rected to forward an enrolled copy to the members of the family of the deceased.

Alan Vest, Henry E. Heideman, Albert Weiss,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

## WILLIAM R. RITCHIE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life and public service of the late Honorable W. R. Ritchie, submits the following report:

William R. Ritchie was born at Port Andrew, Richland County, Wisconsin, July 8, 1867, of Scotch-Irish parents, and died in Storm Lake, Iowa, on March 8, 1954. In 1884 he came to Alta, Iowa, and in the spring of 1894 bought his first farm and began farming for himself. On February 26, 1896, he was united in marriage to Anna Jackson of Sac County, Iowa. To this union were born four children, Florence V. Robert C., Wendell R., and Donald S. He was a widely known, successful auctioneer of northwest Iowa. He was past master of Universal Lodge, 587, A.F. and A.M.

Mr. Ritchie served the Fiftieth district, comprised of Humboldt, Pocahontas, and Buena Vista Counties in the Iowa Senate during the Fortyfourth, Forty-fifth and Forty-fifth Extra sessions.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-sixth General Assembly: That in the passing of the Honorable Ritchie, the state has lost one who has always been very active in public affairs and kept interested and well informed on political matters, and the Senate tenders by this resolution its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread on the Journal of the Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the members of the family of the deceased.

> GUY G. BUTLER, DUANE E. DEWEL, ALAN VEST,

> > Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

## RAY P. SCOTT

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life and public service of the late Honorable Ray P. Scott, submits the following report:

Ray P. Scott was born in North Eaton, Ohio, on June 8, 1884, and died at Evangelical Hospital, Marshalltown, Iowa, on March 9, 1955, after an

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illness of nearly two years. He had been a resident of Marshalltown since 1899. He was the son of the Rev. William H. and Laura E. Scott. He was graduated from Marshalltown High School in 1902 and from Drake University in 1909. He served as County Attorney of Marshall County from 1914 to 1918. He was married to Kate Timmons in Marietta, on December 26, 1922. He was a member of Marshall Lodge No. 108 A.F. & A.M., signet Chapter No. 38 R.A.M., King Solomon Council No. 20, St. Aldemar Commandery No. 40, Central Chapter No. 67 O.E.S. He was a member of the Consistory in Cedar Rapids and the Za-Ga-Zig Shrine in Des Moines and Madon Shrine No. 38 White Shrine of Jersusalem.

Mr. Scott was a member of Central Christian Church of Christ. He served as president of the Iowa Christian Missionary Society from 1931 in 1949. He was a member of the Marshalltown Chapter of Izaak Walton League.

Mr. Scott served as a member of the House of Representatives from 1918 to 1920, during the Thirty-eighth General Assembly. He served as a member of the Senate from 1920 to 1924, the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth General Assemblies.

He is survived by Mrs. Scott, a brother, Winfield W. Scott, and a sister, Miss Lola G. Scott.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-sixth General Assembly: That in the passing of the Honorable Ray P. Scott, the state has lost one who has always been very active in public affairs and kept interested in and well informed on political matters. The Senate tenders by this resolution its sincere sympathy to the surving members of his family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread on the Journal of the Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to members of the family of the deceased.

> W. ELDON WALTER, J. KENDALL LYNES, LAWRENCE PUTNEY,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

## SENATOR W. N. SKOURUP

Wilbur Nielsen Skourup, 61, former Des Moines County State Senator, died of a heart attack at his White Acres farm near Spring Grove on Wednesday, at 3:45 p.m., February 10, 1954.

He had suffered from a heart condition for about three years. During 1950 he had been hospitalized for about a month but had continued active since. He had become ill at a recent Rotary Club meeting and was