James and Anna Cunningham. He was graduated from Dixon College, Dixon, Illinois, in 1888 and the same year removed to Humboldt County, Iowa, where he taught school for two years. He was also graduated from Humboldt College, Humboldt, Iowa. He followed farming for some time. In 1900 he was elected county auditor, was three times reelected, and served eight years. He read law under Judge D. F. Coyle of Humboldt, was admitted to the bar in 1907, and in the fall of 1908 was elected county attorney, was three times re-elected to that office and served eight years, or until January 1, 1917. He continued in the practice of law at Humboldt the remainder of his life. He held many other positions—township assessor, member of City Council, mayor, member of School Board, and in 1934 was elected representative and served in the Forty-sixth General Assembly. Politically he was a Republican.

WILLIAM LUTHER ETTER was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania, in 1860 and died in Sigourney, Iowa, June 20, 1935. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. John W. Etter. He removed to Cedar County, Iowa, in 1883 where he worked on a farm, and taught school. He was graduated from Cornell College, Mount Vernon, in 1889 and the fall of that year was elected superintendent of schools of Cedar County and was twice re-elected, serving six years. He followed that by being superintendent of the city schools of Tipton from 1896 to 1899. The fall of 1899 he removed to Sigourney and became editor and publisher of the Sigourney Review. In 1908 he was elected representative and served in the Thirtythird General Assembly. In 1926 he was the Democratic nominee for Congress in the Sixth District, but lost in the general election to C. W. Ramsever, the then congressman. In 1928 he sold his newspaper property to his son, Cotton Etter. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, a man of good reputation, and was prominent in the councils of the Democratic party in his part of the state.

Bruce T. Seaman was born in Greene County, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1845, and died in Davenport, Iowa, June 30, 1935. About six months after his birth he was brought by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Seaman, in their removal to Scott County, Iowa. His boyhood was spent on his father's farm. He attended public school and entered the Preparatory Department of the State University of Iowa the fall of 1864 and attended for four years, or until the spring of 1868, finishing the first three years of the liberal arts course. He devoted his attention to farming and the breeding of livestock, especially horses. For many years he owned and operated the "Golden Sheaf" farm near Davenport. He served his township as justice of the peace, and in other positions, was elected representative from Scott County in 1877, was re-elected in 1879, and served in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth general assmblies. In his later years he was considered quite an authority on agricultural subjets, and was a very useful citizen.

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