

## CHARLES FRANCIS CLARK

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Charles Francis Clark, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Charles Francis Clark was born at Belle Plaine, Iowa, on August 13, 1871. He passed away on February 6, 1955, at the age of 83 years.

He was a graduate of Coe College and was a member of its board of trustees. He graduated from the law department of the University of Iowa in June, 1894.

Mr. Clark was a director of the American Trust and Savings Bank of Cedar Rapids, a member of the Congregational Church, Sons of the American Revolution, Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Knights Templar, Consistory, Knights of Pythias, American Bar Association, and a member of the executive committee of the Iowa State Bar Association.

He was married to Elizabeth Besler, of Cedar Rapids, on November 29, 1900. To this union was born one son, Herbert F. Clark.

Mr. Clark was elected Representative from Linn County and served in the Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Fortieth, Fortieth Extra. He was elected to the Senate and served in the Forty-second Extra, Forty-third and Forty-fourth sessions of the General Assembly. He was a Republican in politics.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-sixth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Charles Francis Clark, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful, useful public servant, and the Senate 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 Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

FRANK C. BYERS,  
DON RISK,  
W. C. MOLISON,

*Committee.*

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

## STEPHEN RAY EMERSON

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life and public service of the late Honorable Stephen Ray Emerson, submits the following report:

Stephen Ray Emerson, building contractor and legislator, was born in Union County, Iowa, February 25, 1889, son of Lincoln Jasper and Verna Shaw Emerson, and grandson of the Reverend Stephen and Mary Peek Emerson of Union County, and died at Creston, Iowa, August 1, 1953, at the age of 64 years.