

BYRD, Harry Flood (nephew of Henry De La Warr Flood and Joel West Flood), a Senator from Virginia; born in Martinsburg, Berkeley County, W. Va., June 10, 1887; moved with his parents to Winchester, Va., in 1887; attended the public schools and Shenandoah Valley Academy at Winchester, Va.; entered the newspaper publishing business in 1903 and became publisher of the Winchester (Va.) Star; also engaged extensively in agricultural pursuits near Berryville, Va., in 1906, specializing in growing and storing apples and peaches; president of the Valley Turnpike Co. 1908-1918; member of the State senate 1915-1925; State fuel commissioner in 1918; was elected chairman of the Democratic State committee in 1922; served as Governor of Virginia 1926-1930; Democratic National committeeman 1928-1940; was appointed and subsequently elected as a Democrat to the United States Senate to fill the vacancy caused by the [p.931] resignation of Claude A. Swanson and served from March 4, 1933, to March 4, 1935; reelected in 1934, 1940, and again in 1946 for the term ending January 3, 1953.

FLOOD, Henry De La Warr (brother of Joel West Flood and uncle of Harry Flood Byrd), a Representative from Virginia; born in "Eldon," Appomattox County, Va., September 2, 1865; attended the public schools of Appomattox and Richmond, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va., and the University of Virginia at Charlottesville; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1886 and commenced practice in Appomattox, Va.; member of the State house of delegates 1887-1891; served in the State senate 1891-1903; elected prosecuting attorney for Appomattox County in 1891, 1895, and 1899; presidential elector on the Democratic ticket of Cleveland and Stevenson in 1892; unsuccessful candidate for election to the Fifty-fifth Congress; elected as a Democrat to the Fifty-seventh and to the nine succeeding Congresses and served from March 4, 1901, until his death; chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs from January 1913 to March 4, 1919, and was author of the resolution declaring a state of war to exist between the United States and the Imperial German Government and with the Imperial Austro-Hungarian Government; died in Washington, D.C., December 8, 1921; interment in a mausoleum on the courthouse green at Appomattox, Va.

FLOOD, Joel West (brother of Henry De La Warr Flood and uncle of Harry Flood Byrd), a Representative from Virginia; born near Appomattox, Appomattox County, Va., August 2, 1894; attended the public schools, Appomattox Agricultural High School, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va., the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, and Oxford University, Oxford, England; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1917 and commenced practice in Appomattox, Va.; also engaged in agricultural pursuits; during the First World War served from March 29, 1918, until his discharge July 18, 1919, as a private in Company A, Three Hundred and Fifth Engineers, Eightieth Division; served as colonel on the staff of Gov. E. Lee Trinkle of Virginia 1922-1926; elected Commonwealth attorney of Appomattox County in 1919 and served until November 8, 1932, having been elected to Congress; special assistant to the attorney general of Virginia from April 1, 1928, to July 1, 1932; elected as a Democrat to the Seventy-second Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Henry St. George Tucker and served from November 8, 1932, to March 3, 1933; was not a candidate for election to the Seventy-third Congress; resumed the practice of law and agricultural pursuits; delegate to the Democratic National Convention at Philadelphia in 1936; appointed assistant United States attorney for the western district of Virginia and served from June 1, 1939, to January 28, 1940; elected in January 1940 and reelected in January 1946 as a judge of the fifth judicial circuit of Virginia, in which capacity he is now serving; is a resident of Appomattox, Va.[p.1167]