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the study of mental diseases and now directed his attention more than ever to that branch of his profession. In 1889 he engaged in private practice at Cambridge, Ohio, and then returned to the hospital at Athens for three years as superintendent. He went to Weston, West Virginia, as superintendent of the State Hospital there, and remained five years. In 1897 he visited hospitals in Dublin, Ireland, and Edinburg, Scotland, and made a special investigation concerning the treatment of nervous and mental diseases in Great Britain. In 1898 he returned to Athens and for three years engaged in private practice. In 1902 he came to Independence, Iowa, as superintendent of the State Hospital, which position he held until his death. He was well qualified in his profession and as an administrator, was a modest and unassuming man, and was kind and tactful in his relations with his patients and the public.

GEORGE A. NEWMAN was born in Jefferson County, New York, December 10, 1843, and died at the Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, June 15, 1920. Burial was at Cedar Falls, Iowa. His boyhood was spent in a community of "Shakers" near Albany, New York, and what schooling he received was in that community, supplemented by instruction from his mother. He enlisted as a private in Company G, Sixth Regiment, New York Cavalry, served throughout the war and was honorably discharged October 16, 1864, at New York City. Soon after the war he removed to Janesville, Wisconsin, where he began practicing dentistry in 1876. In 1881 he removed to Fayette, Iowa, practiced there a few months and then removed to Cedar Falls on November 1, 1881, where he practiced until 1900. For several years he served as city clerk of Cedar Falls. In 1894 he was department commander, Department of Iowa, Grand Army of the Republic. In 1898 he served as secretary of the Senate of the Twenty-seventh General Assembly, and had the remarkable distinction of serving in the same position in the five succeeding assemblies, the last one being the Thirty-second, in 1907. In 1900 he was appointed assistant adjutant-general of the Grand Army, Department of Iowa, and occupied that position to within a few months of twenty years, and until his death.

JOHN W. SCOIT was born in Clermont County, Ohio, February 5, 1843, and died at Atlantic, Iowa, December 26, 1920. He came with his parents in their removal to Marion County, Iowa, in 1856. He enlisted from Davis County in Company G, Second Iowa Infantry, on May 6, 1861, and was made fifth corporal. On April 3, 1863, he was promoted to first lieutenant. At that time he re-enlisted in a consolidation of the Second and Third regiments, and on December 12, 1864, hecame captain of his company, and was mustered out July 12, 1865, at Louisville, Kentucky. In October, 1865, he was elected sheriff of Davis County, serving during 1866 and 1867. In 1867 he was admitted to the bar. In 1868 he removed to Exira, Audubon County, and the Copyright of Annals of Iowa is the property of State of Iowa, by & through the State Historical Society of Iowa and its content may not be copied or emailed to multiple sites or posted to a listserv without the copyright holder's express written permission. However, users may print, download, or email articles for individual use.