

Representatives extends its sincere sympathy to the surviving relatives.

*Be It Further Resolved*, That this resolution be spread on the records of this House and an enrolled copy thereof be sent to the surviving members of the family.

J. PARK BAIR,  
A. H. AVERY,  
N. M. NELSON,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 13, 1931.

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HON. LUTHER V. CARTER

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions in commemoration of the life, character and services of the Hon. Luther V. Carter, beg leave to submit the following report:

Luther V. Carter died at his home in New Providence, Iowa, early Tuesday morning, December 31, 1929, after an illness of many months. He made a gallant fight to regain his health, following a stroke in May, 1927, after the close of a strenuous session of the Iowa legislature, in which he served with distinguished honor as speaker. Another attack followed in February of the next year and the decline in general health followed.

He was born on a farm near New Providence, January 30, 1879, son of James K. and Martha Ann Carter, pioneers of Providence township. His education was received in the public schools of the county and in the old Academy in New Providence, continuing his work in Penn College at Oskaloosa from which he was graduated in June of 1904. Many honors came to him while in college. He was a stalwart on the football team and won his letter in that sport. In forensics he was a leader and was honored by a high office in the Iowa Oratorical Association. Following graduation he was principal of the Grant school at Oskaloosa, taught in Penn Academy, later coming to the farm near Lawn Hill, which he occupied for so many years.

In 1905 he was married to Myra L. Hadley. They have three children: James, an officer at the Iowa Training School; John, student at Penn College; Martha, who is thirteen years old and at home. A brother, Clinton, resides at New Providence.

In community projects he has always been a prime mover and leader. He served as the first president of the Hardin County Farm Bureau; he was an early member of the Cow Testing Association work in the county; for the majority of his adult life he has served on the New Providence school board, developing one of the model and early consolidated schools of the state. He was a birthright Quaker and a member of the Friends Church and the Masonic order. He served his Alma Mater, Penn College, as a member of the board of trustees, for years.

He was a kind neighbor, a wonderful man in the home, and a true and lasting friend and Hardin county and the state will deeply mourn his passing, for had his health remained, there is not the slightest

question but that he would have been further honored by his party and the people to occupy positions of higher service.

The people of Hardin county honored him by election to the Lower House of the Iowa Legislature in 1920 and he was a member of that body during the Thirty-ninth, Fortieth, Forty-first and Forty-second General Assemblies, with membership on many important committees during that time. In 1927 he was chosen as Speaker of the House and served with rare distinction in that office. His unflinching fairness and his grasp of parliamentary procedure, struck a new high note in the conduct of the state's business. Illness prevented him from returning for the extra session in March of 1928.

The life work of Luther Carter has been written. It was one of intense action. Every good work met with his support. He loved the schools, the church, the better things of life. He sacrificed much in service to his state and county. But his record for good can scarcely be measured in its entirety, for his splendid work for the state schools as chairman of the educational committee in the House, had much to do with setting Iowa's institutions up on the plane where they can more properly function and do good.

He was honored signally and gave back devotion and service to the people and many mourn the passing of this good man, whose loss is so keenly felt by his family, to whom he was devoted so intensely.

Funeral services were held at the Friends Church in New Providence, Iowa, in charge of the pastor, the Rev. DeWitt Foster, January 3, 1930.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-fourth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Hon. Luther V. Carter, the state has lost an honored and valuable citizen, a man of high ideals in Christian living and useful citizenship.*

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

E. O. ELLSWORTH,

C. A. HOLLIS,

ELLET LEPLEY,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 13, 1931.

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#### HONORABLE EDWARD H. CUNNINGHAM

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life and services of the Honorable Edward H. Cunningham, former member of the House of Representatives from Buena Vista County, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

Edward H. Cunningham was born December 19, 1869, at Burlington, Wisconsin. He came to Iowa as a young man, locating in Buena Vista county. While living at Newell, Iowa, he served as mayor from 1902 until 1907. He served as Representative of Buena Vista county in the General Assembly of Iowa during the Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth sessions and as Speaker of the House in the Thirty-fifth General Assembly.