

the journal of the Senate and that the secretary be directed to send an engrossed copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

ED M. SMITH,  
LLOYD THURSTON,  
C. J. FULTON.

Senator Goodwin spoke as follows:

Just a word in regard to Senator Hager. I did not know Mr. Hager when he was in the Senate, nor at the time he was in Congress. I first came in contact with him during the presidential campaign in 1912. Those were stirring times, if you will remember. The great Republican party was divided and while we differed with Mr. Hager we always respected his opinion, as he was very earnest in what he thought.

Mr. Hager at that time was not a young man, in fact he was over sixty years of age.

When the war came on Mr. Hager took a large part in the City of Des Moines, in heading all the public welfare and bond drives. Not only at that time was he in great demand here, but after the war he was chairman of the drive for public welfare.

A year or so before he died he headed one of the large drives which raised a quarter of a million dollars. This would not be a hard matter for a young man, but they were arduous times for a man of that age, and I feel that I should acknowledge it and express the gratitude which the people of Des Moines and the State of Iowa feel for him.

Senator Smith spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND SENATORS—The resolutions just read concerning the life of Alva C. Hager indicate that he was born in the state of New York and came to Iowa when a boy. After completing his course at the State University of Iowa he moved to Greenfield, Adair county, and was there engaged in the practice of law.

It is rather peculiar, I think, that the counties of Adair and Madison, while bound together in the senatorial district, never have been united by railroad, and I am compelled to say that I never, to my recollection, met Mr. Hager.

He was active in public life while he was yet a boy, and his services in the Iowa Senate and also in the halls of the national Congress were meritorious.

I think it is proper at this time that you who were permitted to be associated with him in this body should have the opportunity of commenting on the life and service of Alva C. Hager.

I move, Mr. President, that these resolutions be adopted, that they be engrossed and a copy thereof sent to the widow of Mr. Hager.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously.

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JAMES ELERICK

MR. PRESIDENT—Your committee named to prepare a fitting memorial to commemorate the service of Captain James Elerick to this state and this nation reports as follows: