

tion of his character and public service and tenders, by this resolution, its sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his beloved family in their great sorrow and loss.

*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.

EDWARD OPPEDAHL,  
WENDELL PENDELETON,  
MELVIN WILSON,

*Committee.*

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CLAUDE OBERMAN

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

Claude Oberman was born in Des Moines County, March 21, 1889, one of twin sons of George and Minnie Smith Oberman. The twin brother passed away in 1940. Claude Oberman passed away January 5, 1955.

He was educated in the schools of Des Moines County, and Central University of Pella, Iowa.

He was married to Ora Westfall of Yarmouth, Iowa, in 1912, and to this union three sons were born: Jack of Yarmouth, James of Newton, and the oldest son, Plon, who is deceased.

Mr. Oberman's principal occupation was farming, but he engaged in numerous community activities. He was one of the organizers of the Yarmouth Consolidated School District and served as a board member of said district from its origin for eighteen years. He served on the Des Moines County Board of Supervisors for twelve years and during this period was honored by serving as president of the Fifth District of the County Officials for four years and as president of the State Association of Boards of Supervisors.

He was a member of the Farm Bureau, A. F. & A. M., Kaaba Shrine and Elks. He served Des Moines County as State Representative in the Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth sessions of the General Assembly. He was elected to the Fifty-sixth General Assembly, but resigned due to ill health.

Mr. Oberman was always a man who was devoted to the public interest, sought to inform himself of the nature of public problems and to assert himself with conviction in the solution of these problems.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-sixth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Claude Oberman, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful, useful public servant, and the House by this resolution, would express its appreciation of his service, and tender its sympathy to the members of his family.

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

BLYTHE C. CONN,  
RAYMOND CORNICK,  
HARRY W. RAMSEYER,  
*Committee.*

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FRANK A. O'CONNOR

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Frank A. O'Connor, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Frank A. O'Connor was born at Independence, Iowa, August 2, 1875. He attended public and parochial schools at Lawler, Iowa, the Iowa City Academy and the State University of Iowa, graduating in the law school in 1898. He was admitted to the Bar the following year, and with William Avery Smith, now a member of the Iowa Supreme Court, opened a law office and practiced law at New Hampton, Iowa. This partnership continued for 44 years, and in 1918 they moved to Dubuque, Iowa.

Mr. O'Connor was elected county attorney for Chickasaw County in 1902 and re-elected in 1904. He was elected State Representative from Chickasaw County and served in the Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth General Assemblies, becoming minority party leader of the Democrats in the session of 1911. In May, 1922, he became United States Attorney for the district of northern Iowa. He was delegate-at-large from Iowa to the Democratic National Convention at Baltimore in 1932. He was chairman of the Iowa Delegation of the Democratic National Convention at Chicago in 1940, and placed the name of Henry Wallace of Iowa in nomination for vice president.

Mr. O'Connor served on the Iowa Governor's Council of Defense in World War I during 1917 and 1918. In 1934 he entered federal service, becoming general counsel for the Farm Credit Administration at Omaha and later became its general agent, being responsible during this time for the operation of the FCA, including the four credit banks set up by the congressional act. He served in this capacity until June 1, 1937.

He was president of the Dubuque Chamber of Commerce, member of the Board of Governors of School of Religion at the University of Iowa, and trustee and member of the Board of Regents of Loras College.

He was united in marriage on November 24, 1904, to Mary Agnes McNevin of Minneapolis, Minnesota, who, with a son Gerald, was killed April 6, 1934 in an auto-train collision.

Mr. O'Connor died at his home in Dubuque, Iowa, June 20, 1954. Surviving are his wife, the former Mrs. Mabel Conover, whom he married in March, 1939; his two sons, Charles E. and Francis J. O'Connor of Dubuque; five grandchildren; three brothers and four sisters.