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university; received special study work at American University, Bacteriologist, Armour & Co. packers, Chicago, Illinois, 1918-19; with Zoological Division Bureau Animal Industry, U. S. Dept. Agriculture 1920-36, engaged in research work on parasitic diseases, specializing on domestic and game birds; a member of Washington Academy of Science, Helminthological Society, Washington, A.A.A.S., Society Experimental Biology and Medicine, American Society Tropical Medicine; had resided at Bannockburn Heights, Bethesda 14, Maryland; spending the winter at San Diego with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller and with her sister, Mrs. Margaret Siemen of Hermit, California; had retired in October 1955, from the United States Health Service's National Institute after more than 35 years as a scientist with the government in Washington, retiring as senior zoologist; was one of the founders of the American Society of Parasitologists and served as its president in 1956; a member of other leading scientific groups, and an associate member of the Medical Society in the District of Columbia; a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of the Sigma Xi and the author of a number of scientific articles on helminth parasites, schistosomiasis and other projects; a member of the American Association of University Women, and was a Presbyterian.

LESLIE E. FRANCIS, lawyer, real estate developer and legislator, died at Des Moines, Iowa, February 11, 1957; born on the farm bordering East Okoboji lake near Spirit Lake, Iowa, April 4, 1871, his parents having homesteaded the tract in May, 1860, three years after the Indian massacre that started March 8, 1857; received his law degree from the State University of Iowa in 1893, and began practice in Spirit Lake; served as Dickinson county attorney from 1895 to 1901, and as state senator from the Forty-seventh Iowa district from 1909 through 1915; ran for the Republican nomination for U. S. senator in the state primary in 1922, being defeated by Sen. S. W. Brookhart; became a wealthy real estate owner and moved to Des Moines in 1917; organized a mortgage and finance company; formed a law partnership with George Cosson, but turned his interest more to real estate, becoming involved in financial difficulties, attributing his reverses in the depression thirties to "chasing after land," having bought real estate from Canada to Mexico and from Florida to California; once owned two refineries, a bank in Ranger, Texas, and was in a wide variety of other enterprises, including a tire factory in Des Moines; was legal adviser to the Iowa liquor control commission from soon after it organized in 1934 until May, 1935; engaged in recent years in

writing and management of rental properties held in Des Moines; was a member of Central Presbyterian Church, a charter member of Wakonda club, the Knight Templars and the Shrine; survived by his widow and a daughter, Mrs. Miriam Francis Dodge, a son having preceded the senator in death.

CLAUD COYKENDALL, civil engineer and former secretary Iowa Good Roads association, died at Ames, Iowa, March 5, 1957; born in Carroll county, Iowa, December 18, 1886; son of William D. and Sarah Coykendall; graduated from the high school at Glidden, Iowa, and entered Iowa State College at Ames in the engineering course in 1906, graduating in 1910; was instructor in the college from 1911 to 1913, then becoming a district engineer for the Iowa State Highway commission from time of its organization until 1918; served as Polk county engineer from 1918 to 1919, and engaged in private paving contracting from 1923 to 1928, afterward serving as administrative engineer and assistant to the chief engineer of the highway commission until becoming engineer for a group of contractors in the building of the Alkan highway to Alaska during World War II; then rejoined the highway commission engineering force and served them until 1947; became executive secretary of the Iowa Good Roads association in 1948, serving in that capacity until 1953; active in alumni organizations and served on the Ames city council from 1930 to 1940; married Mary Young August 23, 1911, at Emmetsburg; a member of the Congregational church; and a former president of the Iowa Engineering society; survived by the widow and a son, John C., at Syracuse, New York, a daughter, Mrs. W. Howard Chase, Hobokus, New Jersey, three grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Cleve Straight, Excelsior, Minnesota.

C. GRANT GOOD, importer and authority on Belgian horses, and a former Iowa legislator, died in Boone, Iowa, April 15, 1957; born on a farm in the Pilot Mound vicinity August 15, 1872; the son of John L. and Cathrine Good; educated in the schools of Boone county and two years at Capital City Commercial college, Des Moines; resided in Boone county almost his entire life on his farm in the Ogden vicinity, retiring in 1947 and moved to Boone; was married in May, 1899, to Alice L. Zunkle of Pilot Mound, Iowa; besides farming operations engaged in the importing and breeding of Belgium horses, also doing a large export business in same to Canada, Mexico and the Hawaiian Islands, and in later years in partnership with his son, Lester, dealt in Guernsey

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