

board for many years; for two years he held the position of President of this board. He was a member of the Congregational Church. He was liberal in his religious views, placing the best construction on that term.

In 1885 Mr. Pickford was married to Theo H. Sears, who died in 1928.

Mr. Pickford is survived by three sons. Lyle of Mason City, with whom he made his home in his last years; Arthur Harold of Des Moines and Rollo S. of Cedar Rapids—(a fourth son, Hugh S. died in 1928).

He served the State of Iowa in the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth General Assemblies at Des Moines.

Mr. Pickford, up to the time he was well over the four score age, showed a youthful interest in the life about him. He retained his bodily and mental faculties until late in life.

Mr. Pickford's activity in Iowa started in pioneer surroundings. He took his first examination for a teacher's certificate in the bare courtroom of the first courthouse in Mason City, long since torn down. Other teachers of that period in town and country, some of whom became famous, were Ira Kling, Herbert Quick, L. L. Klinefelter, Art Sale, Dick Montague and Sue Treston.

Mr. Pickford learned to bind grain on a Marsh Harvester using straw for bands. Mason City in those days was a stripling youth, growing fast but gawky and unkempt with perhaps 3,000 inhabitants.

Mr. Pickford left a brief obituary which he closed with this:

"I know the night is near at hand  
The mists lie low on sea and bay.  
The autumn leaves go drifting by,—  
But I have had the day."

HENRY C. KRUEGER,  
H. B. BLEWETT,  
NORMAN NORLAND,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted,

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HENRY H. REITZ

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

Henry H. Reitz, Representative from Lee county, was born in Brooklyn, New York, November 6, 1854. His parents were born in Germany. He attended school in his home city until his father's family came to Fort Madison, Iowa, in 1867. In 1868 they moved to Franklin, Lee county, where he worked on a farm in the summer months and attended high school in the winter.

He was married in 1876 to Matilda Vornkahl of Primrose, Iowa. He had a family of six children, three girls and three boys. He had been a member of the school board for twenty years and had held various township offices. He was elected Representative in 1906 and re-elected in 1908. In politics he was a Democrat.

Mr. Reitz passed away on September 17, 1944, at a hospital in Iowa City, at the age of 89 years, 10 months and 11 days.

Surviving are two sons, Oliver Reitz of Ewing, Missouri, and Edwin Reitz of Donnellson; one daughter, Mrs. Will Sass of Iowa City; twenty-eight grandchildren, a number of great-grandchildren and a host of friends.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-first General Assembly, That in the passing of the late Honorable Henry H. Reitz, the State has lost a valued and honorable citizen, and the House of the Fifty-first General Assembly tenders, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving relatives.*

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

THOMAS W. WELLINGTON,  
WILSON REED,  
O. C. WILLIAMS,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted,

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#### CHARLES RHINEHART

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

Charles Rhinehart was born in Dallas county, Iowa, on March 4, 1876, the son of George L. and Adaline Rhinehart, truly pioneers of Iowa. He died in a hospital in Des Moines on June 22, 1944.

Mr. Rhinehart was educated in the rural schools of Dallas county and attended business college in Lincoln, Nebraska, and graduated from the Iowa State College of Ames, Iowa, in 1899.

On February 14, 1906, he was united in marriage to Frances B. Schamel, and to this union were born a son, John S., and a daughter, Helen L., who with their mother survive; and also three grandchildren.

He was always an active Republican, having been a member of the Republican State Central Committee for six years and served Dallas county as Representative in the Fortieth, Fortieth Extra and Forty-first General Assemblies of the State of Iowa.

Mr. Rhinehart was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of Veterans, Odd Fellows and Masonic Lodges, and as a Mason, he was a member of the Scottish Rites, Consistory and was a Shriner. He was District Governor of the Rotary Club in 1933. He helped organize the Iowa Society for Crippled Children and was one of the first Presidents of that Society.

Mr. Rhinehart was an extensive traveler, having traveled practically all over the world, but he always took an active interest in farming, being the owner of a large amount of farming lands.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-*