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## MEMORIALS

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SENATE CHAMBER,  
DES MOINES, IOWA, APRIL 11, 1927.

The Senate met in memorial session, President Kimball presiding.

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### SAMUEL F. WILSON

*Whereas*, Honorable Samuel F. Wilson, the duly elected and qualified Senator of the Twentieth Senatorial District of the State of Iowa, departed this life on the 21st day of February, 1927.

*Therefore*, This body duly assembled hereby pass the following resolution:

Samuel F. Wilson was born in Louisa county, Iowa, near Morning Sun, on September 2, 1868. He grew to manhood in that vicinity and occupied many positions of trust among his neighbors and citizens of his county. He served the township of Morning Sun for many years as trustee, and for two terms served the county of Louisa as a member of the Board of Supervisors, having been a member when the drainage districts of that county were established. He served the Morning Sun Consolidated school district as member and president of its board of directors. He was one of the organizers of the Louisa County Farm Bureau and for many terms served the county as its president. In the fall of the year 1926 he was elected Senator of the Twentieth Senatorial District, composed of Muscatine and Louisa counties. And it is with deep regret that he was unable to fill the term of office to which the people had elected him. And it is with deep regret that this body now registers this resolution of his passing.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the records of this body and a copy of the same, signed by the President and President Pro Tem, be forwarded to his family.

WILLIAM CARDEN,  
GEO. CLEARMAN,  
CLYDE H. TOPPING,

*Committee.*

Senator Carden spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE: It is with profound regret that we are called upon at this time to offer our sympathy to the family of our former Senator and member of this body. Mr. Wilson

was one of the pioneer citizens of Louisa county, having been one of the earlier settlers to locate in this county and to build for himself and family a home and an influence which was very much felt, not only by the immediate neighbors and friends but throughout the county and this part of the state. The Senate was very sorry to be deprived of his counsel and help during the session.

It was my privilege, as a member of the committee appointed by the Senate, to attend his funeral and it was indeed a splendid tribute that was paid to the memory of this good man by his neighbors and friends in the large attendance on this occasion.

Mr. Wilson was a man of high ideals, good Christian character and one of the leaders in his church and community, who will be sadly missed, not only by his family but by his many friends and associates.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

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#### JOHN R. PRICE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee which was appointed to report resolutions commemorating the life, character and service of the late John R. Price beg leave to submit the following report, and move its adoption.

Senator Price was born in Glamorganshire, South Wales, Great Britain, on June 23, 1875. Came to the United States in May, 1881. He was employed as a coal miner in his boyhood days and received his education in the public schools, and later in Central University at Pella, Iowa. He was admitted to the practice of law in 1900, locating in Albia, Iowa, where he was a practitioner until the time of his death, which occurred January 9, 1927. He was married in 1899 to Mary E. Welch, who survives him.

He was elected twice to the office of State Senator from the Fifteenth district composed of Marion and Monroe counties, and was a member of the Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Fortieth and Fortieth extra General Assemblies, which office he filled with honor to himself and the state of Iowa. The life and character of the deceased, and his exemplary services call for such as to place his memory among those highly respected and esteemed in the state.

"Star crowned and beautiful, his memory stands,  
A Sacred Statue, sculptured not with hands,  
Above the crash of words, the wreck of years,  
Too bright for sorrow and too sweet for tears."

*Therefore, Be It Resolved*, That in the passing of the Honorable John R. Price the state has lost a valuable and honored citizen, a man of strong character and sterling worth, and the Senate of Iowa would tender by this resolution its sympathy to the widow, who survives.

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be spread