

MRS. MARGARET BLAKEMORE HICKENLOOPER, mother of Gov. Bourke B. Hickenlooper, born in 1872 at the farm home in the vicinity of Blockton, Taylor county, Iowa, died May 16, 1943 at Des Moines, Iowa; daughter of Wyatt D. and Mary Flick Blakemore, pioneer residents of Taylor county. Her mother was also born in Taylor county and her father purchased land in that county where he settled following his civil war service, later serving in the Iowa General Assembly. Mrs. Hickenlooper was a charter student of the former Highland Park Normal college in Des Moines and taught school five years in her home county. She married Nathan O. Hickenlooper in 1895, born on a neighboring farm. They resided in Blockton, Mr. Hickenlooper engaging in general merchandising and at one time served as postmaster. The governor, their only child, was born in 1896. For a time they resided in Des Moines leaving Blockton in 1916. The senior Hickenlooper went overseas with the Y. M. C. A. during World War I, he and his son, in army service in France, having a reunion overseas. During that period Mrs. Hickenlooper remained in Des Moines as an active Red Cross worker. They returned to Blockton to the farm home after the close of the war.

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WILLIAM EMORY MILLER, lawyer and former district judge, born at Davenport, Iowa, July 30, 1868, died at Des Moines, May 16, 1943; son of Dr. Emory Miller, a minister, and a nephew of the late Justice William E. Miller of the Iowa Supreme Court; graduated from the State University law school at Iowa City in 1891; entered the practice of law in Taylor county, Iowa; was county attorney four years in and 1904 was appointed judge of the Third judicial district, serving to the close of that year. He was married to Folie Barnett in 1893. They moved to Des Moines in 1908. Judge Miller was a republican and gained a high position in the Des Moines bar until his retirement from the general practice several years ago.

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MICHAEL PATRICK CONWAY, former state commerce commissioner, born on a Cass county, Iowa, farm March 22, 1877, died in Des Moines, June 6, 1943; was in the railway service a number of years, and the family moved from Anita to Atlantic when he entered the real estate brokerage business which he followed many years. He was a leading western Iowa democrat and was elected as railroad commissioner, assuming office in January 1933. The name of that body was later changed to commerce commission, and he continued a member until 1941. In 1936 he was the Iowa member on the three-state board representing the Interstate Commerce commission.

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