

citizen and the House of Representatives would tender, by this resolution, their sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his beloved family in their sorrow; and

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

HARRY E. WEICHMAN,  
GORDON SMITH,  
ARCH W. MCFARLANE,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

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#### HONORABLE IRA D. McVICKER

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character, and public service of the Honorable Ira D. McVicker of Eagle Grove, Wright county, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following report:

Ira D. McVicker was born January 27, 1853, at Henry, Illinois, and died November 20, 1938, at Eagle Grove, Iowa.

When a boy he moved to Kansas with his parents where he grew to manhood on a farm. He was united in marriage with Miss Flora E. Hiatt on March 13, 1883, and he and his wife made their home on a homestead near Ree Heights, South Dakota, and in 1890 he moved to Wright county and settled on a farm near Eagle Grove and made his home from that time until his death in this community.

He is survived by his wife and three sons; Claude McVicker of Eagle Grove, Iowa; Glenn McVicker of Lineville, Iowa, and Reverend Roy H. McVicker of Denver, Colorado, and his brother G. C. McVicker of Eagle Grove, Iowa.

Mr. McVicker was one of Wright county's most substantial citizens and always took a prominent part in civic affairs. He was active in the formation of the Farmers' Elevator Company and one of its first presidents and for years served as president of the First National Farm Loan Association and for three years was president of the Farmers' Grain Dealers Association of Iowa.

Mr. McVicker was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and was actively interested in the Masonic Lodge and the Eastern Star.

In 1912 he was elected to the House of Representatives of the state of Iowa and during his service there was one of the active, progressive members. He was a republican in politics but a man who placed principle above all else. His word was as good as his bond and he took pride in meeting his obligations promptly and was always willing to share his part of the burden in the performance of any public duty. He served not only his community but the state of Iowa with credit and distinction to himself and his family.

*Therefore Be It Resolved*, That in the passing of the Honorable Ira D. McVicker of Wright county, Iowa, the state of Iowa lost a valuable

and honored citizen, a conscientious statesman and the family a loving husband and father.

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House of Representatives and that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be instructed to send an enrolled copy of this resolution to each member of the family of the deceased.

ROBERT D. BLUE,

J. F. MILLER,

OSCAR E. JOHNSON,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

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### HONORABLE O. K. MABEN

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character, and public services of the Honorable O. K. Maben, a former member of the General Assembly of Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

O. K. Maben was born in Garner, Iowa, March 12th, 1868, and spent virtually all of his 70 years in this vicinity. After attending the rural schools, he attended the Breckenridge Normal Academy at Decorah for several terms and afterwards became a student in the Northern Iowa Business College of Garner, from which he graduated in 1890.

He then took up farming, and was identified with this occupation until 1900 when he became allied with the insurance business.

He was elected as director of the Hancock County Farmers Mutual Insurance Association and was chosen secretary. He later served as treasurer and then secretary, the position he held at the time of his death. He was a director and vice president of the Iowa Mutual Tornado Insurance Company of Des Moines, and president of the Allied Mutual Auto Insurance Association.

He was interested in politics and served as a representative from Hancock county in the Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-second Extra Sessions of the Iowa Legislature.

Mr. O. K. Maben was united in marriage with Miss Jennie B. Lewis, February 21, 1893, and to this union three sons were born: Clifford, Merle and Orville.

No citizen of his community was held in higher esteem. He was beloved by his friends and neighbors, and reared a family for whom he willingly and gladly made every sacrifice. In his passing the community in which he lived suffered a distinct loss and his place as a citizen and a public officer will be difficult to fill. He always stood for progress and improvement, for justice, truth and advancement, and the weight of his influence had been a potent force in the substantial development of our county and state. To the mind of the writer, the salvation of this nation is dependent upon citizens of the type and character of O. K. Maben.