

## Scott Skinner

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dicial District September 28, 1922, by Governor N. E. Kendall to succeed Judge Dawley who died in office. He had served continuously ever since having been returned to his place by the Republican party at each judicial election. He was active in the work of the Iowa State District Judges' Association and last year completed five years as its secretary. He was a useful citizen and did much for his community.

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SCOTT SKINNER was born in Keokuk County, Iowa, February 29, 1852, and died in Creston, December 2, 1936. When he was quite small his parents, Joseph and Harriet C. (Morgan) Skinner, removed with their family to Union County where they established their home on land they purchased. Scott attended public school in the country. In 1871 the family removed to Creston and he became a water boy for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad. Soon thereafter he was placed on an engine as fireman and three years later was promoted to engineer, first on a freight, then on a passenger train, and finally on the fast mail. In 1888 he retired from railroad work and engaged in real estate business. He served as member of the county board of supervisors from 1893 to 1899. He was for a time a member of the city council and in 1899 was elected mayor and remained in that position four years. In 1903 he was elected representative and served in the Thirtieth and Thirty-first general assemblies. In 1906 he was appointed by President Theodore Roosevelt postmaster, was re-appointed by President Taft, and served eight years. He was connected with the Iowa State Savings Bank as a director, and with the First National Bank of Prescott as vice president. He was a useful citizen to his community and state.

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HARRY C. PAULSON was born in Clinton, Iowa, March 23, 1891, and died in Clinton April 5, 1937. Burial was in Springdale Cemetery, Clinton. When he was nine years of age his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Paulson, removed with their family to a farm near Clinton. He received his education in rural and city schools of Clinton County, Augustana College in Rock Island, and Iowa State College, Ames. In 1914 he was elected to a township office, and also became a director in the local Farm Bureau. In 1928 he was elected representative and served in the Forty-third General Assembly. The last several years of his life he resided on his dairy farm near Clinton.

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JOHN SPRINGER was born in Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, November 27, 1850, and died in Iowa City, Iowa, March 22, 1937. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery, Iowa City. He came to Iowa City during the early 1860's and after attending high school he began work in a local printing shop. He attained unusual proficiency as a printer and during his long life was a devotee of that vocation. He came to be regarded as a master printer. In 1882 he and A. J. Hershere bought the *Iowa State Press* of Iowa City of John P. Irish, noted Democratic leader and editor, and edited and published it until 1894. Later he was one of the founders of

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