

## HONORABLE REV. LAFAYETTE SHAEFFER

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life and public service of the Honorable Lafayette Shaeffer, State Representative, reports as follows:

Reverend Schaeffer was born near Centerville, Iowa, May 6, 1849, and died January 5, 1932, at his home near Mystic, Iowa.

He was born of American parentage, of German descent. His father, David Schaeffer, and mother, Lydia Hiestand, were born, reared and united in marriage in Fairfield county, Ohio. In 1846 they removed to Appanoose county, Iowa. He received his education in the common schools, with the exception of one term spent in Western College.

On September 26, 1875, he united in marriage with Miss Theresa A. Robinson of Monroe county, who was born in Ripley county, Indiana. She died December 21, 1910. On December 7, 1922, he married Mary J. Robinson who survives his passing.

A farmer most of his life, he also entered the ministry of the United Brethren church in 1883 and held this post for fifty-three years until his death, leaving an enviable record. Four hundred thirty-three marriages, and the number of his funerals exceeded his marriages. He was willing and ready at all times to go anywhere to perform his services.

His political career began as committeeman of his township, led to frequent nominations as a delegate to county and state conventions, the office of justice of the peace and township assessor, and finally to the post of State Representative to the Thirty-sixth General Assembly. For thirty years he was associated with his local school board, serving as sub-director, president, and for twenty-three years of the thirty as secretary. He held a notary public commission.

Reverend Shaeffer was a man of strong public spirit. A model of industry, integrity, and charity, he spent his life in an endeavor to promote the general welfare according to his creed.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-fifth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Lafayette Shaeffer, the state has lost a loyal citizen, a man of strong character and sterling worth, and this House, by these resolutions of respect and appreciation extends its sincere sympathy to his surviving relatives.*

*Be It Further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the records of this House, and an enrolled copy thereof be sent to the wife of the deceased.*

FOREST DAVIS,  
J. E. CRAVEN,  
S. B. DURANT,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 11, 1933.

## HONORABLE ARTHUR W. SLAUGHT

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare memorial resolutions commemorating the life and services of the Honorable Arthur W. Slaughter, a former member of the General Assembly of Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

Dr. Slaughter was born at Hector, Schuyler county, New York, July 6, 1855. He was born and lived on a farm, and received such education as was afforded in the rural schools. Later he attended Colgate Academy at Hamilton, New York, after which he took up the study of medicine and received his degree from the Chicago Homeopathic Medical College in 1887.

In 1883 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Anna Matthews Chase of Chicago, Illinois, and to this union were born three children, Miss Marguerite Slaughter, Mrs. Warner A. Cruisenberry and Mr. Hugh Slaughter.

He moved to Iowa in 1896, first locating in Emmet county and afterwards locating in Wapello county. His life was given to public service and during his residence in Wapello county he served twice as coroner of the county. He represented Wapello county in the House during the Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth General Assemblies.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-fifth General Assembly, That in appreciation of the splendid service rendered the state by the late A. W. Slaughter, this House of Representatives extends its sincere sympathy to the surviving family.*

*Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and an enrolled copy of same be sent to the family.*

E. H. FABRITZ,  
I. M. REED,  
C. F. RICE,

*Committee.*

Unanimously adopted April 11, 1933.

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#### HONORABLE CHARLES C. SMITH

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare memorial resolutions commemorating the life, character and public services of the Honorable Charles C. Smith, a former member of the General Assembly of Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

Charles C. Smith was born near Roxby, Lincolnshire, England, on February 1, 1854. He grew up in his native country and when twenty years of age came to America and located in Nebraska, later moving to Iowa and settling in Cass county.

When Mr. Smith came to Cass county he met a very prominent farmer, Mr. Lawrence Dolan, who offered the young man work. Mr. Smith accepted, little realizing that he would become one of the leading men of that part of the country. Being a very industrious man he soon began to prosper and in a short time decided to farm for himself.

In 1922, Mr. Smith retired from active farm life and moved to Griswold to make his home. He never lost interest in farm life and was always happy when he was on the farm. During the last years of his life he often went out and, while he did little work, he assisted in the management of the old home place.

Mr. Smith was a man in whom everyone had confidence. During the years of his residence on the farm he held many offices of trust and was a member of the Cass County Board of Supervisors for several terms.