

## J. LOUIS FISHER

MADAM PRESIDENT: J. Louis Fisher of Osceola, was born December 12, 1908, in Decatur County, Iowa. He passed away April 19, 1987 in Des Moines, at the age of 78 years.

Mr. Fisher was a graduate of Van Wert High School. He obtained a B.A. degree from Simpson College in 1933, and did graduate work at Drake University in Des Moines. He married Audra Lynn on August 3, 1933. They were the parents of a son Harry of Des Moines and have two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Senator Fisher was elected to the Iowa Senate in 1957 and served in the 57th, 58th, 59th, and 60th General Assemblies.

Mr. Fisher was a coach and a teacher at Osceola High School from 1941 to 1943; served as Lieutenant in the United States Navy during World War II from 1943 to 1945. He was the owner of Fisher Firestone for 20 years. He was a member of Osceola school board nine years, president four years; chairman of the Osceola city council six years; trustee of the Methodist church six years. He was also a member of the Masonic lodge, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable J. Louis Fisher, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and that the Senate by this Resolution, expresses its appreciation of his service to the State and tenders its sympathy and kindest regards to the members of his family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

LEONARD L. BOSWELL  
JOHN PETERSON  
CALVIN O. HULTMAN

Committee

## ELIZABETH RUBY MILLER

MADAM PRESIDENT: Elizabeth Ruby Miller was born August 24, 1905, in Marshall County, Iowa, and was a lifelong resident of that community. She passed away December 31, 1988, at her home in rural Marshalltown, at the age of 83 years.

Mrs. Miller attended public school in Marshalltown and graduated from Marshalltown High in 1923. She married John Bascom Miller on September 5, 1923. They had two sons, John B. of Titonka, Edward J. of Marshalltown, and two daughters, Mary Lou Speas and Betty Arlene Weeden, both of Marshalltown.

Mrs. Miller was a housewife who was devoted to her husband and family, and very active in the First Congregational Church, Republican Women's organizations, Farm Bureau, Federated Women's Club, Marshalltown Women's Club, American Institute of Parliamentarians, National Federation of Business & Professional Women's Club and the National Order of Women Legislators.

Senator Miller served in the Iowa Legislature from 1969 to 1980, the first four years as a state representative and then as a state senator for eight years. Her major issues were environmental and agricultural.

She was Parliamentarian of the Iowa Federation of Republican Women, and was in Who's Who of American Women, Who's Who in Government and Who's Who in America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable Elizabeth Ruby Miller, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and that the Senate by this Resolution, expresses its appreciation of her service to the State and tenders its sympathy and kindest regards to the members of her family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

JOHN SOORHOLTZ, Chair  
EMIL HUSAK  
CHARLES BRUNER

Committee

#### JOHN W. PATTON

MADAM PRESIDENT: John W. Patton, 83 of Independence, passed away March 8, 1989. He was born in Ford County, Illinois, on April 27, 1905, to John and Mary Patton.

Mr. Patton was educated in Delaware and Buchanan Counties. In 1932 he married Alma E. Becker. They have one daughter, Lois Jeanne Brimmer of Independence, Iowa, and one son, Douglas John of Washington, D.C. They also have six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Senator Patton was elected to the Iowa Senate in 1964 and served for four years in the 61st and 62nd General Assemblies. He also served as a state representative in 1971 and 1972 in the 64th General Assembly.

Mr. Patton was director and past president of the Buchanan County Rural Electric Cooperative (REC). He was also a voting delegate to Washington, D.C. for the REC. He was owner-operator of a 235-acre farm. He was a Democratic