

as township assessor, collector, and supervisor. He died on 23 July 1925 and is buried in Maplewood Cemetery, Rantoul.²²

Henry Clinton Forbes was born in Preble Corners, Cortland County, New York, on 19 May 1833. Prior to May 1844, the family moved to Silver Creek, Stephenson County, Illinois. About 1854 Henry's father died, and he became the titular head of the family. When the Civil War loomed, Forbes sold the family farm and gave the money to his mother, who moved to the home of an older daughter. He enlisted in September 1861 in Company B, 7th Illinois Cavalry, and was named its first lieutenant. Forbes received several promotions in rank, ultimately achieving the rank of brevet colonel. The 7th Illinois Cavalry participated in Grierson's famous raid through Mississippi and Louisiana in the spring of 1863. After the war Forbes was a fruit farmer and superintendent of schools in southern Illinois for thirteen years. In 1879 he moved to Delavan for a year and then served as school superintendent in Polo until 1886. That year he became head of Princeton Township High School. In 1892 Forbes moved to Urbana as librarian and business agent of the State Laboratory of Natural History, of which his brother Stephen was head. He held that position until his death on 5 January 1903. Forbes is buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Champaign.²³

Stephen Alfred Forbes was born in Silver Creek, Stephenson County, Illinois, on 29 May 1844. In September 1861 he enlisted as a private in Company B, 7th Illinois Cavalry, the company in which his brother Henry was first lieutenant. Stephen was a good soldier and was promoted to sergeant at the age of eighteen, to lieutenant a year later, and to captain at the age of twenty. In 1862 he was captured at Corinth by the Confederates and spent four months in prisons at Mobile, Macon, and Richmond, studying Greek to relieve the boredom. While imprisoned he contracted both malaria and scurvy. After his exchange he spent three months recovering his health and then rejoined his regiment in time to participate in Grierson's raid. After the war Forbes attended Rush Medical College and spent several years as a strawberry farmer and schoolteacher in three southern Illinois communities. In 1872 he was appointed curator of the Illinois State Natural History Museum at Illinois State Normal University, and in 1875 was also named instructor in zoology. In 1877 he founded the Illinois State Laboratory of Natural History and served as its head until 1917. In 1884

the state laboratory was moved to the University of Illinois in Urbana. In 1888 Forbes was named dean of the College of Science. In 1917 the state laboratory was renamed the State Natural History Survey, and Forbes remained its head until his death on 13 March 1930. He is buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Champaign.²⁴

John W. Giddings, a native of Erie County, Pennsylvania, born there on 25 June 1841, grew up on a farm. About 1857 the family moved to Warren County, Illinois. In 1864 Giddings enlisted in Company C, 138th Illinois Infantry, a hundred-day regiment that served at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. After his discharge he engaged in feeding and shipping livestock in Warren County. In 1878 he moved to Ludlow Township in Champaign County, where he became the owner of a 160-acre farm.²⁵

Justin S. Hall was born in Piscataquis County, Maine, in 1840 and came to LaSalle County, Illinois, with his parents in 1848. He spent a year attending Chicago University and became a school teacher. On 7 August 1862 Hall enlisted in Company B, 104th Illinois Infantry. After only a few months in the field, the 104th was captured on 7 December 1862 by General John Morgan's Confederate forces at Hartsville, Tennessee. Justin Hall was one of those taken prisoner. The men of the regiment were soon paroled and sent to Camp Douglas at Chicago to guard Rebel prisoners until they were exchanged. After he was exchanged in April 1863, Hall returned home. Later he taught school in LaSalle, Livingston, and Vermilion Counties. He came to Champaign County in 1892 and farmed. After he retired from farming, Hall moved to 905 South Busey in Urbana. He died on 24 May 1928 and is buried at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Urbana.²⁶

Joseph O. Harvey was born in Indiana on 1 February 1837. In 1853 Harvey's family moved to Douglas County, Illinois, where, on 11 August 1862, he enlisted in Company E, 79th Illinois Infantry. The 79th, raised primarily in Douglas and Edgar Counties, was a "hard luck" regiment which saw a great deal of heavy fighting. It participated in the battles of Perryville, Stones River, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Buzzard's Roost, Resaca, Adairsville, Kennesaw Mountain, Peachtree Creek, Jonesboro, Franklin, and Nashville. Harvey and many other men of the 79th were taken prisoner at Chickamauga. He was imprisoned in Castle Thunder in Richmond, where he became very sick and almost died of starvation. In January 1864, he was transferred to the prison camp at Belle Island,