

Iowa's Notable Dead . . .

EDWARD C. (BUCK) MANNING, public official, soldier and political leader, died at the Veteran's hospital at Des Moines, Iowa, July 14, 1952; born February 22, 1884, at Ottumwa, Iowa; son of Calvin Manning, member of a pioneer Iowa family; attended Ottumwa schools; accompanied his father to Paris, France, in 1900, the elder Manning being one of twelve commissioners from the United States to the world exposition there; selected in 1925 as Wapello county treasurer to fill a vacancy and re-elected in 1927 and 1929, and in following years was examiner in charge of the liquidation of four Jefferson county banks under the state banking department; was chairman of the Iowa delegation to the Republican national convention at Kansas City in 1932, actively supporting Herbert Hoover; served as mayor of Ottumwa from 1929 to 1939, being re-elected three times; was a candidate for United States senator in 1935 and served as treasurer of the state Republican committee; while mayor his major problem was occasioned in hundreds of men being out of work and countless families hungry, his forthright action in meeting the situation created some criticism because of his putting many to work for the city and issuance of thousands of grocery orders as part payment, resulting in ouster proceedings against him, which proved unsuccessful. Judge A. O. Wakefield of Sioux City, exonerating Manning and declaring the Iowa budget law unconstitutional; voluntarily cut his own salary as mayor from \$208 per month to \$100 and persuaded other city officers to do likewise; during long tenure was largely responsible for many civic improvements standing today as monuments to his creative service, including the initiating of an advanced park program, a long range paving program that secured many miles of street paving, construction of the via-

ERRATA. In the biographical sketch of the late Paul E. Stillman, appearing in the July 1952 issue of the ANNALS, page 396, in the seventh line, the words "came with" should be omitted, and the word "came" inserted after the word "parents"; also, in the same line substitute the word "and" for the word "who." The corrected portion of the sentence will then read: "his parents came to Iowa in 1856, and resided in Iowa City, Des Moines and Sioux City." Mr. Stillman was born in Chicago, Illinois, November 4, 1893.—EARNOR.

duct and the coliseum, acquiring land for present Wildwood park and improving Foster, Caldwell and Riverside city parks, besides a municipal swimming pool and authorization for acquiring land now developed as an 18-hole golf course; a director of the Ottumwa Savings bank until its consolidation with the Union Bank & Trust Co., where he also served as a director until his resignation in 1946; at one time served as secretary of the Ottumwa Chamber of Commerce and a director of the Wapello county fair association; a member of the Congregational church and life member of the Elks; had holdings of Ottumwa business properties and prominent in civic and business circles there until his removal to Des Moines; commissioned an officer in the U.S. army in World War I and assigned to chemical warfare service; survived by his wife, Mrs. Katherine Manning, one son, Calvin, of Sterling, Illinois, and one grandson, Edwin, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Trotter, Pueblo, Colorado.

HENRY C. HAYNES, postmaster, soldier and civic leader, died at Centerville, Iowa, July 21, 1952; born in Centerville, November 18, 1871; son of Eugene Cassitt Haynes and Elma Mourning Felkner Haynes; educated in Centerville and took special work at George Washington university, Washington, D.C., completing that course in 1919; served as a clerk in the Centerville postoffice in 1890 and 1891, and from 1892 to 1901 as a railway postal clerk under civil service, 1904 to 1906 as special agent in RFD service, from 1906 to 1910 a postal inspector at Washington, D.C. and other points in the United States, continuing in that work until 1917; from 1917 through 1919 engaged in the navy department in Washington, D.C.; in 1919 to 1921 in charge of reorganization and secretary of the Centerville chamber of commerce; long connected with the Iowa National Guard, and during the Spanish-American war enlisted in Company E, 56th Iowa Volunteers and became its captain in April 1898, the regiment becoming a part of the Seventh Army Corps commanded by Gen. Fitz-Hugh Lee, and later was elected lieutenant colonel, serving until 1902; served as colonel on the staff of Gov. N. E. Kendall of Iowa, from 1921 to 1925; was president of the Centerville Chamber of Commerce from 1922 to 1926; a member of various civic organizations, also the Elks, Masonic orders and the Presbyterian church; became chairman of the Republican county committee and postmaster of Centerville, often relating that he and his father had been postmasters there under every Republican president since 1882; a bachelor throughout his life and a brother of the late Gen. Glenn C. Haynes, former warden of the Fort Madison penitentiary and state auditor of Iowa,

as well as a distinguished World War I combat officer in Europe; survived by a brother and sisters as follows: Miss Wilma Haynes, director of physical education, Stevens college, Columbia, Missouri; Mrs. Helen "Butter" McCreary and Mrs. Miriam Robertson, Fort Collins, Colorado; and Fritz Haynes, attorney, Forsythe, Montana.

ERNEST LEE HUMBERT, farmer, importer of Percheron horses and legislator, died at the Lutheran hospital in Des Moines, July 1, 1952; born on a farm near Corning, Adams county, Iowa, May 18, 1870, son of Leon H. and Marie Humbert, and remained a resident of that county all his life; educated in the public schools and Elliott's Business college at Burlington; married in April 1899 to Letha A. Gordon; engaged in farming near Corning and raising and importing Percheron horses since 1882; elected to the Iowa house of representatives in 1946, and to a four-year senate term in 1948 from the district that includes Adams and Taylor counties; under a rotation plan observed in the district, did not seek re-election this year, but again ran for his old house seat, and was defeated in the June 2 primary, 1,080 to 444, by William Oliver Turner of Corning; as a legislator, sought to legalize betting at the same time Atty. Gen. Robert L. Larson was driving to eliminate gambling in Iowa; a Mason and a member of the Eastern Star and the Farm Bureau; served on his local school board many years; surviving are his widow, a son, A. L. Humbert of Ankeny, a daughter, Mrs. Marie Reicho of Akron, Ohio, a brother, Charles, of Cloverdale, Cal., five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

JACKSON McCoy, editor and publisher, died at Waterloo, Iowa, June 27, 1952; born in Indianapolis, Indiana, October 28, 1890; son of Joseph Melville and Elen Peterson McCoy; was graduated from Eastern high school, Washington D.C., in 1908, and attended the University of West Virginia of Morgantown before transferring to Dartmouth, where he received his bachelor of arts degree in 1912; came immediately to Iowa and entered employment of the *Waterloo Courier*, continuing there until his death with exception of the period of his two years service in the U.S. navy in World War I; first worked in various capacities in the business office of the paper until he succeeded his uncle, A. W. Peterson, as secretary-treasurer and general manager in 1923; married Marian Chapman of Waterloo September 25, 1919, who survives, with three children, Robert J., service manager of the *Courier*, Mrs. Louise McKinstry of Waterloo, and Jane McCoy, now traveling in Italy, having left early in June on a European trip

following her graduation from the State University of Iowa; served as an official in press associations, was a director of the National bank of Waterloo, active in civic affairs and supported popular sports; a member of the Elks, American Legion and Christ Episcopal church; assumed the editorship of the *Courier* in 1941, upon the death of John C. Hartman, becoming the third editor of the publication in its 98-year history.

CHARLES ORR JOHNSON, extensive land owner and public official, died August 25, 1947, at Durant, Choctaw Nation, Oklahoma; born April 28, 1864, in Benton county, Iowa; son of David and Eliza Dixon Johnson, youngest of eight children and the last to survive, both parents born in Ireland, Castle Caulfield, Tyrone; removed from farm in 1892 to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and with his father engaged in implement business under firm name of Yuill & Johnson; elected alderman at large of Cedar Rapids in 1904 and became chairman of the finance committee and also on the committee of public improvement and railroads; removed to Durant, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, in 1906; engaged there in the real estate, loan and insurance business and was an extensive land owner and livestock grower and dealer, and an early promoter for the development of highways; in 1917 became a member and secretary of the Oklahoma State Board of Affairs, serving with distinction; a member of the Durant library board from the time of its organization until his death, a member of the city park board, a charter member of the Rotary club, a 32nd degree Mason, a member of the Presbyterian church and local clubs, and active in civic matters; married October 29, 1903 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to Anna Phipps, who preceded him in death November 29, 1944.

AMBROSE D. VEATCH, minister and educator, died July 18, 1952, at Des Moines, Iowa; born in 1867, at Maywood, Missouri; received extended formal education, acquiring a bachelor of didactic science degree from Northeastern Missouri State Teachers college in 1895, a bachelor of arts degree in 1900 from the former Christian university, now Culver-Stockton college, from Drake university a bachelor of divinity degree in 1901, and master of arts degree in 1904; in 1929 awarded an honorary doctorate of divinity by Culver-Stockton college; served as professor of Bible at Drake university teaching Hebrew and Aramaic from 1900 to 1906, Semitic language and literature from 1907 to 1935, and on a half time basis from 1935 to 1942, when he retired, becoming professor emeritus at the Drake College of the Bible after four decades of

service to that institution; before the years of his professorship at Drake served briefly as master of ancient literature at Correspondence Bible School at Kimberlin Heights, Tennessee, and pastor of the First Christian church at Canton, Missouri; a member of the Pioneer club at Adel, and of the Frontier club; surviving are his widow, Tamson S.; two daughters, Mrs. Laura Veatch Fife of Corning, and Esther Veatch of Indianola; and a son, Virgil of Des Moines.

JOHN H. HAGER, automobile dealer, soldier and legislator, died at Waukon, Iowa, June 10, 1952; born August 30, 1871, in Allamakee county, Iowa; educated in the rural schools and at Breckenridge Business Institute at Decorah, Iowa; served as quartermaster sergeant, company I, 49th Iowa Vol. Infantry, during the Spanish-American war; in 1895 engaged in the farm implement business at Waukon, and in 1908 added an automobile line, which eventually became his principal business; married Grace Falby, formerly of Burlington, Vermont, who has served as president of the Iowa Federation of Women's clubs, and survives him; became state representative from Allamakee county serving two terms from 1924 to 1928, then entered the state senate and served from 1928 to 1932; a member of the Presbyterian church, the Masonic bodies, Knights of Pythias, Kawanis club, Veterans Service club, three terms president of the Waukon Chamber of Commerce, and a Republican.

JOHN ADOLPH MURRAY, attorney and district judge, died August 5, 1952, at Logan, Iowa; born December 16, 1881, in Little Sioux, Iowa, son of Michael and Luella C. Murray; graduated from Little Sioux high school in 1901, the Iowa City academy in 1902, received the B.A. degree at the University of Iowa in 1908 and his law degree from the university in 1910; united in marriage December 31, 1913, to Adeline Barnhart; entered law practice in the law firm of Bolter & Murray at Logan in 1911, and engaged in the practice until 1932, when he was elected judge, serving two years; again elected judge in 1937 and served in that capacity until his death; held memberships in the district, Harrison county and Iowa State Bar associations, and at time of his death was president of the Harrison group; survivors include a son, Michael of Logan; two daughters, Mrs. John Hotter of Shendoah and Mrs. Clyde Walter of Logan; a brother, Tom of Sioux City; a sister, Ada Murray of Omaha, Neb., and four grandchildren.

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