Stephen Grant Goldthwaite

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CHARLES C. HELMER, lawyer and legislator, died at Carroll, Iowa, October 27, 1946; born in Cedar county, Iowa, August 25, 1876; obtained his common school education at Mechanicsville and Tipton; attended Iowa State college at Ames, and was in his senior year at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war, when he enlisted as a private in Co. F, Forty-ninth Iowa Volunteer Infantry and served until the regiment was mustered out; entered law department of the State University of Iowa and graduated in 1901, commencing the practice of law at Manning, Iowa; moved to Carroll in 1904 where he has since continued to practice law; elected county attorney in 1904 and for nearly eight years was city attorney of Carroll, and a member of the park commission since 1919; served in the Iowa senate from Carroll, Greene and Sac county district in the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh General Assemblies; served as an infantry captain in World War I; married in 1905 to Jennie Willey, of Keokuk, Iowa, who survives him, as do also one daughter and three sons; for forty years was a civic leader in his community and active in Republican party circles.

GEORGE HOLBROOK MESSENER, banker and public official, died at Kansas City, Missouri, October 3, 1946; born at 314 Third street, Des Moines, Iowa, February 8, 1872, son of Geo. W. Messener, liveryman and livestock dealer, later residing at 1009 Sycamore street; family removed to Fremont, Nebraska, in 1876, returning to Des Moines in 1880; received his education in Des Moines public schools and Iowa Business college; became an accountant and in June, 1889, entered office work in Des Moines, continuing until the spring of 1893, when he removed to Dallas county and engaged in the banking business at Adel; during subsequent years was active in banking at Atlantic, Breda, Farlin, Harlan, VanMeter and Linden; appointed superintendent of banking when the state department was first established in July, 1917, serving until 1920, when he entered the banking business in Des Moines as president of the Mechanics Savings bank; for some years has been engaged in pharmaceutical laboratory business at Kansas City, and the manufacture of toilet preparations; a member of the Knights of Pythias, Masons and Elks orders, and a Republican.

STEPHEN GRANT GOLDTHWAITE, publisher, died after several months illness in Des Moines, Iowa, November 9, 1946; born at Boone, Iowa, November 22, 1868, son of Nathan Edward and Mary A. Thayer Goldthwaite, who had come to Boone county early
the same year from Fox Lake, now Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he had been president of Wisconsin Female college, also president of Wayland University at Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. "Steve" Goldthwaite attended grade and high schools in Boone, Des Moines university, where he received the degree of Master of Arts, and Brown university, Providence, Rhode Island, from which he graduated in the class of 1890, with a degree of Bachelor of Arts; returning to Boone became city editor of the Boone Daily News; then purchased an interest in the Boone County Republican, upon which under his father's ownership in previous years he became a practical printer; spent three years in Chicago, most of the time engaged on the editorial staff of the Chicago Dry Goods Reporter; returned to Boone in 1899; acquired a half interest in the Boone Daily News from his father, becoming business manager in partnership with Charles O. Carter, editor, and in 1902 purchased Mr. Carter's interest; in 1906 consolidated the paper with the Boone Daily Republican and celebrated in 1940 his fiftieth anniversary as a publisher; married to Iva Bryant at Boone in 1895; appointed postmaster of Boone in 1907, which position he administered for eight years; served as president of the Upper Des Moines Press association and of the Iowa Press association; a member of the Baptist church, Rotary club, Elks and Masonic orders and a Republican; active in municipal affairs and devoted his life to his community both personally and through his newspaper for more than half a century; traveled extensively, including two trips to Honolulu, once with the Press Congress of the World in 1921, and later on the U. S. Battleship Arizona during United States navy maneuvers in 1925; also attended the Press Congress of the World at Geneva, Switzerland, and visited other countries on the continent; was bereaved on July 17, 1946, by the death of his wife, and is survived by a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Garvey, of Boone, the latter being the former Mary Thayer Goldthwaite, who is acting publisher of the News-Republican.

ALBERT W. HAMANN, attorney and legislator, died at Davenport, Iowa, November 12, 1946; born in Audubon county, Iowa, on November 3, 1876, son of C. H. and Marie Koenig Hamann; attended Davenport schools and was graduated from the University of Iowa and the college of law at Columbia university, following which he began the practice of law in Davenport in 1899 as an associate of the late Carl F. Hass, who died in 1912; subsequently was senior member of the law firm of Hamann & Doerr, with Edward A. Doerr, and prior to his death had practiced law in Davenport for