

**CERTAIN JOINT RESOLUTIONS OF GENERAL
INTEREST ADOPTED BY THE LEGISLA-
TURE OF WISCONSIN, SPECIAL
SESSION OF 1931-32.**

[Jt. Res. No. 2, S.]

[Deposited Dec. 3, 1931.]

No. 1, 1931.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the life and public services of William Olson.

On November 1, 1931, there was removed from this life the Honorable William Olson, a member of the Wisconsin Senate from the seventeenth district. William Olson was born in the town of Jordan, Green County, Wisconsin, October 11, 1873. He was educated in the common schools of his county and the Northern Indiana Normal School at Valparaiso, Indiana. For many years he taught country school in winter and in summer worked on his father's farm. Since 1898 he had operated his own dairy farm.

Senator Olson held many local offices. At different times he was bank director, school officer, town clerk, and town supervisor. For ten years he was a member of the county board of Green County. He was a member of the Assembly in 1919, 1921 and 1925, and served in the Senate throughout the regular session of 1931. He was an able and active member in both houses, particularly interested in agricultural legislation, but well informed on many subjects.

William Olson always fought a good fight for the farmer. He was a pioneer in the co-operative movement in Wisconsin and took a leading part in the development of a spirit of co-operation among farmers. He was long secretary of the Green County Farm Bureau and for a time was President of the Wisconsin Farm Bureau. Throughout his legislative career he served on the agricultural

committees and in 1921 was chairman of the Assembly Committee on Agriculture. As a member of the 1919 and 1921 legislatures he was among the leaders in the enactment of the department of markets act and the Wisconsin co-operative law. He also took a prominent part in all legislation relating to the eradication of bovine tuberculosis and in the last session was greatly interested in the effort to tax oleomargarine and in other measures for the advancement of the dairy industry.

A lifelong progressive and staunch supporter of Robert M. La Follette, he never was narrowly factional and voted on all measures as he understood their merits. Of irreproachable integrity and absolute sincerity, he was above all slander and suspicion. He was a man of strong convictions, whose attainments commanded respect and whose personal character won warm affection from all who knew him.

Therefore, as a mark of respect to his memory, by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, it is

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution be spread upon the journal of each house, and that a copy thereof, properly signed and attested by the presiding officers and chief clerks of the two houses, be forwarded to the family of the late Senator Olson at Monroe, Wisconsin.

[Jt. Res. No. 3, S.]

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the life and services of Mrs. Rose L. Meyer.

Mrs. Rose Litscher Meyer, of Sauk City, secretary of the Republican state central committee and well known throughout Wisconsin, died suddenly on August 15, 1931, as a result of fatal injuries received in an automobile accident.

Mrs. Meyer was a farmer's wife but with a great interest in public affairs. She was famous for her hospitality and the generous welcome which she gave to all who came to her farm home near Witwen settlement west of Sauk City. It was the accepted meeting place for political leaders as well as for neighbors and friends.