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the Spanish War veterans. For twenty-five years he was a lay minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, serving charges in the vicinity of his home. He was an able editor, public speaker, and a man of strong convictions.

KLEBER E. WILLCOCKSON was born on a farm in Christian County, Illinois, December 15, 1858, and died in Sigourney, Iowa, May 16, 1935. He was with his parents, William S. and Sue Vermillion Willcockson, in their removal to Cass County, Nebraska, in 1872, and in 1877 in their return to Christian County, Illinois. He taught school in winters and worked on farms in summers from 1877 until 1882. He read law with Judge A. McCaskill of Taylorville, Illinois, was admitted to the bar in 1882 and associated himself with Judge McCaskill in practice. In 1886 he removed to Saint John (now Logan) County, Kansas, and began practice. In November of that year he was elected county attorney and served five years, when he was elected state senator. Before the expiration of his term he was appointed a member of the State Board of Charities, a board having in charge all the charitable institutions of the state. After serving two years he resigned and became register of the United States land office at Colby, Kansas, served three years, resigned and resumed law practice. In 1901 he removed to Sigourney, Iowa, and opened a law office. In November, 1906, he was elected judge of the Sixth Judicial District and served twelve years, 1907 to 1918 inclusive, voluntarily retired and joined with William H. Hamilton and C. G. Updegraff in the practice of law as Willcockson, Hamilton & Updegraff. Later his health failed and he withdrew for a time from practice, but more recently was associated with his son, Edwin Willcockson.

EUGENE R. MOORE was born in Mount Carroll, Illinois, August 1, 1859, and died in Miami, Florida, May 15, 1935. Burial was at Miami. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moore. He was graduated from high school in Mount Carroll in 1877, followed farm work in summers, teaching school in winters, for four or five years, taught in grammar grade at Savanna, Illinois, two years, and in 1886 became principal of the schools at Oxford Junction, Jones County, Iowa. In 1887 he was elected county superintendent of Jones County, was twice re-elected and served for the years 1888 to 1893 inclusive. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Iowa State Teachers College from 1892 to 1896, and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Institution for Feeble-minded Children at Glenwood in 1896 and 1897. In 1894 he engaged in insurance business in Anamosa, but in 1904 became owner and editor of the Anamosa Journal and won some reputation as a militant editorial writer. For a time he was a member of the Anamosa City Council, of the Anamosa Board of Education, and chairman of the Democratic County Committee. In 1906 he was chosen Fifth District member of the Democratic State Committee and became treasurer.