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of the city council 1922-1928, assistant county attorney 1922-1924; judge of the municipal court 1934-1935, and city attorney 1935-1937.

WILLIAM BARLOW QUARTON, jurist, died December 14, 1941. The son of William B. and Charlotte G. Quarton, he was born August 24, 1858, on a farm near Carlinville, Illinois. Educated in the Fremont, Iowa high school, he attended Oskaloosa College two years, completing his law degree at the State University of Iowa two years later, in 1882. Beginning his law career in Algona the same year, he was appointed to the district bench in 1894 to fill a vacancy, and was re-elected and served continuously until 1908, when he resumed the private practice of law.

A charter member of the Iowa State Bar Association, Judge Quarton took an active interest in civic affairs, serving eight years on the school board, and serving as president of the Algona Library Board. In addition to his law he was keenly interested in Guernsey cattle breeding, being widely recognized in Iowa and national centers for his work. He was one of the organizers of the Waterloo Dairy Cattle Congress. His agricultural interests were varied, being credited with sowing the first sweet clover in Kossuth County, he was also an officer in the Kossuth County Agricultural Society.

HALLECK W. SEAMAN, railroad engineer and waterway enthusiast, died December 15, 1941, in Clinton, Iowa. Born September 26, 1860, in Clinton, Iowa, the son of Richard S. and Emma Carter Seaman, he was educated in the Clinton public schools and the State University of Iowa, graduating from the engineering department in 1882. Upon his graduation, first as a civil engineer on the western extensions of the Chicago Northwestern, and the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul railroads, Mr. Seaman became actively interested in railroad construction and promotion, especially in the Southwest, building several railroad lines there as well as others in the Great Lakes region. Also actively interested in mining developments, he succeeded Herbert C. Hoover as president of the American Mining Congress.

Although prominently identified with railroad and mining interests, he was best known to Iowans for his connection with the development of the Mississippi River channel. He was for years an officer of the Inland Waterways Corporation, a member of the executive committee of the Mississippi Valley Association, and the Upper Mississippi Waterways Corporation.

Besides his rail and water interests, Mr. Seaman was a member of the Iowa state bar, and vice president of the City National Bank of Clinton, Iowa.