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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 10

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF
THE HONORABLE EARL SLIPHER.

Arizona lost one of her more illustrious citizens with the death of the Honorable Doctor Slipher, one of the World's foremost authorities on the planet Mars. Dr. Slipher passed away on August 7, 1964, in the City of Flagstaff. He was eighty-one years of age.

Dr. Earl Carl Slipher was born in Mulberry, Indiana, on March 25, 1883.

In 1906, Dr. Slipher came to the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff from the University of Indiana on a Fellowship and remained there as a member of its staff for fifty-eight years. When Dr. Percival Lowell, who built and permanently financed the Lowell Observatory, died in 1916, his work on the planet Mars was continued by Dr. E. C. Slipher. He later followed in the footsteps of his brother, Dr. V. M. Slipher, by becoming Director of the Observatory.

Dr. Slipher was a member of Lowell's Andes Expedition to Observe Mars in 1907; a member of Lowell's Eclipse Expedition to Spain in 1908; received the medal of the Society of Astronomy of Mexico in 1911 for his accomplishments; was with the Observatory Eclipse Expedition to Kansas in 1918, and as a member of the International Astronomical Union and as Chairman of the International Mars Commission continued to travel widely, taking part in expeditions to Europe, Africa and Asia. In South Africa in 1954 at the Lamont-Hussey Observatory in Bloemfontein, he took more than twenty thousand photographic exposures of Mars. In 1962, he published "The Photographic Story of Mars", a summary of the know history of the planet which was prepared for the Air Force for use in its space program, and early in 1964 his last work, "The Second Photographic Study of Brighter Planets", was published in Flagstaff.

In addition to his dedication to his beloved astronomy, Dr. Slipher also found time to distinguish himself in civic duties. He served as a Councilman and as Mayor of Flagstaff, as a member of the Arizona State College Board in the 1930's, and served three terms as a member of the State Legislature.

Dr. Slipher was a member of the House of Representatives during the Eighth Legislature, serving on the Standing Committees on Appropriations, Education, Livestock, and Fish and Game, and as Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.

During the Special Session in 1928, he was a member of the State, County and City Affairs and the Education Committees.

During the Ninth Legislature and the Regular Session of the Eleventh Legislature, the Honorable Dr. Slipper was a member of the Senate. He resigned July 18, 1933, during the First Special Session of the Eleventh Legislature. While a member of the Senate, he served as Chairman of the Education, the Enrolling and Engrossing, and the Methods of Business Committees, and was a member of fourteen other Standing Committees. Therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the Senate concurring:

That the Legislature, having learned of the death of the Honorable Earl Carl Slipper, wishes to express its regret and extend its condolences to the surviving members of his family.

Passed the House January 28, 1965 by unanimous vote.

Passed the Senate January 29, 1965 by unanimous vote.

Approved by the Governor—February 3, 1965.

Filed in the Office of the Secretary of State—February 3, 1965.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1

Introduced by Senator Udine

A RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE WALTER RUNKE, SR.

The Honorable Walter Runke, Sr., distinguished Arizonan since 1901, passed away on November 10, 1964, in the City of Flagstaff. He was eighty-five years of age.

The Honorable Mr. Runke was born in Algoma, Wisconsin, and received his education through high school in that town. He also attended the College of Agriculture at the University of Wisconsin.

Mr. Runke came to Arizona in 1901, entering the United States Indian Service on that date and remaining with the Service until 1920.