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Walter Roscoe Stubbs

This formal portrait shows Walter Roscoe Stubbs, 1858-1929, a businessman and cattle rancher from Lawrence, Kansas. Stubbs begins a career in politics in 1902 when he is elected as a Republican to the Kansas House of Representatives. He serves from 1903 to 1906, and is elected speaker of the house in 1906. In the November general election of 1908 Stubbs is elected the eighteenth Governor of Kansas. He serves from January 11, 1909 to January 13, 1913. In March 1911, under his leadership, Kansas enacted the Nation's first blue sky law, protecting investors from security fraud. Stubbs returns to private life after losing the 1912 primary race for the United States Senate.

Date: Between 1909 and 1913

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