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Infantry. On February 15, 1862, he was wounded at Fort Donelson, and also on April 6, 1862, at Shiloh, and was honorably discharged January 1, 1863. In 1864 he was elected superintendent of schools for Delaware County, was re-elected two years later, and served four years. For some twenty years he conducted at Manchester a war claims business, besides being successful in other business enterprises. In 1879 he was elected senator and served in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth general assemblies. Among his services in those assemblies he drafted the first oleomargarine bill passed by the legislature and the first passed in the United States. In 1893 he entered the Law Department of the State University of Iowa, being admitted to the bar in 1894. At the time he was taking this law course Mrs. Tirrill, who was Miss Eliza Jane Weeks previous to their marriage in 1860, also attended the University, taking English, French, and German. Mr. Tirrill was department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Iowa, for the year 1898-99, and for over twenty years was a member of the local school board. He and Mrs. Tirrill took two trips to Europe, visiting many countries, including Egypt and the Holy Land. He gave a beautiful park to the city of Manchester and set aside a fund of \$60,000 for its beautifying and care.

ULYSSES S. ALDERMAN was born in Nevada, Iowa, August 2, 1865, and died at his home in that city May 14, 1926. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore E. Alderman, established the first home on the present site of Nevada. Ulysses attended common school there and was graduated from the Nevada High School in 1883. He then engaged in the hardware business with his father, following that vocation until 1895, when he entered the Law Department of the University of Iowa and was graduated therefrom in 1897. He began the practice at Nevada, which he continued with success until his death. He was active in public and civic affairs. During the World War he was a leader in Red Cross organizations in his county, and in Liberty Loan drives and other patriotic work. In 1918 he was elected representative and served in the Thirty-eighth General Assembly.

JAMES SHERMAN SHEPHERD was born in Sangamon County, Illinois, December 4, 1834, and died at Mount Ayr, Iowa, November 10, 1925. Burial was at Keosauqua, Iowa. His parents, James and Jane (Sherman) Shepherd, removed with their family to Keosauqua, Iowa Territory, in 1844, and here James S. at the age of ten years commenced to learn the printing trade in the office of the *Iowa Democrat*, which his father had purchased. However, he attended school regularly until sixteen years of age, when he began serving his regular apprenticeship as a printer. In 1856 he was appointed postmaster at Keosauqua and served five years. In 1860 he and his father purchased the *Des Moines News* at

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