

state land office, as governor, and as member of the General Assembly, and in Washington as comptroller of the Treasury and as congressman. Governor Carpenter died May 29, 1898, and on June 23, 1898, Mrs. Carpenter was appointed postmaster at Fort Dodge, succeeding Charles F. Duncombe, and served until January 31, 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter had no children. The last ten years of her life was spent in the home of a nephew, Clay Carpenter, of Long Beach, California. She had strong literary tastes, was intellectual, and social, and filled her various positions with credit.

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BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ROBINSON was born at Hampton, Connecticut, January 21, 1849, and died at Armstrong, Iowa, June 9, 1926. When fifteen years old he removed to Lee Center, Illinois, and in 1868 to Grundy County, Iowa, and near Conrad he purchased prairie land which he developed and farmed until 1880 when he was elected county recorder of Grundy County. By re-elections he served in that position six years, then returned to his farm, but in 1892 removed to Armstrong and joined with others in organizing the First National Bank of that place. He acted first as president and later as cashier, serving in one or the other capacity until his death. He became the owner of several farms and was quite successful in business. He was mayor of Armstrong and in 1901 was elected representative, was re-elected in 1903, and served in the Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, and Thirty-first general assemblies. He was prominently identified with the enactment of drainage legislation, and with other measures benefitting especially his part of the state.

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SAMUEL MAYNE was born in St. Lawrence County, New York, November 14, 1854, and died at Algona, Iowa, February 28, 1927. In 1864 he was brought by his parents as they removed to Mendota, Illinois. He attended common school, and secured more advanced education at Valparaiso, Indiana, and Naperville, Illinois, taught school some years and in 1882 was graduated from the Law Department of the State University of Iowa. The same year he began practice of the law at Eagle Grove, but in 1883 removed to Bancroft, where he practiced for twenty years. In 1895 he was elected representative and served in the Twenty-sixth General Assembly, including the extra session at which the Code was revised. In 1902 he removed to Idaho, but returned to Kossuth County in 1918.

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GEORGE D. HARRISON was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, December 19, 1829, and died at Columbus Junction, Iowa, March 2, 1927. He was brought by his parents, S. P. and Catharine Harrison, as they removed to Clark County, Ohio, in 1834. He attended common school, and Antioch College at Yellow Springs, Ohio. He taught school and for two years followed civil engineering. In 1855 he removed to Columbus City,

Louisa County, Iowa, and engaged in general merchandising. In 1877 he sold his business and removed to Columbus Junction, where he dealt in grain and livestock for many years. He also owned a large farm and was influential in business matters. He was useful in public affairs, was a member of the town council, and although a Democrat in a Republican county, he was elected representative in 1869 and served in the Thirteenth General Assembly.

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FRED R. FROST was born in England, June 21, 1880, and died at Fort Dodge, Iowa, March 21, 1927. He was brought by his parents as they removed to Fort Dodge in 1881. In 1901 he enlisted in Company G, Fifty-second Regiment, Iowa National Guard. In 1910 he was promoted to second lieutenant and in 1911 to captain. In 1917 he went to the Officers' Training School at Fort Snelling and, receiving a commission in the United States Army, in 1918 he organized Company E, Fourth Iowa Infantry, later Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-third Infantry. In 1922 he was promoted to major and held that rank at the time of his death. In 1926 he was presented with a diamond-studded medal for his twenty-five years service in the Iowa National Guard, the presentation being made by General Matt Tinley in the presence of Governor Hammill and the National Guard.

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SAMUEL F. WILSON was born on a farm near Wapello, Iowa, September 2, 1868, and died at his home a few miles south of Wapello, February 21, 1927. His parents were William M. and Miriam (Conway) Wilson. He was educated in common school and on attaining his majority engaged in farming, which he pursued successfully. He was a useful citizen in his community and county, held several township offices, helped organize the Louisa County Farm Bureau, was for a number of years a member of the Morning Sun Consolidated School Board, was a member of the Louisa County Board of Supervisors for two terms—1909 to 1914—and in 1926 was elected senator from the Louisa-Muscatine district. He qualified at the opening of the session of the Forty-second General Assembly, but was forced to return home in a few days because of the illness which soon terminated his life.

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DAVID HARDMAN MILLER was born in Des Moines, Iowa, October 19, 1865, and died in Des Moines January 20, 1927. Burial was at Adel. His parents were Martin W. and Elizabeth (Wills) Miller. In 1872 the family removed to Adair County, and the remainder of his boyhood was spent in Adair and Guthrie counties. He was graduated from Menlo High School, taught school five years, and entered Drake University in 1891 and was graduated from the Law Department of that institution in 1895. Soon thereafter he began practice of law at Adel. He was elected county attorney of Dallas County in 1902 and occupied that position the following six years. During the World War he was active in

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