

ERNEST WALTER LINDSTROM, geneticist and educator, died November 8, 1948, at the Iowa State college hospital, at Ames, Iowa; born February 5, 1891, of Swedish parents, at Chicago, Illinois; graduated in 1914 with an A. B. degree from the University of Wisconsin, and received his Ph.D. from Cornell university, Ithica, New York, in 1917; started his collegiate career at Colorado college and also had attended the University of Nebraska; served as assistant and investigator of plant breeding at Cornell from 1914 to 1917, and assistant professor of genetics at Wisconsin from 1919 to 1922; at the age of thirty in 1922 became one of the nation's foremost geneticists and first head of the genetics department at Iowa State college; a former president, vice president and secretary of the Genetics Society of America, and had been the recipient of many honors conferred by the Federal government and professional and honorary societies; his life's work at the Ames institution bringing other signal honors, the latest being a move to establish there in his memory a special Genetics library; became an important mentor and guide in the development of graduate work and research in the field of fundamental genetics and in the practical aspects of plant and animal breeding, and doctorates conferred during the period of his leadership placed Iowa State college fourth among all universities; since 1936 has served as vice dean of the graduate school until ill health forced retirement early this year; served as a lieutenant in a bombardment squadron that saw service in France in World War I; married August 27, 1921, at Madison, Wisconsin, to Achsah Cornelia Anderson, who survives with a son, Eugene S. Lindstrom, at Madison, and two daughters, Miss Rosemary Lindstrom, of Chicago, and Mrs. W. M. Buck of Ames.

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FRANK MATHIAS TOMBAUGH, surgeon, died at home in Burlington, Iowa, December 29, 1948; born August 27, 1869, in Odell, Illinois, son of Mathias and Elvira Letherman Tombaugh; educated at Illinois Wesleyan college, Bloomington, Illinois, and was graduated from the Northwestern university medical college, Evanston, Illinois, in 1896; married on October 12, 1898, to Annette Butler in Sheldon, Illinois, and she died in April 1899; associated with the Burlington railroad as medical examiner, first at Galesburg, Illinois, and later at Burlington, where he moved in 1899, and devoted nearly all of his professional practice to surgery; in the early days characterized a "horse and buggy" surgeon—performing operations on kitchen tables by the light of oil lanterns in the homes of patients when weather and road conditions would not allow them to be conveyed to a hospital; served as medical examiner for local draft boards during both world wars; served

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