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WALTER INGLEWOOD SMITH was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, July 10, 1862, and died in that city, January 28, 1922. The body was cremated at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Omaha, Nebraska. His parents were George Francis and Sarah Henrietta (Forrest) Smith. He was graduated from Council Bluffs High School in 1878 and entered Park College at Parkville, Missouri, but because of illness soon returned home. On recovering he taught country school a year near Neola, and in 1881 entered the office of D. B. Dailey of Council Bluffs to read law. In December, 1882, before he was twenty-one years old, he was admitted to the bar and formed a partnership with Mr. Dailey. He was later associated for a time with J. E. F. McGee. In 1890 he was elected a judge of the Fifteenth Judicial district, and re-elected in 1894 and 1898, serving from January, 1891, to September 1, 1900, when he resigned and accepted the Republican nomination for congressman from the Ninth District. A vacancy had been created by Smith McPherson resigning to accept the federal judgeship for the Southern District of Iowa, and Mr. Smith was elected to that vacancy, and also to the full term beginning March, 1901. He was re-elected in 1902, 1904, 1906, 1908, and 1910. During his first term in Congress he was a member of the Elections and Banking and Currency committees, but in his second and subsequent terms he was a member of the Appropriations Committee, and was advancing well toward its leadership. During his last term he was also a member of the small but powerful Rules Committee. On March 7, 1911, he resigned as congressman and accepted the appointment of judge of the Eighth Judicial District of the United States Circuit Court, made by President Taft. This position he filled with ability until a year or two before his death when he became an invalid. Judge Smith was a man of unusual mental ability, of exalted motives, pure character, winning personality, and rendered valuable service in every position he occupied.

JOHN HUGHES, JR., was born at Columbus, Ohio, October 25, 1841, and died at Long Beach, California, January 5, 1922. Interment was at Williamsburg, Iowa. He obtained a good education in the schools of Columbus and in 1857 accompanied his parents when they removed to Williamsburg, Iowa. He then taught school and on August 15, 1862, enlisted as fifth sergeant in Company G, Twenty-eighth Iowa Infantry. He saw much hard service in the field, but in the latter part of the war was assigned to clerical duty in Washington, D. C. He was honorably discharged June 30, 1865. He then returned to Williamsburg and engaged in farming. The fall of 1868 he was elected county clerk of Iowa County and was re-elected in 1870, 1872, and 1874, serving eight years. He read law under J. H. Feenan, was admitted to the bar in 1875, and at the end of his service as county clerk became a member of the law firm of Feenan, Hughes & Kirk. In 1883 he withdrew from the firm and entered banking at Williamsburg, becoming cashier of Williamsburg Savings Bank. In 1888 he retired from banking and engaged in the

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