

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, By the Senate of the Forty-second General Assembly of Iowa, that in the death of John Alexander McKlveen the state and community where he lived have suffered the loss of an influential and honorable citizen; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the Senate and that the secretary be directed to send an engrossed copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

A. G. DOTTS,

W. E. MCLELAND,

E. E. CAVANAUGH,

Committee.

Senator Dotts spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT: It was never my privilege to have met or had any acquaintance with Senator J. A. McKlveen, but having the acquaintance of a number of friends of his, I have learned that he was one of the most respected citizens of Lucas county and the community in which he lived. Having located in Chariton in 1865, he was one of the pioneer physicians in that city, engaged in a very successful practice of his chosen profession, and holding the confidence of all with whom he came in contact.

His large financial interests gave him a large acquaintance wherever those interests were located and all seemed to hold for him the highest regard.

He was active in all civic affairs of the county in which he lived and in his death the community loses an active citizen and the state a valuable servant.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

JOHN B. SULLIVAN

John B. Sullivan was born at Afton, Iowa, December 9th, 1869, one of the younger children of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Sullivan. At nine years of age he entered St. Benedict's College at Atchison, Kansas, where he remained until his studies were sufficiently advanced to permit him to enter the Afton High School. After completing the prescribed course at the Afton High School, he matriculated at the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, where he enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters. During his four years at Notre Dame, Mr. Sullivan took an active interest in debating and public speaking, representing the University in contests with the other universities and colleges in that section of the country. He was also connected, in the capacity of editor, with the University publication, "Scholastic," writing editorials and some fiction and dramatic criticism.

Graduating from the University with a B. Litt. degree in 1891, he entered the State University of Iowa in the fall of the same year and pursued his studies in the Law Course. Having graduated and passed the state bar requirements he returned to Creston, to which place his

parents had moved while he was in the University. Shortly after his return he was elected City Solicitor, a position which he filled with credit and promise, and was rewarded for his application and zeal in that office by election to the position of county attorney of Union county. In May of 1896 he was united in marriage to Cecelia Norton, the daughter of Bridget Norton, of Creston, to which union there was born one child, a son, Norton Sullivan.

At the close of his term as county attorney, Mr. Sullivan moved to Des Moines and commenced the practice of law in that city. He was later joined by Jerry B. Sullivan, and the firm of Sullivan and Sullivan, which had heretofore existed in Creston, composed of E. F. Sullivan, John B. Sullivan and Jerry B. Sullivan, became recognized as a Des Moines firm, and so continued until the death of John B. Sullivan, at his home September 21, 1925.

John B. Sullivan was generous of his time and talent in the service of the public. He was zealous in attention and application to the problems of civic interest, conscious of his duty as a citizen to the state and the nation, and ardent in his political affiliations because his allegiance was to principles rather than men.

Mr. Sullivan's death, which followed a general decline in health extending over a period of more than two years, was in a great measure due to the fact that the strain and responsibility of holding public office and at the same time actively practicing his chosen profession, exhausted his reserve strength to a degree that he was unable to overcome the effects of a nervous breakdown. Mr. Sullivan served both in the House and the Senate at a time when legislation of the greatest import to the state was being considered and upon the board of education when the foundation was commenced for the present comprehensive program of building.

Mr. Sullivan was deeply conscious to the three great duties of a citizen, devotion to country, church and home, and he was unflinching in heeding the call to duty. He recognized the sacredness of loyalty to his friends and in return enjoyed the blessings of the good wishes and comradeship of his fellow men. He was temperate in his estimate of those who differed from him in any opinion, he was conservative in forming and expressing his judgments and steadfast in maintaining those which he had formed and believed to be right and for the common good. In the highest sense and meaning of the words he was a Christian gentleman, kindly, courteous, modest and gentle.

"He was a profoundly spiritual man, beautifully tolerant of the inner life of other men, his own radiant mind lit up with the light of faith, his own generous heart warmed by the fire of hope, his own noble spirit mellowed by the rich liquor of charity."

"A man whose life glided on like the rivers that
water the woodlands,
Darkened by the shadows of earth but reflecting an
image of heaven."

Whereas, His standing as a man, citizen and legislator has been of the highest character, therefore

Be It Resolved, That the Senate take this occasion to express its highest

appreciation of the splendid character, honest public service and adopt this memorial in the name of the people of the state of Iowa.

Also, Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the record of the Senate and that the same be engrossed and that an engrossed copy thereof be sent to the family of the deceased.

GEO. A. WILSON,

J. R. FRAILEY,

C. F. JOHNSTON,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

DENNIS A. LYONS

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee which was appointed to prepare a resolution commemorating the life, character and services of the late Dennis A. Lyons, of Cresco, Iowa, begs leave to submit the following:

Dennis A. Lyons was born at Blue Island, now a part of Chicago, Illinois, September 8, 1851, and died at Cresco, Iowa, March 24, 1925. When he was sixteen years of age, his parents removed their family to a farm in Winneshiek county, Iowa. In addition to common school, Dennis attended the Breakenridge Institute at Decorah, Iowa. In 1877 he formed a partnership with R. J. MacHugh as MacHugh & Lyons, dealers in farm implements at Cresco and continued in that business until he retired in 1909. He was twice mayor of Cresco and in 1897 was elected Senator and was reelected in 1901, serving from the Twenty-seventh to the Thirty-first General Assemblies, inclusive. He was also a member of the democratic state central committee for four years, beginning with 1900. He was a devoted member of the Roman Catholic church and a man of great influence in his part of the state.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, By the Senate of the Forty-second General Assembly of Iowa, that in the death of Dennis A. Lyons the state and the community where he lived have suffered the loss of an influential and honorable citizen, and

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WM. H. KLEMME,

J. M. RAMSEY,

C. F. JOHNSTON,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.