

Memorial to the Honorable T. E. Moen of Lyon County

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable T. E. Moen, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Tolef E. Moen was born in Lyon County, Iowa, October 10, 1870, the first white child born in Logan township. He passed away September 26, 1950.

He was united in marriage to Rachel Davidson of Inwood in 1892, who preceded him in death. He is survived by two sons, three daughters, and numerous grandchildren.

The oldest son of one of Lyon County's fine pioneer families, he inherited and was trained in those characteristics of strong character, community interest, and individual ability, that were later reflected in his business success and public experiences.

As a young man he left the farm and was engaged in the grain business for fifteen years; spent four years in the Chamber of Commerce at Minneapolis, a member of Skewis-Moen Grain Company. Later he returned to Inwood to operate a livestock farm successfully.

Mr. Moen served on the board of supervisors 1911 to 1919.

In 1919 he was elected State Representative and re-elected twice, serving in the Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Fortieth and Fortieth Extra sessions of the General Assembly.

He was elected State Senator to fill vacancy in the Forty-second Extra session of the General Assembly and re-elected to serve in the Forty-third and Forty-fourth General Assemblies.

He was always recognized as a man of highest integrity, and gave much time and effort to constructive community endeavor. He was an active member of the Lutheran Church. Those who knew him, and particularly his co-workers in the legislature, held him in high esteem.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa: That in the death of the Honorable T. E. Moen, the state mourns the loss of one of its honored and distinguished citizens and the House, by this resolution, tenders its sincere sympathy to the surviving family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

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ROBERT HUISMAN,
Committee.