

December 28, 1898 until April 19, 1899, and mustered out at Savannah, Georgia on May 13, 1899. Returning to Marshalltown he engaged in the practice of law until March 17, 1900, when he removed to Adel, Iowa, where he entered the law firm of Cardell, Giddings & Dingwell, with offices in Perry and Adel, Mr. Dingwell having charge of the office in the latter place, later in 1900 succeeding to the practice and office alone; was elected judge of the district court of the Fifth judicial district, including Adair, Dallas, Guthrie, Madison, Marion and Warren counties, serving upon the bench from 1927 until his death. He was a Republican and active also in fraternal orders. A son, Lieutenant Wilbur L. Dingwell, now in France, survives.

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EDWARD CLAYTON EICHER, lawyer, jurist and public official, died at his home in Alexandria, Virginia, on November 29, 1944, bringing to an abrupt end the widely-heralded, seven-months-long sedition trial of thirty defendants at one time, over which he presided as Federal District judge of the District of Columbia; born on a farm near Noble, Washington county, Iowa; graduated in 1906 at the University of Chicago; practiced law at Mt. Pleasant, Burlington and Washington, Iowa; was a member of the Iowa, Illinois, and Supreme Court of United States bars; married on August 19, 1908, to Hazel Mount, who with a foster daughter, Elizabeth, survive him; a member of the governor's commission to take the Iowa soldier's vote in First World war, 1918; a delegate to the Democratic national convention from Iowa in 1932; elected to the Seventy-third congress from the First Iowa district, serving from 1933 to 1939, not being a candidate for renomination became a democratic leader in Iowa and spokesman of the national administration in the attempted purge of Senator Guy Gillette, that failed, after which he was appointed by President Roosevelt as chairman of the Securities and Exchange commission (SEC); appointed Federal judge of the U. S. District court of the District of Columbia in 1941; was a member of the Mennonite sect, a Democrat and in public life served during a tumultuous period, the scenes and experiences in the court proceedings in which he was engaged generally regarded as hastening his demise.

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H. A. DARTING, legislator and public official, died at the Masonic hospital at Bettendorf, Iowa, February 15, 1945; born in Harrison county, Iowa, February 5, 1873, later with his parents moved to Thayer county, Nebraska, returning to Harrison county in 1881; received his education in the rural schools; moved to Mills county in 1911 and resided at Glenwood since that time; elected to the Iowa senate in 1920 and re-elected in 1924; served in five sessions of the General Assembly, including the Fortieth extra; appointed and served as a member of the Iowa State Highway Commission

one term beginning July 4, 1927; and prior to his death was in charge of the horticultural work at the state institution for feeble minded children at Glenwood. Senator Darting was a Republican, a member of the Christian church—Disciples of Christ, as well as the Odd Fellows and Masonic orders, and four children survive him.

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F. M. HARRISON, farmer, soldier and legislator, died at Osceola, Iowa, in August, 1944; born on a farm in Clarke county, Iowa, where his father had settled in 1856; educated in rural schools and received some college work; taught in rural schools and later actively engaged in farming; enlisted in Co. B, 3rd Iowa infantry called to Mexican border at Brownsville, from July 24, 1916 to February 1, 1917; in World war I enlisted in Co. B 168th Infantry, Rainbow division, went to France and served eighteen months overseas. Upon his discharge he returned to farming; served as first commander of the American Legion at Osceola; elected clerk of the Clarke county district court in 1920 and served four years; married Violet W. Cornell, October 18, 1921; served as representative from Clarke county in the Forty-first, Forty-second and Forty-second extra session of the General Assembly; a member of the Methodist church and a Republican.

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HENRY ELLIS SAMPSON, attorney and public official, died at his home in Des Moines, Iowa, January 5, 1945; born in Audubon county, Iowa, in 1880; educated at Cornell college, Mount Vernon, Iowa, and at the University of Chicago; was admitted to the Iowa bar in 1905 and to the United States supreme court in 1916; married Mary Louella Stubbs in 1905; served as assistant attorney general of Iowa from 1910 to 1917 and in that capacity was legal counsel of the Insurance commissioner and Industrial commissioner of the state; was a trustee of Simpson college, Indianola, a member of the Methodist church, the Masonic order, and of the American, Iowa and Polk county bar associations. Surviving relatives are his widow; a sister, Mrs. Cora Emerson, Ames, Iowa; and a brother, Frank Sampson, Mason City, Iowa.

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CHARLES E. ARMSTRONG, newspaper man, died November 11, 1944, at Nevada, Iowa; born also in Nevada October 29, 1873, the eldest of eight children of William Ellis and Evaline Murphy Armstrong, pioneer Story county residents, the father being a printer upon the first paper published in Nevada; lived upon a farm in the community during boyhood; married April 14, 1917 to Mrs. Mae Twamy; engaged in newspaper work at Zearing, Roland and lastly as managing editor of the Nevada Evening Journal for forty-two years; served upon the Nevada city council; a member of the Knights of Pythias, and active in community enterprises.

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