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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

district in 1925, and supreme court justice in 1943, serving till his resignation in 1953; belonged to the masonic fraternity, and was a former trustee of the First Presbyterian church; survived by his wife, one son, Paul, Van Nuys, California, and a daughter, Mrs. Gordon Luce, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

LEON BROWN, businessman, former newspaperman, and state official, died September 17, 1958, in Des Moines, Iowa; born November 24, 1870, at Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, later moving with his parents to Jefferson, and graduating from high school there; graduated from the State University of Iowa in 1890, and became a reporter with the old Des Moines *Daily News*; successively served the Des Moines *Leader*, Des Moines *Register and Leader*, and Des Moines *Register*, becoming managing editor, state editor, and respected political writer for the latter paper; married to Zilpha Popejoy, June 16, 1917; was state publicity director for the federal food administration for a year during World War I; joined the staff of State Budget Director E. L. Hogue in 1925, leaving that work about 1931 to become associated with his wife in owning and operating the Iowa Press Clipping Service; supported the Republican political party, was a member of Beta Theta Pi, the Masons, the Za-Ga-Zig Shrine Temple, and attended the Plymouth Congregational church; survived by his wife.

ROBERT BUCHANAN McCANDLESS, former federal official and banker, died March 11, 1958, in Washington, D. C.; born at Montezuma, Iowa, November 1, 1885, the son of John and Kate Buchanan McCandless; moved with his family to Sheldon about 1891 and after graduating from high school there in 1902, attended Grinnell College for three years; married to Clara Lanning of Sheldon, July 15, 1908, and after her death in 1950, married Allie Krahling of near George, Iowa; began seventeen years in the banking business near Mitchell, South Dakota; joined the United States Treasury Department in 1924 as a receiver of closed national banks, serving in South Dakota, South Carolina, Louisville, Kentucky, and Chicago, Illinois, later made supervising receiver in charge of the plan for speeding up payments to depositors with money advanced on the security of closed banks' assets; appointed deputy comptroller of the currency in 1941; traveled widely after his retirement in 1951, and had been studying advanced Latin at Catholic University; was a Mason, and associated with the Congregational church; survived by his wife.

LYLE L. SCHMITTER, economist and former federal official, died in Washington, D. C., April 10, 1958; born on a farm near

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