

Little Rock, Ia.; Fred Oehmke, in the naval service of his country and stationed at Coronado, Calif.; and William Oehmke, of Chicago.

Mr. Oehmke was a citizen whose first thought was for others. Unselfish in his devotion to family and friends, he counted his friends by the hundreds. He was a farmer until 1903, when he moved to Larchwood to give his children the benefits of the educational facilities of that town. In Larchwood he served as assessor; and was postmaster for two years. Mr. Oehmke served the public in many ways: namely, as a member of the county board of supervisors, as secretary of the Larchwood school district for many years, and as town councilman.

In 1934 he accepted the call of his party as a candidate for State Representative. He was elected and served in that capacity during the Forty-sixth regular and special sessions of the General Assembly. He rendered a full measure of service to his county and state in this position.

Mr. Oehmke was a member of the Evangelical church of North America, but had affiliated himself with the Community Church of Larchwood and was active in its affairs. He was a member of Larch lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Larchwood. Few were the calls of charity or fraternalism that passed unheeded by him.

Mr. Oehmke served his community and state well and Iowa has lost a most valuable citizen, therefore,

*Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-seventh Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable W. F. Oehmke the state has lost a valuable citizen, a man of character and generosity.*

*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 forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.*

J. T. DYKHOUSE,  
LAMAR FOSTER,  
W. J. JOHANNES,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted, April 19, 1937.

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#### HONORABLE HARRY C. PAULSON

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public services of the Honorable Harry C. Paulson, a former member of the General Assembly of Iowa, beg leave to submit the following:

Harry C. Paulson died at Clinton, Iowa, April 5th, 1937 at the age of 46 years.

He was born in Clinton county, Iowa, March 23, 1891. When nine years of age, he moved with his parents to a farm on the outskirts of the city. He was educated in the rural and city schools of Clinton county, attended Augustana College at Rock Island, Illinois, and also Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa. While at Ames he won a scholarship in a competitive judging contest. He owned his farm and was engaged

in the business of dairy farming. In 1916, he married Miss Rachel Chapman, daughter of the Rev. R. K. Chapman, of De Witt, Iowa and has two sons, Eugene and Stanley.

Mr. Paulson was elected to township office in 1914-1916 and as director of the farm bureau in 1928. Interested in railroad work, he entered the race for railroad commissioner in the last election but was defeated. He is a member of the Congregational church and of the Masonic order. He was elected as State Representative in 1929 and served one term with distinct credit to himself and his country.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-seventh General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Harry C. Paulson, the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen, and the House would tender by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his 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.*

WILLIAM N. JUDD,  
HARRY F. BULOW,  
J. P. GALLAGHER,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted, April 19, 1937.

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#### HONORABLE ROBERT M. PEET

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorative of the life, character and public services of the late Honorable Robert Melvin Peet of Jones county, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following report:

Robert Melvin Peet was born in Fairview Township, Jones county, Iowa, the son of James M. and Anna Dallas Peet. Gideon Peet, his grandfather, entered five hundred sixty acres of land in Fairview Township at the land office in Dubuque in 1840. He lived only a few years after that and his sons assumed management of the place. Mrs. Gideon Peet died in 1847. Soon after James M. Peet purchased the interest of the seven brothers and one sister and became the sole owner of the farm. James M. Peet was the father of Robert M. Peet, better known as Mel, and Mel assumed control of the land in 1877 when James M. Peet retired and moved to Anamosa. Since 1877 Robert Peet added to the original acreage of the farm through sane investments and hard work until the place is listed at twelve hundred acres all in one farm in addition to large acreages in other localities. It is one of the largest farms in this part of the state and one of the finest—a beautiful monument to a man whose greatest joy in the success he attained was in the happiness it enabled him to bring to his family and friends.

On Thanksgiving day of 1878, Robert Peet was married to Miss Carrie Belle Carbee, daughter of William and Harriet Smith Carbee, and they