and past president Coleridge Commercial Club. Member American Legion 38 years, past commander (two years). Director and past president Nebraska Petroleum Marketers, member VFW. Member of Legislature's Agriculture, Revenue and Business and Labor committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 2, 1976, then appointed Nov. 30, 1976, to complete unexpired term of Jules Burbach, resigned. Re-elected Nov. 4, 1980, and 1984.

Home Address: Box 36, Coleridge, NE 68727



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Glenn A. Goodrich

District No. 20

Born in Orson, Iowa, Feb. 22, 1925. Graduate of Creighton University, Omaha, B.S. degree in economics. Married Gaynelle Tusha May 1950; three children: D'Arcy Leah, Gregory Allen and Christopher Mark (twins). Electrical contractor, president, Industrial Electrical Works Inc. & Industrial Electric Motors Inc. Former real estate developer, in savings and loan business for 15 years. Past patron OES 326, past master Centennial Lodge AF & AM, Tangier Shrine, Scottish Rite, York Rite, Royal Arch Masons, past president Good Government Association, past secretary and board member Southwest Civic Club, State Life Member Nebraska PTA, past chairman Omaha Mayor's Urban Renewal Advisory Council, YMCA, institutional representative Boy Scouts of America, Omaha Chamber of Commerce, American Legion, Lutheran Church. Member of Legislature's committees on Business, Commerce and Insurance and Health and Human Services. Elected to Legislature Nov. 3, 1970; re-elected 1974, 1978, 1982 and 1986.

Home Address: 4408 Walnut St., Omaha, NE 68105

Richard Peterson

District No. 21

Born in Meadow Grove, Neb., Dec. 3, 1928. Attended rural Madison County schools, graduate Madison High School. Married Kathryn Kuhl May 7, 1950; children: Michael, Sandra, Karen, Julie and Richard J. Peterson. Farmer and beekeeper. Member: Lutheran Church, Chamber of Commerce, Farm Bureau, Nebraska Honey Producers, Nebraska Ag Council, Nebraska GOP. Former: Madison County vice chairman GOP, GOP State Central Committee, past president Rural and Parochial School Boards, board member Farm Bureau, past president Nebraska Honey Producers, past president Madison Chamber of Commerce, Lutheran Church Board, delegate National GOP Convention 1980. Vice chairman of Executive Board, member of Legislature's Revenue and Education committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1980; re-elected 1984.

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State Legislators



Lee Rupp

District No. 22

Born in Monroe, Neb., March 3, 1938. Attended Monroe High, Norfolk Junior College, UNL (B.S. agriculture and M.S. biology). Married Sept. 27, 1958, to Kay Ditter; three children: Lori, Lisa Brestel and Mark. Public relations and agricultural real estate for Le Dioyt Land Co., Omaha. Formerly fisheries biologist. Holds private pilot's license. Monroe volunteer fireman 23 years. Former board member, past president Platte County Agricultural Society. Gamma Sigma Delta (honor society of agriculture), USMC veteran, Nebraska Wildlife Federation Conservationist of Year 1978. Republican. Chairman of Legislature's Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, member Transportation Committee. Elected to Legislature November 1982 and 1986.

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Loran Schmit

District No. 23

Farmer. Chairman of Legislature's Natural Resources Committee, member of Executive Board and Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 5, 1968, re-elected 1972, 1976, 1980 and 1984.

Home Address: Box 121, Bellwood, NE 68624



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Scott Moore

District No. 24

Born Oct. 9, 1960, in York, Neb. Graduate of Benedict High School, Benedict, Neb. B.A., political science, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Farmer. Former legislative aide to Sens. Harold Sieck, Rod Johnson. Member Sigma Chi Fraternity, York Sunrise Sertoma, York Jaycees. Member Nebraska Committee on Public Relations for Agriculture, Nebraska Agribusiness Club, Executive Board Nebraska Committee on Children and Youth. Republican. Member of Legislature's Appropriations and Rules committees. Elected to the Legislature on Nov. 4, 1986.

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Jerome Warner

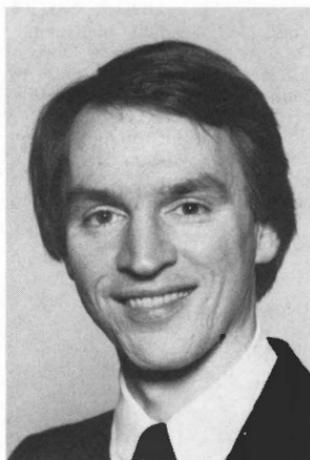
District No. 25

Born Nov. 23, 1927, in Waverly, Neb. Graduate of Waverly High School and University of Nebraska, B.S. degree. Farmer, breeder of registered Hereford cattle, director of Lincoln Mutual Life Insurance Co. Married to Betty Person; children: son, Jamie, and daughter, Elizabeth. Member of Bethlehem Covenant Church, past member of the Nebraska Air National Guard. Organizations: Past Noble Grand, Havelock IOOF Lodge 244; past patron, Order of the Eastern Star, Martha Washington Chapter; member, Masons, Scottish Rite, Shrine, Rebekah Lodge, Nebraska State Grange, Nebraska Farm Bureau, National Block and Bridle; and Gamma Sigma Delta, Alpha Zeta and Farm House fraternities. Public service includes: past chairman, Lancaster County Committee for Reorganization of School Districts; past director, Lancaster County Extension Board; member for 17 years of Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Commission; former treasurer Lancaster County Agriculture Society, and member, state Board of Agriculture. Republican Party activities: past vice chairman, Young Republican National Federation. Legislative activities: elected to Legislature in 1962, re-elected 1964, 1968, 1972, 1976, 1980 and 1984. Served as vice chairman, Education Committee, 1963-65; chairman of Government and Military Affairs Committee, 1965-67; chairman of Legislative Council Executive Board, 1967-69; speaker of the Legislature, 1969-71; chairman of Education Committee, 1973-75. Chairman of Appropriations Committee, 1977-88.

Home Address: Box 100A, Waverly, NE 68462



State Legislators



Don Wesely

District No. 26

Born March 30, 1954, in David City, Neb. Attended Lincoln public elementary schools; Lincoln Northeast High School; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, B.A., 1977. Married Geri Williams, May 21, 1982; one daughter, Sarah Elizabeth. Employed as an executive associate at Selection Research Inc. Member: Lions, Masons, St. John's Catholic Church, Nebraska Czechs of Lincoln, Community Development Society and member of the board of directors for Consumer Credit Counseling Service and UNL Hitchcock Center for Journalism Development. Chairman of the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee, member of Transportation and Intergovernmental Cooperation committees. Elected to the Legislature in 1978; re-elected in 1982 and 1986. Past member of the Legislature's Public Works Committee, Rules Committee (chairman), Telecommunications Committee, Administrative Rules and Regulations Committee and Enrollment and Review (chairman).

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Bill Harris

District No. 27

Born Aug. 8, 1939, in Charlotte, N.C. Graduate McCook High School 1957; University of Nebraska, B.S. in business administration 1961. Married Mary Sue Hormel Oct. 25, 1964; children: Ben Hormel and Elizabeth Ann. President, Harris Oil. Formerly: farmer-rancher, teacher (secondary), retail and wholesale distribution. Served two terms as Red Willow County Democratic Party chairman; Teachers Professional Practices Commission, state, two years; National Guard 1962-68; served on numerous political campaigns on local, state and national level. Member: Elks, Sigma Nu, Knolls Country Club. Democrat. Member of Legislature's Banking, Commerce and Insurance and Natural Resources committees. Appointed May 27, 1983, to complete unexpired term of Sen. Steve Fowler. Elected to Legislature November 1984.

Home Address: 1726 Otoe, Lincoln, NE 68502

Office Address: 961 NBC Center, Lincoln, NE 68508



State Legislators



James D. McFarland

District No. 28

Born Oct. 4, 1947, in North Platte, Neb. Graduate North Platte High School; University of Nebraska, B.S. 1970, master of education 1974; Cornell Law School, J.D. 1980. Married Linda Lee Preston July 6, 1970; children: Douglas Warren and Jamie Jo. Lawyer. Formerly: professional football player, St. Louis Cardinals, Miami Dolphins; high school teacher and coach. Member Nebraska State Law Association, Randolph PTA. Cornhusker State Games legal counsel. Former member Lincoln Interchurch Athletic Council, Nebraska State Education Association. Member Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Democrat. Past lay leader Warren United Methodist Church; All-Big 8 football player at NU; former president Cornell Law Student Association. Member of Legislature's Education, Judiciary and Rules committees. Appointed by Gov. Bob Kerrey on March 5, 1986, to complete unexpired term of Sen. Chris Beutler. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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Shirley Marsh

District No. 29

Born June 22, 1925, in Benton, Ill. Graduate Lincoln High School, Lincoln, Neb.; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, B.A. 1972; M.B.A.; 1978, UNL. Alpha Chi Omega sorority. Married Frank Marsh; six children: Sherry (Mrs. Philip A.) Tupper, Stephen Alan, Dory Michael, Corwin Frank, Mitchell Edward and Melissa Lou. Member Trinity United Methodist Church; delegate General Conference United Methodist Church, 1984; delegate Jurisdictional Conference United Methodist Church, 1984. Past president, Lincoln P.E.O. Round Table; member, Chapter IA, P.E.O.; life member, YWCA; life member, University of Nebraska Alumni Association; Board of Directors, Boost-Hers, University of Nebraska Women Athletics; American Association of University Women; Lincoln Chapter, American Field Service; Capital Business and Professional Women's Club; past president, National Order of Women Legislators; Nebraska Legislative Ladies League; Scottish Society of Nebraska; Nebraska Advisory Committee to the United States Committee on Civil Rights; member Executive Board National Republican Legislators Association; Governor's Task Force on Violence Against Women and Children; chair of Mayor's Task Force on Seat Belt Safety Squad; Board of Trustees, Nebraska Wesleyan University; National Conference of State Legislatures. 1980 Religious Freedom Award for Outstanding Leadership in Nebraska Unicameral in support of the "right of individual conscience and justice"; 1984 Governor's Highway Safety Award for Outstanding Contribution to Nebraska Highway Safety, Occupant Restraints. Elected to the Legislature on Nov. 7, 1972, re-elected 1976, 1980 and 1984. Member of the Appropriations Committee. Former vice chairwoman of Executive Board. Member of 1986 Select Interim Committee on Children's Programs. Honored in 1985 by Nebraska League for Nursing for "outstanding service" to health care in the state. Vice chair Health and Human Resources Committee of the National Council of State Legislatures.

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State Legislators



Patricia Stalder Morehead

District No. 30

Born Falls City, Neb., July 21, 1936. Attended MacMurray College, Jacksonville, Ill., University of Nebraska at Lincoln. B.S. in 1958. Graduate work University of Nebraska at Lincoln and University of Nebraska at Omaha. Former teacher at the elementary and secondary levels, both private and public schools. Member of American Association of University Women; Beatrice Federated Women's Club, American Trap Shooting Association; Beatrice Community Players; American Legion Auxiliary; Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. Also member of the Daughters of the Nile; Eastern Star; P.E.O. (past president); Phi Upsilon Omicron; Chi Omega; Sorosis Study Club. Member of Gage County Democratic Women; and past member of the Democratic Central Committee and Executive Board. Has served many years on the Board of Directors of a Nebraska automobile dealership. Chairwoman of Legislature's General Affairs Committee; member of Agriculture and Health and Human Services committees. Elected to the Legislature in November 1982, re-elected 1986.

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Jerry Chizek

District No. 31

Born in Omaha, Neb., Sept. 28, 1936. Graduate of Omaha South High School, attended University of Nebraska at Omaha. Married Connie Woodward Oct. 10, 1959; children: Bill, Cathy, Mary, Phil, Jim and David. Manager, labor relations for Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. Former manager, public affairs, personnel, Northwestern Bell. Reserve deputy sheriff, Douglas County Sheriff's Department. Commissioner of labor, state of Nebraska, 1971-79. Former president, Kingswood Neighborhood Association, Pony League Baseball coach; treasurer, Millard Athletic Association. Veteran: U.S. Army, Paratroop Corps. Commendation for commitment to higher education in Nebraska from American Association of University Professors, UNO chapter. Nebraska Speaker of the Year 1986, Nebraska Chapter DSR-TKA (speech and debate honorary). Friend of Children Award from Project Missing Children. Chairman of Legislature's Judiciary Committee, member Education committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984. Appointed to succeed Gordon McDonald, resigned, Dec. 4, 1984.

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State Legislators



George Coordsen

District No. 32

Born Aug. 13, 1935, in Fairbury, Neb. Attended Alexandria High School. Married Sept. 28, 1956, to Janice Fegter; children: Debra (Mrs. David) Fangmeier, Kevin, Valerie. Farmer. Republican. Member Lutheran Church. Member of Legislature's committees on Agriculture, Business and Labor and Government, Military and Veterans Affairs. Elected to the Legislature on Nov. 4, 1986.

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District No. 33

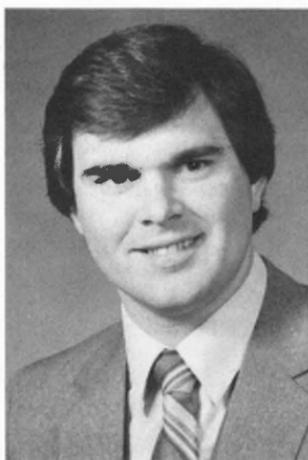
Born Nov. 12, 1934, in Campbell, Neb. B.A. in education and social science, Kearney State College; one year graduate school, UNL. Married Dec. 26, 1952, to Ramon G. Smith; children: Robb, Jeff, Kurt and Jon. Realtor. Formerly: assistant director, Midland Area Agency on Aging; educator; state representative of Nebraska Bicentennial Commission; Adams County chairman of Bicentennial. Republican. Chairwoman of Legislature's Intergovernmental Affairs Committee; member of committees on Government, Military and Veterans Affairs, General Affairs and Urban Affairs. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984.

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State Legislators



Rod Johnson

District No. 34

Born in Hastings, Neb., Aug. 18, 1957. Graduate Harvard Public High, 1976, and Nebraska Wesleyan University, 1981. Farmer. Married June 1, 1984, to Lisa Johnson. Republican. Legislative aide 1981 and 1982 sessions. Chairman of Legislature's Agriculture Committee; member of General Affairs and Natural Resources committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 2, 1982, re-elected 1986.

Home Address: 206 E. Laurel, Box 727, Sutton, NE 68979

Arlene B. Nelson

District No. 35

Born July 15, 1925, in Doniphan, Neb. Graduate Trumbull High School; continuing education courses, UNL. Married Dec. 8, 1946, to Milford R. Nelson; children: Donna A. and Dennis R. Formerly sales manager, Morton Aircraft, Omaha, 1942-46; bookkeeper, Twin Rivers Co., Grand Island, 1946-53; operated family farm, 1953-82; program assistant ASCS office, 1983-84. One of two elected delegates to Farmers Union National Convention in 1981 and 1982 from state of Nebraska. Testified Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C., served on Rules Committee NFU Convention in 1981. Member: League of Women Voters, board Martin Luther Home; served on Pastor-Parish, Administrative and Finance committees of Trinity United Methodist Church, Grand Island. Member Education, Judiciary committees. Democrat. Elected to Legislature November 1984.

Home Address: 3127 Woodridge Blvd., Grand Island, NE 68801



State Legislators



Lorraine Langford

District No. 36

Born Nov. 1, 1923, in Platte County, Nebraska. Attended North Platte High School, University of Nebraska, University of Southern California. Married June 5, 1946, to John Den Langford; children: Jean, John and Tracy, five grandchildren. Homemaker. Member Kearney Centennial Commission, Frank House docent, Hospital Service League. Former state president Federation of Republican Women, State Republican Central Committee and Executive Committee. Member Alpha Omicron Pi. Republican. Member of Legislature's Appropriations Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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Jerry D. Miller

District No. 37

Born in Davenport, Neb., Aug. 25, 1942. Education: Davenport Community School; B.S. University of Nebraska-Lincoln, agricultural economics. Single; three children: Lindsey, Mart and Liza. Farmer, wholesaler, seed retailer. Democrat. Member of Legislature's General Affairs, Revenue and Agriculture committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984. Sworn in Nov. 9, 1984, to complete term of Martin Kahle, who died Oct. 2, 1984.

Home Address: Box 1, RFD #1, Davenport, NE 68335



State Legislators



William E. "Bill" Barrett

Born in Lexington, Neb., Feb. 9, 1929. Attended Lexington High School, Hastings College B.A., and classes at Universities of Connecticut, Minnesota, Nebraska and Colorado. Married Nov. 9, 1952, to Elsie L. Carlson; four children: William C., Elizabeth A., David H., Jane M. Real estate and insurance. Former admissions counselor and assistant director of admissions, Hastings College. Elder First Presbyterian Church, director Farmers State Bank & Trust Co., director First Savings Co., trustee Hastings College, director Lexington Chamber of Commerce. Past president Dawson County Young Republicans, Republican State Executive Committee 1964-66 and 1973-79, state coordinator of Mobilization of Republican Enterprise (MORE) Program 1965-66, chairman Republican Party of Nebraska 1973-75, Nebraska chairman President Ford Committee. Member: American Legion, Rotary International, Chamber of Commerce, veteran U.S. Navy; Lexington Board of Education, City Planning Commission, Greater Lexington Development Corporation, Lexington Urban Renewal Authority, Lexington Airport Authority. Past president Nebraska Jaycees; named as one of three Outstanding Young Men of Nebraska, Nebraska Jaycees 1962; selected to 1965 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America. Elected Speaker of the Legislature, 1987. Appointed to Legislature June 15, 1979, to complete term of Herbert J. Duis, resigned. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1980; re-elected 1984.

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W. Owen Elmer

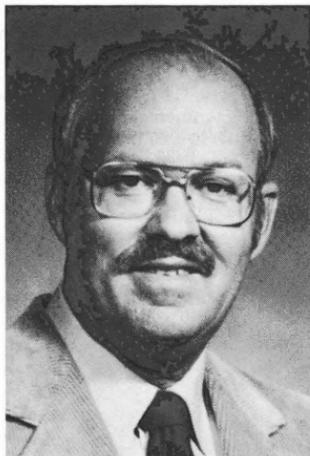
District No. 38

Born June 13, 1938, in McCook, Neb. Graduate Indianola High School, attended University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Married Nov. 1, 1959, to Donna J. Hoyt; children: Crinda K., Lewis E. and Sharma L. Elmer and Jeana R. Kruger. Agribusinessman. Former member Indianola City Council. Member Rotary, Elks, Masons, Shrine. Republican. Member of Legislature's Agriculture, Natural Resources and General Affairs committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

Home Address: Box 241, Indianola, NE 69034



State Legislators



Merton Lyle Dierks

District No. 40

Born July 2, 1932. Graduate Ewing High School; University of Nebraska; Kansas State University, doctor of veterinary medicine, 1961. Married Gloria L. Zoeller Dec. 27, 1958; children: Jon Martin, Thomas Lyle, Christopher Joseph and Mary Stephanie. Veterinarian, rancher. Member Board of Directors St. Anthony's Hospital, O'Neill. Former member Ewing Public School Board of Education, past president Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association. Member Knights of Columbus. Democrat. Member of Legislature's committees on Education and Government, Military and Veterans Affairs. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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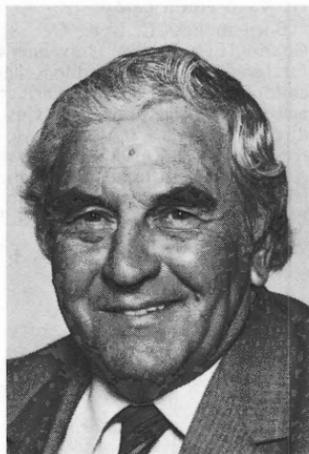
Office Address: Box 743, O'Neill, NE 68763

Carson Rogers

District No. 41

Born Feb. 1, 1924, in Ord, Neb. Graduate of Ord High School. Married Dec. 30, 1950, to Alice Beran; children: Roxann, Russell, Rhonda, Ronald, Regina and R. Jay. President of Rogers Hog Farms Inc. Formerly: Valley County supervisor, chairman. Member: VFW, American Legion, Knights of Columbus, Toastmasters, Elks. Republican. Member of Legislature's Transportation, Rules and Revenue committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984.

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State Legislators



Jim Pappas

District No. 42

Born in Julesburg, Colo., June 13, 1944. Attended North Platte schools. Married May 29, 1964; wife's name, Jo Ann; children: Amy Jo, James Jr. Occupation: real estate agent, formerly farming and retail petroleum. Member of Legislature's committees on Banking, Commerce and Insurance, Health and Human Services, Intergovernmental Cooperation. Elected to Legislature Nov. 2, 1982. Appointed Nov. 29, 1982, to complete term of Sen. Rumery, deceased. Re-elected Nov. 4, 1986.

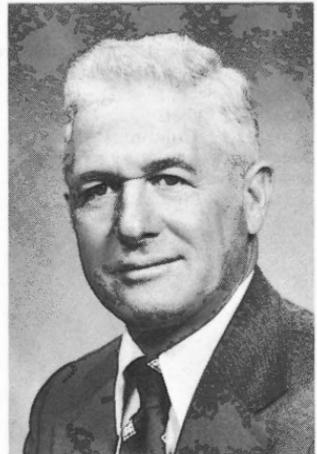
Home Address: North Platte, NE 69101

Howard Allen Lamb

District No. 43

Born in Bassett, Neb., Oct. 8, 1924. Graduated Rock County High, Bassett; University of Nebraska B.S. agricultural engineering. Married Jo Kellenbarger, Oct. 9, 1949; two children: Philip and David. Farmer-rancher. Formerly: engineer; naval officer; president, Custer Public Power District; director, Federal Land Bank Association, Broken Bow. Director, KRVN Rural Radio Association. Past president Anselmo-Merna Board of Education. Chairman of the Legislature's Transportation Committee; member Natural Resources Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 2, 1976, re-elected 1980, 1984.

Home Address: Southwest Star Route, Anselmo, NE 68813



State Legislators



Rex Haberman

District No. 44

Born Jan. 23, 1924, in Friend, Neb. Graduate Friend High School, attended University of Nebraska and Colorado State University. Married Phyllis L. Kavan Aug. 22, 1948; children: Mary Lou, George, Rex II and Phillip. In farm management; formerly photography. Formerly: Imperial City Council; Adams County Board of Supervisors. Member: Masons, Shrine, American Legion, VFW, Elks, Eagles, Rotary. Delegate to National Republican Convention 1976, 1984 Reagan delegate to National Convention. Past state president Nebraska Jaycees, past County Republican Party chairman Adams and Chase counties, past president Greater Nebraska Health Systems Agency, past member Regional Mental Health Advisory Commission, past member Hastings Nebraska Regional Medical Program, past member Nebraska Diocese Episcopal Church Executive Board. Elected to Legislature November 1978, re-elected 1982, 1986. Chairman, Agriculture and Environment Committee 1983-85. Member: Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee, Revenue Committee and Executive Board. Chairman, Nebraska Retirement Systems.

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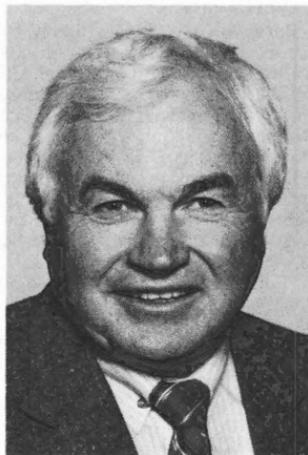
D. Paul Hartnett

District No. 45

Born in Sioux City, Iowa, Sept. 29, 1927. Attended Creighton Prep, Wayne State College, University of Nebraska. Married; wife's name, Marjorie S.; children: Debbie Burchard, Cindy Spagnola, Marcy Closner, Joan Hartnett and Michael Hartnett. College professor. Formerly: high school teacher, coach, administrator and farmer. Served five terms Bellevue School Board; member Chamber of Commerce, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Knights of Columbus, Phi Delta Kappa. Democrat. Chairman of Legislature's Urban Affairs Committee; member of General Affairs and Revenue committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984.

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State Legislators



David M. Landis

District No. 46

Born June 10, 1948, in Lincoln, Neb. B.A. University of Nebraska-Lincoln 1970, juris doctor 1971 UNL. M.P.A. 1984. Married June 6, 1969; wife's name: Melodee Ann McPherson; children: Matthew and Melissa. Lawyer, adjunct faculty member Doane College, College of St. Mary and University of Nebraska at Omaha. Lower Platte South Natural Resources District Board of Directors 1977-78, Havelock PTA officer, administrative law judge for Department of Labor. Lancaster County Soil and Water Conservation District director 1970-72. Member of Legislature's Business and Labor, Urban Affairs and Revenue committees. Elected to Legislature 1978, re-elected 1982, 1986.

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Dennis Baack

District No. 47

Born Nov. 11, 1946, in Sidney, Neb. Graduate Dix Public Schools; B.A. history, Colorado State University; graduate studies Loyola University of Chicago. Married Susan Southard Sept. 10, 1967; children: Aaron and Matthew. Farmer. Former member of Dix School Board (eight years); District 18 director for Nebraska State School Board Association (four years); LEAD II alumnus; Farm Bureau Member Wheat Growers Association; member First United Presbyterian Church of Kimball. Republican. Member of Legislature's committees on Education and Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Executive Board. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984.

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State Legislators



John L. Weihing

District No. 48

Born in Rocky Ford, Colo., Feb. 26, 1921. Graduate Rocky Ford (Colo.) High School; B.S. 1942, Colorado State University; M.S. 1949, University of Nebraska; Ph.D. 1954, NU. Married Shirley Ruth Wilkerson Aug. 18, 1948; children: Lawson J., Martin R., Warren R., Adell (Weihing) Van Patton. Professor emeritus. Formerly: professor in plant pathology, NU. World War II veteran. Director 1971-84, University of Nebraska Panhandle Research and Extension Center. Member Twin Cities Development Foundation. Past president Scottsbluff/Gering United Chamber of Commerce, campaign chairman Scottsbluff/Gering United Way. Member Rotary International, Elks Lodge. Republican. Member of Legislature's Agriculture, General Affairs and Natural Resources committees. Elected to Legislature Nov. 4, 1986.

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Sandra K. Scofield

District No. 49

Born in Chadron, Neb., June 16, 1947. Education: Chadron Public schools, Chadron High School; University of Nebraska at Lincoln, B.S. 1969; graduate work at University of Hawaii; M.A. UNL 1974. Career counselor/consultant/farmer. Formerly: teacher, technical writer, television writer, director of planning. Secretary-treasurer Northwest Nebraska Sheep Improvement Association, member American Association of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, Rho Chapter (Nebraska Professional Counselors Association, District VI president); Environmental Control Council; president, Dawes County Historical Society; board member Nebraska Groundwater Foundation; member Executive Council Nebraska 4-H Development Foundation. Chair, Dawes County Democrats, Democratic State Central Committee. Democrat. Appointed Nov. 21, 1983, to complete unexpired term of Samuel Cullan. Member of Legislature's Appropriations Committee. Elected to Legislature Nov. 6, 1984.

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