

**Allen Curry**

Attorney at Law, Real Estate &  
Insurance Agent



Mr Allen **Curry** came to us some few months ago with the highest of recommendations and has opened offices here over **Kiefhaber's** furniture store. He is practicing Law, doing a real estate and insurance business.

He was born in Fairfield, Illinois, in 1871, and educated in the common schools of Wayne County till 18 years of age, at which time he became a school teacher and taught school for seven consecutive years. His college education consisted of two terms at Hayward College and in 1895, at the close of the term, he passed the graduating grades in all the branches necessary to give him a high school teachers certificate.

He was admitted to practice law in all the courts of Missouri as an attorney in June 1900.

In the insurance branch he is agent for such reliable companies as the Forest City, Connecticut, Liverpool, London, Globe and Royal Insurance Companies, which is as good a line as is represented in Clay County. In the real estate branch he is prepared to perform all the duties of the regular real estate agent, and as he is in daily communications with Germans of Northern Illinois and Iowa who want to buy farms he is a most desirable man to list your town and farm property with.

In politics he is a staunch republican. Mr **Curry** is a progressive, live young man and when our people come to know then they will appreciate his sterling worth as a business man and citizen.

**John W. Thomason**

States Attorney

John W. **Thomason**, our states attorney, is a native of the county, and was born on a farm near Hord, Illinois July 5, 1874. John's father died when the boy was only four years old. His mother re-married in 1882 to John **Fender**, a well known citizen of Oskaloosa Township, who lives a short distance south of Iola. Here he attended country school during the winter and assisted on the farm in the summer until he was 14 years old. He then commenced working out as a farm hand to obtain means to attend high school.