

attorney of Calhoun county for two terms, and was mayor of Rockwell City. He was an ardent supporter of the Republican party and was always diligent in imparting its principles to everyone with whom he came in contact.

Because of his ability he took high rank in his profession. He was industrious and honest. He knew the ethics of his profession and always lived up to its standards. Among his clients were people of wealth and of poverty. They were all treated the same and the poor client was given the same consideration as the one who possessed wealth. He was a literary man, a profound student and well informed on all phases of the literature of the world. Mr. Lavender was a student of law and maintained at Rockwell City an excellent law library carefully selected and maintained, which library, a few weeks before his death, was completely destroyed by fire, together with valuable papers and the compilation of years of his own legal and literary career.

He was buried in Rose Hill cemetery at Rockwell City, Iowa, with Masonic honors. He was also an Odd Fellow, Woodman, Mystic Worker, Royal Arch Mason, Knight Templar and Shriner, and daily lived the ideals of those organizations to which he belonged.

The life and character of Honorable James F. Lavender and his long and eventful services, calls for us to place his memory among those who stand high in the history of this state and nation.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the Forty-second General Assembly, that we take this occasion to express our appreciation of the substantial service given to us by the deceased, and

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.

MARION R. MCCAULEY,
L. T. QUIRK,
REYBURN RUTLEDGE,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 6, 1927.

HON. J. J. LOWRY

MR SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions commemorative of the life, character, and public service of the Hon. J. J. Lowry, late of Cresco, Iowa, beg leave to report the following:

J. J. Lowry was born in Dearborn county, Indiana, July 13th, 1844. He acquired his education in the common schools in that vicinity. Later he moved to Cresco, Iowa, and remained there until the date of his death, August 22, 1925.

He was in the drug business in Cresco, from the founding of Cresco, in 1866, until he retired in 1900.

Mr. Lowry was always an active and enthusiastic democrat and as such was called upon to fill public offices at various times. He was twice

elected sheriff of Howard county. He was elected representative from Howard county, in 1896, serving in the Twenty-sixth General Assembly, and also in the Twenty-sixth extra session, with credit to himself and to the county which he represented.

Mr. Lowry was an enthusiastic Mason, the oldest member of Cresco lodge, being one of two whose fiftieth anniversary as Masons was celebrated by the Cresco lodge a few months prior to his death. He was also a member of Shiloh chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He was a member of the Episcopal church, and the funeral services were conducted by Rev. Wellington McVettie, in connection with the Masonic funeral services on August 25, 1925.

Mr. Lowry's life and public services were of high character and he will be remembered as an ideal citizen, neighbor and friend.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That in the passing of the Hon. J. J. Lowry, the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen, and we take this occasion to express our appreciation of the substantial character and public services rendered by the deceased, and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk transmit an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

JOHN F. HALE,
J. G. HEMPEL,
A. T. ISTDAD,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 6, 1927.

HON. EDWARD L. McCLURKIN

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life and services of the Hon. Edward L. McClurkin, former member of the House of Representatives from Louisa county, Iowa, beg leave to report the following memorial:

Honorable Edward L. McClurkin, who represented Louisa county in the Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth and Thirty-first General Assemblies, was born in Morning Sun, Iowa, on August 20th, 1857, and died at his home in that city on the morning of February 7th, 1923.

Mr. McClurkin attended and graduated with the first class from the Morning Sun high school, in 1876. He was one of the most devoted friends and supporters of the local schools and at the time of his death he was a member of the board of directors of the consolidated school. November 10th, 1881, he was united in marriage to Anna Catherine Beck, who, together with three sons, Oak, Cliff and Justus, and one daughter, June, live to mourn the loss of a devoted husband and father.

Mr. McClurkin took more than ordinary interest in everything that concerned the welfare of the community at large. In local affairs he served as councilman and mayor of the town; in politics, he was an ardent Republican. He was one of the founders of the Farmers Exchange Bank, and at the time of his death was the sole owner. His business life