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Mr. and Mrs. Bowdish (the latter was Mary Harrison before her marriage) celebrated their sixty-ninth wedding anniversary. They lived the entire time of their married life in the same home at Waubeek in which they were married and in which Mr. Bowdish died.

JAMES B. McHose was born in Davenport, Iowa, August 25, 1849, and died in Boone June 17, 1927. His parents were Samuel and Mary (Dillon) McHose. In 1850 the family removed to Geneseo, Illinois, where the father established a brickmaking business. James B., besides attending grade and high school, early began working in his father's brickyard. He taught school for a time and then entered Washington University of St. Louis for the study of law and was graduated in 1874. He practiced law in Nevada, Iowa, for about four years, then abandoned it and entered the brickmaking business at Nevada. In 1889 he removed to Boone and established the Boone Clay Works, which he successfully conducted until 1910, when he retired. He also had farming interests and did paving contracting. He served as member of the Boone City Council, and was elected representative in 1912 and served in the Thirty-fifth General Assembly. He had been for years a member of the Board of Park Commissioners of Boone and was its president at the time of his death. He gave to Boone McHose Park, which adjoins the city on the south.

GEORGE C. WHITE was born in Blue Mound Township, McLean County, Illinois, December 6, 1865, and died in Mason City, Iowa, May 7, 1927. He attended public school and was graduated from the Illinois State Normal School, Normal, Illinois, in 1888 and followed school teaching in McLean County for three years. In 1893 he removed to Nevada, Iowa, and for three years he was engaged in farming and stock raising. In 1906 he was elected representative and was re-elected in 1908, serving in the Thirty-second and Thirty-third general assemblies. In 1909 he was graduated from the Law Department of Drake University and began practice in Nevada in 1910. In 1914 he was the candidate of the Progressive party for governor, receiving 16,796 votes. He was president of the State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, from April, 1924, to April, 1925. In November, 1924, he removed to Mason City and was engaged there in the practice of his profession at the time of his death.

JOHN F. POTTER was born in Bridgewater, Windsor County, Vermont, February 27, 1834, and died in Cherokee, Iowa, April 15, 1927. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery. His parents were John and Polly (Wheeler) Potter. In 1843 they removed with their family to Rutland County, Vermont. In 1856 John F. removed to Clayton County, Iowa, and in 1868 to Silver Township, Cherokee County. There he followed farming very successfully. In 1889 he was elected representative and served in the Twenty-third General Assembly. He was a Democrat in politics and a man of influence in his community.

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