THOMAS B. HANLEY was born in Ohio December 11, 1853, and
died at his home in Des Moines, Iowa, September 22, 1919. When
a small boy he came with his parents to LeClare, Iowa. Consider-
able time was spent in his boyhood in employment on the Missis-
sippi River. After attending school one year at the State College
at Ames he followed school teaching a few years and in 1880
graduated from the law department of the State University of
Iowa. He commenced practice at LeClare but in 1888 removed to
Tipton, forming a partnership with William P. Wolf as Wolf &
Hanley, which continued until Mr. Wolf went on the bench in
1895. He was mayor of Tipton two years. In 1894 he was the
leader in organizing the Modern Brotherhood of America, a fra-
ternal insurance association, and became its first president. He
continued to hold that office until his death. The Modern Brother-
hood of America has had a phenomenal growth, largely due to
Mr. Hanley's leadership. The headquarters were removed to Mason
City where the order erected a million dollar office building a
few years ago. He removed to Des Moines in 1907 and maintained
his office there. He was one of the most prominent fraternal as-

GEORGE CARSON was born in Jennings County, Indiana, February
5, 1841, and died at Council Bluffs, Iowa, February 18, 1919. In
his youth he attended public school and an academy. He enlisted
as a private in the Union Army in 1861 and was discharged in
1865 as a first lieutenant. After the war he attended Hartsville
University for a time and the law department of the Michigan
State University, graduating from the latter in 1868. In 1869
he removed to Council Bluffs and the following year formed a
law partnership with S. Smith, the firm being Smith & Carson.
In 1879 it became Smith, Carson & Harl. In 1877 he was elected
representative, and re-elected two years later, serving in the Seven-
teenth and Eighteenth General Assemblies. In 1883 he was elected
senator and served in the Twentieth and Twenty-first General As-
sembles. In 1886 he was elected one of the judges of the Fifteenth
Judicial District and served four years. In 1896 he was elected
mayor of Council Bluffs. His services in all these public stations
were marked by a high sense of duty.

CHARLES MCALLISTER was born at South Lee, Massachusetts, Feb-
uary 1, 1840, and died at South Lee, July 20, 1913, while there
making his annual visit to the old family homestead, which he
still owned. His interment was there. After obtaining an educa-
tion in the common branches, he taught school two years, then
entered Williams College and graduated in 1863. He graduated
from Berkshire Medical College in 1865. He practiced medicine at
Stockbridge, Massachusetts, five years and at Dixon, Illinois, two years. He came to Spencer, Iowa, in 1872 and was in an active and extensive practice there forty-one years, or until his death. He was a representative in the Seventeenth General Assembly, being elected in 1877.

A. O. Garlock was born in Otsego County, New York, December 4, 1842 and died at his home in Escondido, California, April 5, 1913. He emigrated to De Kalb, Illinois, in 1859. In 1861 he enlisted in Company K, Forty-second Illinois Infantry, as a first sergeant and later was commissioned a lieutenant. He removed to Pocahontas County, Iowa, in 1869 and became the first permanent settler of Cedar Township of that county. In 1871 he was elected county auditor and served eight years. In 1887 he was elected state senator and served in the Twenty-second General Assembly. He engaged in banking in Pocahontas County but removed to Des Moines in 1890. After 1902 he spent most of his time in California.

Thor O. Hanson was born in Dane County, Wisconsin, June 15, 1859; he died at his home near Bode, Iowa, February 18, 1915. He removed with his parents to Emmet County, Iowa, in 1869. His early education was received in the rural schools and in 1878 he engaged in teaching in Emmet, Kossuth and Humboldt counties for about ten years. From 1886 to 1892 he was in the general mercantile and real estate business and after that time was connected with the state bank of Bode. He was the first mayor of Bode and a member of the school board for fourteen years. He served as representative from Humboldt County in the Thirty-second, Thirty-second Extra and Thirty-third General Assemblies.

Henry M. Eicher was born in Marion Township, Washington County, Iowa, May 29, 1858, and died at Washington, Iowa, July 27, 1919. In the early ’80’s he read law in Washington with Dewey & Templin. In 1883 he entered a partnership with A. R. Dewey which continued until 1891, when Mr. Dewey went on the district bench. He then formed a partnership with C. J. Wilson. Later he was of the firm of Eicher, Livingston & Eicher. For three years during President Cleveland’s last administration he was Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa. In 1912 Governor Carroll appointed him a member of the State Board of Education, where he served until his death. He was an active member of the Council of Defense during the World War.