

WHEREAS, Thomas Harris a member of the Thirtieth General Assembly of the State of Iowa departed this life October 5, 1904, at his home in Montezuma, Iowa, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Thomas Harris the State has lost one of its most useful citizens, and one of its most honorable business men and legislators.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives join with the citizens of the community in which he lived so many years, in sorrow at his loss, and tender to his family and friends its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions suitably engrossed be transmitted to the family of the deceased by the Clerk of the House.

JOHN S. STANBEEY,

E. W. CLARK,

E. J. C. BEALER,

Committee.

Adopted Jan. 30, 1906.

REMARKS BY MR. CLARKE.

MR. SPEAKER: It was my good fortune to have known Mr. Harris for more than thirty years prior to his death. He was a man of sterling worth and integrity of character. Loved and respected by all who knew him.

Among the early pioneers of Poweshiek County he was ever ready to lend a helping hand so far as lie in his power to promote the interests and welfare not only of the community in which he lived but the County, the State and the Nation. Strong in his religious and political convictions and sense of right and wrong, he was a safe leader to follow.

A valued member of this body in the Thirtieth General Assembly he commanded the respect of all as I very soon learned after coming here. A man in whose foot steps any of us could follow and not go astray. The world is better for Mr. Harris having lived in it.

REMARKS BY MR. COBB.

MR. SPEAKER AND FELLOW MEMBERS OF THE THIRTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

GENTLEMEN: It is with a deep sense of sadness and regret that it is allotted to me to speak a few words of eulogy to the memory of Honorable Thomas Harris, a member of the Thirtieth General Assembly and would have also been a member of the Thirty-first General Assembly had not the summons that awaits all the living, have called him over to the other side.

It seems almost superfluous that I should speak of the noble qualities and virtues of one, that was so well known to the members of this House. I may say however, that I was fortunate in drawing a seat next to the desk of him who is the subject of these remarks, and perhaps became as familiar with him as any member of our last session.

Very soon after forming an acquaintance with him, I was made to recognize the high standard of his ideals. In our frequent consultations, I learned of the purity of the prompting motives and principles of his life. He was kind and respectful in his manners, but firm and unyielding in his devotion to the principles of right as he determined them. In his deliberations connected with matters of legislation he rose far above the tactics of the ordinary politician.

He was conscientiously scrupulous as to the principles of right on all questions, as he viewed them. He was a lover of good and true men and hence ever aligned himself with such classes of men in all the associate relations of life. He was respectful, genteel, and polite in all his bearings toward his fellow men, as the members of this House will fully attest.

In his death his county has lost a valued and honored citizen, his family a kind and affectionate husband and father, and this General Assembly a trusted, tried and true legislator.

HON. A. J. FUHRMEISTER.

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of the Honorable A. J. Fuhrmeister, respectfully submit the following:

WHEREAS, The Honorable A. J. Fuhrmeister, an honored member of the Twenty-fourth General Assembly from Linn County, departed this life December 13, 1905 and

WHEREAS, The life and character of the deceased were such as to command our respect and esteem, and his services to his state and the community in which he lived were such as to commend him to the respect and gratitude of his fellow citizens: Therefore be it

Resolved, That in his death the state has lost a citizen whose life was honorable and above reproach, and the Church a man who always stood true to his profession, and contributed liberally to its support, and his family a kind husband and father, Therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend to the sorrowing wife and children our sympathy in their affliction, and that a copy of these resolutions be entered on the Journal of the House, and the chief clerk be instructed to send a copy to the family of the deceased.

JOHN MCALLISTER
G. W. KOONTZ
R. M. PEET.

Adopted Jan. 31, 1906.