

which was since taken over by the Farmers Mutual Fire and Tornado Insurance Association of the same place. He served as director of the latter company until his death.

On October 29, 1876, Mr. Davie was united in marriage to Miss Mary Elizabeth Fullerton, a native of Ohio, and five children were born to this union. The mother of these children was called by death on April 29, 1904, and Mr. Davie was subsequently married to Mrs. Florence (Painter) Griffith.

In political affairs Mr. Davie supported the democratic party and took an active part in its campaigns. He served in the Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Thirtieth and Thirty-first Iowa State General Assemblies, and also was elected to fill a vacancy, in the Twenty-ninth General Assembly, discharging his duties most effectively. In 1885 he was elected a member of the Board of Supervisors of Crawford County and has also held different township offices.

Fraternally he was connected with the Masonic and Odd Fellow lodges.

Mr. Davie was of a kindly and genial temperament, took an active part in public affairs and made many friends. He was a good, honest citizen, and his record stands high in the annals of his community.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-fourth General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the foregoing memorial be adopted as its appreciation of the life and public service of the Honorable W. A. Davie.

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

H. C. FINNERN,
GEO. E. MILLER,
HUGH J. TAMISIEA,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 13, 1931.

HON. C. E. DEWITT

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life and service of the Honorable C. E. DeWitt, late of Montgomery County, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

C. E. DeWitt, son of George S. and Sarah E. DeWitt, was a native of Iowa, having been born in Delaware county September 25, 1862. He died at his home in Elliott, Iowa, February 20, 1930.

He came to Montgomery county with his parents in 1868. They located on a farm one mile east of Elliott where they lived for a time in a log house in accordance with prevailing conditions at that time. It was there that he grew to manhood and took his place in the life of the community.

On September 5, 1897, he was married to Rachel Woodling who, with the adopted daughter, Geneva Broyles, survives him. Mr. DeWitt is also survived by his two brothers, J. F. DeWitt and W. L. DeWitt, both

of Elliott, Iowa, and by a sister, Mrs. Ella Moore, also of Elliott. One brother, George, and a sister, Mrs. Mary E. Mercer, preceded him in death.

After leaving the farm east of Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt located in Elliott, where the deceased engaged in the grain and coal business. In this business as in all business relations, Mr. DeWitt was noted for his fair and honest dealing.

Mr. DeWitt was always interested in social, educational and civic affairs. He was at the time of his death a member of the Methodist church, also a member of the Masonic Fraternity and of the Modern Woodmen. For many years he was a member of the city council and at one time mayor of Elliott. In 1908 he was elected to the office of state representative from Montgomery county and served in the Thirty-third General Assembly.

No man's life can be fully appreciated apart from the time in which he lived. Mr. DeWitt found Iowa a prairie state without roads, schools, churches or other civilizing influences. He left it at a time when roads of steel and concrete and other means of rapid communication had revolutionized conditions of living; and when the individualism of the pioneer days was gradually yielding to social consciousness. In all these movements he took a leading part and consequently honored, and was honored by, his county and state.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-fourth General Assembly, That we extend our sympathies to the family and express our appreciation of the life and character and public services of the Honorable C. E. DeWitt.

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

HOMER HUSH,
F. H. BEATH,
OTHA D. WEARIN,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 13, 1931.

HONORABLE JAMES W. ELLIS

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life and services of the Honorable James W. Ellis, former member of the House of Representatives from Jackson county, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

James W. Ellis, representative from Jackson county in the Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth General Assemblies, was born in Indiana, November 25, 1848, of Revolutionary stock. Came to Jackson County, Iowa, in 1852, received a common school education and grew up on the farm which was his home until 1907, when he moved to Maquoketa. Served his country three years as a private in Company H, Fifth United States Infantry, on the frontiers. Member of Soldiers' Relief Commission eight years. Served as commander of A. W. Drips Post, G. A. R., commander