

Perhaps the most important contribution of Mr. Smith to his State and generation is his "History of Dickinson County," issued in 1902. This work is much more valuable than the usual chronology bound and bearing a county name. It deals with causes and effects, incidents and events, in a manner at once broad and instructive, giving evidence of intimate association and keen comprehension. Mr. Smith knew as did not other living man as to what had been experienced and accomplished during forty-five years of important development in the region of which he wrote. Of the most tragic event in the history of Iowa he wrote from knowledge much of it first hand and most of it well authenticated. There is in print no account of the Spirit Lake Massacre that deals more intelligently and graphically with the important details as well as with causes and effects. Few are left to tell the story of earlier settlement and sacrifices in the counties of Northwest Iowa.

Whereas, The life and character of the deceased were such as to entitle his memory to the respect and esteem of all who knew him.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the House of Representatives take this occasion to express its appreciation of his character and public services, and at this time to extend to his daughter its sincere sympathy in her sorrow, and,

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 send an enrolled copy to the daughter of the deceased.

R. F. PRICE,
CHAS. GILMORE,
DOUGLAS ROGERS.

PETER HADLEY.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee appointed to memorialize the life and public services of Peter Hadley, an honored member of this House in the thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth assemblies, and who died at his home in Fort Dodge, Iowa, the nineteenth day of July, 1918, beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas, In view of the loss the state has suffered by the decease of Honorable Peter Hadley of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of the Honorable Peter Hadley, the state laments the passing of a valuable and honored citizen who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid, to give voice in the counsels of his fellows, and to offer sympathy to the needy. That in the long and active residence in Webster County, being identified with its educational, commercial, and political activities, he enjoyed a large acquaintanceship through the county and the state, which he deeply appreciated and profoundly respected.

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed, to say that in regretting his removal we mourn for one who was worthy of our respect and regard.

Resolved, That we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best and whose chastisements are meant in mercy.

Resolved, That this heartfelt testimonial of the sympathy and respect of the state and of the sorrow of the home city be forwarded to the family of our departed friend by the chief clerk of the House of Representatives.

C. V. FINDLAY,

G. A. JUSTICE,

CHAS. L. GUNDERSON,
Committee.

MAC J. RANDALL.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee appointed to prepare appropriate resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of the Honorable Mac J. Randall, a member of the Thirty-seventh General Assembly, beg leave to submit the following report:

Mac J. Randall was born in Worth County, Iowa, May 17, 1872, and died at his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, May 8, 1918. He obtained his education in the rural schools, Northwood High School, Iowa State College at Ames, Union Seminary at New Berlin, Pennsylvania, and Drake University. He graduated at Cornell College in 1899, and from the law department of the State University of Iowa in 1901.

After graduating from the State University he practiced law in Mt. Vernon and Lisbon until 1908; and while residing in Lisbon he served as a member of the school board and also occupied the office of town mayor.

Mr. Randall was a member of the United Evangelical Church and was licensed as a minister of that church in 1894 and ordained in 1897, and during the few years that followed served as pastor at Afton, Lisbon and Cedar Rapids. He was for several years a member of the board of directors of Western Union College, located at LeMars, Iowa, and a member of the board of education of the United Evangelical Church.

In the local church in Cedar Rapids he held at one time or another every office in the church, and was at the time of his death its Sunday school superintendent, and also president of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association of Cedar Rapids.

Mr. Randall was united in marriage with Miss Caroline Stahl, of Lisbon, February 25, 1897, and she survives him, together with their son, John Randall, now a student in Coe College. Mr. Randall's mother is still living at Manly, Iowa, his father having died in September, 1917.

He always took great interest in fraternal orders, being a member of several of them, and served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in 1914-15, and was Grand Representative from Iowa to its Supreme Lodge in 1917 and 1918.

Mr. Randall moved to Cedar Rapids in 1908 and took up the active practice of law at that place. As a lawyer he devoted himself conscientiously to his work, prepared his cases with great care, and met with