

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the passing of Honorable Levi Franklin Potter, this Assembly express its realization of the loss of one of the leaders in the state, a man of strong character and sterling worth, a man of high ideals in Christian living, and the House would tender by this resolution its sympathy to the family who survive.

Be It Further Resolved, That a duly enrolled copy of this resolution be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

WILBER F. HUBBARD,
GEO. E. MILLER,
HARRY M. GREENE,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

HON. THOMAS EDWIN POWERS

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare memorial resolutions commemorating the life, character and public services of the Honorable T. E. Powers, a former member of the General Assembly of Iowa, begs leave to report the following:

Thomas Edwin Powers was born in Clarinda, Page county, Iowa, on November 29, 1857, and received his elementary education in the Clarinda schools, graduating in one of the earliest classes of the Clarinda high school. Later he entered the Missouri Medical College, now the Medical College of Washington University at St. Louis, Missouri, and graduated therefrom on March 4, 1881. Dr. Powers started the practice of his profession at St. Louis, Missouri, immediately after his graduation but practiced there for only a short time, and returned to his native city because of the illness of his father, and from that time on had been a resident of Clarinda, Iowa, and one of its prominent citizens and physicians. He was assistant superintendent of the Clarinda State Hospital for the Insane from 1891 to 1893, at which time the present superintendent of the hospital, Dr. Max E. Wittee, and Dr. Powers formed bonds of affectionate friendship that continued on down through the years.

Dr. Powers was married to Miss Anna Peterson, then a teacher in the Clarinda high schools, on May 25, 1882, and she survives him.

In the year 1897, Dr. Powers became affiliated with the Masonic lodge and became an active and esteemed member of the lodge; served four years as Master of the Nodaway Lodge of Clarinda, Iowa, and for a number of years immediately preceding his death he served in the position of district lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, A. F. & A. M.

He was first elected as a member of the House of Representatives of this state in 1922 and reelected in 1924, serving in the two regular sessions and in the special session in 1924. During the years 1926-1927, Dr. Powers was president of the Iowa State Medical Association and in 1928 was appointed to the State Board of Health by Governor Hammill.

Dr. Powers died at his home where he had resided since he was seven years of age, on February 14, 1929, and was buried at Clarinda, Iowa, February 17, 1929.

In recognition of his valued services to the state of Iowa throughout his long career and as an expression of our appreciation of his exemplary life and character,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-third General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable T. E. Powers the state has lost an honored and valued citizen, a man of high ideals and sterling character, one who was faithful in every public and private trust, and a friend to all.

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 of the same to Mrs. Powers who now resides at Clarinda, Iowa.

LENUS HAGGLUND,
L. O. CLARK,
HOMER HUSH,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1929.

HON. PERCY L. PRENTIS

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions in commemoration of the life, character and services of the Hon. Percy L. Prentis, beg leave to submit the following report:

Percy L. Prentis, United States district director of immigration, stationed at Detroit, Michigan, died June 22, 1928, following an illness of more than a year.

Dr. Prentis had been in the service of the government continuously since 1901, having been stationed at several border posts both in the United States and Canada. Born on a farm near Rich Valley, Indiana, in 1870, he migrated with his parents in a covered wagon to Delphos, Ringgold county, Iowa, when he was a lad ten years old. The family settled on a prairie farm near Delphos, and cultivated the frontier homeland until 1884, when both parents died.

Dr. Prentis, with his young sister and brother, spent the rest of their childhood in Bedford, Ohio, in the home of their mother's youngest sister, Mrs. Mary L. Davenport.

He was graduated from Bedford high school in 1887, and from the Euclid Avenue Business and Shorthand College in 1888. Five years later he was graduated from the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College, and entered the practice of medicine at Delphos.

The following year he was married to Anna Pfeffer, in Cleveland, and returned to Delphos, where he continued in the practice of medicine until 1901, at which time he accepted an appointment in the immigration service. He was first stationed at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

In 1902 Dr. Prentis was transferred to Winnipeg, Man., as a medical examiner. His work proved that a large percentage of applicants refused admission at eastern United States ports were reshipping from Europe and entering the country by way of Canada. As a result of his endeavors, the Dominion government took drastic steps to stop the traffic.