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newspaper of Fort Madison and assisted by his wife Miriam (Stewart) Hollowell, had also been its editor for some three years, and continued to be until November 17 when it was sold to and absorbed by the Fort Madison Democrat. In July, 1917, he enlisted in the motor battalion of the One Hundred and Ninth Ammunition train, Thirty-fourth Division, U. S. Army. He served with that unit in France, remaining with the Army of Occupation in Germany until 1919. Returning home he assisted in the reorganization of the Iowa National Guard. In 1920 he became secretary to Governor Harding, but on August 16, 1920, he was appointed warden of the State Penitentiary at Fort Madison and served until he resigned because of failing health in August, 1933. As a warden he was conservative, and succeeded in giving a good administration.

GILLUM S. TOLIVER was born in Owen County, Indiana, February 11, 1840, and died in Jefferson, Iowa, October 24, 1933. His parents, Isom and Matilda (Reynolds) Toliver, removed their family by covered wagon first, in 1848 to Missouri, later to Arkansas, then back to Illinois, and finally to Greene County, Iowa, in 1854, and located on land six miles southeast of the present city of Jefferson. Gillum S. had attended school a few months in the various places of the family's abode, and attended a few winter terms of country school in Greene County, taught one term in Wapello County and studied a few months in Western College, Linn County. On September 28, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Tenth Iowa Infantry, registering from Rippey (Old Rippey). However, he was discharged in about a year because of disability. He entered the State University of Iowa, Iowa City, the fall of 1862 where he pursued the liberal arts course two years, and began a law course at Ann Arbor, Michigan, when during his absence he was appointed county surveyor of Greene County. He returned home and served in that position from 1864 to 1867. However, in 1865 he was admitted to the bar. He served as county treasurer in 1868 and 1869. The fall of 1869 he was elected representative and served in the Thirteenth General Assembly. In 1870 he formed a law partnership with John J. Russell as Russell & Toliver, which was continued until Mr. Russell's death in 1901. During those years they acquired a large general practice. Mr. Toliver's work was described by a local historian as being "characterized by continuity and thoroughness." At the time of his death he was the dean of the bar of Greene County, and was thought to be the only survivor of those who served in the General Assembly as early as the Thirteenth, 1870.

THOMAS W. DRUMM was born in Fore, Ireland, July 12, 1871, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, October 24, 1933. Burial was in Catholic Glendale Cemetery. His parents were Thomas and Mary (Cullen) Drumm. He came to the United States in 1888 and lived with an uncle on a farm near Rockwell, Cerro Gordo County, Iowa, did farm work, and also worked in a country store. Entering St. Joseph's College (now Columbia College) at Dubuque, he received from it his B. A. degree in 1898. He