

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the Senate and that the secretary be directed to send an engrossed copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

F. C. STANLEY,  
A. J. SHINN,  
E. E. CAVANAUGH,  
*Committee.*

Senator Stanley spoke as follows:

I am to speak of the life and work of John F. Ream who served as Senator from Mahaska county during the Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth General Assemblies.

I did not know Senator Ream intimately but the information which I have gained from those who knew of his life and from the biography which appears in the Iowa Official Register, shows that Senator Ream was one of those men who rose through his own efforts. His parents were among those early pioneers from Pennsylvania who came out to Iowa before it was admitted as a state and settled in the little mining town of Beacon, near Oskaloosa. At an early age he entered the coal mines and continued throughout most of his life as a mine operator or dealer in coal. His education was limited to the common schools of his community. Regardless of his limited educational facilities, his life shows that he was a man who was interested in all of the good things which upbuild a community. He entered into the civic life of the city, was interested in building up the schools of his district and finally was elected as Senator from his county, though he was a democrat and his district was always strongly republican. Through all of the activities of his life he has shown those characteristics of the rank and file of the early pioneers, upon which our present civilization is built. He was conscientious in his belief, unswerving in his position, always doing the thing which he thought to be right.

In the loss of Senator Ream the community and state have lost a valuable citizen.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

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#### WILLIAM BELL TALMAN

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee which was appointed to report resolutions commemorating the life, character, and services of the late William Bell Talman, beg leave to submit the following:

William Bell Talman, son of Thomas B. Talman and Frances Gillespie Talman, was born at Point Pleasant, now in West Virginia, January 10, 1848. He died at Osceola, Iowa, October 27, 1926.

He came to Iowa with his parents in 1851. The family with all its worldly possessions floated down the Ohio river to Cairo, Illinois, on a raft of logs and from Cairo the raft was towed up the Mississippi to Keokuk. In 1869 he moved with his parents by covered wagon to Clarke