

## Nels Larsen

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Missouri to Oregon, guarding emigrant trains. He saw a great deal of Indian warfare, and his life of over one hundred years embraced a remarkably eventful and adventurous career.

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W. H. McACHRAN was born at Shelbyville, Illinois, in November, 1847, and died at Bloomfield, Iowa, April 21, 1917. He came with his parents to Bloomfield when only six months old. When a lad of seventeen he entered as a clerk the drug store of A. D. Gibbons. He later became a partner and upon Mr. Gibbons' death in 1907 became sole owner, retaining the business until his own death. For twenty years he was a member of the board of regents of the Southern Iowa Normal School at Bloomfield. In 1895 he was elected representative and served in the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-sixth extra General Assembly.

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NELS LARSEN was born in Sogn, Norway, September 1, 1841, and died at his home at Spring Grove, Minnesota, February 26, 1917. He came with his father to America in 1854, stopping that winter in Minnesota but in 1855 locating in Winneshiek County, Iowa. Here he engaged in farming. In 1879 he was elected a member of the county board of supervisors and served six years. In 1885 he was elected representative and was re-elected in 1887, serving in the Twenty-first and Twenty-second general assemblies. He continued to live on his farm in Winneshiek County until 1914, in the meantime holding different township offices. In 1914 he retired, removing to Spring Grove, Minnesota.

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HENRY C. BURGESS was born in Fairfield, Maine, December 20, 1846, and died at Cresco, Iowa, March 8, 1917. He came with his parents to Lansing, Iowa, in 1861, and to Howard County in 1865. His education was obtained in common schools. He was employed at Ossian by the Fleming Lumber Company for fifteen years. In 1880 he went to Elma, conducting a mercantile business there. In 1885 he purchased the Fleming lumber business at Cresco and conducted it until 1915. In 1906 he was elected senator from the Howard-Winneshiek district, and served in the Thirty-second, Thirty-second extra and Thirty-third general assemblies.

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CHARLES F. CROSE was born at Sidney, Iowa, March 16, 1856, and died at his home at Santa Ana, California, January 11, 1917. As a boy he clerked in his brother's store at Manti, before Shenandoah was founded. When the new town was born the store was removed to it in wagons. This was one of the first stores in Shenandoah and Mr. Crose was connected with it as clerk or as partner for nearly forty years, excepting one year when he studied medicine and one year when he took a business course at Bryant & Stratton's Business College in Chicago. He was elected representative from Page County in 1903, and served in the Thirty-first and Thirty-second general assemblies. In 1910 he removed to Santa Ana, California,

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