

Joseph C. Lockin was born in Brandon in the state of Wisconsin on the 3rd day of November, 1853. He removed to Cherokee county, Iowa, in the fall of 1876.

He was united in marriage with Miss Josephine Batson of Fairwater, Wisconsin, September 24, 1876, and immediately moved to their farm in Cherokee county, Iowa. He was there engaged for some time in farming and teaching school. He made a success of farming, as he did of every enterprise in which he was engaged, during his successful business career.

He early became a member of the Methodist Church and was long identified with it in an official capacity, and was vitally interested in all the forward movements of the church. In 1900 he was elected a lay-delegate to the general conference of the Methodist Church. He was for a long time one of the trustees of Morningside College, and for several years was its financial secretary. He was deeply interested in our public schools, and for twenty-five years was a member of the school board of the city of Aurelia, Iowa, his home town.

He was a member of the Twenty-second General Assembly of this state, where he was recognized as a young man of ability, conservative yet courageous for the right and best interests of the state. Later the people of Cherokee county honored themselves by electing him to represent them in the Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth General Assemblies, where he served with credit to himself and with honor to the county and to the state.

He was called to his final reward on the 16th day of October, A. D., 1922.

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that we regret the loss of one so well worthy of our love and esteem, and in his death the state has lost one of its most esteemed and worthy citizens.

Resolved, That this memorial be spread upon the pages of the House Journal and an engrossed copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. DEWAR,
JNO. A. STOREY,
OSCAR ULSTAD,

Committee.

Adopted April 12, 1923.

HON. JOHN HENRY STIMSON

MR. SPEAKER—We, your committee appointed to prepare resolutions of respect to the memory and life work of the late J. H. Stimson, beg leave to make the following report:

John Henry Stimson was the son of John Henry Stimson and Kathyrine Stimson. He was born May 19, 1872, at Fairmont, Martin county, Minnesota. He moved with his parents to Conway, Taylor county, Iowa, in 1874. He received his education in the common schools and the Iowa State College at Ames.

He was married to Anna E. Hamm, the daughter of Jacob Hamm at Shambaugh, Iowa, on December 25, 1902. Soon after marriage they moved to Kidder, Missouri, where Mr. Stimson filled the position of superintendent of schools, with credit for two and a half years. At the close of that engagement they moved to Page county, Iowa, in 1906 occupying the home where his family now reside. Six children were born, all of whom were living at the time of his death. He taught school in northern Missouri and southern Iowa for twelve years.

At the age of eighteen years he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church and was an earnest member, serving for some time as trustee. He was a teacher in the Sunday school; his work there being very successful he was made superintendent.

In politics he was always a staunch Republican and took great interest in all public affairs both local and national. As a result of his sound views, he had much influence in shaping the public policies of his community. The good opinion of the people and their confidence in him was manifested when he was chosen to represent them in the Thirty-ninth General Assembly where he justified the trust placed in him by his devotion to the interests of his county and state. His constituents assured him of their approval of his work, when he was renominated and made a candidate without opposition for the Fortieth General Assembly. But the county was to be deprived of his counsel and services, he was taken ill with appendicitis from the effects of which he died August 18, 1922.

His life work was that of a farmer; he was always a progressive student of agriculture and intensely interested in all that pertains to that industry. He was an active member of the Farm Bureau and took a keen interest in its doings from the inception of that society.

Mr. Stimson, besides being an active factor in all civic, social and economic affairs was a Christian gentleman, exercising a healthful influence on the young with whom he came in contact. He adopted the Golden Rule as his rule and the standard by which to train his children.

As a teacher, farmer and homemaker, he has left his impress upon the community. His life work and commendable personality distinguished him as a character worthy of the consideration of the young of his community. In his untimely death the wife and mother has been left to carry out his life plans and fill his place as guide and counsel for his growing family.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fortieth General Assembly that we extend our sympathies to the family and express our appreciation of his true worth.

Be It Further Resolved, that these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to send an engrossed copy to the family.

ARTHUR LEONARD,
T. E. POWERS,
C. R. BUFFINGTON,

Committee.

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