

## Edgar Alfred Morling

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## NOTABLE DEATHS

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EDGAR ALFRED MORLING was born at Boonville, Oneida County, New York, April 21, 1864, and died in a hospital in Des Moines, Iowa, October 15, 1932. Burial was at Emmetsburg, Iowa. His parents were Alfred and Elizabeth (Hines) Morling. He attended public school, including high school, in Boonville, and was graduated from the Albany (N. Y.) Law School in 1886. Admitted to the bar, the same year he began practicing at Boonville, but in 1887 took a position in legal editorial work with the West Publishing Company of St. Paul, Minnesota, in which he remained two years. In 1889 he located in Emmetsburg, joining in the practice of law with E. B. Soper and F. E. Allen as Soper, Allen & Morling. In 1897 he withdrew from the firm and practiced alone. In 1898 he was elected county attorney and was re-elected in 1900, serving four years. Later he was for some time in partnership with F. C. Davidson. During the thirty-five years he was in practice he came to be employed in much important litigation in his section of the state, and was consulted by lawyers as well as clients. On October 1, 1925, he was appointed a justice of the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Thomas Arthur. At the next election, 1926, he was elected for the balance of the unexpired term of Judge Arthur, and in 1930 was elected for a full term of six years. As a judge he was known for his impartiality, and for the clarity of his opinions. In his home town, in addition to his high standing in his profession, he was prominent in business connections, in civic enterprises, and in whatever related to the best interests of his community. He was a prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, was a lay delegate to the General Conference in 1920, 1924, and 1932, although the condition of his health prevented his attendance in 1932. He was also a trustee of Morningside College, Sioux City, and of Wesley Foundation of Iowa.

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HENRY WHITTEMORE GROUT was born in Waterloo, Iowa, March 24, 1858, and died in the city of his birth June 28, 1932. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Waterloo. His parents were Samuel B. and Harriet Augusta (Whittemore) Grout. When he was six years old the family removed to a farm a few miles distant from the city. He was educated in rural school and in Field Seminary, Waterloo. In 1880 he was in Leadville, Colorado, in the employ of a mining company, but returned at the end of a year, and for about two years was in railroad work, then for seven years followed farming. In 1889 he went on the road as a traveling salesman. In 1901 he engaged in real estate business in Waterloo, and eventually became the owner of considerable farm and other properties, was a stockholder and director in the First National Bank of Waterloo, and had similar connections with the Waterloo Saddlery Company. He served on the Waterloo Board of Park Com-

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