

Albert Clinton Willford

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ing for the high school and helped to promote it, serving on the school board that erected the present building. He was greatly interested in his profession and belonged to several bar organizations. He was the first president of the Second Judicial Bar Association and a prominent member of the State Bar Association. At the time of his death he was president of the Appanoose Bar Association. He was a member of the Methodist church and the Masonic order and was always actively interested in the welfare of the community. He is survived by his widow and his two sons, Charles and Honorable John K., the present lieutenant governor of Iowa.

ALBERT CLINTON WILLFORD was born in Vinton, Iowa, September 21, 1877, and died in Waterloo, March 10, 1937. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery, Waterloo. His parents were Samuel and Rebekah Henkle Willford. He received his education in grade public school, Vinton High School, and Tilford Academy, Vinton. From 1900 to 1907 he was chief engineer of the Electric Light, Power & Water Company of Vinton. In 1907 he removed to Waterloo and organized the Artificial Ice Company and was its superintendent until 1910. In 1910 he organized the Willford Seed & Feed Company which he continued to operate until his death with the assistance of his son, Berl C. Willford. He was for some years president of the Waterloo Baseball Club, president of the Iowa Izaak Walton League, member of the local Boy Scout Court of Honor, and member of the Waterloo Library Board of Trustees. He was an active member of the Democratic party and in 1932 was elected member of Congress from the Third District, defeating the Republican nominee, the then incumbent, T. J. B. Robinson. In 1934 he was again his party nominee, but was defeated by the Republican nominee, John W. Gwynne. In 1936 the race between these two contestants was repeated, Congressman Gwynne again winning. When in Congress Mr. Willford ardently supported and voted for the measures advocated by President Roosevelt. He was a useful man to his city and district.

ATHERTON B. CLARK was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, July 6, 1886, and died at his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, April 12, 1937. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Cedar Rapids. He was the son of Colonel Charles A. Clark and Helen E. Brockway Clark who came to Cedar Rapids in 1876. His first schooling was obtained in the local grammar school and later he went to Aurora, New York, where he attended Cayuga Lake Academy. His college work was done in Colorado Springs. He received his law degree from the University of Iowa in 1911. He returned to Cedar Rapids and engaged in the law practice with his father until 1913 when the latter died. A partnership with State Senator Frank C. Byers had been formed in 1912. During his practice Judge Clark served four years as assistant county attorney of Linn County, but resigned that office before being appointed judge of the Superior Court in 1917. He was appointed judge of the Eighteenth Iowa Ju-

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