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a few years in his young manhood he was a cattle rancher in Nebraska. He was admitted to the bar in Wheeler County, Nebraska, in 1887 and practiced there five years, the last two years being county attorney. In 1892 he returned to Council Bluffs and engaged in the practice of law there where he achieved success in his profession. For many years he was vice president and trust officer of the State Savings Bank of that city. He was active in promoting and organizing the Council Bluffs Public Library and was one of its trustees. He was elected senator in 1920, and was twice re-elected, serving inclusively from the Thirty-ninth to the Forty-fourth general assemblies. In the last three assemblies he was chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. He was known as a conservative in business and in legislation, was a Republican politically, was a man of great industry and courage, and a real leader in his city and in the Senate.

THOMAS FRANCIS GRIFFIN was born in Howard County, Iowa, near Cresco April 19, 1865, and died in Sioux City April 21, 1933. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Sioux City. His parents were Thomas and Rose Griffin. He attended school in the locality of his birth, taught several terms of school, and was graduated in law from the University of Notre Dame in June, 1888. He was admitted to the bar in August of the same year and began practice in Sioux City, which he continued for forty-five years, or to nearly the time of his death, achieving an honored position in his profession. He served Woodbury County as county attorney in 1893 and 1894. In 1912 he was elected representative and was three times re-elected, serving in the Thirty-fifth, Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth general assemblies. On retiring from the legislature in 1920 he was chosen city attorney for Sioux City and served two years. He was a Republican in politics. He was state deputy for Iowa of the Knights of Columbus during 1911 and 1912.

TIMOTHY P. HARRINGTON was born at New Digging, Lafayette County, Wisconsin, December 17, 1867, and died in Algona, Iowa, May 17, 1933. His parents were John P. and Margaret (O'Leary) Harrington. The family removed to Wright County, Iowa, in 1882. Timothy attended public school both in Wisconsin and in Iowa. He was a student in Clarion High School, took a course in a business college in Cedar Rapids, and was graduated from the Law Department of the State University of Iowa in 1899. He was admitted to the bar the same year and entered practice at Algona in partnership with L. J. Dickinson as Harrington & Dickinson, which partnership remained unbroken, although after Mr. Dickinson entered Congress in 1919 Mr. Harrington carried on the business alone. He gained a reputation for legal ability and had an extensive practice. He was a member of the Algona School Board for twenty-eight years, had been secretary of the Algona Library Board from its beginning, was city attorney for two years, was county attorney from January 1, 1903, for four years, and was elected

representative in 1916, was re-elected in 1918, and served in the Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth general assemblies. He was chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the House of the Thirty-eighth and won a fine reputation as a legislator.

WILLIAM LARRABEE, JR., was born at Clermont, Iowa, December 11, 1870, and died at Clermont April 1, 1933. His parents were William and Anna (Appleman) Larrabee. He attended the public schools of Clermont, was graduated from the State University of Iowa in liberal arts in 1893, and in law in 1896. His entire life was spent at Clermont. For many years he maintained a law office there, and also devoted much time to local banking and to his farming and other property interests. He enlisted May 18, 1898, as a private in Company G, Fifty-second Iowa Infantry, and was promoted June 17, 1898, to captain and commissary of subsistence of volunteers of the Spanish-American War. He was a member of the local school board of Clermont for several years. In 1901 he was elected representative, and again in 1908, 1910 and 1912, serving in the Twenty-ninth, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, and Thirty-fifth general assemblies.

WILLIAM BEELER SEELEY was born in Harrison Township, Lee County, Iowa, March 4, 1862, and died at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, April 15, 1933. Burial was in Sharon Cemetery, Lee County. His parents were Eli and Martha (Beeler) Seeley. He acquired his education in country school, village school at Primrose, Elliott's Business College, Burlington, and the Law Department of the State University of Iowa from which he was graduated in 1886. He then became associated with his father in extensive agricultural, real estate and banking interests. His home was on the farm where he was born until 1900 when he removed to Mount Pleasant, but continued in the same lines of business throughout his life, was connected officially with several banks in that section, and was an extensive raiser of pure bred livestock. In 1906 he was elected senator and served in the Thirty-second and Thirty-third general assemblies. He was on the Board of Trustees of the Mount Pleasant Public Library, on the School Board, the Board of Trustees of Wesleyan College, and for some years, on the Board of Trustees of Parsons College. He possessed to an uncommon degree the confidence and respect of the public wherever he was known.

JOHN R. WEBER was born in Springfield, Illinois, and died in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, at the age of seventy-nine years. He was a son of George R. Weber, a native of Baltimore, who settled in Illinois in 1835, and was for some time publisher of the *Illinois State Register*, one of the leading Democratic newspapers of the state. His father also entered the Mexican War under Colonel Baker, a friend of Lincoln. John R. Weber knew Lincoln and Douglas and many of the public men in Springfield. At the time of his death he left a manuscript entitled "A Boyhood Impression of Lincoln." He frequently wrote articles on the

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