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University at Ann Arbor. In 1872 he returned to Rush Medical College and was graduated February 19, 1873. He then located at Malcom, Iowa, and began practice, but in the fall of 1873 he removed to Humeston where he successfully practiced his profession for over half a century. He acquired a large practice in town and the surrounding country, was a typical country doctor, a general practitioner, relieving the sufferings of the people and becoming friend and counsellor of all. He did his full share in helping build up the town, was a man of good judgment and made wise investments, acquired some 2,000 acres of Wayne County land, and several town properties. He took an interest in political matters and as a Republican was elected representative in 1881, serving in the Nineteenth General Assembly, the first one held in the new Capitol, and was again elected representative in 1903, serving in the Thirtieth and Thirty-first general assemblies. In 1908 he was elected senator and served in the Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth general assemblies.

MARION BROOKS was born in Whiteside County, Illinois, February 8, 1842, and died in a hospital in Des Moines, Iowa, May 23, 1936. Burial was in the Peoples Center Church Cemetery, Peoples Township, Boone County. His parents were Alphonso and Eliza Brooks. He grew to manhood in the neighborhood of his birth, was educated in public school, then engaged in farming. He enlisted as a private in the Union Army September 20, 1861, at Spring Hill, Illinois, but as the Illinois regiments were complete at that time, his company was made Company A, Eighth Kansas Infantry, which became a part of the Army of the Cumberland. He served in this regiment until January 1, 1864, when he veteranized and continued in the same regiment until the close of the war. He was promoted to first lieutenant January 30, 1862, and to captain of his company July 8, 1864. At different times his regiment was under command of Sherman, Grant, and Thomas. He was honorably discharged in February, 1866. On returning home he resumed farming, but in the spring of 1867 removed overland to Boone County, Iowa, and settled on section 16, Peoples Township, where he acquired land and developed a good farm. Besides farming and the rearing of livestock, he became a successful auctioneer. He served as justice of the peace, township clerk, secretary of the school board, and in 1891 was elected representative, and was re-elected in 1893, serving in the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth general assemblies.

CHARLES ERNEST HEARST was born on a farm near Cedar Falls, Iowa, October 18, 1869, and died in a hospital in Cedar Falls March 8, 1936. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Cedar Falls. His parents were James and Maria Debora (Dane) Hearst. He grew to young manhood on the farm and for two years was a student in Iowa State Teachers College. He adopted farming as his vocation and after marriage established a farm of his own southwest of Cedar Falls near the place

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