

**MEMORIAL**

**ON THE LIFE**

**OF**

**CHARLES E. GOLDBLUM**

[ June 25, 1873 ▪ October 11, 1942 ]

**HENNEPIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION  
DISTRICT COURT  
FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**

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Mr. Goldblum was born in Owatonna, Minnesota on June 25, 1873. A few years later the family moved to Minneapolis, and his father engaged in the general mercantile business.

Mr. Goldblum attended grade and high school in the city and later the University of Minnesota. He graduated from the academic department with a B.A. degree, and in 1897 (sic) obtained his LL.B. and was forthwith admitted to the practice of law.

During his years at the University he played football and was a member of the teams upon which Judge Wm. C. Leary played. In his spare time he coached football at the South High in '96 and '97 and, again, in 1900–1906. He was also drillmaster and among his trainees with Brigadier General George E. Leach, former mayor of the City of Minneapolis.

At the time he commenced practice of law in '97 he became associated with the law firm of Freeman P. Lane and Frank P. Nance. He was with them until 1902 learning the fine points of the trade.

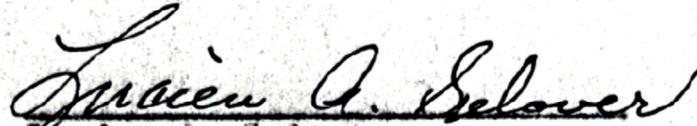
In 1902 he went to Chicago to practice, where he met and married Minnie Poppers. They both came to Minneapolis in 1904, when Mr. Goldblum opened a law office of his own at the Chamber of Commerce Building. He enjoyed a fine practice until he was appointed by James Robertson as Assistant County Attorney of Hennepin County in 1909. He remained in that position, except for two years, until his death October 11, 1942, having survived several changes in administration of the County Attorney's office.

Mr. Goldblum was very scholarly and knew the legal business. As part of his work as Assistant County Attorney he became an expert on extradition, and had court battles in practically every state in the Union. He often told me that this work was a branch of law one could not learn from the books.

He was a member of B'nai B'rith, Gymal Doled Club and Temple Israel.

He was a peace-loving man and not contentious; although he probably did not have a host of friends, but those friendships he made were last and sincere, and I always remembered him as one of my best friends and a fine gentleman.

Respectfully,

  
Lucien A. Selover

## APPENDIX

Charles Ezekial Goldblum was admitted to practice by the Supreme Court on June 5, 1896, as a member of the University's Graduating Class of that year. Roll of Attorneys, Supreme Court, State of Minnesota, 1858-1970, at 43 (Minnesota Digital Library).

The 1916 University Alumni Directory has this entry:

Charles E. Goldblum,  
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