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search for Bell Telephone Laboratories, advanced to director in 1933, executive vice president in 1936, president and a director in 1940; pioneered in the development of submarine telephone cables and held 40 patents on telephone inventions; was chairman of the board, 1951-1952, and a director till 1955, also being a director of the Summit Trust Company; was a member of the communications and guided missiles divisions of the National Defense Research Committee during World War II, the general committee of the Atomic Energy Commission from 1948 to 1954, the Army Ordnance scientific advisory committee from 1951 to 1956, and chairman of the scientific advisory committee of the Office of Defense Mobilization, 1951-1952; served on the board of education of South Orange-Maplewood, New Jersey from 1938 to 1950, being president the last two years; was vice-president of the American Philosophical Society, 1954-55, chairman of the Franklin Institute engineering foundation board, 1939-1942, and member of the National Academy of Sciences, National Inventors Council, Phi Beta Kappa, among others.

GEORGE M. LUDWIG, radio farm commentator, former newspaper columnist, public school administrator, minister and state legislator, died at Iowa City, Iowa, November 13, 1959; born near Stevens in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, October 11, 1896, the son of George S. and Emma Anne (Renniger) Ludwig; graduated from Ephrata high school, attended Mount Union College in Ohio one year, graduated from Westmar College, LeMars, Iowa, obtained a masters degree from Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, and took further graduate work at Ohio State University and at the University of Iowa in 1928 and 1958-59; spent eight years in the active ministry after ordination in the Evangelical United Brethren Church at Columbus, Ohio in 1915; married Alice G. Heim of Dawson, Nebraska, June 22, 1923; served 5 years as superintendent of schools at Sharon, Iowa, 1 year at Oxford and 16 years at Tiffin, moving to Ludwigheim, his farm near there, in 1930; wrote a farm column for the *Iowa City Press-Citizen* for eight years and had been farm editor and commentator for radio station KXIC in Iowa City since 1948; a Republican in politics, was elected Johnson County representative in the Iowa legislature in 1950 and re-elected in 1952; survived by his wife, three daughters, Phyllis J. Ludwig, Redbird Mission, Beverly, Kentucky, Mrs. Genevieve Merck, Deep River, Iowa, Mrs. Nona L. Walker, Iowa City, and two sons, George H. and Robert L. Ludwig of Iowa City; another son, Dean, died August 16, 1951.

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