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papers and then for three years city editor of the *Des Moines Daily News*, going to Washington in 1901; engaged in newspaper work on the *Washington Post*; returned to Des Moines in 1905 as political editor of the *Daily News*; later, while working in Beaumont, Texas, met and married Mrs. Jane Bixby McComas, widow of a Beaumont newspaper editor, and she survives him; served as a major in France in World War I; became associated with columnist David Lawrence at the time Lawrence established the *United States News*; covered Woodrow Wilson's presidential campaign in 1912 for the *United Press*; later Wilson appointed him a District of Columbia commissioner; was president of the board of commissioners from 1913 to 1917; was first chairman of the public utilities commission for the District of Columbia; was an aide to President Wilson at the Paris, France, Peace Conference and also was associated later with Cordell Hull, late secretary of state, in organizing the Woodrow Wilson Foundation; was appointed administrator of the foreign debt of the Dominican Republic in 1933, and in 1941 President Franklin Roosevelt sent him to the Dominican Republic on a special assignment; had suffered from a heart ailment and retired two years ago as financial adviser to the Dominican Republic, in which position he had served for 20 years.

FLOYD J. PINE, farmer, auto dealer and legislator, died at Phoenix, Arizona, August 27, 1956; born on a farm near Columbus Junction, Iowa, July 1, 1893; son of A. F. and Mary E. Skipton Pine; educated in the public schools of Louisa county, and afterward engaged in farming there; served on the Mexican border with the Iowa National Guard and overseas troops, as a lieutenant in the First Division, U. S. army in World War I; married December 19, 1924, to Ruth D. Stone, to whom were born two sons, Gordon and Herold; served as city mayor, in the Iowa House of Representatives in the Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, Forty-ninth and Forty-ninth extra sessions and in the state Senate during the Fiftieth, Fiftieth extra and Fifty-first assemblies; was a director of the Columbus Junction State bank, a partner in the Pine Bros. Auto Company both at home town and Wapello; member of the American Legion, D.A.V., Odd Fellows and Masonic orders, and the Baptist church; moved to Phoenix about two years ago on account of his health; survived by his widow, two sons, a grandchild, his mother, Mrs. Alex Pine of Columbus City, seven brothers and four sisters.

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