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VINCENT F. HARRINGTON, soldier, legislator and mortgage financier, died November 29, 1943, in Rutlandshire, England, where he was on army duty, serving in the air corps with the rank of major, having resigned from duties as congressman from the Ninth Iowa district; born May 16, 1903 in Sioux City, Iowa, the son of Thomas F. Harrington and Maria O'Leary Harrington. Educated in Cathedral grammar school and Trinity College Academy, Sioux City, Iowa, and the University of Notre Dame in Indiana, where he graduated in June 1925; associated with his father since 1927 in the Continental Mortgage Company; on June 7 that year married Cathrine O'Connor of Homer, Nebraska; was elected senator from the Thirty-second district in 1932 and became congressman in 1936, but resigned and withdrew as a candidate for re-election September 4, 1942, having joined the air forces several months previous in the air transport command.

CHESTER W. WHITMORE, lawyer and legislator, died in San Francisco, Cal., December 4, 1943, only four days after his arrival there from his home in Ottumwa, Iowa; born at Burlington, Iowa, January 11, 1869, his father, Francis S. Whitmore having been a veteran in the Civil war; educated in Illinois and practiced law in Chicago until 1900 when he moved to Ottumwa where he also engaged in the practice of law; as a Republican was elected senator in 1914, representing Wapello county in the Thirty-sixth, Thirtyseventh, Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth General Assemblies; served four years in Company G, Fifty-fourth regiment, Iowa National Guard. Senator Whitmore had retired from practice, sold his home in Ottumwa, and with Mrs. Whitmore had gone to California to make their home.

JOHN M. GRIMM, lawyer and jurist, died at his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, December 22, 1943; born in Henry county, Illinois, December 21, 1866; removed with relatives in 1877 to a farm near Williamsburg, Iowa; was educated in the schools of Marengo, Iowa, and the University of Iowa at Iowa City, graduating in 1890, immediately thereafter entering the practice of law in the firm of Rothrock and Grimm at Cedar Rapids; married in 1894 to Miss Opha Bealer, who survives with a son, Donald S. Grimm. Judge Grimm was one time county attorney of Linn county, serving three terms, and was named as justice of the Supreme court of Iowa in 1913, a year later being elected to a six year term, but resigned in 1932 to resume private practice. He served as president of the Iowa Bar association. Copyright of Annals of Iowa is the property of State of Iowa, by & through the State Historical Society of Iowa and its content may not be copied or emailed to multiple sites or posted to a listserv without the copyright holder's express written permission. However, users may print, download, or email articles for individual use.