

## William Welden

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University of Iowa in 1882 and that year he commenced the practice of law in Mason City. His first partnership was that of McConlogue & Miller, then in 1890 he formed with John D. Glass the firm of Glass & McConlogue, which later became Glass, McConlogue & Witwer, and later again, Glass, McConlogue & Glass. In 1902 he was president of the State Bar Association. He was a member of the public library board in Mason City and was mayor of the city several years. In 1892 he was the Democratic candidate for secretary of state. He was a member of the state militia and served on Governor Boies's staff for four years. He was appointed by Governor Carroll a member of the State Tax Commission. In September, 1913, Governor Clarke appointed him a member of the Board of Control for the unexpired term of John F. Wade, deceased. He was reappointed in 1916 for a full term. On the Board of Control he gave much attention to prison reform, advocating the most humane and liberal methods toward the prisoners.

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WILLIAM WELDEN was born in Highland, Wisconsin, December 8, 1845, and died at Iowa Falls, June 8, 1917. He was educated in the district schools and taught school for a short time. In 1864 he enlisted in Company C, Forty-third Wisconsin Infantry, and served until the close of the war. He engaged in general merchandise business at Mifflin, Wisconsin, until 1868, when he removed to Iowa Falls, Iowa. After a year's work with his father in the erection of buildings for the Illinois Central Railroad, he engaged in the grocery business in which he continued until about two years previous to his death. He acted as deputy postmaster and as postmaster at Iowa Falls for twelve years. He served as city councilman, fire chief, member of the school board and trustee of Ellsworth College. He was vice president of the Home Savings Bank, a stockholder in the First National Bank of Iowa Falls, and treasurer and vice president of the Short Line Railway. He was elected representative from Hardin County in 1903 and re-elected in 1906 and 1908, serving from the Thirtieth to the Thirty-third general assemblies, inclusive. Mr. Welden was a Republican in politics and prominent in Masonic circles, having been in 1904 grand commander of the Knights Templar of Iowa.

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CLEMENT J. G. LOWREY was born in Pickaway County, Ohio, in August, 1837, and died at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, January 28, 1917. At the age of eight years he removed to Lee County, Iowa. He early evinced a desire to study for the church and attended St. Thomas Seminary in Kentucky where he completed his studies for the priesthood. He was ordained in the old cathedral at Dubuque, November 24, 1862, by Bishop Clement Smith. After a short service at the cathedral he was sent to a charge consisting of fourteen missions in northern Iowa and southern Minnesota. Here the work was so heavy that his health broke in a few years. In 1867 Father Lowrey took charge of a parish at Cedar Rapids and missions at Anamosa, Belle Plaine, Blairstown, Marshalltown, Rock Island, Marion and Fairfax. He was instrumental in the building of a

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