himself in turn, succeeded as its publisher, having previously af-
iliated with other newspapers at Corning, Bedford, Orange City, 
Chariton, Albia, Fort Madison, Shenandoah, and Creston in Iowa; 
served for two terms as president of the Iowa Press association, 
also two terms as mayor of Fairfield and postmaster from July 
1, 1930, to August 4, 1934; was a member of the Elks, Rotary, 
the Fairfield country club and social organizations.

GEORGE C. CLAUSSEN, lawyer and jurist, died at Clinton, Iowa, 
December 18, 1948; born at Clinton August 6, 1882, son of John 
and Wiebke Banderob Claussen; attended the Clinton schools, 
and the State University of Iowa college of law in 1901-03; later 
studied law in the office of M. W. Herrick, at Monticello, Iowa, 
and gained admission to the bar in 1909; worked as railroad mail 
clerk on the run between Monticello and Davenport while studying 
law; began general practice in Clinton in 1911; married to Luella 
Farr March 18, 1920; served as county attorney from 1914 to 
1918 and elected first judge of the Clinton municipal court in 
1918, and served until 1919; was a member of the law firm of 
Wolfe, Wolfe & Claussen from 1919 to 1932, when he became a 
judge of the Iowa Supreme court and served as chief justice 
while on the supreme bench; appointed judge of the district court 
at Clinton in 1941 and served until his death; active in the Ma-
sonic bodies, a Republican, and survived by his wife and one son, 
Robert.

WILLIAM J. BURBANK, druggist and public official, died January 
27, 1949, at Eldorado, Missouri, where he had lived the last year, 
having previously resided at 1312 Harrison avenue, Des Moines, 
Iowa; born at Waverly, Bremer county, Iowa, May 21, 1866; at-
tended the Waverly grade schools and at age of sixteen entered 
his father's drug store at Allison, Iowa; became a registered phar-
macist in 1889; married December 14, 1895, to Miss Lena A. 
Hummell; served as postmaster at Allison four years; elected 
in 1898 county treasurer of Butler county, Iowa, and re-elected 
in 1900; moved to Waterloo in 1904, and employed by Paul Davis 
Dry Goods Co.; nine years later elected county treasurer of Black-
hawk county and twice re-elected; nominated in the Republican 
state primary and elected state treasurer in 1920 and re-elected 
in 1922; upon relinquishing state office he was employed in the 
Polk county treasurer's office for several years; a member of 
the Masonic order, Knights of Pythias and Presbyterian church; 
survived by his widow, one daughter and two sons.
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