

and served as deputy auditor of state from 1881 to 1883. He organized the American Savings Bank in East Des Moines, was a member of East Des Moines School Board at one time, and was active in civic affairs. He was commander of Kinsman Post, G. A. R., in 1884, was department commander of the Department of Iowa, G. A. R., for the year 1920-21, and was active in securing and in entertaining the National Encampment at Des Moines in 1922, and again in 1926. He served as document librarian in the office of secretary of state from 1913 to 1924, and as clerk in the shipping department of the State Printing Board from 1925 to 1928.

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JOHN PIPHER was born in Wittenberg, Germany, November 16, 1848, and died at Nampa, Idaho, February 4, 1926. He was brought by his widowed mother to America in 1853. Part of his boyhood was spent in Monroe, Iowa, moving to Des Moines in 1861. He was graduated from the Eclectic Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1874, and began practice at Norwalk, Iowa. He afterward removed to Greenfield, and in 1876 to Marne. In 1879 he located at Griswold where he became postmaster and was proprietor of a drug store. In 1901 he was elected representative and served in the Twenty-ninth General Assembly. He removed to Nampa, Idaho, in 1905.

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WILLIAM S. AYRES was born in Knoxville, Iowa, June 3, 1871, and died in Des Moines March 2, 1928. Burial was in Glendale Cemetery, Des Moines. His parents were Orlando B. Ayres and Anna (Stone) Ayers, a sister of Governor William M. Stone. He was graduated from the law school of Drake University in 1894 and became a member of the firm of Woodin, Nichols & Ayres. He became assistant county attorney of Polk County in 1910 and August 29, 1913, was appointed by Governor Clarke a judge of the Ninth Judicial District to succeed Charles S. Bradshaw. He was elected to that position in 1914, but resigned August 22, 1916, and re-entered practice as a member of the firm of Ayres, Strauss & Shaw. In March, 1918, he became assistant general counsel of the Bankers Life Insurance Company, and later in the same year was advanced to general counsel. In January, 1926, he was elected vice president and general counsel of the company.

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EDWARD BOLAND was born near Belfast, Ireland, July 14, 1841, and died at Webster, Iowa, February 16, 1928. Burial was at Williamsburg. His parents were Edward Boland, Sr., and Ellen (Cargo) Boland. The parents removed with their family to Ontario, Canada, in 1856. The next several years the son spent partly in Canada and partly near Monmouth, Illinois. In 1868 he removed to Iowa County, Iowa, where he engaged in farming, in which business he was successful. He became a naturalized citizen in 1874, held several township offices, among them being assessor, trustee, and justice of the peace, and in 1903 he was

elected representative and served in the Thirtieth and Thirty-first general assemblies.

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AUSTIN PARKER HAINES was born in Grinnell, Iowa, November 16, 1882, and died in Des Moines April 13, 1928. Burial was at Grinnell. He was a son of Robert Miller and Joanna Hannah (Harris) Haines. He attended the public schools of Grinnell, was graduated from Grinnell College in 1903, and the following year did postgraduate work in Harvard University. Soon thereafter he entered the office of the *Grinnell Herald* as a member of the firm of Ray, Cowden & Haines, later Ray & Haines, and Ray, Haines & Frisbie. About 1910 he left the *Herald* to do work for a Florida land company. In 1915 he began an editorial connection with the *Iowa Homestead* which lasted until 1921 when he became editor of the *Des Moines Daily News*. In 1924 he went to the *Minneapolis Star* as its editor. Three years later he was devoting himself principally to magazine writing. For the last year of his life he was publicity manager for the Iowa Farmers Union. He had a winning personality, a keen intellect, and a vivid and brilliant style of writing.

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CHARLES B. WILSON was born near Morning Sun, Iowa, February 19, 1861, and died in his home on the same farm where he was born December 11, 1927. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson. His education was acquired in common school, and in the Morning Sun Academy, supplemented by a course in Elliott's Business College at Burlington. He successfully followed the vocation of farmer and stock breeder. He was assessor of his township for sixteen years, and was a member of the school board of his district for twenty years. He was elected representative in 1914 and was re-elected in 1916, serving in the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh general assemblies. He was a prominent lay member of the United Presbyterian church, and a useful man in his community.

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GEORGE W. EDGE was born in Saunders County, Nebraska, March 27, 1872, and died in Iowa Lutheran Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, September 11, 1927. Burial was at Newton. His parents were Jonathan D. and Martha Jane Edge. His home was in Iowa after 1877, and in Jasper County after 1883. His education was acquired in rural schools and in Hazel Dell Academy, Newton. He served in the Iowa National Guard five years, being honorably discharged in 1895 with the rank of sergeant. Farming was his vocation. In 1922 he was elected representative, and was re-elected in 1924 and 1926, serving in the Fortieth, Fortieth Extra, Forty-first, and Forty-second general assemblies.

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