

Frank Curtiss

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FRANK CURTISS was born at Shelton, Connecticut, December 4, 1835, and died at Nevada, Iowa, December 11, 1919. He attended public schools and taught some in his early life. In 1860 he removed to near Galena, Illinois, and commenced his farming career. In 1865 he came to Story County, Iowa, and moved onto land of his own in Milford Township. In 1877 he was elected representative and served in the Seventeenth General Assembly. In 1892 he removed to Ames, but in 1893 removed to Nevada. Here he lived and managed farms he had acquired in Story and Polk counties and in northwest Iowa. He was also an importer and breeder of purebred stock. He was the father of Charles F. Curtiss, dean of agriculture of Iowa State College at Ames.

ALONZO BRYSON was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, July 23, 1840, and died at Hammond, Indiana, February 29, 1920. Burial was at Newport, Kentucky, to which place he had removed with his parents in youth. He attended school both at Cincinnati and Newport. When sixteen years old he engaged in river pursuits and was a pilot for some time on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. He came to Davenport, Iowa, in 1876 as agent for the St. Louis & St. Paul Packet Company. In 1890 he entered the grain and coal business. In 1897 he was elected county recorder of Scott County and discharged the duties of that office six years. In 1903 he was appointed postmaster at Davenport and served during the remainder of the Roosevelt administration.

PAUL O. KOTO was born in Rock County, Wisconsin, October 4, 1855, and died at Forest City, Iowa, June 19, 1915. He was graduated from a commercial college at Janesville, Wisconsin, in 1877. He studied medicine one year at Laopi, Minnesota, and in 1881 removed to Forest City, Iowa, and entered the drug business. This he followed until his health failed when he took up the study of veterinary medicine and in 1893 was graduated from the Chicago Veterinary College. In 1899 he was elected representative and served in the Twenty-eighth General Assembly. Here he aided in the improvement of the veterinary laws of the state. In 1902 he was appointed state veterinary surgeon and served until 1911.

CRYSTON M. NAGLE was born in Clayton County, Iowa, October 8, 1843, and died at Clarion, January 19, 1919. He was educated in public school and in Upper Iowa University. He was admitted to the bar in 1867 and commenced practice in 1868 at Alden, Hardin County. In 1879 he was elected representative and served in the Eighteenth General Assembly. In 1881 he removed to Clarion and had a partnership, first with N. F. Weber, and later with B. P. Birdsall, until Mr. Birdsall was elected judge in 1894, then with his son, I. E. Nagle, until the latter's death, and then with another son, C. J. Nagle.

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