

LAFE HILL, newspaper publisher and state legislator, died December 31, at Nora Hill, Iowa. Born in Ringgold County, he taught school at Troy Mills and Walker in Linn County, was superintendent of schools at Seymour and other places in southern Iowa. In 1889 founded the North English *Record*, and in 1917 bought the Nora Springs *Advertiser*, and in 1935, the Rudd *Review*. Behind him at the time of his death were forty-five years in the newspaper business.

A republican in politics, he was a representative from Floyd County in the Forty-first to the Fifty-third general assemblies, and represented that district in the state senate in the Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth.

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MURRAY LEE HUTTON, director of the State Conservation Commission, died February 18, 1941, of complications resulting from an automobile collision near Ames, Iowa. Born in Washington County, Iowa, in 1885, and educated at Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, 1906-09, Hutton engaged in engineering work for several railroads in the years following 1909, later became county engineer of Louisa County, and also of Des Moines County too, several years later. Employed by the state highway commission in engineering capacities, Hutton was appointed to the permanent post as director of the State Conservation Commission May 30, 1935.

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ORIE ERB KLINGAMAN, former Curator of the state historical department, died in Delmar, New York, January 25, 1941. Born on a farm in La Grange County, Indiana, July 7, 1875, the son of Jonathan and Jennie Klingaman, he came to Iowa in 1888. After teaching in the rural schools and in Guthrie Center, Creston, and Afton, he graduated from Highland Park College, Des Moines, and later, in 1913, he became the first director of the extension division of the State University of Iowa, serving until 1923. After business research work in New York and Boston, he returned to Des Moines to practice law, later removing to Davenport to become assistant director of the Davenport Public Museum in 1929. In 1937 he was appointed Curator of the Historical, Memorial and Art Department of Iowa, assuming duties April 1, 1937.

During the World War Klingaman helped to organize the Red Cross drive in Iowa and aided in the education work of those years, as well as serving as director of Americanization for the state.

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EARL C. MOORE, manager of the American Crystal Sugar Company of Mason City, died in that town January 10, 1941. Born in Johnstown, New York, July 11, 1875, most of his life was spent in the agricultural and agricultural manufacturing business. Agricultural manager of the Iowa Sugar Company of Waverly in 1916, he held the same position with the American Beet Sugar Company when that firm was formed. The latter company became the American Crystal Sugar Co. in 1925.

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