cratic nominee from the Third District for Congress, running unsuccessfully against Benjamin P. Birdsall. In 1914 he was again his party's candidate for Congress, and was defeated by Burton E. Sweet, and again in 1916, again losing to Mr. Sweet. In 1924 he was the Democratic candidate for governor of the state, being defeated by John Hammill. His party was a minority party in all these elections, else he doubtless would have been successful politically. He had a winsome personality, was gifted with the art of oratory, and was always in demand as a public speaker.

ALLEN J. HOUSE was born near Brantford, Ontario, Canada, January 12, 1847, and died in Maquoketa, Iowa, September 6, 1928. When fourteen years of age, owing to his parents' large family, he left home to earn his own living. Two years later, in 1863, he arrived at Maquoketa to make his home with relatives. Here he engaged in farm work during summers and attended public school in Maquoketa in winters. In 1866 he lost an arm in a mowing machine accident. The following winter he attended the State University of Iowa, and followed that by teaching school for four years, in the meantime reading law with C. M. Dunbar of Maquoketa, and was admitted to the bar in 1870. In 1871 he was elected county superintendent and, after serving two years in that position, was county auditor four years. From 1878 to 1892 he was associated with Levi Keck in the practice of law and the abstract business. The General Assembly having provided for an additional judge in the Seventh Judicial District Governor Boies appointed Mr. House to that position, and by reason of elections he served continuously for thirty-four years, or until 1926, when he declined to be a candidate again owing to failing health. In politics he was a Democrat.

JAMES B. ROCKAFELLOW was born on a farm in Fulton county, Illinois, January 29, 1851, and died at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McCabe, in Davenport, Iowa, May 3, 1928. Burial was at Atlantic, Iowa. His parents removed to Galva, Illinois, in 1857. James B. attended public school and was graduated from the Galva High School. After working on a farm two years he matriculated in Union College of Law, Chicago, and was graduated in 1875. He then removed to Atlantic, Iowa, and began practice. In 1878 he was elected city solicitor of Atlantic. In 1881 he discontinued practice, removed to Harlan and conducted a drug store, but in 1885 returned to Atlantic and resumed the practice of law. From 1898 to 1906 he was referee in bankruptcy for Cass, Audubon, and Shelby counties. On April 25, 1913, he was appointed by Governor Clarke one of the judges of the Fifteenth Judicial District, the General Assembly having provided for another judge. He was elected in 1914 and continued in the position until 1922. The last few years of his life he was in retirement because of failing eyesight and he finally became totally blind.

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