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EDWARD McMURRAY SMITH, editor, legislator, educator and former Iowa secretary of state, died at Winterset, Iowa, October 26, 1953; born on a farm near Maquoketa, Jackson county, Iowa, October 31, 1870, son of John M. and Jane Courtney Smith, Scotch-Irish immigrants who first settled in New England and came to Iowa in 1869; at 16 years of age, moved with parents to a Madison county farm in Jackson township in 1886; attended old Dexter Normal School and Drake University; began teaching school in 1892 between farm seasons; served as Madison county superintendent of schools from 1898 to 1899; in 1900 became editor and publisher of weekly *Madisonian* at Winterset; owned and operated two farms in Madison county and was a charter member of the Farm Bureau organization in that county; elected to the Iowa senate in 1916 and served eight years from the Adair-Madison district; as chairman of the senate ways and means committee became an authority upon the subject of taxation; appointed in 1928 to succeed the late Walter C. Ramsey as secretary of state of Iowa, later elected to that office serving until 1930; postmaster at Winterset from April 1904 to August 1908; president Iowa Press association 1922 and 1923 and chosen as an Iowa Master Editor in 1933; married Evalyn Crossley, of Patterson, Iowa, June 1, 1898, who passed away in 1950; survived by three daughters, Mrs. J. C. Moore, jr., of Winterset, Mrs. P. K. Graening of Oklahoma City and Mrs. Wesley Fry of Berkley, California, six grandchildren and two great grandchildren; a member of the Presbyterian church, Masonic order, Knights of Pythias, Rotary club, Pioneer Lawmakers association, Des Moines club, Prairie club and Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity; enjoyed association of Mrs. Moore and her husband as co-publishers and half owners of the *Madisonian* for several years, as during latter years of Mrs. Smith's life they spent their winters at McAllen, Texas; a Republican in politics.

EUGENE ALLEN GILMORE, lawyer, educator and public official, died November 4, 1953, at Iowa City, Iowa; born July 4, 1871, at Brownsville, Nebraska; son of Andrew and Sarah Jane Allen Gilmore; educated in the Auburn, Nebraska, public schools; graduated from DePauw university with B.A. degree in 1893, and from Harvard university with LL.B. degree in 1899, where he had been secretary to the president; practiced law in Boston for three years, then served upon

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