Marcus C. Woodruff was born March 21, 1831, at Aurora, Illinois; he died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. P. S. Fawkes, at Dubuque, Iowa, March 20, 1909. He was educated at Aurora Academy, migrated to Boone county, Illinois, thence to Hardin county, Iowa, in 1855. He purchased the Eldora Sentinel in 1863. In May, 1870, he disposed of the Sentinel, and with Charles Aldrich purchased the Waterloo Courier, of which he disposed in 1874, immediately purchasing a half interest in the Dubuque Times, becoming and remaining its editor-in-chief for several years. He was Chief Clerk of the Iowa House of Representatives in the Twelfth General Assembly. He served as Railroad Commissioner by appointment of Governor Gear for four years. After leaving the service of the State, he was made General Claim Agent for the Chicago Great Western Railroad, continuing in that employment, with his residence at St. Paul, until his death.

JOHN A. Evans was born in Otsego county, N. Y., May 11, 1833; he died near West Liberty, Iowa, November 16, 1908. He was a son of Simeon and Polly Evans, who removed with their family to Huntsburg, Ohio, in 1834. At the age of 19 Mr. Evans removed to Rock Island county, Ill., where he taught school, soon returning to Ohio, where he remained until 1856, when he removed to West Liberty, Iowa. He was a member of the House of Representatives in the Twenty-second General Assembly from Muscatine county. He was a director of the Iowa Agricultural Society from 1887 to 1892, Vice-President from 1892 to 1894, and President from 1894 to 1896. At the time of his death he was Deputy U. S. Revenue Collector for the Southern District of Iowa.

L. L. Estes was born in Madison county, N. Y., August 7, 1832; he died April 19, 1909, at Webster City, Iowa. He migrated to Webster City, Iowa, in 1857. He joined the Spirit Lake Expedition for the protection of the settlers in 1857 and was a member of the Northern Border Brigade in 1861. After some years in the mercantile business, he established the banking firm of Young. Estes & Co., composed of the late Kendall Young and himself, which became the First National Bank of Webster City, and was interested in banking enterprises elsewhere. He was once mayor of Webster City, served on the school board and was postmaster during Lincoln's administration.

S. A. Fear was born at Point Marion, Pa., January 7, 1852; he died at Rock Rapids, Iowa, February 27, 1909. He came to Clayton county in 1855, and to Lyon county in 1879, establishing his residence at Rock Rapids in 1892. In that year he was elected auditor of Lyon county and also to the school board of Rock Rapids, on which he served continuously to the time of his death. He represented the Ninty-ninth District in the Iowa House of Representatives in the Thirty-second and the Thirty-second extra General Assemblies.

WILLIAM HARPER was born in Ross county, Ohio, November 13, 1819; he died January 2, 1909, at Mediapolis, Iowa. He removed from the State of his birth to Yellowspring township, Des Moines

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