

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.

His religious affiliations were with the Congregational and later with the Methodist church. He was a member of Iowa Consistory No. 2 and El Kahir Temple, his Blue Lodge affiliations being with the lodge at Fairfax. He was also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Historical Society of Iowa.

Mr. Knickerbocker was a consistent old-line Republican and was an active participant in local and state affairs, being chosen to represent his county in the Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth, and Thirty-ninth General Assemblies.

His public life was never questioned, as he stood at all times for what he thought was true and right, and his firmness of principle and honesty of purpose commanded the respect and admiration of all who knew him.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That in the passing of the Honorable Edward H. Knickerbocker the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen, a man of strong character and sterling worth, and the House would tender by this resolution its sympathy to the family who survive.

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 members of his family.

D. R. McCREERY,
WM. T. GILMORE,
JOHN T. HANSEN,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

HON. TIMOTHY E. McCURDY

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare a resolution and a memorial on the life, character and public service of the Hon. Timothy E. McCurdy, who was a member of the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth General Assemblies, beg leave to report as follows:

Timothy E. McCurdy was born March, 1846, at Newcomerstown, Ohio, and died in the Soldiers' Home at Danville, Illinois, on January 14, 1929.

Mr. McCurdy received his education in the public schools, and on February 8, 1864, he enlisted in Company I, Twelfth Illinois Infantry as a private and was honorably discharged on June 12, 1865. He received during his service in the war a bad wound in the left leg, which caused him much discomfort. Immediately upon his discharge, he came to Buchanan county, Iowa, and purchased a farm with the money he saved during his service. He also purchased a yoke of oxen, with which he began his farming.

Soon after this he married Katherine Nelson and to them was born one daughter, Inez.

He was a man of very frugal habits, and by his industry and hard labor he accumulated quite an amount of property. He continued to farm for a number of years, after which he moved to Hazleton.

He was elected a member of the board of supervisors of Buchanan county and served in that capacity for a number of years.