ELBERT NEVUS SEBRING THOMPSON, educator and author, died at Iowa City, Iowa, September 13, 1948; born at West Orange, New Jersey, December 15, 1877, son of Wilmot Haines and Laura Garrigues Thompson; received B.A. degree in 1900 and P.H.D. 1903 at Yale university; taught English literature at Lehigh university 1903-1906, at Yale 1906-1909; associate professor of English 1909-1920, and professor since 1921 at the State University of Iowa; internationally known as a Milton scholar; author of "Controversy Between the Puritans and the Stage" 1903, "English Moral Plays" 1909, "Essays on Milton" 1914, "Literary Bypaths of the Renaissance," "English Essay of the Seventeenth Century"; compiler of a topical Bibliography of Milton 1916; a contributor of notes and studies in philosophy, and articles on modern language; a member of the Modern Language Association of America, the Unitarian church and a Republican.

HARRY EDWARD BURTON, author and astronomer National Naval Observatory, Washington, D. C., died at the Emergency hospital at Washington, July 20, 1948; born in 1878 at Onawa, Iowa; graduated from the State University of Iowa in 1901, and two years later received his master's degree there; taught mathematics later at Parsons college, Fairfield, Iowa, and was a computer at Yerkes Observatory, William Bay, Wisconsin, until he joined the Naval Observatory at Washington in 1909; became principal astronomer and head of the equatorial and astrographic division in 1929, holding that position until July 1 last when he retired, after 39 years service with the observatory; in 1938 represented the Naval Observatory at a meeting of the International Astronomical Union in Stockholm, Sweden; author of many articles upon astronomical matters; married in 1911 to Ina Robinson, who survives him.

HARLAN J. BUSHFIELD, attorney, governor, U. S. Senator, died September 27, 1948, at Miller, South Dakota; born in Atlantic, Iowa, August 6, 1882, son of James Bushfield; moved with parents the following year to Miller, South Dakota, and started life upon a homestead, but the father soon engaged in the newspaper business, as editor and publisher of the Miller Press; attended the public schools; graduated from Minnesota law school in 1904, with L.L.B. degree, and from Dakota Wesleyan university at Mitchell in 1939, with L.L.D. degree; admitted to bar in 1904 and commenced the practice of law in Miller; served as governor of South Dakota, 1933-42, and became United States senator in 1942; active in helping with pioneering the Missouri valley improvement and development; a Republican, and is survived by his widow and two sons, John and Harlan Jr., all of Miller.