

degree of A. B. in 1892; from Illinois College of Law, with the degrees of LL. B. and LL. M. in 1896; and from the University of Chicago with the degree of Ph. B. in 1898. He began practice in Chicago in 1896 but in 1898 removed to Des Moines and became secretary of and an instructor in Highland Park College of Law. In 1902 he became the junior member of the firm of Miller (Jesse A.), Wallingford (J. D.) & DeGraff, but in October, 1903, was appointed assistant attorney general under C. W. Mullan and served in that position until January 1, 1907. Having been elected county attorney of Polk County in November, 1906, he served three years, or until he was appointed by Governor Carroll January 3, 1910, judge of the District Court. He served as judge until elevated to the Supreme Court January 1, 1921, having been elected the previous November. This position he retained until December 31, 1932, having been defeated in the election of the previous November. Judge DeGraff was a scholarly man and a popular jurist. He was the author of *Outlines of American Government*, 1898; *Outlines in Economics*, 1900; and *Pharmacy Law*, 1916.

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HENRY SILWOLD was born in Sheboygan County, Wisconsin, January 12, 1860, and died in Newton, Iowa, April 28, 1934. Burial was in the cemetery of St. John's Evangelical Church in the country near Newton. His parents were Henry and Charlotte (Depping) Silwold. They removed from Wisconsin to Malaka Township, Jasper County, Iowa, in 1866. The son Henry helped on the farm during crop seasons, and attended public school in the country during winters, later took a preparatory course at Hazel Dell Academy, Newton, entered Drake University in 1885 and was graduated in 1890. He then began the study of law in the office of W. O. McElroy at Newton, was admitted to the bar in 1892 and began practice at Baxter. In 1898 he removed to Newton. In March, 1900, he was appointed county attorney of Jasper County to succeed W. O. McElroy, resigned, and the fall of 1901 was nominated by the Republicans for that office, was elected and served until January 1, 1904. Governor Carroll appointed him a judge of the Sixth Judicial District to succeed Byron W. Preston and he assumed the duties January 1, 1913. In 1914 he was elected for a full term and served until December 31, 1918. He then returned to the practice in Newton which he continued up to a short time before his death. He was honorable in his profession and in his official duties, as well as in his private life. He was scholarly, interested in local history, and was an occasional contributor to the ANNALS.

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HARRY MATTINGLY COWPER ("Holmes Cowper") was born in Dundas, Ontario, Canada, March 4, 1870, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, July 2, 1934. Burial was in Glendale Cemetery, Des Moines. His parents were Roland Frederick and Sara Ann (Bishop) Cowper. He attended Quaker College, Pickering, Ontario, and studied music in London under

Frederick Walker, in Berlin under George Ferguson, in Paris under Vergenet, and in Chicago under Gottschalk. He was a tenor soloist with leading choral and oratorio societies, including the Apollo Club of Chicago, the Theodore Thomas Orchestra, Pittsburg Orchestra, Cincinnati Orchestra, Boston Festival, etc. He taught singing and interpretation in the American Conservatory of Music, Chicago, 1897-1900; in the Sherwood School of Music, 1900-02; and was a private teacher, 1902-09. With this background of experience and culture, in 1909 he accepted the position of dean of the College of Fine Arts and teacher of singing in Drake University, Des Moines. During his twenty-five years at Drake some 5,000 students were trained in music under him. One of his outstanding accomplishments was his ability to lead community singing which was demonstrated on numberless occasions in city affairs and in congregations, but especially at Camp Dodge during the World War where for eighteen months thousands of soldiers followed his inspirational leadership in song. Those who heard him will long remember the beauty of the tones of his vibrant voice.

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JOHN HEFFELFINGER was born in Chester County, Pennsylvania, April 17, 1843, and died in Grundy Center, Iowa, June 12, 1934. He was with his parents, Dr. Lewis and Mary (Miles) Heffelfinger when they removed with their family to Carrol County, Illinois, in 1857. In the early part of the Civil War he was for a short time in Company I, Thirty-fourth Illinois Infantry, the company of which his father was captain. On May 15, 1864, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Forty-second Illinois Infantry, was given the rank of sergeant and was honorably discharged October 26, 1864. In 1867 he removed to a farm three miles northwest of Grundy Center, Iowa, but in 1877 located in Grundy Center where during most of his life thereafter he conducted an insurance business. In 1888 he removed to Des Moines and for a time was an employee in the office of treasurer of state, but soon returned to his insurance business at Grundy Center. Although never being a candidate for an elective office it is said he was probably more closely associated with the politics of Grundy County than any other man. He also became a well-known figure in Republican state politics, principally by reason of his attendance at sessions of the General Assembly as doorkeeper or sergeant at arms. In the Twenty-second General Assembly, 1888, he was doorkeeper of the House, and for the next forty-one years he was present as a doorkeeper or a sergeant at arms in either the Senate or the House during sixteen regular sessions and two important extra sessions. From 1904 to 1929 he only missed one session, 1909. He was a charter member of the Grundy Center Grand Army post and remained to see all the members excepting one laid away.

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HERBERT B. WYMAN was born in Hartford, Connecticut, April 26, 1850, and died in Los Angeles, California, July 28, 1934. His parents

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