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England; Reichenberg, Austria; St. Gall, Switzerland, and being a supervisor of consulates with headquarters at Berlin at the time of his death. While he did not establish the Marshalltown *Times-Republican*, his sixteen years' work on that paper, from 1883 to 1899, made it one of the important publications of the State. As a writer he was incisive and direct; as a publisher wide awake and enterprising. He believed that the business of a newspaper was to publish the news. In attempting his ideals in that respect, he was willing to spend both time and money. Among his fellow editors his standing was high. His death in his prime is especially mourned. He was a tall, erect, strong, manly man, as his father was before him. He had the power to both originate and carry out ideas. He had the confidence of the readers of his paper. He never struck below the belt. In all his contests he fought fair. In politics he was a power. In his editorial work he was anxious to build up his home city and the State. He loved to pick out the strong men and to help them. His help was unselfish. In regard to himself, or any of his achievements, he was modest to the limit. L. Y.

RICHARD C. BARRETT was born at Waverly, Iowa, October 1, 1858; he died at Des Moines, Iowa, March 3, 1909. He was educated in the public schools and at Decorah Institute and began teaching at an early age. When but 19 he assumed the principalship of the Riceville schools. Six years later he was elected county superintendent of Mitchell county, serving ten years in that office. In 1895 Cornell College conferred upon him the degree of A. M., and in 1904 Drake University that of LL. D. In 1897 he was elected State Superintendent of Public Instruction, succeeding Henry Sabin, serving three terms. He was then elected to the Chair of Civics of Iowa State College at Ames. As a member of the faculty and as chairman of the Committee on Entrance Requirements and Secondary School Relations, Professor Barrett rendered very important service to the State. His wide acquaintance with public schools and public school teachers of Iowa, his intelligent sympathy with all educational interests and his personal qualities adapted him to a difficult task. He succeeded in an extraordinary degree. For at least a generation to come the State College and public schools of Iowa will bless his memory for his wise counsels and his inspiring influence. A. B. S.

WILLIAM H. QUICK was born in Hamburg, Sussex county, N. J., July 1, 1832; he died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Foster Ingalls, in Des Moines, January 5, 1909. In 1852 he became a brakeman on the New York & Erie Railroad. In 1853 he became a baggageman on what is now the C. R. I. & P. Railway, and in 1855 was made conductor on the same road. He was appointed a messenger for Parker's Express Company between Iowa City and Dubuque in 1856. In 1857 he became agent for the United States Express Company at Iowa City, the Parker Company being absorbed by the United States about that time. Mr. Quick was in charge of the Company's offices at Marengo, Brooklyn, and Grinnell, and in 1863 became Superintendent in Iowa and Nebraska, his territory subsequently embracing the entire Rock Island system. Mr. Quick retained his official connection with the Company up to the time of his death.

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