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JOHN W. CARR was born near Mount Pulaski, Logan County, Illinois, April 26, 1839, and died in Montezuma, Iowa, March 30, 1929. His parents were William and Catharine (Moore) Carr. Left an orphan, he came to Poweshiek County, Iowa, in 1847 to make his home with his maternal grandmother who lived near Forest Home. He worked summers on the pioneer farm and in winters was a pupil in the first log schoolhouse in Poweshiek County. He later was a student in the Preparatory Department of Iowa College, Grinnell, and still later in the college. He varied his attendance at college with school-teaching. July 5, 1861, he enlisted in Company F, Tenth Iowa Infantry, and was appointed second lieutenant. Owing to sickness he resigned the following January. July 5, 1862, he led in raising a company that was attached to the Twenty-eighth Iowa Infantry as Company C, was commissioned its captain, and served until mustered out at Savannah, Georgia, July 31, 1865. He was with his regiment in its great campaigns in the Southwest, including Vicksburg and Red River, and later in Virginia, being seriously wounded at Winchester, and was finally with Sherman in the Carolinas. Owing to wounds received by his superior officers he was in command of his regiment for a time and was at the close of the war breveted major. Returning from the war he engaged in merchandising at Montezuma until 1869 when he was elected clerk of the District Court, and was twice re-elected, serving six years. During that time he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1877 and was actively in practice in Montezuma during nearly all the remainder of his life. For a time he was in partnership with William H. Redman as Redman & Carr. He was elected county attorney in 1894 and twice re-elected, serving six years. He became president of the Montezuma Savings Bank when it was organized in 1893, and was a director of the First National Bank of Montezuma. He was an active member of the Republican party in the county and state, and during his long career was a useful and honored citizen.

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WILLIAM S. HART was born in Paint Creek Township, Allamakee County, Iowa, March 20, 1866, and died in Waukon January 25, 1929. His parents were William and Alicia (Conway) Hart. He attended public school, worked on farms, was at different times a student in Decorah Institute conducted by John Breckenridge, taught country schools and sold fire insurance. In 1889 he was elected clerk of the District Court and was re-elected in 1891, but resigned before the end of his second term and began the practice of law, having studied with Henry and John F. Dayton, and been admitted to the bar. July 2, 1890, he enlisted in Company I, First Regiment, Iowa National Guard, as a private. He was promoted to second lieutenant March 4, 1892, to first lieutenant September 23, 1893, and to captain July 15, 1895. During the Spanish American War he went out as second lieutenant of Com-

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