

OTIS E. GULLEY 1890



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was born at North Salem, Hendricks county, Indiana, March 22, 1867, son of James W. and Bethia (Smith) Gulley, both natives of Indiana, of English and Scottish descent, respectively. He supplemented his common-school education by attendance one term at Franklin College, after which for five years he was engaged in teaching school, three years in his home county and two in Arkansas. While teaching at North Salem he established the *North Salem Messenger*, which he published for one year. While in Arkansas he was appointed supervisor of the census of 1890 for the second census district of that

state, comprising one-third of the state. He served one term as Colonel of the Sons of Veterans, Division of Arkansas and took a prominent part in the national encampment at Pattison, N.J. He returned to Indiana in 1891 and began reading law in the office of Thad S. Adams at Danville; was admitted to the bar on January 2, 1901, and served as deputy prosecutor, 1901-03. In 1904 he was elected prosecuting attorney on the Republican ticket and was reelected in 1906, serving four years, during

which incumbency he successfully prosecuted the celebrated case of the Rev. W. E. Hinshaw, charged with wife murder. In 1910 Mr. Gulley was the nominee of Indiana Republicans for the office of secretary of state.

In 1912 he joined the Progressive party and took an active part in the campaign of that year and the succeeding campaign of 1914. Mr. Gulley is a member of the Indiana Bar Association and of the Hendricks County Bar Association; dean of the law school of the Central Normal College, 1903-06; president of the board of trustees of the same college, 1906-16; president of the Danville board of education, 1909-12; president of the official board of the Christian church at Danville and member of the building committee which had charge of the erection of a forty-five-thousand-dollar edifice for that congregation; president of the board of trustees of the Citizens Ice Company at Danville, the Jamestown Canning Company and the Danville South Cemetery Association. Mr. Gulley is a Scottish Rite Mason and a noble of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and active in the work of the sons of Veterans, being past commander of the division of Arkansas and Texas. In addition to his legal labors he also is engaged in farming and stock raising, the owner of a farm two and one-half miles east of Danville, on which he spends his summers. On January 2, 1905, Otis E. Gulley was united in marriage to Mary E. Tilford, daughter of Dr. A. S. and Ann (Wolfe) Tilford, of Martinsville, Indiana, and to this union four children were born, but two of whom are now living. Mrs. Gulley died on July 2, 1907.