

who shared with us the dangers and hardships of a soldiers' life, and say that now, after so many years have passed, if due recognition cannot be given all in this great monument, we should prefer that it be laid waste and let the people of Iowa ignore us after we have all passed from the stage of action.

We look upon the matter of a living soldier allowing himself to be cast in bronze and placed upon this monument as an act of a selfish vanity, and not in accord with the spirit that actuated the brave boys of '61 and '65, to lay their lives on our country's altar. Why should those men who are living be entitled to greater recognition while living, than thousands of our brave boys after they are dead and gone?

As we have said before, we look upon this act of those living soldiers who allowed themselves to be cast in bronze and placed in position on this monument, where their own eyes can feast on their personal aggrandizement, as not only an insult to the brave boys now living, but a greater insult to the brave boys who fell in battle.

Second.—In regard to the statue of peace, we are satisfied to let it remain as it is. We are,

Very truly yours,

W. T. MAXWELL,
L. BOYER,
GEO. C. HAWKINS,
Committee.

The above is the sense of Post No. 440, Department of Iowa, G. A. R.
W. T. MAXWELL,

Adjutant.

The following resolutions on the death of Hon. Simon Rustad were offered by Mr. Haugen:

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee to draft resolutions relative to the death of the late Simon Rustad, respectfully report as follows:

WHEREAS, An all-wise Providence has removed by death Simon Rustad, a most worthy and respected member of the Twenty-first General Assembly; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives here assembled, That we deeply mourn the loss of this representative citizen and sturdy pioneer of Iowa, whose noble manhood, incorruptible character and unswerving devotion to Iowa's best interests are an inspiration to the highest citizenship, and whose wise and prudent counsels have left their impress on the state and are bearing good fruit in her laws; and, be it further

Resolved, That to the bereaved family of the deceased we extend our sincerest sympathy, and that these resolutions be spread upon the records of the House, and that the Chief Clerk of this House be instructed to cause a copy of these resolutions to be mailed to the widow of the deceased at Northwood, Iowa.

G. N. HAUGEN.
R. T. ST. JOHN.
W. C. McARTHUR.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.