

# ***Annual Hennepin County Bar Memorial Session***

**Convening of the Special Session of Hennepin County District Court**

**Probate and Municipal Courts**

**Presiding**

**The Honorable Patrick W. Fitzgerald  
Hennepin County Courts Chief Judge**

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**Invocation**

**The Honorable William S. Posten  
Hennepin County District Judge**

**Introduction of Special Guests**

**Recognition of Deceased Members**

**Musical Selection — “Goin’ Home”  
William D. Birch and Robert R. Johnson**

**Karen M. Sjoberg  
Chairperson, Bar Memorial Committee**

**R. Walter Bachman, President, Hennepin County Bar Association**

**Main Address**

**Dean Robert A. Stein**

**Musical Selection — “Surely Goodness and Mercy”  
William D. Birch**

**Memorials Presented to the Court**

**Presentation Accepted**

**Court Adjourned**

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**Wednesday April 24, 1985**

**Hennepin County Board Room**

**Presented by the Hennepin County Bar Association**

**HENNEPIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION  
BAR MEMORIAL SESSION**

**PAST SPEAKERS**

April 24, 1985.....Dean Robert A. Stein  
April 25, 1984.....Leonard E. Lindquist  
April 27, 1983.....Chief Justice Douglas K. Amdahl  
April 28, 1982.....Associate Justice Rosalie Wahl  
April 28, 1981.....Maynard Pirsig  
April 30, 1980.....John M. Palmer  
April 25, 1979.....Charles T. Hvass, Sr.  
February 15, 1978.....Clyde F. Anderson  
February 24, 1977.....Edward J. Schwartzbauer  
January 22, 1976.....George C. Mastor  
May 22, 1975.....David R. Brink  
May 22, 1974.....Everett A. Drake  
May 23, 1973.....Robert F. Henson  
May 24, 1972.....Judge Philip Neville  
May 27, 1971.....Chief Justice Robert J. Sheran  
May 26, 1970.....Henry E. Halladay  
May 27, 1969.....Judge C. Donald Peterson  
May 28, 1968.....Judge Harry A. Blackmun  
May 25, 1967.....Sidney S. Feinberg  
May 26, 1966.....Associate Justice George M. Scott  
May 27, 1965.....William H. DeParcq

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## BAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Karen Sjoberg, Chairperson  
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 Sidney S. Feinberg  
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 James H. Maginnis  
 Paul J. Marino  
 Warren Maul  
 Hon. William S. Posten  
 Robert V. Tarbox  
 William M. Thomson

## **MUSICIANS**

### **Vocalists:**

**William D. Birch  
Robert R. Johnson**

### **Accompanist:**

**Carole J. Birch — Piano**

### **Musical selections:**

**Goin' Home — Anton Dvorak  
Surely Goodness and Mercy — John W. Peterson**

## INVOCATION

Oh, God, as we convene in this Special Session of the Hennepin County District and Municipal Courts, and as members of the Hennepin County Bar, help us to remember that it is you who first gave us laws and it is you whom we seek to serve in the administration of justice.

We thank you especially for the lives of the women and men who have served this community in the honorable legal profession and are now at rest with you. For their belief in the law of this land, and for their commitment to it, we thank you. For their common conviction that the law is to be served in such a way that the humblest can safely trust it, and the strongest learn to fear it, we thank you.

Oh, God, from whom we come, to whom we return, and in whom we live and move and have our being, we praise you for your good gift of life; for its wonder and mystery, its friendships and fellowships. On this occasion, we thank you for the special ties that bind us one to another as members of the Hennepin County Bar. We thank you for your loving care and patient dealings with us, whereby you teach us your way of justice and truth; for the meaning that lies hidden in the heart of sorrow, disappointment and grief; and for your guiding hand along the way of our pilgrimage.

We give thanks to you for the lives of our friends and co-workers who have died this past year. Help us to recall in them, that which made others love them. We thank you for the goodness and truth that have passed from their lives into the lives of others, and have made this community richer for their presence. For their counsel and assistance to their fellow citizens, we also thank you.

Grant to their families and to us the comfort of your presence. Renew within us the gifts of faith, patience, and continued commitment to serve your people in the administration of Justice. Help each of us to be mindful of the rich heritage which is ours, and so assist and guide us in the days ahead, that when we have served you in our generation, we may be reunited with our loved ones and friends, having the testimony of a good conscience, the confidence of a certain faith, the comfort of a reasonable hope, in favor with you, our God.

Amen.

JUDGE WILLIAM S. POSTEN

## MEMORIAL ADDRESS

Dean Robert A. Stein

Chief Judge Fitzgerald, members of the judiciary, members of the bar, families and friends of our departed colleagues whom we honor today.

We gather today to pay tribute to those of our colleagues who have died during the past year. This is, of course, a mournful occasion. Our brothers and sisters in the bar whom we honor today are dearly loved by their families and friends, and their deaths have caused an enormous loss to all of us.

And so, today is a time for remembering. Remembering the joys we shared and the tears we shed — with our departed husband, wife, father, mother, brother, partner, friend. And as we remember, we are overwhelmed by our sense of loss. We long once again to hear the voice, feel the touch and see the smile we miss so much. But it is not to be.

We remember more. Not only the personal times, but also the professional achievements of our departed colleagues. We remember them as leaders in our profession, leaders in our communities, leaders in our churches and synagogues, leaders in our schools, and leaders in government at all levels. And by our remembrance, our departed colleagues and their achievements live on.

But today is more than a time for remembering, and mourning our loss. It is also a time for celebrating the lives and accomplishments of our colleagues whom we honor today. Our wondrous system of justice, the most remarkable legal system ever known to humankind, is due to the effort and achievement of those who have gone before us.

I am struck by the paradoxical attitude of the public toward the legal profession generally and toward the individual lawyers they know, as measured by the public opinion polls. Repeatedly, the polls tell us that our profession is not held in high esteem by the public. But when the respondents are asked about the lawyers they know personally, they give a very different, and more positive, response. It is, perhaps, not surprising that our profession in general is not well liked. Lawyers are identified with trouble and their presence symbolizes problems for the layperson; but ask someone about the lawyers he or she knows. Almost without exception, they are admired, respected, and loved.

From my perspective as Dean at the University of Minnesota Law School, I have an opportunity to observe one reason for this uniformly favorable

attitude toward lawyers the respondents know. Lawyers are remarkably generous with their time, their talents and their resources in the service of their communities and their profession. I frequently have occasion to ask lawyers to volunteer their time or resources to the Law School or to some other worthwhile project. I never cease to be happily amazed at how often they say yes. Almost without exception. In fact, I know of no other professional group that is so giving of themselves. Have you ever wondered, as I have, what would be the impact on all of our community activities if lawyers were not involved? Lawyers are found to be involved centrally in, our cultural activities, our social service agencies, our churches, our schools, our governments.

This fact—of the impact of lawyers on society—was brought home vividly to me during my travels in the People’s Republic of China in the last two years. I have had occasion to visit twice this exciting country with its enormous population. This is a society which essentially banished all of its lawyers and closed its law schools in the 1950s, And now, after thirty years without lawyers, they are involved in a crash program to build a large legal profession. From virtually no lawyers at the end of the cultural revolution in 1976, they now have over 15,000 lawyers in their country. Chinese government leaders advised me that they have a goal of several hundred thousand lawyers. “Why?”, I asked my host in Beijing last summer. He is a very high leader in the government; a survivor of the long struggle to bring about a communist regime; and he is not a lawyer. “Why,” I asked him, “would a socialist country, without the commitment to individual liberties which we treasure, want a legal profession as large as that in the United States?” “Because,” my host answered, “we have observed that lawyers are the element in your society that makes things happen. Lawyers are the catalysts that make deals, complete transactions, build trade and achieve goals.” In short, the Chinese view lawyers as essential to the growth and advancement of their Society. Little did I expect to be made so acutely aware of the importance of our profession while visiting this primitive, nondemocratic society.

And so today is an occasion for celebrating the accomplishments of our departed colleagues and of all of our brothers and sisters in the law.

Finally, this is a time for commitment. Our departed colleagues have passed the responsibility on to us to carry forward the work they have thus far advanced. We are the beneficiaries of their achievements. We also are their successors as trustees of this stewardship.

Much remains to be done. Even while there are concerns expressed about a surplus of lawyers, we know that most Americans have legal needs that are not being addressed. Better systems of delivery of legal services must be developed to ensure that all citizens have available to them competent

**legal services at an affordable cost. Issues of specialization, issues of professional responsibility, issues of court reorganization are waiting to be addressed. Moreover, we need to explore alternative and quicker and cheaper methods of resolving disputes. In short, much remains to be done to ensure the kind of just society we want for ourselves, our children and our children's children.**

**So let us make this occasion a time of commitment a time to commit ourselves to carry forward the work, the goals and the ideals of our departed colleagues.**

**If we do, it can be said of us, as we are able to say of our colleagues whom we honor today, "Well done thou good and faithful servant. Sleep in peace knowing that you have upheld the finest tradition of our profession to make the world a better place for those who will follow after."**



**IN MEMORIAM****OLGA OLSON AARTHUN****December 22, 1893 — April 29, 1983**

**Olga Olson was born in Minneapolis and lived in the vicinity for nearly ninety years. She attended Harrison School and North High School, where she took a commercial course so she would be qualified to earn her living. On graduation she went to work for the law firm of Healy, White and LaDu. Clyde White had been a teacher at North, Mr. Healy had been a city attorney and Charles LaDu was then teaching at the Minnesota College of Law. His wife, Blanche, had been admitted to the bar in 1905, and both LaDu's encouraged Olga to enroll in the Minnesota College of Law, which she did, continuing her work as a legal secretary while studying nights. She also did some court reporting for Bankruptcy Court.**

**She was one of five women and fifty-one men in law school and was associate editor of the law college yearbook. She was admitted to the bar in 1925 and later she recalled that she graduated from law school the same day her brother George graduated from the University of Minnesota Dental School. One graduation was in the daytime and one at night so the proud parents, both Norwegian Immigrants, could attend both ceremonies.**

**After graduation Olga went to work for the firm of Shearer, Byard and Trogner, specializing in real estate and probate work. One partner, Walter J. Trogner, was instrumental in organizing the Real Estate section of the Bar Association and when it was officially recognized, Olga was its first secretary. Women were a small minority of the bar at that time and Olga told of being barred from appearing in an unlawful detainer matter by Judge William A. Anderson because she "wasn't a lawyer." She protested and at length convinced the judge she was duly accredited to practice, but by that time the defendant had left the courtroom.**

**Olga left Shearer, Byard and Trogner in 1939 to start a solo practice. The following year she married Christopher Aarthun, who was an insurance man and a reporter for a Norwegian language newspaper. They officed together in Minneapolis until his death in 1957, when Olga closed the office and continued her practice from her home for nineteen years.**

**Olga was extremely helpful to other attorneys, particularly women, and she was a pillar of the women's legal fraternity, Phi Delta Delta. She also was a member of the National Association of Women Lawyers and the Minnesota Women Lawyers. She remained active in her church until she was incapacitated in 1976. She had moved to Ebenezer Towers with a**

widowed sister in 1971, and was active in senior citizen activities there. In the fall of 1976 she was injured and never fully recovered, spending her remaining years at Field Hall and Luther Hall at Ebenezer.

A colleague remarked that the single word which best described Olga was "good." She was good in her work, painstaking, thorough, ethical, and kind, a good friend and a good citizen. Her brother, Dr. George B. Olson, survives her.

VIOLET SOLLIE

**IN MEMORIAM****STEVEN M. BLOCK****September 30, 1951 — October 21, 1984**

It is with deep regret and profound sadness that we mourn the passing of our friend and colleague, Steven M. Block. He will be remembered as a valuable member of this faculty whose powerful wit, sharp intellect and trenchant observations taught us all something about ourselves and our society. His students will remember him as a teacher who taught them the law, but more importantly, he taught them what it means to be a lawyer in the highest sense of the calling.

Steve was born on September 30, 1951, and grew up in Seattle, Washington. He attended the University of California at Berkeley, graduating in 1973 with great distinction. He received his law degree from the Stanford Law School, where he was awarded membership in the Order of the Coif for his high academic achievement. After serving as a law clerk to The Honorable Robert F. Peckham, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, he joined the law firm of Heller, Ehrman, White and McAullffe. In addition to his work in the firm's litigation department, Steve committed his skills to the protection of individual liberties, serving on the Board of Directors of the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California. He also committed much of his time and energy to the cause of gay rights and worked with several gay rights organizations. He joined this law faculty in the fall of 1983. He quickly became a friend of all of us, faculty, students and staff. He will be remembered by all of us with great respect and affection.

Steven M. Block is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Block, of Seattle, Washington.

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL FACULTY**

**IN MEMORIAM****ROSS M. BROWN**

**April 4, 1928 — December 12, 1984**

**Ross M. Brown was born April 4, 1928, in Minneapolis. His family moved to California where he spent most of his boyhood years. They moved back and Ross graduated from St. Louis Park High School.**

**He entered the military service and became an army lieutenant. He developed and trained a crack drill team, and later supervised and trained an infantry platoon in the Japanese occupation army. He finished his schooling at the University of Minnesota, where he graduated with honors in 1951 and 1953 in Law.**

**His love of good music was well known and he enjoyed playing the piano. He was a very good cook. He enjoyed golf and fishing trips with his family, also vacation trips to Hawaii and California with his wife.**

**He joined the law firm of Freeman, Peterson, Hoppe and Gaughan in 1954, which was defense counsel for a large number of casualty insurance companies. His duties included further investigation on cases referred to the firm for defense, research, preparation of cases for trial, and actual trial of many lawsuits before a jury.**

**He entered into private practice on January 1, 1960 in the Minneapolis area and engaged in general practice of law with special emphasis on medical-legal and criminal law. This involved a good deal of client-attorney contact, negotiations with other attorneys, and jury trial work. He continued in this practice to the time of his death.**

**Ross was a good friend, a fine man and a great trial lawyer. He had the gift of condensing the issues and his client's strong points so he got great results in less time than any litigator I know of.**

**In addition to a long period with Freeman & King and successor defense law firms, he was with the Taylor Law Firm.**

**He became an expert in defining the problem and finding professional answers. He was a skilled negotiator, and few lawyers took him on twice because of his trial skills.**

**He was a private man, concentrating his energies primarily on things he loved and did well—contact with his family and close friends, trial work, and his hobby of billiards, at which he was exceptional.**

**As his disability increased and he was confined more to his home, he used the telephone, including long distance to keep in touch with lawyers and judges and other friends across the country.**

**After his heart attack his activities were slowed, but he loved being with people he cared about, his second attack removed him from a world where he is missed by his family many relatives and friends He was generous with his money, time and advice to those less gifted and to any fellow lawyer on request.**

**Ross is survived by his wife, Margaret, son Randall Ross, daughters Dr. Kristin Brown, Pamela Nei, son-in-law David and granddaughter Jennifer, mother Elizabeth Brown, sisters Jodi Pisano and Janie Tammadge.**

**MICHAEL J. WELSH**

**IN MEMORIAM****THOMAS STEPHEN CARR****February 21, 1925 — May 25, 1984**

**Tom was born in Minneapolis, February 21, 1925, one of four children of Patrick H. Carr, Sr. and Madeline N. Carr. He died May 25, 1984, at his home in Hopkins, Minnesota. He is survived by his wife M. Joan Carr (nee Young), and nine children; Bridget, Tom Jr., Timothy, Terrance, Michael, Daniel, Christopher, Molly, and Colleen.**

**He was a life-long resident of Minneapolis, attending grade school at St. Thomas the Apostle and high school at De LaSalle. He also attended St. Thomas College where he received an A.B. degree in business administration in 1949. He completed his education at the University of Minnesota Law School, receiving his L.L.B. degree in 1951.**

**Tom was admitted to the bar shortly after graduation and initially practiced law with Hugh F. Young. He was joined shortly thereafter by his brother Patrick H. Carr, Jr., and they practiced together under the firm name of Carr & Carr. He retired from practice in November, 1982, as the result of a chronic heart condition.**

**During his college years, he was employed as an auditor for the Catholic Order of Foresters, a fraternal insurance organization, and later became the State Secretary of the Foresters, a position he held until his retirement in 1982. He was active in the Minnesota Fraternal Congress throughout the years and served as President of that organization in 1962. As the result of this activity, he became well known throughout the state by those interested in fraternal and Forester activity. As State Secretary of the Foresters, he was responsible for the operation of the Forester's Boys Camp on the Rum River near Anoka, Minnesota, which provided summer camp facilities for many underprivileged youngsters throughout the state under a program sponsored by the Foresters.**

**Tom was always generous with his time and efforts in various church and social activities. He was a Trustee at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church for a number of years, and served as Chairman of the St. John's School Board until it was merged with the St. Joseph's School in Hopkins. He also served as Secretary of the Board at Benilde High School and performed the legal work for the merger of Benilde with St. Margaret's High School in 1974. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Suburban Sierra Club for many years.**

**Tom served in the armed services during World War II as a member of the United States Air Force from 1942 to 1945. He enjoyed competitive sports**

and achieved some proficiency in both tennis and golf. Tom was a christian gentleman, a good citizen, a competent attorney, and, more importantly, he had sacrificial dedication to his family. By his example, he left his children with a heritage of sound and lasting values to carry with them into their generation. What greater contribution can one leave in the realm of human endeavor?

**PATRICK H. CARR**

**IN MEMORIAM****WILLIAM H. ECKHOLDT****November 8, 1904 — October 29, 1984**

**William H. Eckholdt came from a family of lawyers, Walter Eckholdt, his father, Irving L. Eckholdt, his uncle, and Hafton A. Eckholdt, his grandfather, all practiced law in Rochester, Minnesota. William H. Eckholdt was born in Byron, Minnesota, November 8, 1904. He attended the Rochester Public Schools, then the Saint Paul College of Law, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1929. He was a friend and classmate of Warren Burger, Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court.**

**While in law school he worked in the law firm of Bundlie and Kelley of Saint Paul. After he was admitted to the Bar, he practiced law with the firm and worked with James E. Kelley for many years. Mr. Kelley remained his loyal and faithful friend.**

**Subsequently, Mr. Eckholdt moved his residence to Minneapolis, opening his own law office, after spending two years in the City of Minneapolis Attorney's Office. He continued his practice of law until his death.**

**He was proud of the fact that Frank D. Kellogg, former United States Secretary of State and co-author of the Kellogg-Briand peace pact, received his legal education in the Rochester office of his grandfather, Hafton A. Eckholdt.**

**William H. Eckholdt was a member of the high school state championship football team of Rochester in 1922. He played quarterback for the team. He continued his interest in sports by winning the Minnesota State Championship doubles title in badminton, 1957-1981. He was also interested in music being a contributing member of the American Swedish Institute Male Chorus since 1966. He also served as president, secretary, and a member of the board of the. American Swedish Institute.**

**He was very active in the First Baptist Church. He served on the Board of Directors of the Child Evangelism Fellowship and the Samuel Moyer Gospel Light House Center.**

**William H. Eckholdt is survived by his wife, Evelyn, and two sons, John W. Eckholdt of Baltimore, Maryland, and David B. Eckholdt of Plymouth, Minnesota, and four grandchildren, Tracy, Hafton, Peter, and John.**

**HAROLD S. ANDERSON**



**IN MEMORIAM****Associate Justice Thomas F. Gallagher****November 24, 1897 — March 3, 1985**

**Thomas F. Gallagher was born in Faribault, Minnesota, on November 24, 1897. His father, Patrick J. Gallagher, had emigrated from Ireland and settled in Faribault. His mother, Helene McCall Gallagher, was the daughter of John and Catherine McCall.**

**Judge Gallagher was graduated from Faribault High School in 1915. In 1919, he received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Minnesota, after having interrupted his schooling in 1918 to serve as a commissioned officer in the United States Field Artillery. He received a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Minnesota in 1921. Between 1921 and 1942, he practiced law in Minneapolis, first with his cousin, John E. Tappan, the founder of Investors Diversified Services, Inc. (then, the Investors Syndicate). In 1929, Judge Gallagher opened his own law offices in Minneapolis, where he practiced until 1942.**

**In 1936, Judge Gallagher was the Democratic Party's candidate for the office of Attorney General. He led the Minnesota campaign for President Franklin D. Roosevelt, speaking from a sound truck-trailer on Street corners in more than 400 Minnesota villages, towns and cities. In 1938, he was the Democratic Party's candidate for Governor of Minnesota.**

**In 1942, Judge Gallagher was elected to serve as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Minnesota, and he was re-elected to that office in 1948, 1954 and finally in 1960, when he received 1,100,000 votes—the highest number polled for the office until that time. During his twenty-four years on the Court, Judge Gallagher participated in more than 4,000 decisions and personally wrote over 600 majority and dissenting opinions.**

**Judge Gallagher's work on the Court received praise from many. Professor Brainerd Currie of Duke University Law School wrote that Justices Thomas Gallagher, Harlan Stone, Robert H. Jackson and Roger Traynor were "among the modern Justices whose work has contributed to the enlightenment and to the cause of justice and reason in the conflict of laws." (13 Stanford Law Review 719.) Judge Gallagher's opinions are regarded by many members of the Minnesota bar as notable for their clarity and brevity.**

**When the Court was in recess, Judge Gallagher served on Presidential Emergency Boards created by President Harry S. Truman to avert railway strikes. He served as President of the Minnesota Safety Council for seven**

years. In 1948, he was Chairman of the Minnesota Branch of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He was active in the American Legion, serving as Commander of Downtown Post 335, and as Judge Advocate for its Fifth District. Each year, he conducted panels for Legion-sponsored "Boys' State," in which he outlined for the young delegates the structure, procedure and jurisdiction of the state and federal courts. In 1962, he served as President of the University of Minnesota Law School Alumni Association.

In 1931, Judge Gallagher married Elizabeth Jane Gillum, who died in June, 1976. They are survived by four children, Sharon E. Walsh, Thomas P. Gallagher, Michael J. Gallagher and Robert B. Gallagher. Judge Gallagher died at the age of 87, on March 3, 1985.

**THOMAS P. GALLAGHER**  
**MICHAEL J. GALLAGHER**

**IN MEMORIAM****CHARLES FREDERICK GLAMAN****May 21, 1921 — December 16, 1984**

**Charles Glaman, affectionately known as Charlie, was born May 21, 1921, in Story City, Iowa. His place of birth seems very significant to his life because Charlie was a very good story teller. He is survived by his wife, Trudy, and their four children, Charles V., Martha, and twins Mary and Elizabeth.**

**Charlie attended Jewel, Iowa public schools. After graduation from high school, he received a B.A. degree from Grinnell College in Economics and Business in 1943. While at Grinnell College, Charlie was a member of the college newspaper staff, Sigma Delta Chi Journalism Fraternity, and Phi Beta Kappa Scholastic Fraternity.**

**In 1943, Charlie enlisted in the army. During this time of his life he developed his great love for travel and learning about other cultures.**

**In 1946, Charlie entered Harvard Law School and in 1949 achieved his L.L.B. degree. He specialized in Corporate Law, which spurred his interest in the banking industry. Charlie started working at First Bank Minneapolis in 1949 and remained until his death. Over the years he achieved a significant record in the Employee Benefit area and became Senior Vice President of the Corporate Trust Services Department. Among his fellow workers he was greatly admired and sought after for his advice.**

**Charlie was a member of the Minneapolis Athletic Club, the Hennepin Bar Association and various banking committees, including the Corporate Fiduciaries Association of Minnesota. He later became involved in the medical field and was a board member of the Fairview Community Hospitals and Treasurer of the West Metro Hospitals. He was a member of the Courage Foundation and very active in his church, Bethlehem Lutheran Church.**

**Charlie was a very easy going gentile. He loved to golf and was an active member of the Hudson Golf Club. He also loved to travel and did so in many states and countries. As unique as he was, he would always keep a record of his vacations with him all the time. His last vacation was particularly special because he and his wife were able to travel to Paris and take his mother-in-law to Amsterdam, her place of birth. Charlie got to see the many places in Paris he visited while in the service and share them with Trudy. He loved the arts and music and went to many concerts.**

**Charlie will be most remembered for the understanding and love he showed his friends and family. He had a sense of innocence about him that made a person want to help him in anything he did. He was the kind of man who would always take time to talk to you with interest and compassion. Charlie brought a great deal of laughter to this world and shared his life so openly that we who knew him have grown. Charlie was a very proud man and we thank him for teaching us how to be proud and yet humble. He will remain with us always through the stories we tell and remember with love. Thanks Charlie, we needed you!**

**THOMAS M. LIBERA**

**IN MEMORIAM****RICHARD JACK GROSETH****October 3, 1927 — December 4, 1984**

**Richard Groseth was born in Duluth, Minnesota, on October 3, 1927. He passed away as a result of a heart attack on December 4, 1984. He is survived by his wife, Marj, and his sons, Steven, age 22, and Michael, age 24.**

**For the last 25 years Richard Groseth and his family have lived in South Minneapolis.**

**Richard Groseth attended Duluth Denfield High School and lettered in hockey and played baseball. After graduation from high school, he attended one quarter at the University of Minnesota Duluth Branch before enlisting in the United States Army. His military enlistment sent him to Germany for several months, and he was honorably discharged as a technical sergeant in 1947. After his discharge, he returned to the University of Minnesota Duluth Branch where he completed a two year degree. He then transferred to the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, where he earned his bachelor of arts degree and his law degree, receiving his L.L.B. in 1952.**

**After graduation from law school, he married Marj Hutchinson of Minneapolis and was hired by Employers Liability Insurance Company in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He worked as a claims supervisor for Employers from 1952 to 1960. In 1960 he was hired by the law firm of Meagher, Geer, Markham & Anderson and practiced law with this firm until his untimely death. During the 24 years with this law firm, Dick Groseth probably took more depositions than any lawyer in this state. He enjoyed this legal work and wrote interesting and detailed reports to clients. Many clients remarked that his reports were the most colorful and analytical that they had ever read.**

**Dick Groseth's outside interests included sports, classical music, reading and travel.**

**Ironically, Dick was walking to a deposition in his home town of Duluth when he passed away. His family and friends will miss him.**

**DAVID B. ORFIELD**

**IN MEMORIAM****GEORGE VERNON JOHNSON****May 13, 1913 — December 12, 1984**

**George Vernon Johnson was born in Sheldon, Iowa, on May 19, 1913. As a youngster he moved to Minnesota with his family where he attended school graduating from Mankato High School and Mankato State Teachers College. He taught school at Wood Lake for a short time before moving to Minneapolis in order to attend law school. Like many of his contemporaries during the depression, he worked at whatever jobs were available during the day and attended night law school over an extended period of time.**

**He graduated from what was then known as the Minneapolis College of Law and immediately went into military service, serving in the Army Air Corps in North Africa, Italy and the Pacific Theaters of War during World War II.**

**Upon returning from military service Vern became a member of the firm of Shepley, Severson and Johnson, house counsel for Employees Mutual of Wausau. It was while practicing in this capacity that Vern developed an expertise in the field of Workmens Compensation law, appearing throughout the state in such proceedings.**

**After several years Vern entered the independent practice of law, associating with another independent practitioner, Douglas K. Amdahl, present Chief Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court. However, the need of the City of Minneapolis for an experienced Workmens Compensation Attorney, and Vern's desire to again specialize in his field of expertise resulted in the independent practice being rather short-lived.**

**During his many years as Assistant City Attorney for Minneapolis, his work took him into state and federal trial and appellate courts; he often met with public bodies such as the City Council and Charter Commission; and he represented the city of Minneapolis before many legislative committees. At the time of his retirement he was serving as First Assistant City Attorney. Following his retirement he was often called upon by the judges of Hennepin County to serve as a referee in County-Municipal and District Courts.**

**Outside of his profession, Vern was an active and devoted member of various Masonic organizations. He was a past Master of Joppa Masonic Lodge No. 300 and a member of the Scottish Rite and Zuhrah Shrine.**

**Vern is survived by his wife, Margaret, of Bloomington; his daughters and sons-in-law, Georgia and Bill Hilger of West Berlin, Germany, and Janna and Michael Taylor of Aurora, Colorado; his grandsons, Benjamin and Joseph Hilger; and his brothers, Robert of Sun City, Arizona, and Charles of Mankato.**

**JUDGE CHARLES C. JOHNSON**

**IN MEMORIAM****REX H. KITTS****July 24, 1896 — January 8, 1985**

Rex H. Kitts was born in Remson, Iowa, on July 24, 1896. He died on January 8, 1985, in Minneapolis as the result of an automobile accident which also took the life of his wife, Mary Worthing Kitts. At the time of his death he resided at 3430 List Place, Minneapolis.

When Rex was a young boy his family moved from Iowa to Fergus Falls, Minnesota, where Rex was graduated from high school. He worked his way through Carleton College, from which he was graduated with honors. The skills which he developed on the Carleton debating team were to serve him well in his chosen profession. He was a veteran of World War I.

Rex was a graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School, where he served as Editor of the Law Review. He and Mary Worthing were married in 1929 and spent all of their married life in the Minneapolis area.

Rex began the practice of law in 1923 with the Minneapolis firm of Cobb, Hoke, Benson, Krause and Faegre, one of the predecessors of the present firm of Faegre & Benson. He quickly developed a well deserved reputation for expertise in the area of real property law, although his thorough knowledge of many other specialties entitled him to be considered a general practitioner in the best sense of the term. After having served his clients and his firm diligently and competently for more than fifty-five years, he retired from the practice of law in 1978.

Rex devoted many hours to civic, community and social activities. He was a longtime member of the Minneapolis Gyro Club, the Minikahda Club, the Minneapolis Athletic Club and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He contributed freely of his time and talents to each of these organizations, but never in such a way as to seek personal acclaim or recognition. His hobbies included golf and fishing, and Rex and Mary were among the most loyal followers of the University of Minnesota athletic teams.

Those who knew Rex as a lawyer will always remember his skill as an advocate, the thoroughness of his preparation, his practicality and his unbending ethical standards. Those who knew him as a friend can never forget his gentle humor, his broad range of interests, his quiet and gentlemanly manner, and the great love and affection he had for Mary. Everyone whose life he touched came away richer for the experience.

Rex was survived by Mary for only a few hours. In addition, he was survived by a sister, Mary Burns, of Flagstaff, Arizona.

**R. W. OELKE**



**IN MEMORIAM****E. LAWRENCE KUCHENBECKER****July 14, 1899 — February 9, 1985**

**E. Lawrence Kuchenbecker was born in Marion, South Dakota, July 14, 1899. He was the oldest of three children born to Otto and Johanna Kuchenbecker. Both parents were born in Germany. Lawrence was an excellent student who during his senior high school year studied commercial law. He also had the opportunity to read the law books of a local attorney.**

**After graduating from high school in 1917, with his mother's consent, he enlisted in the Navy in W. W. I as a musician. His maternal grandfather had been a musician in the German army. Lawrence was a member of Sousa's band while he toured the country promoting the sale of Liberty Bonds. He was discharged as a first class musician. Lawrence enrolled in the University of Minnesota to study law. He received his Bachelor of Law degree in June, 1925, and was admitted to the Bar in October of the same year. He worked for George Totten until 1928 when Mr. Totten became the Hennepin County Auditor. Lawrence then went into private practice. In June of 1975 the Minnesota State Bar Association conferred the honor of the title of Senior Counsellor upon him.**

**He was active in sports, especially baseball. While in South Dakota he played in the southeastern baseball league. During his university days he played on the Northern States team in the city league. Later he received a trophy for meritorious service in Aldrich Athletics.**

**Lawrence was very active in the Veteran's organization. He was a life member in Voiture 45 and in the Navy Marine Post 472. He was Chef de Gare of Voiture 45 in 1936. He was instrumental in obtaining the steering wheel of the U.S.S. Minnesota which was retired from service in 1922. The wheel was set in place on the Memorial Rock at Lake Calhoun while he was Commander of the Navy Marine Post 472 of the American Legion. Lawrence was Chef de Gare of Minnesota in 1939 and became National Advocate in 1940. He also served as Historian and as editor of Voiture 45's newsletter for ten years. He was one of the most dedicated Voyageurs.**

**He passed away February 9, 1985. A ritual service was held on Tuesday evening, February 12, and he was laid to rest in Fort Snelling National Cemetery February 13, 1985. Voiture 45 has taken all of his badges and Plaques and will display them in their headquarters. In all he had more than twenty-three badges, many of which were attached to his cap. Lawrence is survived by his brother, Donald.**

**MRS. DONALD KUCHENBECKER**

**IN MEMORIAM****LAWRENCE A. LUNDGREN****October 18, 1934 — February 21, 1985**

Larry Lundgren was a practitioner who most enjoyed working in the area of real estate law. His extensive experience in real estate and insurance gave him valuable insight when he assisted real estate title examiners and closers in their work. He was highly respected and very well liked by those who worked with him.

Larry, affectionately known as “Laurie” by many of his friends, was born in Minneapolis on October 18, 1934. He graduated from Edina Morningside High School in 1952, and was All Conference in football. He went on to attend Harvard University for one year, and graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1956. College was followed by two years of active duty in the army, reserve duty, and an honorable discharge in 1963.

Following active duty, Larry worked at Charles W. Sexton Co. (now Alexander & Alexander) until 1966. He met Crystal there, and they were married in 1963. While with Charles W. Sexton Co. he attended law school at night and graduated from William Mitchell College of Law in 1963. He was a Claims Adjuster with Farmers Insurance Group, and was in private practice with the firm of Newman, Olson, & Lundgren. He became an expert in the abstracting and title insurance business while he was at North Star Title, Inc. for 12 years. He was the Chief Title Officer for Universal Title Insurance Company, and was with Universal for almost two years before his death.

Larry was deeply religious and was a member of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church for many years. He served on the Mount Olivet Men’s Club Board, was an usher, was an active participant in the Thursday night Bible Study for the last 6 years, and gave many hours of his time serving the church. Of Larry’s many important achievements, his latest was in 1984 when he gave up smoking.

One of Larry’s favorite places was the family cabin at Sand Lake. He loved the fellowship of family and friends, and enjoyed hymn singing and getting people together for conversation and laughter. He is known in the Sand Lake circles for being able to stand on his head on the surfboard, which he even did this past summer. People will not forget that he was the one who wanted everyone to swim at “his” beach.

His unexpected death on February 21, 1985, was a shock to everyone who knew him. He is survived by his wife, Crystal, sons Arthur and Matthew,

daughter Allison, mother Ethel Lundgren, stepfather William A. Lundgren, brother Stephen, and sisters Linda Erickson and Joanna Kuehn.

Larry will long be remembered, especially for his willingness to help others.

**GREGORY B. LINDWALL**

**IN MEMORIAM****SEYMOUR MANDEL****February 10, 1916 — April 29, 1983**

**Seymour Mandel was a general practitioner who in both his law practice and in the totality of life personified excellence and quality and above all, sensitivity to others. He was a direct descendant of one of the oldest families in the state of Minnesota of Jewish religious faith. His grandfather and father were builders and constructed one of the first synagogues in the state of Minnesota.**

**His law practice, which had a special emphasis on real estate, reflected Seymour's training as an engineer as well as his family tradition. He graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1940 and shortly thereafter, in April of 1942, he was commissioned as a lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers and later promoted to the rank of captain. He taught military engineering at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and worked in the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C., during World War II. While serving in the army, Seymour was selected to be the officer in charge of the honor guard for the funeral of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.**

**After his discharge from the U.S. Army in 1945, Seymour set up a law practice in north Minneapolis where he practiced for 38 years up to the time of his passing. Seymour was legal advisor to the West Broadway Business Association, a group of merchants in the north Minneapolis area where he practiced and not too long ago, was honored as "Mr. West Broadway."**

**Somehow, Seymour seemed to have time to afford to persons who were trying to make a "go at it" in life, no matter what the area of endeavor. Personally, he was of invaluable assistance to me in my own establishment of a law practice and his ability to reason thoroughly and demonstrate sensitivity to all issues surrounding a legal problem was truly phenomenal. He had a rare grasp of the totality of life and plain and simply put it to good work when advising clients as well as brethren of the bar.**

**In addition, through his very intensive practice of law, Seymour was also able to serve as husband and father to a very accomplished family. His wife, Marjorie Mandel, was active on the Board of Temple Israel and served as President of the Greater Minneapolis Girl Scout Council.**

**Seymour fathered three daughters: Leslie Mandel, who runs several of her own businesses in New York City; Avis Mandel Stern, who runs a commercial photography business in Minneapolis, and Tracy Mandel Botwin, who is a banker in Kansas City, Missouri.**

**Like the late President Roosevelt, Seymour probably would not want a large edifice as his memorial, but rather to be remembered, and in a very real sense live on, in the acts of goodness that he performed.**

**RICHARD A. SALITERMAN**

**IN MEMORIAM****T. WESLEY McMAHON****January 1, 1900 — August 8, 1984**

**T. Wesley McMahon was the first baby born in the twentieth century in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was always proud of his being “Scotch Irish.” He grew up very poor, losing his father through death when he was only age 12. This, and being small of stature and after rheumatic fever twice, made him a vigorous fighter for the underdog all his life. A humorous story is told from his North High School days, to the affect that he was given a black eye by Kid Cairn Blumenfeld in a dispute over newspaper territory.**

**He worked his way through law school and received his B.A. & L.L.B. degrees at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks, North Dakota, in 1927. He was admitted to practice law on April 7, 1928. He continued for over 50 years in civil law, mainly family practice and probate work, being active until his death from heart problems and cancer at age 84.**

**He married Eunice Smith, also a North High grad, on September 19, 1928. This lovely lady meant the world to him for over forty years. He never married after her death on March 7, 1969.**

**Mac, as he was known to many business associates, had his office in the Palace Building, on 4th St. near Nicollet Avenue until its demolition for the new Sheraton Ritz Hotel in 1960. He was a life long Northsider (Camden) and very active in Republican politics, campaigning for both himself and others throughout the years. He had a very inquisitive nature and a bright mind. He never forgot the people and his schooling in North Dakota and valued education. Feminist issues were very important to him.**

**He was very active In the Calvary United Methodist Church. Wes was proudly a Mason for over 60 years, Plymouth Lodge #180. He and his daughter and granddaughter joined Minnehaha Chapter #37 Order of the Eastern Star together on October 1, 1982.**

**A highlight of his life, although his beloved wife, Eunice, died during the planning phase, was a trip with his daughter’s family to his roots In Ireland in late 1969.**

**T. Wesley McMahan Is survived by his daughter, Meredith McMahon Thue, his granddaughter, Valerie Chase Naili and her husband, Maawi Naili, and his grandson, Paul Wesley Thue. He is sadly missed by his many friends and especially his family. We thank him for everything.**

**JOHN D. BROWN**

**IN MEMORIAM****CLARENCE A. METER****November 2, 1903 — January 10, 1985**

**Clarence A. Meter was born November 2, 1903, in Lorton, Nebraska, where he grew to manhood. He taught school in Nebraska and graduated with honors from the University of Nebraska in 1927. In 1928 he moved to Menominee, Michigan, where he taught high school and attended the University of Chicago where he earned his J.D. degree and graduated in 1937. While living and teaching in Menominee he met Margaret Seidl, whom he married in 1941.**

**In 1942 Clarence accepted a position as staff attorney with the National Labor Relations Board in its Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Regional Office and transferred to Minneapolis in 1943. In 1948 Clarence was appointed NLRB Regional Attorney at Minneapolis, and was named Regional Director in 1966. He served as Regional Director until his retirement in 1972**

**Clarence's 30-year career with the NLRB spanned a period of stimulating challenge and significant change in labor relations in Minnesota, as well as in our entire nation. His legal expertise, insight, objectivity, and even-handed approach to the administration of the National Labor Relations Act earned him the respect and confidence of both labor and management, as well as that of the attorneys and representatives who practiced before the NLRB. Notwithstanding his legal abilities, Clarence's talents as a teacher and mentor remained clearly evident. With his patience, diplomacy, understanding and tact, he nurtured many fledgling attorneys in their struggle to maturity and self-confidence. He was never too busy to take the time to help those who sought his advice and counsel. Clarence's continued interest in the law and his desire to serve others was such that he made himself available as an arbitrator for labor relations cases following his retirement.**

**A devoted family man and nature enthusiast, Clarence enjoyed spending much of his spare time with his wife and three sons near lakes, woods and streams. His keen interest in astronomy, geology and the study of our earth and all that surrounds it nourished both mind and body. He was an avid photographer and especially enjoyed photographing both plant and animal life which he loved so well**

**Clarence was a member of the First Universalist Church in Minneapolis, the Friends of the Library in Richfield, the Minnesota River Valley Audubon Society, and an active supporter of the Minnesota Symphony Orchestra. He passed away on January 10, 1985, following a long battle with cancer. One son, David, preceded him in death. He is survived by his**

wife, Margaret, and two sons, Donald and Kenneth. Clarence will be missed by his many colleagues and associates who knew and respected him and by all whose lives he enriched by his presence among us.

**ROBERT V. JOHNSON**



**IN MEMORIAM****ROBERT J. NEARY****August 31, 1929 — October 28, 1984**

**Robert J. Neary was born August 31, 1929, in Minneapolis. But his real roots were in the small northern Minnesota town of Northome, where he grew up while his parents, Leonard and Rosaline, ran a general store. That was always “God’s Country” to Bob, and why not—camping, hunting, fishing, basketball, football, and a high school education, all within walking distance.**

**After a stint in the navy, Bob attended the University of Minnesota at Duluth, where he met his wife, Barbara. Following graduation, they moved to Faribault in 1955, where Bob, while a salesman for Hardware Mutuals of Stevens Point (now Sentry), began night law school at William Mitchell (fifty miles up and fifty miles back, five nights a week). In 1957 Bob as Sales Manager was transferred to Minneapolis, from where he finished law school at William Mitchell in 1959 and was admitted to the bar on October 27, 1959.**

**In 1963 Bob started in the general practice of law, and in 1984 we formed the partnership which was to last twenty years without an argument. He was competent, thorough, and well-balanced in his approach to the work of his profession, and his wry sense of humor often served him well in making a point. He was thoughtful and fair in all his dealings, whether with friend or foe. To know him was to like and respect him.**

**Bob had community spirit, especially for youth. For instance, in Faribault with the Jaycees, he organized boxing for kids, and in New Hope, where he lived for twenty-three years and was active in Scouts and in the creation of the New Hope Athletic Association, he also coached baseball, football and hockey. He felt strongly that childhood sports helped build character.**

**His love for hunting and fishing never dwindled. He could kneel in a duck blind or sit in a fishing boat just about longer than anyone who ever lived. And those charcoal steaks—he took real pride in cooking them up for a bunch of hungry fishermen.**

**In passing, Bob is survived by his wife, Barbara, two sons, Jim and Bill, his mother, Rosaline, and a sister, Mary Jane. He was a caring husband, a wonderful dad, the perfect partner, and that good friend everyone should have. All will miss him. I suspect he’s back In “God’s Country.”**

**JOHN (JACK) M. MILLER**

**IN MEMORIAM****ROBERT LEE PLASTER**

**January 27, 1953 — December 27, 1984**

**Bob was born in northeast Minneapolis where he attended St. Cyril's school and De LaSalle high school. After high school he enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving a tour in South Korea as a signalman.**

**Upon completing his undergraduate work at the University of Minnesota he studied law at Hamline University, graduating and entering the bar in 1980. Operating as a sole practitioner first in Minneapolis, then out of the St. Louis Park offices of Samuel A. McCloud, Bob specialized in the areas of real estate law and criminal defense. Typical of his character he frequently accepted criminal cases on behalf of clients who had little or no means to pay a fee.**

**Another valuable attribute of Bob's was his sincerity in dealing with the people around him. Everyday Bob was willing to share his valuable time listening to the problems his friends and associates were facing. He showed true sincerity in his concern for others, a characteristic which few people in our society possess in the manner Bob did. No problem was too small for Bob to devote his energy to it. Bob repeatedly offered his services to others regardless of their situation or status in life. He never spoke grudgingly of others and always shared his time with those around him. Bob was always sensitive to other people's feelings and helped them when they needed him.**

**It is difficult to put into words what Bob meant to those who knew him. He touched the lives of everyone he was with in a special way. We all know that he is no longer physically present in our lives, but fond memories will last forever of the way Bob touched our lives. In good times or bad, Bob was always there for those around him. He will be missed.**

**SAMUEL A. McCLOUD  
JOHN L. PLASTER**

**IN MEMORIAM****PETER S. RASK****November 24, 1896 — July 27, 1984**

**Peter S. Rask had an iron will, great talent and a solid intellect. He made his own way in this world as a lawyer, soldier-patriot, pilot, political activist and family man. Born in Owatonna, Minnesota, in the year 1896, he spent his early years in South Dakota.**

**He attended the University of South Dakota and Valparaiso University. His education was interrupted by World War I, during which time he excelled as a pilot. For several years after the war he flew as a barnstormer. He was Chief Pilot for Federated Flyers. After receiving a law degree from Northwestern College of Law in 1928, he began private practice in Minneapolis.**

**When the first National Guard Air Squadron was formed about 1930, he became one of its first members. As a member of the National Guard Mr. Rask was called to active duty during the truck driver's strike of 1934. During that period, he served as one of Governor Olson's attorneys in a case that challenged the Governor's authority to call out the National Guard. He was successful in that litigation as well as in much War Risk Insurance litigation brought on behalf of the survivors of World War I veterans who died of service connected injury or disease.**

**Although over age, he went on active duty with the National Guard in March 1940. He served as a Colonel in the Air Corps and participated in five major campaigns in the European Theater during World War II. Upon his return from war he resumed practicing law in Minneapolis and continued his many activities on behalf of war veterans. To the end he was fiercely patriotic and intensely faithful to his friends. He died on July 27, 1984, and was buried in the Ft. Snelling National Cemetery.**

**He is survived by his wife, Ella J. Rask of Minneapolis, his son, D. Peter Rask of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and his daughter, Donna R. Born, of Nashville, Tennessee.**

**D. PETER RASK**

**IN MEMORIAM****ROBERT JAMES RICKETT****July 5, 1924 — July 18, 1984**

**Robert James Rickett was born in the State of Washington. Bob attended the University of Washington after being in the service and received his masters degree in physics.**

**In August of 1949 Bob met Marion at the Westminster Presbyterian House on the campus of the University of Washington. She had come to the University of Washington to finish credits earned earlier at the University of Minnesota. Bob and Marion were married in August of 1950. In June Bob started work with Sperry Gyrocope Company on Long Island, New York, where they lived for two years and their first child, Nancy, was born. They returned to Minnesota where Bob was employed by Central Research Laboratory in Red Wing, Minnesota. They enjoyed four years in Red Wing where two daughters were born. They were involved very much with the Presbyterian Church and made many lasting friendships there.**

**In 1960 they moved to Minneapolis and Bob was employed by 3M Company in St. Paul. They lived in St. Anthony Village for twenty-four years. In 1973, Bob decided to enter law school and enrolled at William Mitchell College of Law, attending evening sessions for four years. It was a tremendous undertaking as he continued working at 3M also. He finished in June of 1977.**

**When Bob realized there was no library in St. Anthony Village, he undertook the responsibility of bringing one into existence. The library has been appreciated by many residents In St. Anthony.**

**American Field Service was another project for which Bob was responsible. He served as president for many years. A girl from Sweden lived with the family for a year.**

**Bob also served on the Parent Teacher Organization for the school and was president for several years. He took every opportunity to do many services for the community as well.**

**He was never too busy to talk to people and if he could help them in any way he did so. Many hours were spent at the Legal Advice Clinic where people who cannot afford an attorney may go and receive advice. Bob loved people and to help them was his main goal in life.**

**Bob also was a member of the Hennepin County Law Library and gave a great deal of time and energy as a board member. Bob was a tireless worker, loyal, an unselfish person and committed to the practice of law. He was a compassionate man who was truly interested in people of all ages, helping everyone he could and was loved by many.**

**Bob leaves his wife, Marion, three daughters and four grandchildren. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.**

**MARION RICKETT**

**IN MEMORIAM****SAMUEL SEGALL****June 24, 1899 — February 16, 1985**

The Minnesota Bar, especially the metropolitan area, has had a “Legendary Character” for over sixty years. This era ended with Sam Segall’s demise on February 16, 1985. “Big Sam”, “Candyman”, and “Character Sam” were all affectionate names he was known by almost every judge and the great majority of trial attorneys can recall and relate many poignant, humorous, and seemingly incredible anecdotes involving Segall’s legal practice and court appearances. Sam’s intelligence, integrity, compassion, and humor were ever present. Sam’s court appearances were always unique. He had a vast knowledge of the law. When all else was lacking, he relied on his own wealth of “Segall Law”; which was composed of knowledge, intelligence, equity, wit, and, above all, fairness.

Sam was born a Romanian Jew on June 24, 1899. His family immigrated to the United States when he was six years old in search of a new life, religious freedom, and the opportunities of a “land of honey”. Sam had volumes of stories and tales regarding his immigration across Europe and to Ellis Island in New York, then his journeys to Minneapolis and growing up in the Cedar-Riverside-Washington area from 1906 until completion of the University of Minnesota Law School in 1922. Segall was a “Sam Levenson-type” of storyteller and man. Lovely stories evolved from the “hard times”, which were really good times, for a poor immigrant. Sam could always find a beneficial, learning, and humorous aspect in any experience. He was able to relate this to the benefit of his client.

Sam Segall was a counselor, confidant, financial advisor, supporter, philosopher, and most of all, a helping friend, besides a lawyer/advocate for his clients. Every Segall client was given his loving touch; regardless of their wealth, education, or social status. Many, many persons were touched and affected by Segall’s brand of philosophy. Sam Segall seemed to have had experience in practically every aspect of the law. Many young, and even experienced, attorneys would call Sam for the law or legal aspect of a problem but, most importantly, to learn of a practical approach to a solution. Sam befriended everyone. He had that “Common Touch”. Sam had the ability to use the law and legal principles to apply with logical reasoning to obtain an honest, fair, and just solution for practically any predicament.

Sam Segall had great respect and compassion for his religion, the law, and people. Because of his early life, he had first hand knowledge of persecution and prejudice. He knew and appreciated the “full life” and

**religious freedom he found in his “land of honey”. Throughout his career, Segall truly “gave of himself”.**

**The court offices and personnel throughout the metropolitan area will miss their “Candyman”. Sam always appeared in their offices with a bag full of candies for all.**

**It was a privilege to be exposed to Sam Segall; he certainly will be missed. Sam was an “Institution”.**

**ROY A. SCHWAPPACH**

**IN MEMORIAM****FORREST B. SOWLE****June 29, 1892 — March 22, 1985**

**Forrest B. Sowle was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, on June 29, 1892. He came to Minnesota as a child and graduated from Northwestern College of Law on June 7, 1920. He practiced law for over 50 years as a sole practitioner with an office at Lake Street and Nicollet and lived in an apartment above his office on Lake Street.**

**Forrest never owned a home, nor did he amass a comfortable retirement account. Rather, he practiced law until his health precluded it. His practice had dwindled as the years passed, and particularly so after he was relocated from his Lake Street office. Until about four years before his death, Forrest continued his membership in the choir at St. Mark's Cathedral at Oak Grove and Hennepin in Minneapolis. He had been an active participant there for over 50 years; however, in the last ten years or so of his membership he had been unable to sing very much because of blindness. Even so, he continued to attend rehearsals to listen to the singing and regularly attended Sunday services, sitting with the choir beside the organist where he sang lustily on the hymns he knew and pronounced the "amens" with authority for the whole congregation. He enjoyed music, and he was still singing in a hearty bass a month before he died.**

**Although he was married for a time and has two children, he did not have a very close family relationship. He was survived by his children, two grandchildren and two great grandchildren. His daughter, Mary, lives in Arizona and his son James is retired in Florida.**

**As with his church attendance, Forrest regularly attended monthly bar association meetings while he remained in active practice. He was a gentleman in the best sense of the word. His respect for and skill with the English language was notable. His practice represented a humble element of our profession which is easily overlooked. He was accessible to his clients. He had a simple practice and approached it with Integrity. He represented individuals in the day to day legal problems they encountered — misdemeanors, probates and divorces. He didn't get rich on his clients problems. He didn't represent large corporations and businesses. His life is a reminder that not all lawyers are wealthy and influential, and that a simple life of diligence and perseverance can be full and satisfying. It was a privilege to have known him.**

**ELLEN DRESSELHUIS**



**IN MEMORIAM****KIMBERLY SWANSON**

**January 23, 1952 — December 17, 1984**

**In the short 33 years that Kimberly Swanson lived among us, she touched many lives. She made everyone with whom she came in contact feel good about themselves. She was a leader.**

**Kimberly was a part of two main currents now occurring in American law. The first current is the emerging new woman lawyer in our society. Kimberly was proud of her educational accomplishments. She believed that women would have a greater role in the shaping of the law. She believed that she was a pacesetter and that future generations of women lawyers would look back on this time in our history and realize that this was the turning point for them.**

**The second current was that of legally-trained business leaders. Kimberly did not practice law. She had worked as a clerk in the Kuehn Law Firm, but she decided that her legal education could serve her well as a businesswoman. She and her husband, Doran Levy, founded Market Structure Research, a national research company advising Fortune 500 companies on marketing strategies. In a time in which law schools were turning out record numbers of lawyers, business and industry needed men and women who could influence commerce from a legal perspective.**

**She graduated from Alexander Ramsey High School and Lakewood Junior College. Kimberly completed her undergraduate training at Hamline University and was one of the earliest graduates of that University's then fledgling law school. She was the driving force behind Hamline's national recognition for an exceptional Law Day celebration, though she got little recognition for it at the time.**

**Kimberly fought a battle with a disease called Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, an auto-immune affliction related to arthritis. Though she had much pain and the disease continued to wear her down, she had too much love of life to slow her pace. She worked with the Lupus Foundation to provide help for people with the disease. She set up support groups so that families and victims could communicate their feelings to each other.**

**A native of St. Paul, she was the daughter of Gunnar and Arline Swanson. She is survived by her parents, her brother, Steven O. Swanson, and her husband, Doran Levy.**

**If life's battles discourage you, remember Kimberly Swanson, and her enthusiasm for adventure, her love of people and her hope for the future, and optimism will fill your heart.**

**DORAN LEVY**

**IN MEMORIAM****THOMAS LEA TODD****April 28, 1896 — June 11, 1984**

**Thomas Lea Todd was born April 28, 1896, in Spring Valley, Minnesota. His family moved to St. Paul in 1904, where he attended elementary and high schools.**

**Lea served in the Navy in World War I. After honorable discharge from the service, he resumed his formal education and in 1924 received his L.L.B. from the University of Minnesota.**

**He was in private practice in Minneapolis from 1924 to 1927, when he joined Northwestern National Life Insurance Company, becoming General Counsel and Corporate Secretary. He retired in 1961 and joined North Central Insurance Company of St. Paul as Director, Vice President and Secretary, retiring in 1969.**

**On behalf of both insurance companies, each in its time, he applied his good efforts toward persuading the Minnesota legislature, in its work, to further the best, fairest, and most efficient uses of life insurance in meeting the needs of families and other users of insurance. He co-authored a textbook, "Safeguarding Life Insurance Proceeds".**

**Lea was a long-time resident and civic leader in Edina, served as Mayor, 25 years as a member (ten years as Chairman) of the Edina Planning Commission. He was a prime force behind the establishment of controlled residential development of Edina with park and recreational amenities, and initiated the Edina Municipal Liquor Store.**

**He also served as co-chairman of the first, and precedent-setting, high school seniors' graduation party, which kindly parental-sponsored activity has been emulated by many high schools nationwide.**

**Edina honored Lea for his many civic contributions to the community by naming one of its parks "Todd Park". He continued during his lifetime to be an observer and contributor in civic activities, providing advice and counsel on many projects, including the Edina Historical Society.**

**He was an active member of the American Legion Business and Professional Men's Post 332. During World War II he was Chairman of the Hennepin County War Bond Drive.**

**During his later years he renewed an old expertise in English grammar by**

taking college courses, and tutored students at Minneapolis Community College up to the time of his death.

He was a man of motion, of action—physical, mental and moral. He once wore boxing gloves, played handball, was a skillful ice skater, always an inveterate walker. He was a scholar, a reader, a teacher. His quick wit and perception knew an opinion from a fact. And woe to him who might be too full of his own opinions.

He was a true friend. He kept in touch. And in times of trouble he was there, by phone, by letter, in person.

As a close friend, I believe that in his own silent way he lived by many unspoken guidelines, which may perhaps be expressed in part as follows:

Keep learning forever;  
Ever try to do better;  
Be kind to friends ever;  
Make life a love letter.

He is survived by his wife, Minerva, a daughter, Eloise Hetland, a son and daughter-in-law, Thomas and Marjorie, and six grandchildren.

WALTER J. WHEELER

**IN MEMORIAM****MARTIN J. WARD**

**July 16, 1903 — October 30, 1984**

**Martin J. Ward was born July 16, 1903, in Minneapolis and died October 30, 1984, after an extended illness. He was one of five boys and two girls born to William Ward and his wife, Mary Egan Ward. One sister, Emily Torpey, of Minneapolis, survives Martin.**

**Martin graduated from De LaSalle high school of Minneapolis and from the University of Minnesota where he earned a degree in journalism. While attending the University he was a member of the Chi Phi Fraternity. He went to work for the Milwaukee railroad and became one of its claim agents. While so employed, he attended night law school at the Minnesota College of Law (now William Mitchell College of Law) with his brother, Thomas C. Ward. The two brothers spent many weekends studying in the railroad's law department then located in the Milwaukee depot on Washington Avenue. Upon graduation and admission to the bar in 1925, he became a plaintiff's lawyer representing clients injured in railroad and other accidents.**

**In 1940 Martin became a Special Agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation and served in its Kansas City office. In 1942 he received a commission as a Naval Intelligence officer. He later commanded a squadron of Higgins boats in some of the bitterest engagements of the Pacific theater. He met and became a close friend of Ernie Pyle when the two were together at Iwo Jima.**

**After the war he returned to a general law practice with Robert Gleason. The firm later became Gleason, Ward, Orff and Johnson. Martin's law practice, especially in its later years, dwelt in many fields of the law. This was appropriate because his aptitude for and knowledge of the law was broad. He represented his clients' interest with great zeal and tenaciousness. He has been described as "a persistent, imaginative and most articulate champion of his clients". He gained the respect of judges and his fellow lawyers and was genuinely liked by friend and opponents alike. For many years he was a member of the Board of Directors and General Counsel to the Automobile Club of Minnesota. He also served for many years as counsel to the Maryknoll Fathers and Little Sisters of the Poor of Minneapolis, the latter being a charity most close to his heart.**

**He practiced for 53 years before illness struck him, and was proud of the certificate granted him as a Senior Counselor by the Hennepin County Bar Association.**

**Martin died, after a lengthy illness, on October 30, 1984. In addition to his sister he is survived by his sisters-in-law, Marie Ward and Naomi Ward; his niece, Sister Mary Ellen Ward; his nephews, Reverend Austin T. Ward, Reverend William J. Ward and John H. Ward, all of Minneapolis.**

**JOHN H. WARD  
JEROME G. RAIDT**

**IN MEMORIAM****DONALD B. WEST****December 22, 1905 — June 10, 1984**

**Donald B. West, born in Minneapolis in 1905, the third oldest child in a family of fourteen children, earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Minnesota in 1927, his law degree from Harvard University in 1930, practiced law in the Dorsey Firm for forty-five years (35 years as a Partner), the longest period of time that any lawyer has ever practiced law continuously in the Dorsey Firm.**

**Don was a very gentle man who, though he became a giant in the field he chose to specialize in (Corporate Law), he never lost his deep sense of humility. He was the antithesis of the “hollow gong”; he tended towards shyness and quietness, but his clients and other lawyers learned to listen carefully when Don spoke for, indeed, he always knew whereof he spoke; he was a very solid man. For many years, Don practiced in the shadows of another giant in the field of Corporate Law, Joseph H. Colman. To this writer, it was a rewarding experience to witness the blossoming of this gentle man to the end that he, too, became a leader in that field. It was in 1961 that Don’s Partners did him the honor of adding his name to the Firm’s name.**

**Don had his brighter side which sometimes contrasted greatly from his most-often seen, serious side. Don loved to dance—he and his wife, Catherine, were life members of the Arthur Murray Dance Studio. For several years Don would leave the office about 5:15 p.m., once, and sometimes twice, each week to join Catherine at the Arthur Murray Studio. His humor, like all the rest of Don, was quiet, generally in the nature of a very funny rejoinder. His eyes would begin to twinkle, the corners of his mouth would turn up, his whole face would brighten and then would come forth his quiet and generally quaint rejoinder remarks which you would find yourself repeating for days, and sometimes years.**

**It is frequently said that behind every great man is a great woman. In 1936, Don married Dr. Catherine Corson, a then practicing physician, who gave up her profession so she could devote more time to serving Don and their two children, Charles and John. In Don’s case, there was indeed, at least one great woman behind him— Catherine. During the last six years of Don’s life, he suffered from the effects of a stroke, and it was primarily due to the great strength, courage and determination of Catherine, coupled with her medical knowledge, that Don came back, after his stroke, to a point where he could again enjoy his life.**

**Don West, after retirement, and even after death, continues to serve as a mentor to each of us; a beautiful example of how we might be better lawyers—better people. Certainly this writer learned more of what he believes to be good by having had the privilege of the sharing the professional and personal life of Don West.**

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