

In 1858 he moved with his parents to a farm near Petersburg, Delaware county, Iowa. In 1879 the family moved to Hopkinton, where better educational advantages were offered. A. B. Holbert, however, attended Lenox college in 1875 and 1876. In 1878 he entered the horse business upon a rather limited scale, but gradually enlarged his business until he was known as the largest importer of pedigreed horses in the United States. He also owned and operated several large farms in Delaware county, besides owning large tracts of land in other states and in Canada.

On February 2, 1881, he was united in marriage to Miss Elma D. Baker, and she with their six children, namely, Thos. R., Fred B., Benjamin, Charmion, Warren Louis and Marajorie Madalene, are left to mourn.

He was elected to the 36th general assembly in 1914 from Delaware county, and served in that capacity in an acceptable manner. Was re-elected to the same position in the fall of 1916.

Mr. Holbert was regarded as one of the most creditable members of the legislature. He was a man of splendid ability, enterprise and public spirit, and was respected by all who knew him for his integrity and uprightness of character. He was a man who was always active in business and fraternal circles, and his ever-ready smile and jovial disposition endeared him to the hearts of all, young and old.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved,* That in the death of Aaron B. Holbert, the state has lost an able statesman, the county a splendid business man, and the people an upright citizen and an honorable man; and be it further

*Resolved,* That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the Journal of the House, and the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an engrossed copy to the family of the deceased.

S. W. KLAUS,  
R. W. ANDERSON,  
W. M. BECKER,

*Committee.*

Adopted March 27, 1917.

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HON. H. K. SKINNER.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee appointed to prepare and present suitable resolutions respecting the life, character and public services of the Hon. H. K. Skinner, who represented Jasper county in the thirty-fourth general assembly, beg to submit the following report:

Hon. H. K. Skinner who represented the county of Jasper in the thirty-fourth general assembly died at his home in the township of Clear Creek, Jasper county, Iowa, November 14, 1915.

Mr. Skinner moved with his parents to Ft. Dodge, Iowa, in 1853 and to Jasper county in 1860. Was married January 19, 1871 to Mary Keyes who died in 1875. Two children survive, Walter of Newton, Iowa and Mrs. George Boyd of Farrar, Iowa.

In 1876 he was united in marriage to Mary Edwards. To this union eight children were born, five of whom with the mother survive. Besides these children, Charles and Arthur Skinner, Mrs. Lafe Eubank, Mrs. Ray Tiffany and Mrs. Bud Borts, all of the vicinity of Clear Creek township, Jasper county, Iowa, he leaves twelve grand children.

Mr. Skinner was a man who was interested in the business, social, religious and educational life of the community. He received his education in the schools at Newton, Iowa, and in his youth was a rural instructor. During his active life he was called to many offices of trust, having served as township assessor and township clerk and was chosen by the republicans to represent Jasper county in the thirty-fourth general assembly of Iowa. He was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge and a member of the Ashton Congregational church and always took a great interest in its work.

Mr. Skinner died at his home on Sunday morning, November 14, 1915, after a sickness of several months.

Therefore, be it resolved that in his death the state has lost a worthy citizen and an honorable and upright man and we hereby extend our sympathy to the surviving family, and

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the journal of the House.

DAVID MEREDITH,  
H. W. BENN,  
JOHN KROUSE,

*Committee.*

Adopted January 30, 1917.

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HON. JOHN W. CAMPBELL.

Whereas, in view of the loss the state has suffered by the decease of Honorable John W. Campbell of Fort Dodge, Iowa, a member of the thirty-fourth general assembly, and the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him; therefore, be it

Resolved, that in the death of the Honorable John W. Campbell, the state laments the passing of a valuable and honored citizen who was ever ready to proffer the hand of aid, to give voice in the counsels of his fellows, and to offer sympathy to the needy. That in the long and active residence in Webster county being indented with its educational, commercial, and political activities, he enjoyed a large acquaintanceship through the county and the state, which he deeply appreciated and profoundly respected.

Resolved, that it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed, to say that in regretting his removal, we mourn for one who was worthy of our respect and regard.

Resolved, that we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased divine providence to afflict them and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best and whose chastisements are meant in Mercy.