

He was vitally interested in the politics of his county and served as a member of the Iowa House of Representatives in 1906 and 1912.

Mr. Sidey was married in 1890 in Toronto, Canada to Miss Margaret Sinclair, who passed away 2 years later. On January 17, 1894 in Greenfield, he was married to Miss Irene Cavanaugh, a native of Florence, New York, who came west with her uncle, James Gibbs in 1892. Three children were born to them, Mrs. Irene Wietzke, Kenneth and John, who with his wife and three grandsons survive him.

Mr. Sidey was a member of the Greenfield Methodist Episcopal Church, while fraternally he was identified with the Masons, being a member of Crusade Lodge of Greenfield, St. John's Chapter, Bethany Commandery, Des Moines Consistory, and Za-Ga-Zig Temple A. A. O. M. S. of Des Moines.

Mr. Sidey served his community and state and served them well. Iowa has lost a valuable citizen.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Forty-eighth General Assembly, That in the passing of the Honorable Edwin John Sidey the state has lost an honored citizen, a man of high ideals in brotherly living and useful citizenship.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

H. S. LOVE,
G. T. KUESTER,
L. C. BOWERS,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

HONORABLE WILLIAM STUART

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorative of the life, character, and public services of the late Honorable William Stuart, of Emmet county, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following report:

Mr. Stuart was born in Ireland, January 10, 1851, of Scotch-Irish parentage. At the age of six years he immigrated to Canada, with his widowed mother and older brothers and sisters. They settled in the Province of Ontario, on a farm where Mr. Stuart grew to manhood and received his education. In 1864, he went with an older brother to Fulton, Illinois, where he learned the blacksmith trade and there continued in this work for some time. In 1879, he came to Grundy Center, Iowa, where he engaged in wagon making and practiced his trade.

As time progressed he gradually established himself in the retail implement business.

In 1892, Mr. Stuart and B. F. Robinson, a member of the Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth and Thirty-first General Assemblies, migrated to the new town of Armstrong and started a bank. After several years of active banking

he sold his interest in the bank so that he could devote most of his time to real estate interests.

He was actively identified with various activities and enterprises in the community and was postmaster during the Taft administration. He served for several years on the board of supervisors of Emmet county. In the fall of 1916, he was elected to the State Legislature from Emmet county and served in the Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth General Assemblies.

Mr. Stuart was a member of over sixty years standing in the Masonic Lodge, and was one of the founders and charter members of Emmet Lodge No. 533.

He was a member of the Methodist Church, one of its official board members, and gave of his time and resources unsparingly to the church of his choice.

Mr. Stuart came to Armstrong on the first train that pulled into the station when the new town was established. He watched and aided the town and community develop from a wild prairie of virgin vegetation into a highly cultivated area of farm lands and modern homes. Forty-four years later on March 31, 1936, in his eighty-sixth year, he received his final reward.

Uncle Billy, as he was often called, lived for and loved his community, and was ever untiring in his efforts for its betterment. That the fruits of his labor shall not pass on, his progeny remains a living example of service to mankind and that common cause.

Be It Therefore Resolved, That we the living, following in the footsteps to this common cause tender tribute to the surviving members of his family, and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions 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.

LEHMAN C. J. ROVN,
A. H. AVERY,
FRED J. RITCHIE,

Committee.

Unanimously adopted, April 12, 1939.

HONORABLE J. H. J. STUTT

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of the Honorable J. H. J. Stutt, a former member of the Thirty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

J. H. J. Stutt was born in Wayne township, Jones county, Iowa, May 3, 1867. He was a son of John and Mary (Harms) Stutt, both natives of Germany. His father came to this country in 1861 and served as a soldier in the Civil War. Mr. Stutt was reared in Jones county and attended the common schools. At the age of 22 he began his business career as a farmer. He first bought a farm in Wayne township and later bought a