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ROBERT A. GREENE was born at McGregor, Iowa, January 3, 1865, and died in Des Moines, December 4, 1925. When about three years old his parents removed to Cedar Rapids where Robert grew to manhood, attending public school, including high school. In 1885 he was graduated from the Civil Engineering Department of the State University of Iowa, and went from there to Douglas, Wyoming, where he was engaged in civil engineering. In 1890 he returned to Cedar Rapids but soon removed to Des Moines and entered the office of the city engineer as an assistant. In 1893 he removed to East Peru, Madison County, and engaged in mercantile business. In 1901 he was elected representative and was re-elected in 1903, serving in the Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, and Thirty-first general assemblies. In 1905 he returned to Des Moines and with his son, Robert Greene, Jr., established and operated the Greene Specialty Company, handling merchants' supplies. He was prominent in the United Commercial Travelers Association, and also in Masonry, including the Consistory and the Shrine.

OTTO WITTHAUER was born at Woodward, Center County, Pennsylvania, October 11, 1857, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, December 12, 1925. Burial was at Exira. In 1865 he was brought by his parents on their removal to a farm near Panora, Guthrie County. He attended country school, Guthrie County High School, Panora, and from 1877 to 1880 taught country schools. In 1880 he entered the employ of Captain Charles Stuart in the grain and lumber business, first at Guthrie Center, then at Montieth, and in 1881 at Exira. In 1884 he was elected county recorder of Audubon County, serving two years, then returned to the grain and lumber business, and afterward engaged in farming. He was near Butte, Montana, in 1909 managing a lumber business, but returned to Exira, was elected county auditor in 1910 and re-elected in 1912. In 1914 he was elected representative and served in the Thirty-sixth General Assembly. During the World War he was a railroad inspector for the Federal government. The last few years of his life he resided in or near Des Moines. He was a Democrat in politics.

GEORGE MORTON ANDERSON was born near Perry, New York, February 13, 1861, and died at Inwood, Iowa, December 3, 1923. He was with his parents in their removal to Winneshiek County, Iowa, in 1876 and to Inwood in 1879. In his early business life he was a hardware merchant and was also engaged in handling grain, coal, and lumber. For some years he was associated with his brother, B. B. Anderson, in conducting several grain elevators in northwestern Iowa and southwestern Minnesota. During his later years he was vice president and active manager of the Farmers National Bank of Inwood. He was active and useful in a public way, holding many local positions, among them mayor, and member of the school board. In 1897 he was elected representative, and was re-elected in 1899, serving in the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth general assemblies. He was a Democrat in politics.

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