GEORGE LEUDERS.

Mr. Speaker—Your committee appointed to draft resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of the Hon. George Leuders of Scott County, a member of the House in the Thirty-sixth General Assembly, beg leave to report the following memorial:

George Leuders was born in Jaemstad, Germany, on January 30th, 1861. He attended school there until 1875, when together with his parents he emigrated to the United States and settled in Davenport, Iowa. He attended the city schools and also the Business College. After finishing his education he went to New Liberty, Iowa, and engaged in the lumber business and also in the buying and shipping of live stock. When the Liberty Trust and Savings Bank was organized in 1905, he was elected cashier, which position he held until 1915, when he was elected president of said institution.

In 1889, on the 24th day of October, Mr. Leuders was married to Miss Alvena Roehlk, who survives him. There were no children.

Mr. Leuders was in the true American sense a "self-made man," without the aid of influential friends, but depending solely on himself he worked himself up so as to gain and hold the respect of all who knew him.

Mr. Leuders was elected mayor of New Liberty in 1909 and held the position for the remainder of his life. In 1914 Mr. Leuders was elected as one of the representatives from Scott County. As a member of the House he was a faithful representative and always worked for those measures which he believed would be of benefit to his constituents. After a lingering illness, Mr. Leuders departed this life at his home in New Liberty, Iowa, January 24, 1919. In the death of Mr. Leuders, Iowa loses a faithful citizen, an honest business man and his family a true and loving husband.

John T. Hansen, T. F. Griffin, Douglas Rogers.

F. E. AYRES.

Mr. Speaker—Your committee appointed to prepare and present resolutions respecting the life, character and public service of the Hon. F. E. Ayers, late of Iowa City, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following:

The Honorable F. E. Ayers represented Chickasaw County in the Twenty-eighth General Assembly. He died at his home in Iowa City on June 15th, 1918. Mr. Ayres was born on April 13th, 1859, in a small town in the county he afterwards represented. He received his education in the public schools of this state and at Breckenridge Institute. His business career was commenced at the early age of 14 years. In 1884 he was married to Miss Alice F. Sheldon, and she, with two children, survive him. While a resident of Lawler, in Chickasaw County, he was a member of the city council and part of the time mayor of the city. He was elected representative from that county to the Twenty-eighth General Assembly. In 1903 he moved to Iowa City, entering the commercial field there and speedily became one of the most active and influential of its citizens. Mr.