

## Fred H. Hunter

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## NOTABLE DEATHS

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FRED H. HUNTER, legislator, city official, railroad man and agriculturalist, born at Dexter, Iowa, on June 7, 1869, died at Rochester, Minn. on July 23, 1943; his parents natives of Pennsylvania, moved to Dexter in 1867, thence to Des Moines in 1869; his father, Dr. A. O. Hunter was one of Des Moines' pioneer physicians; graduated from East High school of Des Moines in 1887; afterwards graduated from Capital City Commercial college and took agriculture and dairy course at the University of California and later at Iowa State college at Ames; associated with B. F. Gue for a time as one of the editors of the Rural Northwest Farm Publication; read law one winter; later employed for a number of years by the Chicago, Great Western railroad as passenger agent and subsequently traveling freight and passenger agent.

Mr. Hunter has engaged in many Des Moines business enterprises and resided eight months of each year on the family farm near Ankeny, and in Des Moines during the winter months. He was married in 1892 to Mary Ankeny, daughter of Gen. R. V. Ankeny, who survives him with two sons and a daughter. He has been a life-long republican and active in politics as well as in business and welfare fields; served in the Iowa General Assembly in 1908 and mayor of Des Moines in 1926; since the operation of the selective service act has served as chairman of local draft board No. 3, served as a member and chairman of the Polk county board of supervisors in 1922 to 1926; always active in welfare and civic work, Masonic and church circles. In 1911 he was appointed receiver, auditor and general manager of the Minneapolis and Northern Interurban railroad which was electrified and sold three years later. Was a member of the Pioneer Lawmakers Association, Des Moines Pioneer club and the Kiwanis club.

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GEORGE FREDERICK KAY, educator and scientist, one of the world's great geologists, former dean of the State University of Iowa liberal arts college, born on a farm near Virginia, York county, Ontario, on September 14, 1873, died at Iowa City, Iowa, on July 19, 1943, having retired from full-time teaching service in May previous; long a recognized authority on glacial and interglacial history of Iowa and adjacent states; through research, he was able to determine the minimum length of time involved in the Pleistocene geologic period at about one million years; for 23 years headed the department of geology at the state university, directed the Iowa geological survey, and was Iowa state geologist from 1911 until 1934; for the last 25 years, his main

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