

Mr. Way was a leader in political circles of Iowa, and represented the Hancock-Wright county district as representative in 1900, and was a member of and chairman of the Iowa State Highway commission in 1931 to 1935. Following his legislative service he gave vigorous and astute leadership in the management of the campaign for governor of Albert B. Cummins, and in later years again successfully performed the same service in the candidacy of Senator Dan W. Turner for the same office. His wide personal acquaintance, energy and amiable personal traits brought to him a large following; a keen judge of men, with clear political vision, he attracted and secured the co-operation of many of Iowa's most forceful and influential citizens.

Following his retirement from political activities when Mr. Cummins went to the United States senate, Mr. Way was associated with the D. S. B. Johnston Land company of Minneapolis and had personal charge of the M. & St. L. Ry. right-of-way purchases and town site developments on the new line extended northwest from Watertown, South Dakota, later establishing the Empire Land Company at Thief River Falls, Minnesota, where he resided a number of years prior to his removal to Des Moines, where he engaged in developing real estate additions to the city. His years of retirement have been spent at Glendale, California, where with his wife, Mrs. Lillian M. Way, he has resided, and besides whom a son, Capt. Clyde C. Way, in the U. S. armed forces, a daughter, Mrs. L. H. Lawrence, a sister, Mrs. Kitty Greene, of Sioux City, and a brother, B. C. Way of Mason City, survive.

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CLYDE LAVERNE HERRING, soldier, automobile distributor and public official, died September 15, 1945, at his apartment in Washington, D. C., where he continued to reside after completion of his term as United States senator from Iowa. Born on a farm near Jackson, Michigan, May 3, 1879, his education was received in the public schools; married Emma Pearl Spinney, of Mobile, Alabama, February 7, 1901, who survives with two sons, Capt. Clyde Edsel Herring, recently liberated from a German war prison camp, and LaVerne, of Washington, D. C. A third son, Lawrence, died two years ago. He is also survived by a grandson, "Larry," and a brother, Ernest Herring, Atlantic, Iowa.

Senator Herring served in the Spanish-American war; moved after his marriage from Detroit, Michigan, to a ranch near South Park, Colorado; in 1908 they moved to a farm near Massena, Iowa; in 1910 became an automobile dealer in Atlantic, Iowa; in 1912 moved to Des Moines as automobile distributor for the state, and with W. E. Wissler organized the Herring-Wissler Company, accessory wholesalers; became active politically in the World War I period, serving as fuel administrator for Polk county and in charge of the Liberty Loan drives in twelve central

Iowa counties; was an unsuccessful Democratic candidate for governor in 1920, and for United States senator in 1922; served as committeeman from Iowa on the Democratic national committee from 1924 to 1928; elected governor of Iowa in November 1932 and re-elected in 1934; elected United States senator from Iowa in 1936, and defeated for re-election in 1942; was delegate at large to the national Democratic convention in 1940; appointed deputy administrator of the Office of Price Administration in February 1943, but resigned the following November, remaining since in Washington representing various interests. The senator's father, James Herring, died at the age of 88 in February 1945, having resided some years at the Herring home in Des Moines.

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W. F. (MONT) HUNTER, newspaperman and 45 years an Iowa editor, died September 12, 1945, at Webster City, Iowa; born in Eldora, Iowa, June 9, 1862, son of J. D. Hunter, a pioneer editor who came to Iowa in 1856 from Indiana, as owner and editor of the *Eldora Sentinel*, later residing at Iowa Falls. The family moved to Webster City in 1866, the father purchasing the *Hamilton County Freeman* from Charles Aldrich, its founder; and there "Mont" Hunter entered upon his life's work at fifteen years of age, becoming first a printer, then a reporter, and finally an editor. His grandfather, W. A. Hunter, at the age of twenty had founded an abolition newspaper in Indiana and operated a "station" on the "underground railroad" to help slaves escape into Canada, until those of the opposition sentiment wrecked his newspaper plant in 1857, when he joined his son in Iowa. In 1900 "Mont" Hunter succeeded his father in the editorial chair and since continuously has served his community and developed into a leader in his profession in the state. During his forty-five years' work upon the one paper he saw twelve other weeklies and six daily newspapers launched in Webster City, and only twice did his paper change its name; first in 1900 after merging with the *Tribune* to become the *Freeman-Tribune*, and in 1917 merging with the *Journal* to become the *Freeman-Journal*. The significant earlier name was retained from the days of the militant grandfather, whose flaming spirit and forthrightness descended to and oftentimes directed the thinking and utterances of his able and worthy scion. Mr. Hunter was married December 2, 1887, to Alletta Young, who died May 11, 1891; and on Thanksgiving day, 1899, was married to Minnie Jane Pettinger at Sioux City, the widow and two daughters surviving. A Republican through the years he enjoyed political leadership in his county and congressional district, though never seeking political office.

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CLIFFORD P. SMITH, jurist and church leader, died at his home in Newton, Massachusetts, August 9, 1945; born near Geneva,

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