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WESLEY GREENE was born at Yellow Springs, Pennsylvania, November 8, 1849, and died in Lakewood, Cleveland, Ohio, March 28, 1935. Burial was in Lakewood Park Cemetery. His parents were Allen J. and Sarah (Stanton) Greene. In 1855 the family removed to a farm in Scott County, Iowa, seven miles northeast of Davenport, in Lincoln Township. He was graduated from Iowa State College, Ames, in 1873, majoring in botany under that inspiring teacher, Dr. C. E. Bessey. He was also graduated from the Law Department of the State University of Iowa in 1875, and followed that by the practice of law for several years, first in Winterset and later in Davenport. But horticulture and floriculture lured him away and he engaged in those fields in Scott County for twenty years. He was secretary of the Union Horticultural Society and of the Tri-City Florists Club in the 1880's and 1890's, then became secretary of the State Horticultural Society in 1899, serving until 1920. He was secretary of the Society of Iowa Florists, was a member of the Iowa Park and Forestry Association, and for years was superintendent of the Floricultural Department of the State Fair. He belonged to many scientific associations, had a personal friendship with the leading scientists of Iowa and of the country, and was very useful and helpful to the people of Iowa in the field of horticulture. He was the author of Plants of Iowa, a bulletin of 264 pages of the State Horticultural Department, 1937. He was greatly interested in the establishment of the Iowa State Board of Conservation, and was a member by appointment of Governor Harding of the Plant Life Commission which was charged with checking and passing upon plans and species for replanting the improved Capitol Grounds in 1917. About 1921 he removed to Cleveland, Ohio, where he spent his last few years with relatives.

WILLIAM ASHLEY SUNDAY was born near Ames, Iowa, November 19, 1862, and died in Chicago, Illinois, November 6, 1935. Burial was in Forest Home Cemetery, Chicago. His parents were William and Mary Jane (Cory) Sunday. The father enlisted in Company E, Twenty-third Iowa Infantry, August 14, 1862, and died of disease December 22, 1862, at Camp Patterson, Missouri. William A. grew up with his mother, lived some time with other relatives, attended public school in the country, and was graduated from Nevada High School. As a boy at Ames and Nevada he had developed proficiency as a baseball player, and in 1883 while playing with the Marshalltown team he attracted the attention of A. C. Anson, the baseball manager, and was invited to play with the Chicago White Stockings. From then until 1890 he was a professional baseball player on the Chicago, Pittsburg, and Philadelphia teams of the National League. In 1891, having been converted at a