

# JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE

## MEMORIALS

### HONORABLE JOHN L. BROWN

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character and public services of the Honorable John L. Brown, a former member of the General Assembly of Iowa, beg leave to submit the following:

John L. Brown was born in Mahaska county, Iowa, May 25, 1861, and died at his home near Rose Hill, Iowa, on May 17, 1931. Mr. Brown had spent his entire life in and near Rose Hill, having been engaged in farming the greater part of his life, and had also been associated with his brother in the hardware business for a number of years.

Mr. Brown was elected representative from Mahaska county and was in the Thirty-fifth General Assembly, and was active in the session. He was characterized for his honesty and upright business methods, a man of strong convictions; a very staunch democrat and was a zealous worker for his party.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Winnie Brown, one brother and two sisters, numerous other relatives and hosts of friends to mourn his departure. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 19, 1931, and burial was at Rose Hill, Iowa.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-fifth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable John L. Brown the state has lost an honored and valuable citizen, a man of high ideals in brotherly living and useful citizenship.*

*Be It Therefore 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 to the family of the deceased.*

I. M. REED,  
J. W. FRIZZELL,  
C. L. RICE,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 11, 1933.

### HONORABLE GEORGE CHRISTOPHEL

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life and service of the Honorable George Christophel, late of Bremer county, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

George Christophel was born in Herscher, Illinois, December 7, 1881. He came to Iowa in 1904 and settled on a farm in Bremer county. Two years later, in 1906, he was united in marriage to Miss Edith Wehling of

Reddick, Illinois. To this union four children were born. Besides his wife he is survived by his four children, namely: Floyd, Charles, Mildred and Luella, all of Waverly. In 1913 he and his family purchased a farm three miles northwest of Waverly, which since has been the family home.

He was a devoted member of the Evangelical church most of his life, and was faithful in attendance at its services and was the beloved instructor of a Sunday School class of young men, six of whom acted as his pallbearers. Mr. Christophel has been active along many lines. At the time of the organization of the farm bureau in Bremer county, he was chosen as its first president, and at the time of his death he was also serving as president. He was also president of the Bremer county branch of the Reload Association. He was one of the first group of twelve men chosen as "master farmers" of Iowa, a movement which was sponsored by Wallaces' Farmer, and the choice was one which met the unqualified approval of all who knew Mr. Christophel's farm methods. He was recognized in many state circles. He served as a member of the House of Representatives in the Forty-first and Forty-second General Assemblies, and was also a member of the Senate in the Forty-third and Forty-fourth General Assemblies.

He died November 12, 1932, from a stroke of paralysis, at his home, at the age of 60 years.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-fifth General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the foregoing memorial be adopted as its appreciation of the life and character and public service of the Honorable George Christophel.*

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

WM. KOCH,  
ARCH W. MCFARLANE,  
H. N. HANSON,

Unanimously adopted April 11, 1933.

*Committee.*

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#### HONORABLE RAYMOND B. ECKLES

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions in commemoration of the life, character and services of the Hon. Raymond B. Eckles, beg leave to submit the following report:

Raymond Bruce Eckles was born August 6, 1876, on a farm in Marshall county, and died at his home in Aplington, Iowa, early Sunday morning, January 8, 1933. He was educated in the rural schools and graduated from the Iowa State College in 1896. Four years later, in 1900, he married Ena M. Burnham, of Aplington. For over two years he was professor of Agriculture and Dairying in a farm school for Jewish boys, at Doylestown, Pa. Making his home in Butler county, Iowa, he made a mark in the community life. For twenty years he was a member of the Aplington consolidated school board, and for a number of years, until his death, was president of the board. Elected to the House of Representatives in 1924 by the people of Butler county, he served during the Forty-first, Forty-second, Forty-second extra, and Forty-third sessions. At the time of his death he was secretary of the Farmer's Elevator, vice