editorial

President of the University State Bank of Des Moines. Recognition of his careful financial abilities was given by the board of trustees of the Iowa Methodist Hospital, which made him treasurer at the time of his election to the board in 1912, in which capacity he continued until his death. Likewise the board of trustees of Drake University elected him both to the board and to the position of treasurer of that board in 1924, which position he also retained until his death. An indication of his broad and sympathetic interests is further shown by a provision of his will which left a bequest to the famed Negro school, Piney Woods School, Piney Woods, Mississippi. Mr. Crawford was a member of the Des Moines Club and also a Mason.

William O. Coast was born in Iowa City, Iowa, August 5, 1880, and died February 28, 1937, in Iowa City. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery. His parents were William Philip and Mary Ellen (Bradshaw) Coast, pioneers of Johnson County. Mr. Coast received his education in the Iowa City public schools, Michigan Military Academy and the State University of Iowa. He was the first cadet colonel appointed in the State University. He was an enthusiast in athletics and at one time served as a member of the board of control of athletics in the university. He was much interested in the university and he befriended many of the students. He was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He was actively interested in the affairs of his community and during the early days of the Commercial Club of Iowa City was a member of the board of managers. Later this club became the Chamber of Commerce; he was president of this organization in 1913 and again in 1915. He was a member of the House in the Thirty-sixth General Assembly. During this session he was active in securing the adoption of measures in the development of the Children’s Hospital and the College of Commerce in the University of Iowa. In 1904 he went into the clothing business and retained his active interest in the firm of “Coast’s” until his death.

Frank Louis Nagel was born in Warsaw, Illinois, November 12, 1867, and died at his home in Hollywood, California, April 15, 1937. His remains were cremated and rest in Los Angeles, California. His father was John Conrad Nagel. He received his early education in Warsaw. When he was quite young he showed marked musical ability and began the study of piano at an early age. Later he studied abroad at the conservatories of Munich and Dresden. Returning to this country he began teaching piano in Keokuk and nearby towns. In Keokuk he organized and trained many choruses in oratorios and light opera. He did much to raise the standard of music in Keokuk. He helped to organize the State Music Teachers’ Association and served as its president for a time. Later he went to Pueblo, Colorado, and from there to Ogden, Utah, where he taught music for a number of years. About 1900 he returned to Iowa to take the position of dean of the College