

Seward Smith Shirer

ISSN 0003-4827

Material in the public domain. No restrictions on use.

Recommended Citation

"Seward Smith Shirer." *The Annals of Iowa* 11 (1913), 75-75.

Available at: <http://ir.uiowa.edu/annals-of-iowa/vol11/iss1/14>

Hosted by [Iowa Research Online](#)

NOTABLE DEATHS.

ANTON HANSMANN was born in Baden, Germany, June 9, 1837; he died at De Witt, Iowa, March 16, 1913. He emigrated to America in 1855, coming first to Cincinnati, Ohio, the next year to Illinois and in 1859 to Clinton county, Iowa, where he maintained his residence until his death. He was a director of the De Witt Savings Bank, and Representative from Clinton county in the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth General Assemblies.

CHARLES GATES was born at Marble Rock, Iowa, April 2, 1856; he died in Des Moines, January 31, 1913, while in attendance as a senator from the Thirty-ninth district in the Thirty-fifth General Assembly. He graduated from Marble Rock high school and engaged in farming for several years, afterwards becoming interested in the lumber, implement and banking business. He served as mayor of Greene for three terms and later as alderman. He was elected State Senator in 1908, and served throughout the Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth and the beginning of the Thirty-fifth General Assemblies. His remains were conveyed to his home in Greene for burial by a committee from the Senate and House.

ASAHEL MANN was born in Hendricks county, Indiana, December 4, 1842; he died at Ogden, Utah, February 10, 1913. He removed with his parents to Fremont county, Iowa, in 1851, and received his early education in the district schools. He was in Tabor College at the outbreak of the Civil war and enlisted in Company A, Fourth Iowa Cavalry. He served throughout the war and participated in many important engagements. He was taken prisoner at Jones Lane, Arkansas, and on being exchanged returned to service. He was a Republican in politics and was elected representative from Fremont county to the Thirty-second and Thirty-second extra General Assemblies. He maintained his home on one farm in Fremont county from 1851 until his death.

SEWARD SMITH SHIRER was born at La Porte City, Iowa, September 17, 1871; he died at Chicago, February 18, 1913. He received his early education in the public schools of his native town and afterward attended Cornell College, Mt. Vernon. He graduated from the law course at Lake Forest university and was admitted to the bar in Iowa in 1893. In 1895 he removed to Chicago and was admitted to the Illinois bar. He was appointed assistant U. S. district attorney in 1906 by Edwin W. Sims and was held in highest regard as a prosecutor by Mr. Sims and his successor, James H. Wilkerson. In addition to his work as government prosecutor, Mr. Shirer was actively identified in the work of civic improvement in the district in which he lived.

Copyright of Annals of Iowa is the property of State of Iowa, by & through the State Historical Society of Iowa and its content may not be copied or emailed to multiple sites or posted to a listserv without the copyright holder's express written permission. However, users may print, download, or email articles for individual use.