

In March 28, 1906, Governor Warfield appointed him Associate Judge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Edwin H. Brown. The appointment was accepted by Democrats as being a proper move on the part of the Governor. Judge Crothers remained on the Bench serving with genial ability until his nomination for Governor. Mr. Crothers makes his home in Elkton, Cecil county.

NATHAN WINSLOW WILLIAMS, *Secretary of State*, was appointed and qualified on the seventh day of January, 1908. He is the son of Caroline Winslow and John Butler Williams, and was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 26th day of August, 1860. His father and grandfather (John Williams) were residents of the city of Baltimore, where he has lived since his fifth year. He studied at the Baltimore City College, at the Johns Hopkins University, and graduated from the Columbia Law School, in New York, in 1883, since which time he has practiced law in Baltimore—first, in the office of the State's Attorney of that city until 1887; and subsequently, as a member of the firm of Williams, Thomas & Williams; his partners being William S. Thomas and Henry Williams.

During the administration of Gov. Edwin Warfield he served upon his staff with the rank of Judge Advocate General.

*Comptroller of the Treasury:* DR. JOSHUA W. HERING (Democrat).

Dr. Joshua W. Hering is a resident of Westminster and has been prominent in the politics and public life of Carroll county for a number of years. He first held public office in the session of the Maryland Senate of 1896, having been elected Senator in a special election in December, 1895, which was most hotly contested, the vote of his county determining the political complexion of the Senate in that session. He was chairman of the Committee on Revaluation and Assessment, and was also chairman of the Conference Committee of the two houses on this bill. In the same session he was on the Finance and corporation Committees. He has been connected with the banking business for many years, and was for a term President of the Maryland Bankers' Association. He was elected Comptroller of the Treasury in 1899 and 1901, and declined a renomination in 1903. He was unanimously nominated for the same office in 1907 by the Democratic State Convention, and after canvassing the State was elected by a majority of nearly 15,000. He was elected President of the General Conference of the Metho-