

Iowa. Four children were born to this union. They were Len R. and Glen R., twins, May Edith, and Laura G. Glen R., May Edith, and Mrs. Beath were deceased at the time of the demise of the subject of this sketch.

Mr. Beath was a farmer. As a matter of fact, he was such an outstanding son of the soil that in 1927 he was elected to receive the Master Farmer distinction of Iowa. He was active in securing for himself and his community those things that made for a better rural life. He was a charter member of the Adams County Farm Bureau and served as its president for four years. He was for a long period county leader of the Boys' 4-H Club. He was active in the organization of the local shipping association and of the Farmers' Co-operative Creamery. The farm on which he lived at the time of his death was purchased by his father in 1873. With the exception of the four years following his marriage, Mr. Beath made this farm his home. On this land he worked and toiled and succeeded.

Mr. Beath was also interested in politics. He was township assessor two years, president of the school board ten years, and township trustee seven years. His greatest political honor came, however, when he was elected as State Representative to the Forty-fourth General Assembly and again to the Forty-fifth and Forty-fifth Extraordinary. His record in the legislature shows that he was always for the common man, of which he was one.

The passing of Mr. Beath took from the community an outstanding citizen. He was a man of highest character and one who held the very greatest respect and esteem of all who knew him. Industrious, dependable, honorable, efficient, frugal, thrifty, modest—what more could be asked?

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That in the passing of the Honorable Frank Herbert Beath, Adams county and the state of Iowa have lost a valuable and honored citizen and that this General Assembly bear unanimous witness of his upright life and his honorable service to his state. He was a man honored and trusted, of sterling quality and irreproachable character.

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

ELMER E. COOPER,
O. N. HULTMAN,
GUSTAVE ALESCH,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

HONORABLE ROBERT BRUCE

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a resolution commemorating the life, character and public services of the late Honorable Robert Bruce of Pocahontas county, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

Robert Bruce was born March 18, 1875, in Pocahontas county, a son of the late Honorable James J. and Mary Jane Bruce. His birthplace was in the old town of Rolfe, which was moved to its present site after the railroad was built.

He attended the public school at Rolfe and graduated from the Rolfe high school June 17, 1892. Graduated from the law department of the State University of Iowa, June 8, 1897, and from the Iowa Business College, Des Moines, Iowa, in 1894, and followed the profession of banking.

On October 11, 1899, he was united in marriage to Carol Mirth Ritchey. One adopted son, Howard, and a niece, Dorothy Bruce, were reared in this happy home and much of his life and constant effort was devoted to their care and education.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and the Masonic Lodge. He was elected Representative and served in the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh General Assemblies. In politics he was a Republican, and he served his community and state well.

His father, James J. Bruce, served in the Twenty-first General Assembly, and a brother, Marion Bruce, served in the Forty-fifth and Forty-fifth Extra General Assemblies.

Robert Bruce passed away September 28, 1936. Surviving are his wife, adopted son, Howard Bruce, his niece, Dorothy Bruce, one sister, four brothers, and a wide circle of relatives and friends.

The book of life is closed for Robert Bruce but the deeds recorded there still live in the hearts of those who knew him, and our lives are richer because this man walked with us in friendship.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-eighth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Robert Bruce, the state of Iowa has lost a valued and honored citizen, a man of great character and worth, and the House of Representatives of Iowa, by this resolution, tenders its sympathy to the family of the deceased.

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.

JENS THOMPSON,
ARCH W. MCFARLANE,
GEO. H. KEENEY,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

HONORABLE MYRON LE ROY BURT

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character, and public services of the late Honorable M. L. Burt, a member of the Thirty-fifth and Thirty-seventh General Assemblies of Iowa, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Myron Le Roy Burt was born on a farm in Marshall county, Illinois, June 24, 1878, of Scotch descent. In 1887 he moved with his parents to Rockford, Winnebago county, Illinois, where he attended school until