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Mr. Colbert 1978

dies Oct. 3

Word has been received here of the death on Oct. 3 of Herschel M. Colbert, assistant professor of journalism at Grinnell College from 1930 to 1942.

He was born Oct. 23, 1891. He received a B.S.J. degree from the University of Missouri and an M.A. degree from the University of Wisconsin. After working as a newspaper reporter and editor in Gallatin, Mo., and in Chicago, Ill., he came to Grinnell to direct the college's journalism program.

Following World War I, he maintained the rank of major in the U.S. Army Reserve, and when the U.S. entered World War II he resumed active service as an acting colonel. He did not return to academic work after the war but remained in the army until his retirement with the rank of colonel.

After his retirement, he made his home in Taos, N.M., where he was active in city government.

Survivors include his wife Frances, and several grand children. He was preceded in death by two sons, Alfred and Francis.