

JOHN A. HEINZ

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable John A. Heinz, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

John A. Heinz was born April 14, 1878, and was reared on a farm in Dubuque County, and passed away on September 24, 1956.

He was a charter member of the Farm Bureau and served as president and voting delegate for seven years, organization director for three years, and national convention delegate for two years. He was secretary of the local school board for twenty-eight years.

Mr. Heinz was active in Red Cross, C.R.O.P., and other civic affairs. He was a member of the Catholic Church.

Mr. Heinz was a member of the Dubuque County jury commission for two years just prior to his death. He served as a member of the Iowa House of Representatives in the Fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Heinz is survived by his widow, Lidwina Schmitt Heinz; three sons, Joseph J., F. Edward, and John; three daughters, Catherine M., Mrs. Leander (Mary) Herrig, and Mrs. Matther J. (Sophie) Blong. He is also survived by eleven grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Claude V. York.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the Honorable John A. Heinz, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House, by this resolution, would express its sympathy to his wife and the members of his family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

ANDREW G. FROMMELT,
JOHN L. DUFFY,
W. J. JOHANNES,

Committee.

ELMER A. JOHNSON

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Elmer A. Johnson, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Elmer A. Johnson was born in a lumber camp at Wernerville, Juneau County, Wisconsin, on November 29, 1871, the son of John and Kate Burke Johnson. He passed away at Cedar Rapids October 21, 1955.

He came with his parents to Chester in Howard County, Iowa, in 1877, where he grew to manhood upon a farm. He obtained his early education in rural schools, taught school, and read law in John McCook's office in Cresco. In 1899 he was graduated from the law department of the State University of Iowa and was admitted to the Bar the same year, and subsequently practiced law at Lisbon in Linn County. He began his practice of law in Cedar Rapids in 1919 and his combined years as an attorney both in Lisbon and Cedar Rapids was fifty-six years.

Mr. Johnson served in the Spanish-American War with I Company of the Fiftieth Iowa Infantry Regiment.

He was married June 5, 1901, to Ella Kettering of Lisbon, who died in 1903. He again married December 14, 1905, to Iva M. Strong of Lisbon.

He served in the Iowa House of Representatives in the Forty-fifth, Forty-fifth Extra, Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth sessions of the General Assembly.

He was a member of the Spanish-American War Veterans, Iowa Consistory, El Kahir Shrine, Star of the West Knights of Pythias Lodge, the Chamber of Commerce, the Linn County, Iowa, and American Bar Associations, and St. Paul's Methodist Church. He was also formerly a member of Linn County Farm Bureau and the Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Johnson is survived by his widow and a daughter, Mrs. Erroll L. Miller of Cedar Rapids.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-Seventh General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the Honorable Elmer A. Johnson, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful, useful public servant, and the House, by this resolution, would express its sympathy to his wife and the members of his family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

ERNEST KOSEK,
EMIL L. NOVAK,
A. L. MENSING,

Committee.

JOSEPH KELSO, JR.

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Joseph Kelso, Jr., begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Joseph Kelso, Jr., was born at Bellevue, Iowa, September 21, 1875, and passed away on January 13, 1956. He was the son of Joseph and Sophia Shaw Kelso, of Scotch descent.

Mr. Kelso attended Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and became associated with the bank of J. Kelso, founded by his father. He was also associated with the Bellevue Telephone Company.

He served as a member of the House of Representatives in the Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth sessions of the General Assembly.

Mr. Kelso was a member of the State Board of Conservation, and the Iowa State Florists Association.

In 1910 he held the world's record in a 20-foot speed boat competition. Always an ardent outdoor man, he indulged in baseball, hunting, fishing, and became an expert gardener.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Masonic Order, and the Elks. In politics he was a Democrat.

After leaving Bellevue he made his home for a number of years with his sister, Mrs. W. B. Guthrie, in New York. In 1950 he went to Youngstown to make his home near a niece, Mrs. Campbell Robertson.