

ninth and Fiftieth General Assemblies. He was a capable, conscientious and honest citizen and his death is a great loss to the citizens of his state and his community. His unswerving loyalty to his country, his fidelity to duty, and his faithfulness to every public and private trust, was an inspiration to all with whom he came in contact.

Therefore Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-first General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of Senator Pelzer the state mourns the loss of an honored citizen, a man of strong and excellent character, a public servant of the highest type, and that by this resolution the Senate of Iowa extends its sympathy to his family.

Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the records of the Journal of the Senate of the Fifty-first General Assembly of Iowa, and that enrolled copies thereof be transmitted to the members of his family.

ED. S. WHITE,
DE VERE WATSON,
AI MILLER,
RALPH E. BENSON,
O. N. HULTMAN,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

CHESTER W. WHITMORE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Chester W. Whitmore of Ottumwa, begs leave to submit the following:

Chester W. Whitmore was born in Burlington, Iowa, January 11, 1869. He attended Lake Forest University in Illinois and the Chicago Law College, receiving a Bachelor of Law degree. He also was affiliated with the Phi Delta Phi Law Fraternity.

In 1896 he was admitted to the Illinois bar and practiced law in Chicago until 1900, when he was admitted to practice in Iowa and immediately established a law office in Ottumwa, Iowa. He also was admitted to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court in 1913.

In politics he was a Republican and took an active and responsible place in the party of his choice. He was elected Senator in 1914, representing Wapello county in the Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth General Assemblies of the State of Iowa. He also served for four years in Company G, 54th Regiment of the Iowa National Guard.

Senator Whitmore, shortly before his death, retired from the practice of law and sold his law office in Ottumwa, Iowa, preparatory to retiring in California. He died on December 4, 1943, in San Francisco, California, four days after his arrival there from his home in Ottumwa, Iowa.

He is survived by his widow; by two sons, Lt. Hobart Whitmore of the U. S. Army, and Kenneth Whitmore, and a step-son, Frank Hook, besides one sister and one brother.

Therefore Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-first General

Assembly of the State of Iowa, That in the passing of Senator Whitmore this state mourns the loss of a valuable and honored citizen; a man who devoted many years of his life to public service, and the Senate of Iowa by this resolution extends to the family of Chester W. Whitmore its deepest sympathy.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this memorial resolution be printed in the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary be directed to send enrolled copies to the members of the family of the deceased.

ELMER K. BEKMAN,
ALDEN L. DOUD,
J. R. BARKLEY,
LUKE VITTETOE,
T. H. KLEIN,

Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

B. C. WHITEHILL

Senator B. C. Whitehill of the Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, passed away January 8, 1945, the opening day of the Fifty-first General Assembly, while in Des Moines in the performance of his duty as a legislator.

Senator Whitehill was a veteran lawmaker, having served many years in the Iowa Senate, and his colleagues in the Senate had shown their appreciation and esteem by selecting him as President Pro Tempore of the Senate, which office he would have filled but for his passing.

In his passing the state has lost a faithful and efficient servant and statesman and each member of the Senate has lost a valued and esteemed friend and co-worker.

Be It Therefore Resolved by the Senate of the Fifty-first General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That we extend to the widow and family of the deceased our heartfelt sympathy in their loss and bereavement, and

Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be printed in the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary of the Senate transmit to Mrs. B. C. Whitehill a copy of such Journal and a regularly engrossed copy of this resolution.

Be It Further Resolved, That the President of the Senate appoint a committee of three to represent the Senate at the funeral services, and,

Be It Further Resolved, That the President of the Senate appoint six members of the Senate to act as honorary pallbearers at the funeral of Senator Whitehill.

A. J. SHAW,
LEO ELTHON,
J. BERG,

Committee.

Following the introduction of the above resolution, Senator Hill, on behalf of the Senate, expressed the sympathy and regrets of the members in the sudden and untimely death of Senator Whitehill, which remarks were by unanimous consent printed in the Senate Journal: