

National Judicial Committee of both orders and when internal dissensions arose as to changing assessments, Mr. Hart's eloquent appeals and legal advice brought the opposing factions together and saved both orders from impending ruin. He was also a member of the Modern Brotherhood of America and the Knights of Columbus.

On January 25, 1929, his great kind heart forever ceased to beat. He sleeps peacefully beneath the bluegrass of his native land in beautiful Mt. Olivet where he was laid to rest with military honors by his comrades, neighbors and friends, including veterans of three wars. There amid the first sweet blossoms and opening leaves of spring, the feathered songsters he loved so well will sing sweet requiems o'er his tomb.

He will be sadly missed in his community by both young and old. By the untimely death of William S. Hart, his country has lost a patriotic, public spirited citizen. In recognition of his distinguished service to his country and as an expression of our appreciation of his unfaltering courage and devotion to duty and as an example and inspiration to the youth of our land,

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the death of the Honorable William S. Hart, this state and nation have lost a talented, public spirited, patriotic citizen, and his family a generous, loving husband and father, and this House by this resolution tenders its sympathy to the relatives who survive him.

Be It Further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Journal and an enrolled copy be sent to the surviving relatives.

J. E. O'BRIEN,

C. J. ORR,

A. T. ISTAD,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

HON. THOMAS E. JOHNS

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life and service of the Hon. Thomas E. Johns of Keokuk county, member of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth General Assembly, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

Thomas E. Johns was born in Glanmorganshire, South Wales, July 31, 1846. He emigrated to this country in 1865 and located in Johnson county, Iowa, and engaged in farming.

He was married January 17, 1871, to Margaret A. Baxter. One year later he moved to Keokuk county where he continued his occupation of farming for six years.

He then engaged in merchandising in the little town of Aurora and later, when the B. C. R. & N. R. R. built their branch line to Montezuma, he moved to the newly established town of Keswick where he continued his mercantile business for many years.

In the fall of 1882 he was elected to the House of Representatives of the Nineteenth General Assembly of the state of Iowa and served one term.

In 1901 he sold out his interests in Keswick and moved to Des Moines. Some time later he purchased a controlling interest in the Prairie City State Bank and continued in the banking business until his death, which occurred at the Colonial Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota, March 15, 1929.

Mr. Johns gave to his community, his state and nation, largely of his time, his talents and his love. He sought no greater reward than the reward of faithful friends, which he gained in large measure.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the passing of Hon. Thomas E. Johns, this assembly express its realization of the loss of a man of strong character and sterling worth, and the House would by this resolution tender sympathy to the family who survives.

RAYMOND JOHNSON,
CHAS. E. BAKER,
AZEL MCILRATH,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

HON. EDWARD H. KNICKERBOCKER

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare a memorial resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of Edward H. Knickerbocker of Linn county, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following:

Edward H. Knickerbocker was born at Cedar Rapids, Linn county, Iowa, November 18, 1855, and died at the home of his son, Charles J., at Fairfax, Iowa, on January 8, 1929.

Mr. Knickerbocker received his education in the country schools, the Fairfax high school and Western College, all in Linn county, and was married on March 22, 1882, to Hanna M. Johnson of Delaware county, Pennsylvania, who died on June 15, 1926.

Three children were born to this union, Charles J. of Fairfax, Iowa; Sarra H., who also preceded her father in death, and Ruth M. Diserens of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

In addition to the son and daughter mentioned above, the following grandchildren survive: Ross, Bernice and William Knickerbocker of Fairfax; Robert Diserens of Cedar Rapids, and Vivian Frazier of Mobile, Alabama. He is also survived by four sisters and two brothers, Mrs. Laura Gibson, Ozark Beach, Missouri; Mrs. Ida Brown, Blaine, Washington; Mrs. Etta Ure, Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Bertha Porter, Los Angeles, California; Burton D. Knickerbocker, Chicago, Illinois, and Mark M. Knickerbocker, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Mr. Knickerbocker always followed the occupation of farming and stock raising, at one time being a large importer of Belgian and Percheron horses.