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NOTABLE DEATHS

lection of river lore and steamboat pictures; educated in the public schools of Princeton, Cornell college at Mount Vernon and the University of Iowa and admitted to the bar in 1895, coming to Davenport to practice law; became judge of the Seventh judicial district in 1925 in which position he served until his death; a life-long Democrat and a member of many professional and fraternal orders and societies. Judge Maines was married September 16, 1903 to Louise Anna Koch who was born in Rock Island January 14, 1877, the daughter of Anthony and Margaret Relmers Koch, and died February 18, 1934; one daughter surviving her parents, Helen Louise Maines, who lived with her father.

JAMES RUTHERFORD RHODES, journalist, died at McAlester, Oklahoma, enroute home by automobile to Newton, Iowa, from a vacation trip, the tragic event resulting from his falling from a hotel window; born on a farm near Newton in 1883; received his education in the Newton schools, Monmouth college at Monmouth, Illinois, and Princeton university; followed newspaper reporting at Monmouth and Tacoma, Washington, returning to Newton and purchasing the Daily News in 1910, being its publisher at the time of his death, and also publisher of the Perry, Iowa, Daily Chief, the Carroll, Iowa, Daily Herald, the Missouri Valley, Iowa, Times, and was interested in the Cedar Falls, Iowa, Daily Record; active as a Republican he had served as congressional district committeeman and on the state Republican committee, as well as a delegate to the Republican National convention at Kansas City in 1928; a member of various fraternal orders and the United Presbyterian church.

PETER J. KLINKER, legislator and jurist, died at his home in Denison, Iowa, January 27, 1944, passing away just six days after being notified that his only son, Lieutenant Norman Klinker, had been killed in action with the armed forces in Italy; born in Wester Ohrsted, Germany, January 9, 1877, and came to Crawford county, Iowa, with his widowed mother in May 1882; was educated in the Denison schools and the University of Iowa, graduating from the law college and beginning practice in 1901 at Denison; married to Garnet Lucile Norman June 4, 1914 in Omaha, Neb.; was elected county attorney of Crawford county in 1902 serving ten consecutive years; elected state representative in 1914 and re-elected in 1916; appointed judge of the Sixteenth judicial district in 1930, and had attended to district court matters as late as the day previous to his death. He was a member of the Baptist church and of the Redmen and the Masonic orders. Copyright of Annals of Iowa is the property of State of Iowa, by & through the State Historical Society of Iowa and its content may not be copied or emailed to multiple sites or posted to a listserv without the copyright holder's express written permission. However, users may print, download, or email articles for individual use.