

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.

He was elected president of the Hazleton State Bank in May, 1893, and served as such until May, 1925. In 1898 he was elected to the Twenty-seventh General Assembly, and in 1900 was reelected.

On April 1, 1902, Governor Albert B. Cummins appointed him custodian of public buildings and property and he served in that capacity with credit until 1909. Following the adoption of the capitol grounds extension plan by the General Assembly in 1913, he was in the employ of the state for several years, and during this time, under his direction, a great amount of the property on the capitol extension grounds was disposed of and removed.

Mrs. McCurdy died at Hazleton, Iowa, May 13, 1922, after which Mr. McCurdy made his home with his daughter.

Mr. McCurdy was always interested in anything that was for the betterment of his community and state. He was always a staunch Republican and was honored in the community where he lived.

In recognition of the value of his service to the state of Iowa, and as an expression of our appreciation of his exemplary life and character:

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Timothy E. McCurdy the state has lost an honored and valued citizen and a man of high ideals.

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.

J. B. TRUAX,
FRANK C. BYERS,
F. C. LOVRIEN,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

HON. MICHAEL McDONALD

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee to propose suitable resolutions to commemorate the life and services of the late M. McDonald, a former member of the Iowa legislature, beg leave to report as follows:

Michael McDonald, the son of Patrick and Anna McDonald, was born in Mayo county, Ireland, July 20, 1845, and died in New Orleans, June 12, 1926. He was brought by his parents to Pennsylvania, where he remained until he was eleven years of age. In 1856 he came with his parents to Des Moines where they remained a short time. They journeyed on in a covered wagon drawn by an ox team to Highland township, Guthrie county. Their first home was a log cabin near Coon Rapids. Michael grew to young manhood during the pioneer days of Guthrie county.

In 1862 he enlisted in Company I, Twenty-ninth Iowa Infantry. The regiment was engaged at Helena, Arkansas Post, Terenoir and Spanish Fort. It was one of the bravest and best disciplined regiments in the Union Army. He was mustered out at New Orleans, August 15, 1865.

Mr. McDonald was married May 10, 1868, to Miss Eliza Jane Garnes, a native of Ohio, who died in August, 1909. Ten children came to bless