

## Hanna Astrup Larsen

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navy hospital at Coronado, California, Weir, who is president of the First National Bank at Bethlehem, Penn., and two daughters, Mrs. Thomas Briggs, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Beatrice, of San Francisco, California.

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HANNA ASTRUP LARSEN, author, translator and editor, died December 3, 1945, at her home, Crestwood Place, Knollwood Park, Elmsford, New York; born in Decorah, Iowa, September 1, 1873, of Norwegian descent, daughter of the late Rev. Peter Laurentius Larsen, pioneer president of Luther college, Decorah, and the late Mrs. Ingeborg Astrup Larsen; educated under private tutorship; from 1901 to 1904 assistant editor of *Amerika*, at Madison, Wisconsin, and in 1904-05 special writer for *San Francisco Call* and *San Francisco Chronicle*, and from 1908 to 1912 contributed articles to newspapers and magazines in New York; literary editor of *American-Scandinavian Review*, New York City, 1913-21, and editor since 1921; also since 1921 has been literary secretary of the American Scandinavian Foundation, and thus editor of about seventy books published by it. She also translated a number of books and short stories from the Danish language republished in this country.

The Swedish Vasa Medal was awarded to Miss Larsen in 1931 in recognition of her literary work, the Norwegian Distinguished Service Medal in 1933 and the Royal Danish Medal of Merit in 1937. She is survived by three brothers, the Right Rev. N. Astrup Larsen of Decorah, president of the Iowa district, Norwegian Lutheran church; Prof. J. A. O. Larsen of the University of Chicago, and Prof. Henning Larsen of the University of Illinois, and two sisters, the Misses Karen and Ingeborg Larsen, both of Northfield, Minnesota.

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ARTHUR DAVISON FICKE, poet, author, traveler, died November 30, 1945, at Hudson, New York; born November 10, 1883, at Davenport, Iowa; son of Charles August and Frances Davison Ficke; graduated from Harvard in 1904; taught English and studied law at the University of Iowa through 1907; married Evelyn Bethune Blunt, of Springfield, Mass., October 1, 1907, mother of their son, Stanhope Blunt Ficke; married again to Gladys Brown, of New York, December 8, 1923; practiced law with his father ten years in Davenport, during which time he wrote numerous books of poetry; served in World War I and attained rank of lieutenant colonel in the ordnance department, U. S. army; subsequently devoted practically all of his time to writing and traveling; became an authority on Japanese prints; resided at Hardback, Hillsdale, New York, and is survived by his widow, son and two sisters.

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