

## HONORABLE HENRY W. GROUT

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your committee which was appointed to report resolutions commemorating the life, character and service of the late Henry W. Grout, begs leave to submit the following report and moves its adoption:

Henry W. Grout was born in Waterloo, Iowa, March 24, 1858, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel B. Grout. He died in Waterloo, Iowa, June 28, 1932, at the President Hotel, while making an address before the Optimist Club—carrying on, exemplifying his character until death called.

Mr. Grout was a successful traveling salesman; a farmer of systematic, practical and scientific attainments; a large land owner—possessed an abiding faith in the soil and particularly in that of Iowa; a good Christian man—no frills, but a man of good sound business judgment, outspoken and fearless.

The remarkable achievements of a busy, useful and hard working life were: Redeeming, while yet in his teens, the mortgage on his father's farm; putting into operation a perpetual care-taking program for one of Iowa's most beautiful cemeteries—Fairview at Waterloo; and last, but not least, his wonderful collection of relics—historical reminders of Iowa's growth and development. The collection is now in the court house, but is soon to be housed permanently in the new Y. M. C. A. building in Waterloo. Without a doubt it is the largest individual collection in the state, and is a source of study, interest, and pleasure to the public, especially to the growing boy.

Mr. Grout was married twice. On December 29, 1892, he married Mrs. Olive Wright Wilson, who died August 20, 1910; and on September 3, 1914, he married Miss Agnes A. Perry of McHenry, Illinois, who survives.

Mr. Grout was a member of four legislative sessions, having represented Black Hawk county in the House of Representatives during the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth General Assemblies, and represented the Black Hawk-Grundy district in the Senate during the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh General Assemblies.

Henry W. Grout, a good man living a clean, happy and contented life, and finding time and pleasure in doing for others.

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of the Forty-fifth General Assembly of Iowa, That in the death of Henry W. Grout, the people of Black Hawk and Grundy counties, and the people of the entire State of Iowa have sustained a great loss. Everywhere he was known as a man honored and trusted, a man of sterling quality and irreproachable character.*

*Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the Journal of the House, and a copy hereof be transmitted to the widow.*

ARCH W. MCFARLANE,  
E. M. LICHTY,  
W. A. MOOTY,

*Committee.*

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