

excess profits as shall reduce incomes to the amount just necessary to secure the requisite cooperation of the various factors in production—land, labor, capital and talent; And be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted by the secretary of state to the presiding officers and to each of the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States.

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

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5.

Relating to the death and public services of Honorable Evan W. Evans.

Whereas, Shortly after the close of the regular session of the 1917 legislature, Evan W. Evans died at his home at Spring Green on the 6th day of August, 1917. Mr. Evans was four times elected to the Wisconsin legislature, being a member of the assembly in 1885, 1887, 1901 and 1903. Mr. Evans rendered his country honorable service as a citizen, a soldier and as a legislator.

Evan W. Evans was born in Wales in 1841 and was brought to this country as a child by his parents who became pioneers in the settlement of Wisconsin. In his youth he heard and heeded the call of his country and in 1861 enlisted as a private in the Sixth Wisconsin Battery. He was later advanced to the rank of corporal but he held the confidence of his comrades even as few high officers do. For three years he was at the front with an artillery that did valiant service in the army of the Tennessee, under the command of such generals as Logan, MacPherson, Sherman and Grant. As a soldier he participated actively in the following engagements and campaigns; Island No. 10, Rienza, Corinth, the Holly Springs and Vicksburg campaigns, including the battles of Port Gibson, Raymond, Jackson, Champion Hills, Black River, the Siege of Vicksburg, the battle of Missionary Ridge, and in part of the campaign to Atlanta.

His father having died when he was defending his country at the front, this soldier boy returned to assume the responsibility of fathering his younger brothers and sisters.

Soon after the civil war while continuing as a farmer, he became a cattle buyer and shipper. This business carried him among all the farmers in Sauk, Richland and Iowa counties

and his friendships multiplied and his high sense of integrity and fairness in business matters won him the complete confidence of his associates and fellow farmers. Men did not watch the scale when "Evie" Evans was weighing. Farmers would send their stock to market by just a mere boy if "Evie" Evans was to do the buying. He worked for the other fellow with the same sense of fairness he worked for himself. He became the trusted friend into whose administration widows and orphans placed their meager estates.

Practically every available office of trust at the disposal of village, town and county was at one time or another entrusted or offered to this quiet man. His friends were beyond number, his enemies,—he had none. A Grant-like silence was his. He was a man of few words and no speeches, but a man of clear convictions and tireless action.

His was also a Lincoln-like sense of humor. The twinkle in his eye announced beforehand the quaint illustration, the pertinent story, the quiet joke that were forthcoming. His smile was contagious.

Mr. Evans was a democrat in the broadest sense of the term. He was a democrat in party affiliation. But he always worked with that branch of his party which labored for progress, stood for progressive issues and strove to enlarge the common liberties of mankind.

As a member of the Wisconsin legislature he was a quiet, unassuming but constant and powerful force for constructive, progressive legislation.

He leaves behind him a notable family of seven children, five of whom are graduates of our own state university in which he took great pride, and two of whom have won wide recognition in their respective professions,—Mr. George Evans of St. Louis, as a gas engineer, and Honorable Evan A. Evans of Baraboo and Chicago, now the youngest member of any United States Circuit Court of Appeals.

He is missed by his old comrades, a dwindling fragment of the Sixth Wisconsin Battery, valiant in war. His town, county and state have been enriched by his thrift and foresight and ennobled by his nobility; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,* That as a tribute of respect to the memory of Honorable Evan W. Evans, the foregoing resolution be spread upon the journals of the two houses and that an engrossed copy thereof, attested by the signatures of the presiding officers and chief clerks of the senate and assembly, be forwarded to the family of the deceased.