

In 1887 he was nominated at the Republican Senatorial convention held at Fairfield, Iowa, and was elected twice, serving the district composed of Van Buren and Jefferson counties in the Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth General Assemblies. He was twice chairman of the Senate committee on Agriculture, and was an active member of the committees on Schools and Banks.

He lived the simple life and delighted to mingle with the people. He loved his home and was happy in his family in whom he took pardonable pride. He was beloved by his neighbors and friends who consider his death a great loss to the state. He was honest and upright in all his dealings and had the confidence of all who knew him.

WHEREAS, The Honorable Benjamin Rex Vale, a member of this body in the Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth General Assemblies, has been called from this life; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with deep sorrow and regret of his death and that it recognizes the high character of his service to his state and in his death the state has lost a worthy and noble citizen.

Resolved, That this Senate extend to his family its sincere sympathy in their great bereavement. Be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon our Senate Journal and a copy be sent to the bereaved family of the deceased.

J. H. TAYLOR,

D. C. CHASE,

J. A. WHITE,

Committee.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Senator Taylor in moving the adoption of the resolutions spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT—In moving the adoption of these resolutions I desire to say that I became acquainted with Ex-Senator Vale soon after my entrance into Van Buren County, about twelve years ago.

In order to appreciate the manhood and the strength of character of Ex-Senator Vale it would be necessary to become acquainted with him. He was a man of affairs. He was a man who knew a great deal about everything that was going on in his county and in his state. Notwithstanding this fact, his whole life was devoted more particularly to the things which were concerned with his own county and neighborhood. He had a delightful home, at the head of which he presided with a grace and dignity. He was a Christian man. He was a man who was dearly beloved by all his neighbors and friends because of the interest he took in them. He served many years as secretary of the local township school board because he was interested in the cause of proper education. He took a very large interest in the schools of the state as well as the schools of his own community.

His children were educated in the colleges of this state. One of his sons now occupies the old home farm, being recently a graduate of the Iowa State College at Ames. He was a man who took a great interest in religious affairs and kept up the old time custom of the family altar.

and those things which mark the home as the one place above all others where grace, peace and love abound, were ever present in his home.

In the death of Ex-Senator Vale, Van Buren County and the State of Iowa loses one of its very best citizens.

Senator Darrah from a special committee submitted the following report and moved its adoption:

MR. PRESIDENT—Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character and public services of Warren S. Dungan beg leave to submit the following report:

WARREN S. DUNGAN.

Warren S. Dungan, of Chariton, Lucas County, Iowa, was a member of the Senate in the Ninth and Ninth Extra General Assemblies, a member of the House in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth General Assemblies, and again a member of the Senate in the Twenty-second and Twenty-third General Assemblies.

He was Lieutenant Governor under Frank D. Jackson, from 1894 to 1896, and president of this Senate during the session of the Twenty-fifth General Assembly.

Colonel Dungan, as he was familiarly known, was born of Scotch-Irish parentage on September 12, 1822, and died May 9, 1913. He was an active and prominent member of the Sons of the American Revolution, his grand-

father, Wm. McFarren, being an ensign in the war of the Revolution, and his great-grandfather, John Scott, was commissary general of the Pennsylvania line. In 1851 he went to Panola, Mississippi, and taught school for a period of three years. While thus engaged, he took up the study of law, returning in 1855 to his native state, Pennsylvania, and entered the law office of Roberts & Quay, the latter member of the firm being the well known United States Senator Quay from that state. In April, 1856, he was admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania, and immediately afterward he moved to Iowa and located in Chariton, where he resided until his death, a period of over fifty-seven years.

At the beginning of the Civil war, he resigned his seat in the state senate and recruited a military company, being himself sworn in as a private. He later became the captain of this company, and was assigned to the 34th Iowa Infantry as Company K. On September 27, 1862, he was commissioned Lieutenant-Colonel, in which capacity he served until May 25, 1865, when he was made Brevet-Colonel of Volunteers for valiant service rendered at the battle of Ft. Blakely. The Confederate battery in this engagement was named in his honor, being entirely made up of young men who had been students under him in the school that he had formerly taught at Panola, Mississippi. At the close of the war he returned to Chariton and resumed his law practice, becoming recognized as one of the leading attorneys in the southern part of the state.

Colonel Dungan was a man whom his fellow citizens and neighbors delighted to honor. He was a life-long member of the Republican party and was prominently identified with its history during the past fifty years in this state. He was active in religious affairs and in all those move-