

Robert H. Hazlett

1874 - 1936



Mr. Hazlett served as the President of the El Dorado National Bank and helped organize the Inland Oil and Midland Refining Companies. He was a major stockholder in the El Dorado Refining Company and invested in Colorado mining operations. At one time, he held more than 10,000 acres of Butler County Kansas land.

Mr. Hazlett was an attorney. His career as a lawyer covers nearly forty-five years. In 1872 he was located at Springfield, Illinois, where he became a deputy in the office of the clerk of the supreme court. After a year he opened his private law office and practiced in that city steadily until 1885. In 1876 Mr. Hazlett was elected state's attorney of Sangamon County and was re-elected in 1880. He served a little more than the full term of four years after his second election, and left office early in 1885.

After this experience as a lawyer and public official in Illinois Mr. Hazlett came to El Dorado, Kansas, in April, 1885. He began the practice of law in partnership with

C. L. Harris, the firm name being Hazlett & Harris, and also engaged in buying and selling real estate.

In 1898 Mr. Hazlett made his first purchase of pedigreed Herefords. Mr. Hazlett owned one of the world's greatest herd of Hereford cattle which, in 1920, totaled 600 at the Hazford Place. He served as the President of the American Hereford Cattle Breeders Association and the first President of the American Royal Livestock Show (also serving as a Director and Treasurer for many years). Mr. Hazlett was also a director of the International Livestock Show in Chicago, Illinois.

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