BLACKWELL, Jefferson Davis, 1885- State Teachers College, Cape Girardeau, Mo., grad., 1910; Univ. Mo., B.S.Ag., 1914; Columbia Teachers College, A.M.Adm., glossy print of 1923; Johns Hopkins Univ., Ph. D. Ed., 1929. Born and lived on farm 21 years at Blackwell, Mo. Taught ag. at favorite Warrensburg St. Teachers Col., Mo., summer, 1914. Texas photo. Dept. Ag., Specialist in Ag. Ed., summer, 1917. Texas St. Dept. Ed., Sup. Ag. Ed. and chairman Voc. Div., 1917-1920. Fed. Bed. Voc. Ed., Federal Agent in Ag. Ed., summer, 1920. Penn. Dept. Public Instruction, Asst. Director in charge Ag. Ed., 1920-1923. Maryland Sup. Ag. Ed. and St. Director of Voc. Ed., 1923-1935. Univ. Ky., summer school instructor in ed., 1928, '30, '31. and '32. Maryland State Teachers College at Salisbury, President, 1935- While he has labored, he has learned; and, in early days, he did not hesitate to revise or reverse a policy or program, for good reason. For example, Texas was among the first, if not the first, to publish "Suggested Courses of Study in Ag.," and then among the first to get away from such outlines. Secretary of Ag. Ed. Section of American Voc. Assoc., 1928-1929. In voc. ag. ed., one of the upstanding pioneer state supervisors. -- N. E. Fitzgerald.

