

Mr. Owens was a member of the Forty-first General Assembly.

He was a member of the Masons and Odd Fellows, and in politics was a Republican.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fifth General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of the Honorable Henry B. Owens, the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

WILLIAM E. DARRINGTON,
ROY HADDEN,
FRANCIS L. KERR,

Committee.

EDWARD D. RAYBURN

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Edward D. Rayburn, begs to submit the following memorial:

Edward D. Rayburn was born at Montezuma, Iowa, July 22, 1874, and died April 14, 1953, at his home in Washington, Iowa.

His father, Amos F. Rayburn, who was a Civil War veteran, was born in Clinton County, Ohio, and his mother, Nettie Brosius, was born at Knightstown, Indiana. He graduated from the Montezuma High School and the State Teachers College at Cedar Falls in 1895. After graduation from college, he became a bookkeeper for the First National Bank of Montezuma of which bank he later became president. He was active in the civic life of his community, county and state, assisting in the improvement of streets, schools, and parks. He was one of the pioneers in the good roads program for Iowa.

During World War I, he was chairman of the Liberty Loan drives in Poweshiek County and received special recognition from the Treasury Department both for himself and the county for his outstanding success in the sale of bonds. Because of this wide experience in the banking field, he was called on by both the national and state banking departments to serve as receiver of many banks.

In 1932, he moved to Washington, Iowa, to take charge of a number of banks in liquidation in that vicinity. After completion of this task, he remained in Washington and engaged in the real estate business until the time of his last illness.

He was married in 1898 to Gertrude Powell, and had one son, Powell A. Rayburn. He was a member of the Methodist Church, and also of the

I.O.O.F., Knights of Pythias, Sons of Veterans, B.P.O.E., and Masonic Lodges, having been a member of the Consistory and the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Rayburn was elected Representative of Poweshiek County and served in the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh sessions of the General Assembly.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fifth General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of the late Honorable Edward D. Rayburn, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful, useful public servant, and the House, by this resolution would express its appreciation of his service, and tender its sympathy to the members of his family.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the widow and son of the deceased.

GEORGE L. PAUL,
MAHLON N. BROWN,
CARROLL L. BROWN,

Committee.

GEORGE H. ROBB

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable George H. Robb, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

George H. Robb was born February 15, 1881, in Morris, Illinois. He came with his parents to Estherville, Iowa in 1893. He received his education in the Morris, Illinois and the Estherville, Iowa public schools. He also attended the Kankakee Commercial College at Kankakee, Illinois.

In 1902 Mr. Robb was married to Nellie R. Crim of Estherville. They had two children, J. Merrill and Maurine.

Mr. Robb farmed twenty-five years near Estherville, and for twenty years operated a livestock buying station and sales barn.

George Robb was known for his community service. He served thirteen years on the Estherville board of education, two years on the city council, and was mayor of Estherville. He was a charter member of the Emmet County Farm Bureau, and served as president of the Estherville Chamber of Commerce. He was active in the Methodist Church.

Mr. Robb was a prominent member of the Republican party. He served in the Fiftieth, Fiftieth Extra, Fifty-first, Fifty-second and Fifty-second Extra, and the Fifty-third sessions of the Iowa Legislature. He resigned as mayor of Estherville to accept appointment by Governor