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blies. He was a useful legislator, was a man of ability and integrity, a man of positive influence in his community, and for over half a century maintained an honorable position as a lawyer.

ALBERT M. DEYOE was born on a farm near Dodgeville, Iowa County, Wisconsin, November 15, 1862, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, September 16, 1936. Burial was at Garner, Iowa. He was with his parents, Stephen M. and Mary Ann (Watkins) Deyoe in their removal to a farm near Mason City, Iowa, in 1870. He attended rural schools, was graduated from Mason City High School in 1881, and received the degree of B. S. in 1887, and of M. A. in 1890, from the State University of Iowa. He taught for some time in rural schools, was one year principal at Rock Falls, four years principal at Garner, and in 1901 was elected county superintendent of schools of Hancock County, and was re-elected three times, serving nine consecutive years in that position. In 1910 he was elected state superintendent of public instruction, was re-elected two years later, and in January, 1915, under a new provision of the law Governor Clarke, with the consent of the Senate, appointed him for the following four years, so he served in that position eight years. While he was state superintendent he was an ex officio member of the Iowa Library Commission. In 1925 Governor Hammill appointed him a member of the commission, and reappointed him in 1930, so that he served ten years by reason of appointment, making in all, eighteen years as a member of the Library Commission. He also served from October, 1925, to January, 1931, as secretary and director of the War Roster Commission. Mr. Deyoe was a successful educator, a good administrator, a companionable man, and a Christian gentleman.

JOHN M. DINWIDDIE was born in Brownstown, Indiana, November 15, 1852, and died in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, November 20, 1936. He was with his parents, John and Catharine A. Dinwiddie, in their removal to Marengo, Iowa, when he was a child. At fifteen years of age he began work in the J. H. Branch bank at Marengo. After years of training and service he organized the Marengo Savings Bank, but later removed to Cedar Rapids and took employment in the Bever Bank. In 1883 he helped organize the Cedar Rapids Savings Bank, was made cashier and in 1916 became its president, remaining so until his retirement in 1934. For the last five years of this time he was also president of the Merchants National Bank of Cedar Rapids. For fourteen years he was president of the Cedar Rapids Clearing House. He was secretary of the Iowa Bankers Association for the first twenty-three years of its existence. In his career he organized five banks in Iowa, two in South Dakota and one in Idaho. For many years he was treasurer of the local Public Welfare Bureau, and donated fifty-five acres of his land to the local Camp Fire Girls organization for a camp site. He was a trustee of Coe College from 1898, and treasurer of the college from 1903 until

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