

its organization and up until his retirement he had attended board meetings faithfully. He was also a director for the Friendly House for many years and was president of the Glucose Company, when it was Davenport's leading industry.

In addition to his business affairs here, he founded the Monroe Shingle Company in Monroe, Washington, the H. W. Seiffert Co., at Everett, Washington, and served as president of the Monroe Timber Company at Eugene, Washington, for many years.

Outside of his business and family, Mr. Seiffert had few hobbies. He was fond of traveling and made numerous trips abroad, as well as traveling extensively through his adopted country. He enjoyed walking and frequently took long jaunts on foot.

At the age of 16 he was confirmed in the German Lutheran church.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-ninth General Assembly, That in the death of Henry O. Seiffert, the entire state of Iowa has sustained a great loss.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to forward an enrolled copy to the surviving children of the deceased.

HOWARD P. ECKERMAN,
WALTER DIETZ,
H. W. WALTER,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 3, 1941.

HONORABLE JOHN H. SELBY

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable John H. Selby, of Sac county, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following report:

John Hanna Selby, son of Sadie Hanna and Seymour Douglas Selby, was born May 12, 1892, at Villisca, Iowa. As a small child he came with his parents to Odebolt, Iowa, which has since been his home. He was graduated from Odebolt high school in 1910 and from the University of Omaha in 1914.

During the World War, Mr. Selby served as a first lieutenant in the 35th division and saw active service in France. He was gas officer in the 160th regiment and was badly gassed himself during a major engagement in the Argonne.

On November 1, 1919, he was united in marriage to Della Nelson at Omaha, Nebraska. To this union were born two sons, John Douglas, and Laurie Nelson. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. S. D. Selby of Omaha, Nebraska; a brother, Paul D. Selby of Omaha, Nebraska; and a sister, Mrs. Richard J. Krueger of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mr. Selby's civic service was given not only in war but in peace as well. He was former mayor of Odebolt, a member of the General Assembly from 1934 to 1936, a world war veteran, and secretary-treasurer of the National Farm Loan Association for Sac and Ida counties.

Mr. Selby passed away about 5:30 following a heart attack on Sunday, November 17, 1940, at Odebolt, Iowa. His death has left a large gap in his community that is not likely to be soon filled.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-ninth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable John H. Selby, the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen, and the House would tender by this resolution its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow, and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be instructed to send an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

E. W. SCOTT,
GUSTAVE ALESCH,
M. F. BOCKWOLDT,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 3, 1941.

HONORABLE JOHN C. STERLING

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable John C. Sterling of Hamilton county, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following report:

John C. Sterling was born January 22, 1863, near LeRoy, in McLean county, Illinois, where he spent his boyhood amid the trying circumstances experienced by the early settlers during the reconstruction period that followed the Civil War. His parents, Samuel and Martha West Sterling, were of the pioneer group that emigrated from Ohio in a very early day and settled on a farm in the LeRoy community, where they lived for many years to raise their family, maintain their home, and contribute what they could to the educational and social life of their community.

Young Sterling first attended the rural district school, then the LeRoy high school, and later continued his studies at Illinois Wesleyan University. After the completion of his college education he taught school for several years in the county where he had grown to young manhood.

On August 16, 1888, he was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Gilmore, also of LeRoy, Illinois. Two years later they moved to Hamilton county, Iowa, and settled on a farm in what is known as the Pleasant Hill neighborhood. It was in this community that their family of six children were born and educated. At this early date many parts of Iowa, and particularly Hamilton county, was a comparatively new country. Mr. Sterling combined the work of farming and school teaching in a heroic effort to maintain and support his home. The family endured many hardships and at one time the house and most of their furnishings were destroyed by fire; but Mr. and Mrs. Sterling continued to strive on undaunted and to give freely of their life and effort to the upbuilding of the rich community life that is now enjoyed by those who have come after them.

In 1910 Mr. Sterling was elected Clerk of the District Court of Hamil-