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CAROLYN CAMPBELL PENDRAY, first woman to serve in the Iowa legislature, died November 23, 1958, at Mount Pleasant, Iowa; born on a farm near there, December 9, 1881, the daughter of Thomas Franklin and Harriett Emily Dutton Campbell; graduated from the Mount Pleasant high school in 1899; taught rural schools near Mount Pleasant and in Des Moines county for twelve years, was Henry county superintendent of schools from 1913 to 1920, also holding classes on primary methods three summers at Iowa Wesleyan college; became active in the Democratic party, serving as county chairwoman for Jackson county and member of the state central committee as chairwoman for the Second Congressional district; married to William James Pendray at Mount Pleasant, March 24, 1920, and moved to Maquoketa in 1923 where his merchandising business was established; elected to the Iowa house of representatives from Jackson county in November 1927, two years after women became qualified to sit in the General Assembly; took the same seat her father occupied at the 28th General Assembly; re-elected in 1929, and was a successful twenty-third district candidate for the senate in 1931; noted for her speaking and debating ability in support of legislation on education and women's rights; retained an interest in political affairs and cultural events on returning to Mount Pleasant after the death of her husband in 1938; was a member of the Federated Congregational church, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and P.E.O. society; survived by a sister, Mrs. Besse Kizer, Texarkana, Texas.

WILLIAM GALT KERR, retired attorney and former legislator, died October 31, 1958, at Traer, Iowa; born in Grundy Center, September 2, 1871, the son of Daniel and Clara T. Estabrook Kerr; graduated from the local high school in 1891, enrolled at Coe College in Cedar Rapids, transferred to Cornell College in Grinnell for two years, and entered the State University of Iowa law school in 1895; married to Grace R. Sprague of Grundy Center, September 25, 1895, moving onto a farm west of town; admitted to the bar in 1896, and the next year became a law associate of his father, former fifth district congressman; soon was active in the Republican party being elected state representative in 1899, and introduced one of the first bills to regulate the financing of political campaigns during his two terms in office; gave valued counsel to the leaders of his

party for many years while devoting himself to real estate investments and representing such long time clients as the Rock Island and Chicago & Northwestern railroads; maintained an active interest in public affairs and was a frequent contributor to newspaper columns; had a deep appreciation of local history, authoring an extensive and respected history of Grundy Center; was a frequent representative of the Presbyterian church to its General Assembly and the Iowa Synod; survived by three sons, Roscoe, Des Moines, Laurence W., Detroit, Michigan, and the Reverend Daniel E., Huron, South Dakota.

ROLLIE L. PEMBERTON, prominent farmer and swine judge, died at Iowa City, Iowa, October 21, 1958; born in Greenville, January 10, 1891, the son of Albert and Mattie Pemberton, and was a first cousin of Herbert Hoover; graduated from Palmer College at LeGrand in 1909 gaining prominence in athletics; married to Electa Schoch, November 30, 1911; began farming in 1912, first showing purebred Hampshires at the Iowa State Fair two years later, and started his judging career in 1916; became hog buyer for the Eastern Iowa Market Association at Toledo in 1929, building the business to 500 carloads a day; promoted swine improvement programs and was a leader in the production of meat-type pigs; honored at the 1952 International Live Stock Exposition in Chicago, Illinois, when his portrait was hung in the gallery of the famed Saddle and Sirloin Club; recently resided in Knoxville, Iowa, as secretary of the Hampshire Swine Registry at Peoria, Illinois; was a birthright member of the Friends church; survived by his wife.

HALLECK J. MANTZ, retired attorney and former Iowa Supreme Court justice, died, November 14, 1958, at Guthrie Center, Iowa; born in Iowa county, September 23, 1877, the son of Samuel and Harriet Mantz; moved with his parents to Audubon county in 1881, working on a farm and attending the public schools there; taught in the rural schools of the county for three years and studied law at Drake University in Des Moines, graduating in 1904; married to Dorothy Sandberg in Kansas City, Missouri, August 27, 1910; began the practice of law in Audubon taking an active part in civic and governmental affairs; served as county attorney from 1909 until 1913, was twice elected mayor of Audubon, was a Republican member of the house in the Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth General Assemblies, and represented the Seventeenth district in the senate during the Thirty-ninth, Fortieth, and Fortieth extraordinary sessions; became judge of the Fifteenth judicial

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