

## NOTABLE DEATHS

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CLIFFORD VERNE GREGORY, publisher and agricultural leader, died in Des Moines, November 18, 1941. Born October 20 on a farm near Mason City, Cerro Gordo County, Iowa, the son of Elmer O. and Miller McF. Gregory, educated in the Burchinal local schools, and graduated from Iowa State College in 1910, Mr. Gregory taught agricultural journalism in the college 1910-1911. In the latter year he became editor and vice president of the *Prairie Farmer*, published in Chicago, remaining with that agricultural paper until 1937, when he became associate publisher of the *Wallace's Farmer* and *Iowa Homestead*, and the *Wisconsin Agriculturist and Farmer* at Racine, Wisconsin, in which capacities he continued until his death.

A director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago since 1940, Mr. Gregory was also a director of the Farm Foundation of the same city. He was one of the founders of the American Farm Bureau Federation. A member of the Methodist Church, he was a strong and loyal member.

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DANIEL E. MAGUIRE, jurist, died December 25, 1941, in Dubuque, Iowa. Born July 30, 1879, in East Dubuque, Illinois, he was the son of Thomas G. and Ellen J. Groff Maguire. Educated in the East Dubuque public schools, and graduated from the Dubuque High School in 1898, he received his law degree from the State University of Iowa in 1903.

Associated in the practice of law in Dubuque for many years, he served as assistant County Attorney 1914-1916, being elected that same year to the bench of the 19th judicial district, where he continued until 1939.

Prominent in the political councils of his party, Judge Maguire was also actively interested in youth work, being especially interested in Boy Scout work. In 1939-1940 he was helpful in securing for the state conservation commission the group of Indian mounds near Millerville.

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WILLIAM EDWARD PURCELL, lawyer, died in Clinton, Iowa, November 3, 1941. Born in Clinton November 11, 1884, the son of Edward M. and Kathrine H. Purcell, he was educated in the Clinton public schools. In 1909 he received his law degree from the State University of Iowa, and commenced the practice of law in Clinton that same year, being admitted to the bar. Active in American Legion circles and in the Boy Scout activities of his city, Mr. Purcell was member

of the city council 1922-1928, assistant county attorney 1922-1924; judge of the municipal court 1934-1935, and city attorney 1935-1937.

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WILLIAM BARLOW QUARTON, jurist, died December 14, 1941. The son of William B. and Charlotte G. Quarton, he was born August 24, 1858, on a farm near Carlinville, Illinois. Educated in the Fremont, Iowa high school, he attended Oskaloosa College two years, completing his law degree at the State University of Iowa two years later, in 1882. Beginning his law career in Algona the same year, he was appointed to the district bench in 1894 to fill a vacancy, and was re-elected and served continuously until 1908, when he resumed the private practice of law.

A charter member of the Iowa State Bar Association, Judge Quarton took an active interest in civic affairs, serving eight years on the school board, and serving as president of the Algona Library Board. In addition to his law he was keenly interested in Guernsey cattle breeding, being widely recognized in Iowa and national centers for his work. He was one of the organizers of the Waterloo Dairy Cattle Congress. His agricultural interests were varied, being credited with sowing the first sweet clover in Kossuth County, he was also an officer in the Kossuth County Agricultural Society.

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HALLECK W. SEAMAN, railroad engineer and waterway enthusiast, died December 15, 1941, in Clinton, Iowa. Born September 26, 1860, in Clinton, Iowa, the son of Richard S. and Emma Carter Seaman, he was educated in the Clinton public schools and the State University of Iowa, graduating from the engineering department in 1882. Upon his graduation, first as a civil engineer on the western extensions of the Chicago Northwestern, and the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul railroads, Mr. Seaman became actively interested in railroad construction and promotion, especially in the Southwest, building several railroad lines there as well as others in the Great Lakes region. Also actively interested in mining developments, he succeeded Herbert C. Hoover as president of the American Mining Congress.

Although prominently identified with railroad and mining interests, he was best known to Iowans for his connection with the development of the Mississippi River channel. He was for years an officer of the Inland Waterways Corporation, a member of the executive committee of the Mississippi Valley Association, and the Upper Mississippi Waterways Corporation.

Besides his rail and water interests, Mr. Seaman was a member of the Iowa state bar, and vice president of the City National Bank of Clinton, Iowa.

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