# Annual Hennepin County Bar Memorial Session

Convening of the Special Session of Hennepin County
District and Probate Courts

Presiding
The Honorable Robert A. Forsythe
Hennepin County Courts Chief Judge

Invocation
The Honorable Patrick Fitzgerald
Hennepin County District Judge

**Introduction of Special Guests** 

**Recognition of Deceased members** 

Musical Selection — "He Shall Feed His Flock" lvy Bernhardson and Diane Stockman

Robert Carney Vice Chair, Bar Memorial Committee

Robert H. Rydland, President, Hennepin County Bar Association

Main Address
The Honorable Susanne Sedgwick

Musical Selection — "On Eagle's Wings"

Ivy Bernhardson and Diane Stockman

**Memorials Presented to the Court** 

**Presentation Accepted** 

**Court Adjourned** 

Wednesday, April 22, 1987

**Hennepin County Board Room** 

Presented by the Hennepin County Bar Association

## **MUSICIANS**

Vocalist:

Ivy Bernhardson

Accompanist:

**Diane Stockman** 

Piano

**Musical selections:** 

"He Shall Feed His Flock" — G. F. Handel
"On Eagle's Wings" — Michael Joncas

## INVOCATION

Dearest Lord. God of all truth, knowledge and judgment, without whom nothing is true, wise or just, please hear the petitions of thy servants in the law. In Your presence we assemble to remember our honored colleagues, their dear families and friends.

Those we honor and revere today were hardworking, dedicated, understanding and thoughtful practitioners of the law. In Your divine providence please forgive and excuse their errors and shortcomings and grant to them eternal rest with You because of their good works performed on behalf of Your people. Let them know forever, in the fullest measure, Your goodness and love

We thank You, God, for granting them life to be with us so that we could enjoy the pleasure of their company. Let the example they set, aided by Your divine guidance and assistance, be our precedent for our future service in the law.

Please shower upon us who remain the blessings of the five great faiths:

BUDHIST: May we all be thankful and live in heaven,

ISLAMIC: May Allah bless us and keep us. HINDU: May we be led from darkness into light. CHRISTIAN: May the Lord be gracious unto us.

JEWISH: May the Lord make his face to shine upon us and give us peace.

Oh, Heavenly Father, please hear our prayer. Amen.

JUDGE PATRICK FITZGERALD

# HENNEPIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BAR MEMORIAL SESSION

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January 22, 1976	
May 22, 1975	David R. Brink
May 22, 1974	
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## **MEMORIAL ADDRESS**

# By Judge Susanne C. Sedgwick Minnesota Court of Appeals

**April 22, 1987** 

Members of the judiciary, lawyers, friends and families of our colleagues who have departed from us this past year.

We gather this morning, as we do each year, to honor the memory of our deceased colleagues. As each year passes, the list of those who were our contemporaries grows longer and the friendships, work and humor we shared during their lives now become our memories. As we read the written memorials prepared for each lawyer, we are reminded of our own anecdotes and our appreciation of the individuals with whom we shared a part of our lives.

The individual memorials remind us of the vast changes which have taken place in the legal community. The Minnesota State Bar Association was formed in 1883, four years before John B. Faegre's birth, by one hundred seven lawyers. In 1922, nine years after Mr. Faegre's admission to the bar, there were 982 lawyers in the association. About 1,500 lawyers were members when Bruce Okney was born in 1942, and over 4,000 when he was admitted to practice. Today there are 11,768 members of the State Bar Association who live and practice in Minnesota

It is particularly appropriate for our profession to pay special tribute to our deceased colleagues because law is built so carefully on the foundations laid by those who came before us. Each person we honor today has contributed special skills, interests and ability to our knowledge and understanding of the law. They have also contributed generously of their time and talents to all areas of community life.

Justice Benjamin Nathan Cardozo, in a commencement address to the Albany Law School in 1925, was reminiscing about the sense of relief students have after taking their last examination. That wonderful feeling that when you make mistakes in the future, at least you won't have to make them under the eye of the examiner. He dispelled that dream with the following words:

As long as you live, and surely as long as you practice law, an examiner will dog your footsteps. When you enter some law office, an apprentice to some older lawyer, there will be some one looking over your shoulder, criticizing your work, pointing out its defects, cheering you, once in a while, by a concession of its merits, educating, examining, testing — the process repeated without end. When a little later you start for yourselves, there will be trial judges and juries and appellate courts, all examining, testing, approving or rejecting, just as in the days of adolescence which you thought were left behind. Sometimes when these critics are compassionate or silent, you will have to meet a test still sterner, a scrutiny yet more rigid, the merciless test and scrutiny of a defeated and reproachful client. As years go by, some of you may cease to be advocates, and gain a seat upon the Bench. You may think then that you are safe, but alas! it is not so. Examiners still crowd about \* \* \* If you happen to be a trial judge, there are the judges of the appellate courts. If you mount to one of those courts yourself, there are your colleagues, ever lying in ambush vigilant and keen, and perhaps some other court yet higher than your own. If you live through all these dangers with reason unimpaired there are other trials as searching. The Bar, with its associations and committees, and, worse than these, the law schools and the law reviews, are still waiting at the door. Let there be a joint in your armor, a flaw in your opinion, it will not be long before probe and scalpel will expose a gaping wound. The examiner is near at hand.

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\* \* \* The process of justice is never finished, but reproduces itself, generation after generation, in ever-changing forms, and today, as in the past, it calls for the bravest and the best.

The lawyers whose memory we honor today have confronted life's examiners and moved on to a new perspective. If as Socrates said, "The unexamined life is not worth living," then by virtue of its examination, each lawyer's life is well worth living. We are here to honor those lives and pay tribute to their contributions to the process of justice.

#### THOMAS MALLOY BECKLEY

March 2, 1922 — January 31, 1987

Thomas Malloy Beckley died suddenly January 31, 1987, on the ski slopes of Colorado, doing what he enjoyed — skiing with his family. Tom was a remarkable man. He graduated from Blake School in the class of 1939; he received his B.S. degree from Yale in 1943 with a major in economics and graduated from the Adjutant General's School. He received his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1948. After graduating from law school, he joined the firm of Stinchfield, Mackall, Crounse & Moore (now Mackall, Crounse & Moore) and thereafter was asked to join the Duluth South Shore and Atlantic Railroad as general solicitor. Duluth South Shore and Atlantic Railroad merged with Wisconsin Central and the Soo Line Railroad to become what is now known as the Soo Line Railroad. In 1978 he became President and Chief Executive Officer of the Soo Line Railroad, and in 1983 became Chairman of the Board of the Soo Line Railroad. At the time of his death, he was consultant to the Soo Line Railroad and was a director on its Board.

Tom was a leader in community affairs. As a young man, he was active in the Jaycees and the Young Republicans. Later, he became a director of the First National Bank of Minneapolis and served until retirement; he was a past director of Malt-O-Meal Company, Blake School Alumni Association and Junior Achievement. At the time of his death, he was Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Committee on Crime and Justice, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Dunwoody Institute; member of the Viking Council of the Boy Scouts of America; member of Judge Arthur's committee on Civil Commitment and a member of the Basilica of St. Mary's Finance Council and major fund drive.

Tom was a family man. He leaves surviving him his wife, Nancy A. Beckley, and four daughters, Rosemary Everson, Margaret Herrmann, Nancy Beckley and Kathryn Beckley. He enjoyed his home and took an active part in the education of his daughters. His hobbies included gardening, traveling and classical music. He also enjoyed trips with his family and his death occurred on one of such trips.

Tom was active in many clubs. At the time of his death he was an active member of the Minneapolis Club, the Minikahda Club, Yale Alumni Association, Harvard Alumni Association, Rotary Club of Minneapolis and Six O'clock Club. He was president-elect of the Six O'clock Club at the time of his death. In summary, Tom was a good man and is greatly missed by all of us.

FRED THORSON

## JOHN CABOT BENSON

February 27, 1890 — November 19, 1986

John C. Benson was born in Heron Lake. Minnesota on February 27, 1890 and attended Hamline University in St. Paul. While at Hamline he was a member of the football team, and later recalled a hard-fought game against the 1909 national championship University of Minnesota team, lead by his later law partner, Bart Faegre. John Benson remembered only receiving the kick-off in that game; he was tackled so energetically, supposedly by defensive end Faegre, that he was sidelined the rest of the afternoon.

Benson attended the University of Wisconsin Law School, but returned to finish his legal education at the University of Minnesota, obtaining his degree in 1912. While in law school, he was a clerk for a Minneapolis firm then called Cobb & Wheelwright, which some thirty years later became Faegre & Benson. After graduation from law school, John Benson went to Chicago to study the fledgling Legal Aid program in that city. Returning to Minneapolis. he founded and became the first lawyer for the Minneapolis Bureau of Legal Aid, now the Legal Aid Society. He returned to Cobb & Wheelwright as an associate and was made a partner in 1919, when the firm name was changed to Cobb, Wheelwright & Benson.

In 1980, after over sixty years as a valued member, John Benson, formally retired from that firm, which was then known as Faegre & Benson. For over half a century, John Benson's integrity, wit and professional skill provided an inspiration to the members of his firm. A trial lawyer in his most active years, Mr. Benson was known for a pragmatic approach to disputed matters, and the ability to identify common ground as a basis for resolution. To work with him was to watch a true professional seeking compromise if possible in an adversarial environment.

A contributing member of the profession, Benson was president of the Hennepin County Bar Association (1938-39) and a member of the Board of Governors of the Minnesota State Bar Association. He was also a director of Minneapolis Gas Company and Federal Cartridge Corporation, and in the early 1960s was chairman of a twelve-man committee which studied the operations of the Minneapolis City Council.

Mr. Benson is survived by two daughters, Margaret B. Fletcher and Mary Davison, and five grandchildren.

In 1952, in a discussion of his faith, Mr. Benson wrote:

"The true advance of mankind is not in material or secular things, but in things of the spirit and soul. Only to the extent that the philosophy, teachings and promises of Old and New Testament become the guides of individual, class, national and international conduct is there any promise that mankind will be deterred from destroying itself."

That John Benson was a man of spirit and soul was witnessed by those who knew him.

**NORMAN R. CARPENTER** 

#### FLOYD L. DWIGHT

August 24, 1902 — June 22, 1986

Floyd L. Dwight spent his early days on a farm near Blue Earth, Minnesota. He went to Carleton College where along with his academic achievements he beat the state two-mile record in track. He transferred to the University of Minnesota Law School and graduated in 1925. He funded part of his education selling books by horseback in secluded portions of Saskatchewan, Canada. Alter law school, he practiced law in Valley City, North Dakota until 1929 when he left the practice of law to work for the Trust Department of the Merchants National Bank in Fargo, North Dakota. In 1941 he transferred to the First Minneapolis Trust Department, became head of the New Business Department and held that position until retirement.

His personality and warmth allowed him to enjoy everyone he met whether they shared his interests or not and these qualities aided him from his bookselling days all the way through his Trust career. He thoroughly enjoyed working with individuals and their attorneys helping them mesh their family situations with a workable estate plan.

His recreational and at home interests were very outdoor oriented. He and his son were canoeing in the boundary waters starting in 1944 when it was much less common than today. He lived most recently on a seven-acre site dubbed "the farm" where he and his wife Grace enjoyed horseback riding, gardening and entertaining their friends and family.

He delighted in planting tree seedlings and watching them grow and respond to his care and this interest is a strong heritage he passed on to his son, Thomas T. Dwight and his daughter, Ann Dwight Lewis who both live in the area in homes surrounded by trees. They are the children of Floyd and his first wife, Evangeline True Dwight who died many years ago.

The tallest trees that he planted now stand over twenty-five feet high where his wife Grace can see them outside her windows as living symbols of the many and varied joys of his very active life.

THOMAS T. DWIGHT

## JOHN BARTHELL FAEGRE

October 3, 1887 — October 30, 1986

John Barthell ('Bart") Faegre was born in Flandreau, South Dakota in 1887. He attended the public schools in Flandreau and then moved to Minneapolis. He graduated from the old East High School and in 1907 enrolled in the University of Minnesota. He played end on the 1909 national championship University football team and received his A. B. degree in 1911. Two years later he received his law degree from the University's law school. He was admitted to the Minnesota Bar in 1913.

In 1916, he joined with two other young lawyers to form Hoke, Krause & Faegre. In 1923 that firm merged with Cobb, Wheelwright & Benson. In the new firm, Mr. Faegre worked closely with Albert C. Cobb on the banking and financial matters on which Mr. Cobb's practice was based. With the death of Albert C. Cobb in 1935, Faegre became the acknowledged leader of the firm, and its name became Faegre & Benson in 1940. Faegre retired in 1977; the strong base in which he had a major building role, is the foundation today for one of the largest firms in Minnesota.

Bart Faegre was for many years a director of both the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis and Northwest Bancorporation. In addition, he was president and later chairman of the board of the Minnesota and Ontario Paper Company, now a division of Boise Cascade Corporation. He also served as a director of the Rock Island Railroad, and was among the original board members of the Minneapolis Foundation.

He was a past president of the Minneapolis Club and was also a member of the Minikahda Club, Woodhill Country Club, Phi Delta Phi and Beta Theta Pi. Early in his practice, Faegre and fellow law students Harold Cant, Morris Mitchell, James Dorsey, Wilbur Cherry and others, in the manner of the Inns of Court, formed a group which met regularly at meetings called The Assizes to read and discuss papers on legal subjects. From this group came the Hennepin County Bar Association of which Mr. Faegre was a charter member. He was also a member of the Minnesota Bar Association, the American Bar Association and a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

Bart's wife Mary died in 1952 and his son, John Barthell, Jr., also a member of Faegre & Benson, died in May 1986. He is survived by his son Robert, five grandchildren, including Charles B. Faegre, a Minneapolis lawyer, and ten great-grandchildren.

Bart Faegre was a man of integrity and judgment, and also a man of wit and fellowship. Business and the practice of law were his vocations and avocations. He had a remarkable gift for friendship and a strong sense of community responsibility, which was encouraged within the firm. He was leader and mentor, and an example of what can be done with a life.

**NORMAN R. CARPENTER** 

## JOHN B. FAEGRE, JR.

July 30, 1911 — May 12, 1986

Born and raised in South Minneapolis, John B. Faegre, Jr. attended Washburn High School and Dartmouth College. After graduating from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1937, he joined the Minneapolis law firm of Faegre & Benson. During World War II, John served as a lieutenant commander in the United States Navy. After the war, he coached football and hockey teams at the Catholic orphanage in south Minneapolis and returned to work at Faegre & Benson. There, he worked on many corporate issues, but is probably best remembered for his work as a lobbyist with the Minnesota Legislature and with his continuing interest, involvement and participation in nonprofit charitable corporations and organizations.

Perhaps his receiving the Boy Scout of America's "Silver Beaver" award meant more to John B. Faegre, Jr., than any of the other honors and awards he received throughout his lifetime. His enthusiasm for scouting, for teaching the basic, primary fundamentals of good citizenship and love of country and nature — by demonstration, rather than through mere words — will long be remembered by those fortunate enough to have shared his life. Scouting and his other behind-the-scenes community activities, provided John an opportunity to give back something of himself, something valuable in return, to this the area he loved so well.

John's many affiliations included his continuing lifelong support for Dartmouth College, receiving its 1964 Alumni Award, serving on its Alumni Council and as the president of the Northwest Alumni Association; his directorship of the Norwest Bank of Bloomington; his memberships in the Hennepin County, Minnesota and American Bar Associations; his terms on the board of directors and his election as the president of the Viking Council of the Boy Scouts of America; his presence on the Minnesota Research Council (the predecessor to United Way); his service on the Red Cross board of directors as well as his service with the National Committee for Aid to International Development. Additionally, he was a past member of the vestry of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Edina.

Accolades about the quality, value and service of the life lived by John B. Faegre, Jr., are numerous. We miss his laughter and sense of humor his love of nature and the great outdoors, his passion for sports, his rough edges and lack of pretense and ceremony, his continuing love and kindnesses. We think often of his integrity and honesty, his fearless courage, his continuing help of those less fortunate or in need or without. We remember his tremendous reserves of personal energy and strength,

his many acts of tireless community involvement, and the hundreds of people from all walks of life who considered John B. Faegre, Jr., to be their own best friend. John is also survived by his wife, Florence, of Edina, daughter, Mary Bend, of St. Paul, son, Chuck, of Edina, brother, Robert, of Wayzata and seven grandchildren.

CHARLES B. FAEGRE

## RALPH F. FENSKE

October 19, 1907 — December 21, 1986

Ralph Fenske was born in Blue Earth, Minnesota on October 19, 1907. He grew up and attended high school in Austin, Minnesota where he was valedictorian of his graduating class. He began his working career with the Hormel Company while still in high school.

After graduating from high school, Ralph received a scholarship and attended Hamline University. He graduated from the Minnesota College of Law (later known as William Mitchell) in 1933, while employed as office manager of the Hormel Company's office in Minneapolis.

Ralph's insurance career with American Hardware Mutual Insurance Company began in 1941 and I had the pleasure of first meeting him in 1945. He spent the next 31 years serving first as an underwriter, and then as underwriting manager. He was appointed assistant secretary in 1944, elected corporate secretary in 1947 and was named the company's legal counsel in 1952, holding the latter two positions until his retirement in November 1979.

Complete retirement was not for Ralph and so he assumed the position of managing secretary of the Minnesota Insurance Guaranty Association, serving in that capacity for many years and handling numerous insolvency and legal questions submitted to him by the Insurance Department.

Ralph was very active in insurance industry matters, serving on committees for the Alliance of American Insurers, the Minnesota Association of Mutual Insurance Companies, the Insurance Federation of Minnesota and the Health Insurance Association of America. He was a member of the Minnesota and Hennepin County Bar Associations.

Ralph enjoyed traveling, classical music and stamp collecting. He had a fantastic memory and loved to reminisce. It was often said, if Ralph doesn't remember an event, it likely never occurred.

Ralph's contributions to American Hardware Mutual and other organizations were substantial. He will be sorely missed but long remembered by his friends and business associates.

In addition to his many friends, Ralph is survived by his wife Ardeth, daughters Courtney Fenske and Dawn Thompson, sister Elva Gensinger and her husband Emil Gensinger, brother-in-law Dr. Rodney Loehr, son-in-law Ron Thompson and grandson Dallen Thompson.

GEORGE H. GMITRO

#### ELWIN E. HADLICK

June 19, 1902 — January 21, 1987

Mr. Elwin E. Hadlick, better known as "AI," practiced law in Minneapolis for sixty years. He founded the law firm of Hadlick, Hoedeman and Christy from which he retired in 1983. He practiced mainly corporate law, and in the 1940's was President of the Northwest Petroleum Association. While he thoroughly enjoyed his work, and frequently expressed his good fortune at being able to work at something he enjoyed so much, he had many other interests.

He was born in 1902 in the town of Blue Earth, Minnesota. Though his father died when he was just nine years old, leaving his mother with eight small children, he, along with one of his brothers, attended Georgetown University Law School. He graduated in 1923. Another brother also became an attorney, studying in Minnesota.

Family was his number one priority. His wife of fifty-nine years knows that she had the very best husband, his daughters, the very best father, and his thirteen grandchildren, the very best grandfather. He supported the activities of each family member, attending with equal pride, every family event, from the most amateur performance of the very young to the law school graduation of two of his grandsons. Favorite family events centered around "Grandpa" making his original pancakes, wearing his apron which is decorated with the words, "Our Grandpa's the Greatest."

Music was a life long interest. He played the piano with enthusiasm, something he enjoyed from the time he was a child until his death. He enjoyed the many musical events in the Twin Cities area, especially Metropolitan Opera Week.

He had a deep interest in religion. He was a charter member and second president of the Minneapolis Serra Club (this club supports vocations to the religious life and the priesthood.) He was also instrumental in the spread of this organization to other cities throughout the Midwest. He was a past-president and active member of the Third Order of St. Francis, and a member of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre. He was also an active member of Annunciation Catholic Church.

Among other organizations he belonged to were the Rotary Club, the Minneapolis Athletic Club, the Newman Forum, the Circus Fans' Associations, and several legal societies. His hobbies included gardening, photography, fishing, reading, and traveling. Each thing he did with enthusiasm. Each undertaking, whether work or play, was planned and

executed thoroughly. He never stopped learning during his eighty-four years.

He died on January 21, 1987 after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Anne C., daughters and sons-in-law, Mary and Fred Hoedeman and Rosalie and Bob Seidel, thirteen grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, brother, Paul E. and sister Mrs. Emma Zelenka.

**ROSALIE SEIDEL** 

## CLIFFORD F. HANSEN

May 21, 1894 — May 24, 1986

Clifford F. Hansen entered this world at Wells, Minnesota, on May 21, 1894, the son of Carl and Lily Hansen, who were first generation Americans of sturdy Danish parentage. His formal education began at Owatonna, Minnesota, where he attended grade school and received part of his high school training. In 1910, his parents moved back to the family homestead farm in North Dakota, just north of Fargo. Upon completing high school he entered the University of North Dakota from which he graduated with honors. At this time Clifford was needed at home to assist his father with the family farm and to help put his two sisters through college. Therefore, Clifford returned home and accepted a teaching position in Fargo. His decision to help his family maintain their farm and to give his sisters the education they desired, exemplified Clifford's devotion to his family as well as to his country and the clients he was later to serve.

At the outbreak of World War I he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served his country honorably and with distinction. After the war, Clifford entered the St. Paul College of Law from which he graduated in 1921, the year he was admitted to the practice of law in Minnesota. In this same year he married his childhood sweetheart Lumetta Swanson. They had three children, Carl Frederick Hansen, David Hansen and Jean Brooks. In 1965 his wife Lumetta passed away. In 1967, Clifford was remarried to a widow, Rachel Robinson Hansen, who survives him.

Clifford continued a successful private practice of law in Minnesota from 1921 until 1944 when he was chosen to serve as Assistant U.S. Attorney for Minnesota. He continued in this capacity for 10 years until 1954. During this time he was in charge of prosecuting criminal actions in behalf of the Federal Government. In 1954 he returned to private law practice in Minneapolis where he continued to practice law until the end of his career.

In 1960 Clifford filed against Roger Dell for Chief Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court and polled 503,000 votes. However, Dell won re-election by some 250,000 votes. Clifford was not disappointed or discouraged by his defeat as he felt he had accomplished a great deal in his campaign for election. He loved the Law which was his hobby and his vocation.

Clifford was a member of the Masonic Blue Lodge and Shrine. He was a member of The Hennepin Avenue Methodist Church. He loved to read and did extensive camping and fishing in northern Minnesota. He continued to run his family farm in North Dakota until his death.

In later years the aging process took its toll on Clifford, but even after severe physical disabilities, he maintained his hearty smile, even disposition and sense of humor. Clifford passed on to his final closing statement on May 24, 1986, from heart deficiency. May his soul rest in peace for all eternity.

Farvel Tilen Aerlig Og Loyal Famlie Mand. Sagforer Og Ven. (Farewell loyal and true family man, lawyer and friend)

**ROBERT R. BIGLOW** 

#### KARL F. HERRMANN

April 16, 1908 — February 21, 1987

Karl Herrmann was born April 16, 1908 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He attended Longfellow Grade School and worked after school delivering newspapers for the Minneapolis Tribune. He attended South High School and caddied for the Town and Country Club. He also helped his mother in a small apartment grocery store and deli located near the Oak Grove Hotel. He was later employed as a clerk by the hotel. He loved to play tennis and was in many championship tournaments for the Minneapolis Park Board.

He graduated from the University of Minnesota, and earned a law degree from William Mitchell College of Law predecessor school, Minneapolis College of Law. There he was a member of Sigma Delta Kappa fraternity. He was a member of the Hennepin County, Minnesota, and American Bar Associations.

In 1934, he was employed by Cardozos Furniture store in St. Paul as their attorney and credit manager. During World War II, he worked for D. W. Onan's in N.E. Minneapolis. After the war he opened his own private practice in N.E. Minneapolis, and called it the Herrmann Agency. The agency included his law practice, insurance agency, income tax service, and real estate company called Home Realty.

Karl was very active in the N.E. and S.E. Community and was former president of the St. Anthony Commercial Club, the Southeast Exchange Club, and the St. Anthony of Padua Holy Name Society. For many years Karl donated his services as parish attorney to St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, and helped the formation of the St. Anthony Eldercare Nursing Home. Karl's practice was largely in real estate, probate, and guardianship areas. Golfing was his favorite hobby along with hunting and fishing. His traveling consisted of spending the winter months in Scottsdale, Arizona.

One of Karl's favorite poems was "The Man Is A Success." It reads like this,

"That man is a success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; Who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of children; Who has filled his niche and accomplished his task;

Who leaves the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul;

Who never lacked the appreciation of Earth's beauty or failed to express it; Who looked for the best in others and gave the best he had."

Karl's life reflected this poem. He was an excellent attorney, a self-made man and loved people. He and his wife Marguerite were married for 54 years. His passing made a large void in the lives of his family and many friends. He helped the poor, the immigrants, and the blue collar workers. He never really retired from the profession he loved.

Karl is survived by his beloved wife, Marguerite, by his daughter Mary Jane Schaal; sons. Richard and wife Karyn, Robert and wife Shirley, all of Minneapolis; four grandchildren, David, Allen, Heidi, and Christopher; and his sister Roseline Shannon of Minneapolis.

DAVID SCHAAL

#### WILLIAM H. HOWARD

December 4, 1912 — July 31, 1986

Bill Howard was born and grew up in St. Paul. He attended St. Paul Central High School and the University of Minnesota, graduating from the Law School in 1936. His legal career started in the Minneapolis office of Sexton, Mordaunt, Kennedy and Carroll and was interrupted by World War II when he served in the U.S. Army Intelligence.

He returned to Minneapolis following his army service and entered private practice. Bill practiced law until the day he died and, although he officed in association with other attorneys, he was basically a sole practitioner. Initially, his practice was limited to the casualty field but as the years progressed, his practice became more generalized in scope and more personal in nature. He was a "family" lawyer in the literal and best sense of the word. His clients were his friends and remained his friends.

In 1948, at about the same time he started his practice, Bill and Melva Hagen were married and would have celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary this year. They have a daughter, Mindy Rogers. She and her husband, Tom, have two children, Katie and Robbie, and that family has done much to make Bill's and Melva's lives complete.

Bill was married in Bethlehem Lutheran Church and until the time of his death, his service to the church was a major part of his life. He held every lay office in the church and served on most committees. His counsel and quidance were valued highly by others associated with the church.

Bill's life was a full one centered on his family, his church and his profession. Those elements together with activities such as the Shrine and Y's Men enriched Bill's life and broadened his circle of friends. Those friends — all of us — will miss him.

HOMER A. CHILDS and JAMES H. COLWELL

#### RICHARD J. KANTOROWICZ

**January 21, 1930 — October 16, 1986** 

"The inarticulate and the deprived shall be heard in my court room, as well as the articulate and affluent" was the promise made by Judge Richard J. Kantorowicz when he was sworn in as Hennepin County Municipal Court Judge in 1965, having been appointed by Governor Karl Rolvaag. Judge Kantorowicz kept that promise.

Judge Kantorowicz, born in Minneapolis on January 21st, 1930, learned early in life to cherish the freedoms guaranteed in the United States as his parents were Polish immigrants, who were escaping persecution and who suffered the deprivations of the Depression.

Judge Kantorowicz graduated DeLaSalle High School in 1948, and worked full time while attending the University of Minnesota. He graduated from law school in 1954, after serving on the Law Review and hung his shingle in downtown Minneapolis.

He married Marjorie Kantorowicz in 1957, an idealist like himself, and they were active together in numerous political and civic projects. They had six children, Jerome, Ruth, Martha, Jim, Richard Jr., and Becky Marjorie died in 1972.

In 1955, he was elected to the Park Board, representing North Minneapolis, a low income area. He was aggressive in insisting that the parks and playgrounds in his district have equal facilities with the affluent parks and playgrounds. He was elected President of the Park Board in 1957.

In 1956, Miles Lord appointed him Special Assistant Attorney General. He served as Chairman of the Hennepin County Board of Tax Levy in 1957, and was on the Metropolitan Airports Commission from 1959 to 1961. In 1957, he was appointed Trustee of the Minneapolis Art Institute. In 1961, he was elected Alderman of the Third Ward in the City of Minneapolis. In 1963, he was re-elected and became Majority Leader of the Minneapolis City Council. He was a member of the Minnesota DFL State Central Committee from 1956 to 1965 and was elected a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1964. He served as a member of the Minneapolis Industrial Commission from 1966 until 1974.

Judge Kantorowicz was appointed to the District Court in 1973. He was elected Chief Judge of the 4th Judicial District in 1985.

At the time of the stroke, which led to his death, he was enthusiastically spending long hours on assuring the success of the block system and was actively recruiting the Bar to make arbitration a viable alternative.

Mary Griffith, his dedicated companion, was at his side when he suffered his stroke and with him daily during his long illness.

I have never known a more loyal friend, nor a colleague who was more aware of his responsibilities of being "just."

**IRVING NEMEROV** 

#### HAROLD J. KINNEY

February 18, 1907 — June 17, 1986

Harold Kinney was born on February 18, 1907, on a farm near Madison, Wisconsin, the son of Edward and Alice Kinney. He went to a one room school, and then to East Side High School in Madison. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1930 as a chemical engineer.

He reached the conclusion that he did not want to work as a chemical engineer and decided to get a law degree, using his engineering background in the patent field. After completing his legal work at Temple University, he had to serve a clerkship in a law office before taking the Pennsylvania bar exam. While clerking, he met his future wife, Madeleine Schilling of Philadelphia, to whom he was married in September of 1936.

After passing the bar examination in 1934, he joined Sun Oil Company, working on some important patent matters for them. In May of 1938 he came to St. Paul, initially working for Paul Carpenter. Shortly thereafter, he became a member of the firm of Carpenter, Abbott, Coulter and Kinney. He remained with that firm and its successors until his retirement in 1972. While with this firm, he was involved in extensive litigation on many of 3M's important patents in this country and in Europe. One of the matters handled was the litigation connected with the basic patent on the pressure sensitive adhesive transparent tape, commonly known as 3M's Scotch brand tape. He became senior partner of the firm Kinney, Alexander, Sell, Steldt and DeLaHunt, a firm of approximately 32 lawyers. This firm handled all of the patent, trademark and copyright work of 3M. After retiring from 3M in 1972, he was Of Counsel with Briggs & Morgan.

In March of 1978, Harold Kinney joined with Frederick Lange, Nickolas Westman and David Fairbairn to form the firm of Kinney, Lange, Westman and Fairbairn, This firm grew rapidly and at the time of Harold Kinney's death, there were 12 lawyers, the firm then being known as Kinney & Lange, P.A.

He was very active in the Republican Party for many years and continued to support it up to his death. He was also very active in support of the College of Saint Catherine, being a member of the President's Council. He belonged to many legal organizations and was a past president of the Minnesota Patent Law Association.

Harold Kinney was a very thorough lawyer, a very kind man, and always had a delightful sense of humor. He is survived by his wife Madeleine and four children, Marian, Evelyn, Barbara and Michael.

FREDERICK E. LANGE

#### CHARLES J. LINDBERG

February 4, 1930 — January 10, 1987

Charles J. ("Jack") Lindberg, known as "Jack," was born in South Minneapolis and attended South High School where he graduated in 1947. He was a veteran of the Korean War and served in the U.S. Air Force from November, 1948 until September, 1952, where he taught electronics and radar. Prior to the Korean War, he served approximately one year as a member of the Minnesota National Guard.

Upon discharge from the U.S. Air Force, Jack enrolled at the University of Minnesota where he graduated in 1956 with a Bachelor of Science in Law and received a degree of Juris Doctor in 1958.

While in law school, he served as a law clerk with the Minnesota firm of Dygert & Riordan from 1956 to 1958, and from 1958 to 1965 he was an associate and then a partner in the law firm of Dygert & Gunn. He practiced as a sole practitioner from 1965 until 1976, when he joined Hagerty, Candell & Lindberg (now Hagerty & Candell, P.A.). He specialized in litigation.

Jack was an avid outdoorsman. For many years, he was chosen a member of the All State Trap Shooting Team consisting of the top ten trap shooters of the State of Minnesota. He was a co-founder of the Minnesota Chapter of the Safari Club, a hunting and conservation club whose membership is restricted to big game hunters. He was the 186th person in the world to accomplish a grand slam of North American Sheep.

Jack was also actively involved in the conservation of wildlife. He and his wife, Marilyn, furnished 750 lbs. of corn and 50 lbs. of birdseed per week to feed the birds and animals in their back yard, which has been designated a National Back Yard Wildlife Habitat. The birds and animals were Jack's friends.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Lindberg, his sister, Marilyn, and his brothers, Bruce and Gary.

**EDWARD S. HAGERTY** 

## WILLIAM E. MacGREGOR, JR.

October 17, 1919 — March 8, 1987

William E. MacGregor, Jr. was born in St. Cloud, Minnesota on October 17, 1919. He was a 1937 graduate of Washburn High School. That same year he was an all-conference player on the Miller's City Championship hockey team.

In 1941 he received a Bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Minnesota and received his Bachelor's degree in law from John Marshall in January, 1951. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi. He was admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court in 1956.

His law practice began in 1951 in association with his father at Brown, Guesmer, MacGregor, Carson & Pratt in Minneapolis, specializing in probate law. At the time of his death he was associated with Henry W. Haverstock, Jr. and Joseph O'Brien in offices in the Baker Building, downtown Minneapolis. He was an early advocate of the establishment of the Minnesota Appeals Court. A high point for him was a successful appeal before that Court in 1984.

Bill enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves in 1942 and served in the Pacific in World War II, being discharged as a first lieutenant in 1946; his decorations included the Purple Heart and Bronze Star. He remained in the Army Reserves until 1975 when he retired with the rank of Colonel. Bill had served as Chairman of the Board of Deacons at Plymouth Congregational Church, Commander of the old Wells-Hodgson American Legion Post and as President of the Minneapolis Optomists' Club, the University Club and the Minnesota Department of the Reserve Officers' Association.

Bill was a devoted family man, having married his wife, Joanne, nee Lansing in 1951. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Molly, and her husband, Michael Wepsala; son, William E. MacGregor III (Scott) and wife, Shawn, son, Donald; grandson, Niall William; brother, Clark and wife, Barbara, and three nieces.

A poem presented by Clark Clifford at the Memorial Service for Statesman Averell Harriman by Isla Paschal Richardson (PARADE, Nov. 16, 1986) expresses sentiments which must be in the minds of many who came to know Bill over the years:

If I should ever leave you whom I love To go along the Silent Way, grieve not, Nor speak of me with tears, But laugh and talk Of me as if I were Beside you there, (I'd come—I'd come, could I but find a way! But would not tears and grief be barriers?) And when you hear a song or see a bird I loved, please do not let the thought of me

Be sad . . . For I am loving you just as I always have You were so good to me! There are so many things I wanted still To do — so many things to say to you... Remember that! did not fear... It was Just leaving you that was so hard to face... We cannot see Beyond... But this I know: I loved you so-'twas heaven here with you!

HENRY W. HAVERSTOCK, JR.

#### JOHN McKASY

January 1, 1906 — March 26, 1986

John reached his 80th birthday before he passed away on March 26, 1986. He was a partner for many years in the law firm of Thompson, Hessian, Fletcher & McKasy and his name remains now in the title of Hessian, McKasy & Soderberg, Professional Association.

John's life began in Le Sueur, Minnesota where his father operated a main street general store. He was proud of these roots and was given to Garrison Keillor-like reminiscences of his early experiences. He was also proud of his Irish ancestry from which he inherited his talent for story telling and his wry sense of humor.

His graduation from St. Thomas College at age 19 and his graduation from the University of Minnesota Law School at age 22 suggests his knack for academics. He was on the Law Review staff and was Order of the Coif.

During World War II he served in the army where his talents brought him to the JAG Corp. in Washington D.C. and he was commissioned a Major. Confronted with one family's tragedy during the war, he saw a need for and secured the passage of an Act of Congress preventing the assignment to duty in a war zone of any person's son where two other sons had been previously killed in action.

High points in his career include a landmark case on corporate law won at the Eighth Circuit on behalf of the Green Giant Company headquartered at his native city; a commercial case for the San Francisco Giants rewarded by a grateful owner's invitation to join the team on the road and to bring his son Mike; a complex accounting case (the last case of his career) where the Minnesota Supreme Court affirmed his trial court verdict for Midwest Federal Savings and Loan. A skilled writer of briefs, John was equally at home in the trial and appellate courts.

He was a gifted lawyer whose career as a trial attorney was marked with success and was spent in the company of the best and the brightest of the Minnesota bench and bar. Among his closest friends were George McKinnon, Ed Devitt, Rolf Fosseen, Bob Gillespie all jurists of distinction. His special friends among the bar seemed to naturally include such leaders as Matt Levitt, Hy Edelman and other members of the Lincoln Memorial Society which began in law school and met regularly over the next fifty years.

John is survived by his wife Violet, daughter Mary Margaret of Littleton, Colorado, sons Michael of Federal Way, Washington and John of St. Paul. Mike and John, incidentally are both admitted to the bar as is also his nephew Bert.

HAROLD J. SODERBERG

#### ANDREW F. MINER

June 1, 1931 — November 26, 1986

Andrew C. Miner, Jr., was born June 1, 1931 in Minneapolis. He died on November 26, 1986. He is survived by his wife, Betty, and six children.

Andy attended Central High School in Minneapolis and graduated in 1949. He was active in the Central Alumni Association. He went to the University of Minnesota Law School and graduated in 1955. He then joined his parents, Andrew, Sr., and Nellie, in the practice of law at the corner of Chicago and Lake in south Minneapolis, and practiced there until his death. He was a general practitioner but later confined his practice to probate and real estate after the death of his parents.

The law firm of Miner and Miner was active on the corner of Chicago and Lake from the 1930's. Andy was active in the Chicago-Lake Association, the Greater Lake Street Area Council and the Southtown Minneapolis Exchange Club, being the president of that organization in 1986. Andy served the businesses and the community of Lake Street nobly and well.

Andy moved with his family to Edina in 1956 and to Long Lake in 1969. He was active in the Trinity Lutheran Church of Long Lake, the Izaak Walton League, Ducks Unlimited and many other organizations too numerous to mention.

Andy and his parents owned the Blue Dun Farm off of Stubbs Bay, Lake Minnetonka. They raised Bantam gamecocks, vegetables and flowers. The farm covered 26 acres. There were beehives and maple trees used for tapping. Andy and his whole family loved the outdoors and were active hunters, fishermen, and conservationists.

Andy was great with the camera and also a musician, playing the French horn. He was a happy, funny, kind and gentle man, who had an uncanny ability to make others relaxed and happy. He was specially kind to his fellow attorneys who profited much by his counsel and advice. All who knew him, and the numbers are uncountable, will miss him.

TIM ERLANDER

## **EDMUND T. MONTGOMERY**

May 6, 1905 — January 17, 1987

Edmund T. Montgomery was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota on May 6, 1903, the son of Judge Edmund A. and Louise Montgomery. He grew up in Minneapolis, graduating from Minneapolis Central High School and the University of Minnesota where he received his law degree in 1927. He married Harriet Arndt in 1934 who preceded him in death by just two years.

He was a longtime partner in the Minneapolis firm of Richards, James, Montgomery, and Cobb (now Bassford, Heckt, Lockhart, and Mullin. PA) During World War II he served on the General Counsel Staff of the Board of Economic Warfare in Washington, D.C. His specialties included municipal, general corporate and probate law. He was a member of the American Law Institute. Best known for his early work in municipal law, he was city attorney for St. Louis Park, MN from 1936 to 1958 and continued as the city's legal consultant for several years after that. In the mid-1950's he served as secretary of the city's Charter Commission when St. Louis Park changed to the mayor-city manager system of government. He was President of the Minnesota Association of City and Village Attorneys and was Chairman of two League of Minnesota Municipalities committees, one of which prepared a code for village government and the other a municipal improvement code.

Gardening and art brought him the most pleasure outside the practice of law. During the summers he always arose early to work one to two hours in his flower garden before going to the office and at the end of the day he would always return there. His garden gave him great peace and was often on the tours of the Minneapolis Men's Garden Club. He at one time considered becoming an artist rather than a lawyer and even after being admitted to the Bar, he continued to be well known for many years for his drawings and prints. His many friends and associates were delighted every Christmas to receive his original Christmas cards. His former partners will miss his dry sense of humor and will remember him not only as an able and dedicated lawyer, but as a gentleman in every sense of the word. His wood cut "The Cathedral of St. Paul" done October 8, 1927, hangs in the offices of the law firm — a reminder of the gifts of his life and talents.

He was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Edina where he served on the Vestry, a member of the Lafayette Club where he served as Secretary and President, and a member of the Minneapolis Club. He is survived by his son Roger of Minneapolis who is also a lawyer.

**ROGER E. MONTGOMERY** 

## JAMES A. O'DOUGHERTY

September 28, 1918 — October 5, 1986

James Aquinas O'Dougherty was born September 28, 1918 in Hilse, Wisconsin. His family moved to Maple Lake, Minnesota, where he attended school, graduating from Maple Lake High in 1936. Jim was able to attend his 50th high school class reunion last summer. He attended St. John's University and graduated in 1941.

In those early years, he was known as Aquinas, and those of us who had the pleasure of knowing and working with Jim here in Minneapolis always knew it was a long time friend that called him Quiny or Aquinas.

He went into the U.S. Army in 1941, spending his early military days in Alaska, and then after Officer Candidate School, spending considerable time in the South Pacific during World War II. He was called back to active duty during the Korean crisis and ultimately left the military in 1951. He attended and graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1950 during a break from his military duties, and worked in JAG during his Korean military service.

Jim had a gift for finding humor in most of what he did, and most who knew him well loved to hear him relate his experiences from his Maple Lake and military days. He married Patricia Coyne O'Dougherty in 1943, and he is survived by his wife, Patricia, and their five children, Patrick Aquinas, Michael Damien, Dr. Margaret O'Dougherty, Mary Ann O'Dougherty-Friese and Maureen O'Dougherty.

Jim practiced law for a time in Sauk Rapids, Minnesota, after leaving the military, and joined Northwestern National Life Insurance Company in 1952, where he worked as a lawyer in the Claims Department. He was Claims Manager of that company in 1967 when he returned to the private practice of law. He practiced from 1967 until his death, maintaining an office in the Camden community of north Minneapolis, and also for a time with an office in south Minneapolis. While in the life insurance industry, he was active in organizing the Twin City Claims Association and was the second president of that organization.

Jim became active in whatever he touched. He was on the finance committee of Regina High School during the days his daughters attended school there. His interest in golf and camping involved him on the Board of Voyageur Village in Wisconsin where he owned a lot. He was active as a Board member of the Whittier Writer's Workshop from 1984 to 1986.

He approached each case with his unbounded enthusiasm, and added excitement and humor to the lives of all who dealt with him. We shall all miss James Aquinas.

**JOHN C. CARLEEN** 

#### BRUCE W. OKNEY

September 23, 1942 — October 19, 1986

As it almost always does Bruce Okney's death on October 19, 1986 left a variety of people and institutions poorer for his absence. It did so because of the ways in which he enriched and improved the life of his family, his friends and his community.

A life-long resident of Minneapolis, Bruce was the beneficiary of the public educational system, graduating from the University of Minnesota and, in 1967, the University of Minnesota Law School. What Bruce took from those schools was a life-long appreciation for learning, reasoned discussion, and the art of writing. Upon graduation he went to work for Douglas Head in the Minnesota Attorney General's Office, representing for the most part the Minnesota Department of Human Rights in its infancy. In 1970 he left for and thereafter remained in private practice. Nonetheless, he continued to contribute to and enrich the political life in this community, handling draft law cases, serving on the Minnesota Ethical Practices Board, and working in the campaigns of various candidates for state and local offices.

Perhaps Bruce's greatest political contribution was made as a result of his relationship with his wife Jude and his family. Bruce devoted as much of his time and energy to his family as he did to his legal practice. His efforts in raising and educating his children and in maintaining his family went far beyond the cliched bedtime story and Sunday morning brunch. The fact that he was a partner at home allowed his wife the time and freedom to become involved with candidates and in causes important to her.

The wisdom to recognize the need for and the will to live a balanced life characterized Bruce. In his practice therefore he always respected the logic in the arguments of an opponent. He would meet arguments with reason and conviction, not with sarcasm or caustic comment. As a counterweight to the law, he had not only his family but also interests in cooking, camping, running and the renewal each year that he found in gardening.

While it is understandable that no week or month had enough time in it for everything Bruce had or wished to do, it is tragic that his all too short life did not.

RICHARD L. VARCO, JR.

### KATHLEEN CARROLL REASONER

June 22, 1926 — October 16, 1986

Kay was born in Minneapolis June 22, 1926, and died in her Westport Connecticut home on October 16, 1986. She graduated from West High School and attended the University of Minnesota. She graduated summa cum laude from William Mitchell College of Law in 1952. Following graduation, she left with her children to join her husband, Harry Reasoner, who was with the United States Information Service in Manila, the Phillipines. Two years later, upon return to Minneapolis, she took the bar exam and was admitted to practice.

She did not practice law, but was involved in many civic activities. After moving to Westport, she was active on the board of directors for Camp Mohawk, a summer camp for children, and was Chairman of the Board of the Southbury, Connecticut Training School, a state institution for the mentally retarded. She regularly read for Recordings for the Blind, and read U.S. Supreme Court decisions for tapes for blind law students.

Kay had her first operation for cancer 20 years before she died of the disease. In the intervening years, she had many major surgeries. She always managed to keep up her family and community commitments — and her sense of humor — in the face of recurring illness. She was a person of great faith and courage.

She is survived by her children, Stuart, Ann Reasoner-Bailey, Elizabeth, Jane, Mary Ray, Ellen and Jonathan, and, her sisters, Lynn Carroll and me.

SUSANNE C. SEDGWICK

# DONALD L. RUDQUIST

February 27, 1924 — February 1, 1987

My father, Donald L. Rudquist, died suddenly on February 1st. He was on a commercial airliner enroute to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he was to begin trial the following day. He was studying the file when he died in the service of his last client.

Dad was an expert trial attorney and he devoted his skills to the representation of the injured, the poor, and the consumer. During the past few years he specialized in representing injured railroad workers under the Federal Employers' Liability Act. His clients loved him for his fierce loyalty, skill, and determination on their behalf.

Dad had a reputation for excellence and integrity wherever he went. And wherever I followed, many judges and former adversaries told me stories about his skill, and asked me to wish him well. They were proud to have known him.

Dad was known in the office for his gruff exterior and kind heart. He demanded top performance from those around him, which was no less than what he expected from himself.

Dad was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1924. He was a 1943 graduate of North High School in Minneapolis and a 1950 graduate, with honors, of the University of Minnesota Law School. During World War II he served with the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps in Europe.

Dad had been a member of the Board of Governors and President, in the late 1950's, of the Minnesota Trial Lawyers' Association and vice-president of the state chapter of the Trial Lawyers' Association of America. He was also a member of the International Society of Barristers. He was a founder, incorporator and former board president of the Minnesota Epilepsy League and a founder and first president of the Minnesota Academy of Seizure Rehabilitation in Minneapolis.

Dad was past master of the Edina Masons, Lodge #343, and a member of the Scottish Rite and Zurah Temple.

Dad always worked hard and played hard. He loved to play golf at Interlachen Country Club and Quail Creek Country Club in Florida. He was also an avid Backgammon player.

Dad is survived by my mother, Joyce, and four daughters, Mary Kay, Suzanne, Jayne and myself. We miss him.

**BARBARA J. RUDQUIST** 

### SAMUEL SALITERMAN

September 22, 1902 — July 1, 1986

Samuel Saliterman was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota on September 29, 1902. He graduated from North High School at age 16. He then worked his way through William Mitchell College of Law (then known as the Minneapolis College of Law), literally peddling Western Union telegrams on his bicycle. He graduated and passed the state bar examination in the summer of 1923, but had to wait until his twenty-first birthday in September of that year before he could be admitted to the Minnesota Bar.

Sam initially worked out of the law offices of the Honorable Judge Earl Lyons. He opened his own offices in the Foshay Tower a few years later, although his friendship with Judge Lyons continued in the form of a weekly bridge game which lasted for decades.

He met his wife, Mindy Saliterman, in the mid-1920's, and they were married in 1929. Their son, Joel A. Saliterman, lives in St. Louis Park; their daughter, Gail J. Saliterman, lives in Berkeley, California.

Sam never wavered from his conviction that an attorney has an obligation to represent the little guy, even if it meant going without compensation. As Judge Jonathan Lebedoff recently said. "Sam worked for free for the poor and under-privileged long before lawyers even talked of pro bono work."

Sam handled matters as diverse as complicated appeals before the state Supreme Court for corporate clients to appearances in small-town court houses on behalf of clients arrested for speeding. He tried hundreds of cases. Evidence of his skills as an attorney is most apparent in the fact that he could boast that he had been retained by clients whose fathers and grandfathers had been represented by Sam.

Sam's energy was legend. On those occasions when he would take a vacation, he would pack two suitcases; one with clothes and one with advance sheets. In the last years of practice, although over eighty years old, he would still on occasion get up at 5 a.m. to take a bus to Duluth, Minnesota; appear in court for an early morning motion; bus back to Minneapolis; and stop by his office for an afternoon's work. His love of his chosen profession remained with him until his death.

For years Sam carried with him and sent to others a photostatic copy of a message about Zebuoth, a Jewish will which would never be probated and over which there would never be a contest. "Each day," the message read, "we record such a will on the hearts and minds of those who live and move

in the orbit of our beings. What we are and what we hope to be, rather than what we have, testifies to the richness of our legacy." Sam left a rich legacy.

**GAIL J. SALITERMAN** 

### THOMAS F. SANDS

February 8, 1903 — February 5, 1987

Thomas E. Sands died February 5, 1987 at age 83 after almost 60 years of distinguished service as trial lawyer, military attorney and business, trust and estate counselor. He practiced with the same firm, Johnson and Sands, from his admission in 1926 until retirement in 1984, interrupted only by military service during World War II. He was active in the Hennepin County Bar Association and was President in 1963-64. He was widely acquainted throughout the legal, business and professional communities; and his bright eyes. Irish smile, delightful conversation and sound advice will be greatly missed.

Tom Sands was born February 8, 1903 in St. Paul. He was on the track and swimming teams at Central High School in Minneapolis, and an enthusiastic musician at the University of Minnesota, playing trumpet in a self-organized orchestra. He was a graduate of the University in 1923 and of the University of Minnesota Law School in 1926. He was a member of Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

Tom Sands began practice in 1926 in Minneapolis with Andrew N. Johnson, and taught at Minneapolis College of Law, predecessor of William Mitchell College of Law. Tom was on active duty with the Army Judge Advocate General's Department from 1942 to 1946. He became Chief of the Civil Litigation Division, attained the rank of Colonel and was awarded the Legion of Merit.

Tom Sands and Colette Wimmer were married at Belgrade, Minnesota, Colette's home town, in 1929, and a daughter, Mary Landis now living at Elm Grove, Wisconsin, was born in 1931. Tom and Colette were active members of Alexandria Country Club, and developed many lifelong friends during the summers. The lake was a large part of Tom's life and was a continued safe anchorage and source of inner peace.

Tom and Colette have been members of Catholic Church of The Annunciation in Minneapolis since 1939, and Tom was one of the first lay Eucharistic ministers of that parish. He was a former member of the Minneapolis Athletic Club, Minneapolis Golf Club and Minneapolis Club.

Tom Sands was known as a man of absolute honesty and integrity and was an example of excellence, dignity and honor throughout his professional life. He had great intellect and perceptive knowledge of the law. He also had firm beliefs about what the law and lawyers should be, and was an articulate teacher and advocate with associates, judges, opposing counsel

and clients. He was known as an exacting taskmaster who was also a firm friend and defender. There was a distinctive chemistry in Tom Sands which combined with confident optimism and a strong sense of compassion and duty to create an intense bond of loyalty and trust between him and his clients, and many became lifelong friends.

Tom Sands earned and kept the respect and trust of everyone who knew him, and there are many who have said, "He was the best teacher I ever had." We will miss his wisdom, counsel, example and friendship.

**MAURICE C. LIZEE** 

# SAMUEL LOUIS SHORE

May 8, 1892 — September 3, 1986

Last year, the nation celebrated the immigrant to America — with much romanticism. My father was that immigrant.

Twelve years old, he arrived from the Russian Ukraine with his family. speaking no English, having no money. In the next twelve years, he sold newspapers, shined shoes, played baseball and gathered wood paving blocks from a torn-up street to warm the icy Duluth winter. He worked while he attended Northwestern College of Law at night (now William Mitchell College of Law), and he became a member of the Bar.

He was the romanticized immigrant also in his devotion to democracy. I was very young when mother woke me to hear by father tell a radio audience why Floyd B. Olson should be re-elected governor. Olson was my father's first political hero — not only because of his policies to help "the little guy," as my dad often said, but also because Floyd Olson could speak Yiddish as well as my dad. Later, he counted as friends Hubert Humphrey, Orville Freeman, Arthur Naltalin, Don Fraser and many more DEL leaders — but also Luther Youngdahl. Over 30 years ago, a young man just out of law school received counsel — and some clients — from Lou Shore. He was Fritz Mondale.

Dad's commitment to democracy included support for a host of civic organizations, supplementing government in meeting human needs. He was a longtime member of Masonic Lodge Khurum 112 and Zuhrah Temple of the Shrine, was head of the Minneapolis chapters of the American Jewish Congress, B'nai Brith, and the Jewish Labor Committee; a longtime director of the Talmud Torah and the Minneapolis Federation for Jewish Service.

His idea of democracy included devotion to public schools and the separation of church and state, for which he worked and debated and — yes — even lost old friends. Among papers I found at his bedside was a scrap on which he was straining for the most effective wording for this idea: "public schools are the greatest democratizing principle of the U.S."

About his law practice of 60 years, he was proudest of several cases that never went to court — couples he brought back to marriage after they had come to him for a divorce. He also was proud of his admission to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court in 1927 and cases he won against Wall Street law firms. His memory was prodigious, not only for the details of

lawsuits he had argued decades before but even for bridge games he had played and could replay card for card in his mind.

A man of strong will with the intellect and physical strength to make the will effective, he achieved almost everything he wanted to achieve, dominating circumstances and often the people around him. He was a powerful presence.

**WILLIAM B. SHORE** 

### KENNETH DALE SIEGFRIED

December 3, 1925 — April 9, 1986

Kenneth Dale Siegfried was born December 3, 1925 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Upon his parents moving to Madison, South Dakota, he attended both elementary and high school graduating from the latter in 1943. After attending college in Madison for a year, Ken entered the United States Army Air Force in 1944. He served for three years at air bases in Tampa, Florida and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma as a radar technician.

In 1947, he entered lowa State University at Ames, where he studied electrical engineering. He graduated from that school with a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering in 1951 and subsequently was employed for four years by General Motors, Inc. as a field engineer. In 1950, he met and married Betty Jean Sprague. They soon were blessed with two children, Bruce and Lee Ann. In 1955, Ken and Betty moved to Minneapolis. Entering the employ of the patent department of Honeywell, Inc., Ken worked primarily upon new developments in aviation. He then entered William Mitchell College of Law, which he attended while working for Honeywell. At the same time, he was admitted to practice before the U.S. Patent Office.

Upon graduation from law school in 1959, Ken became patent counsel for Maico, Inc. In 1960, he became one of the founders of the patent and trademark law firm of Schroeder & Siegfried, where he could make appropriate use of his excellent technical background and skills. He continued to practice in that firm throughout the remainder of his career, while specializing in litigation which requires the attention to details at which he excelled.

Ken was a hard-working, hard-hitting, no-nonsense type of trial lawyer who called matters as he saw them, whether in his favor or not. He liked litigation best of all, and devoted most of his practice to that aspect of the law. He was a member of the Association of Trial Lawyers and also a registered electrical engineer.

Ken had a wide variety of interests and hobbies which included hunting, basketball, football, music, art, model airplanes, shop work and construction of early gun replicas. His greatest interests, however, were in his church and his beloved Masonic Order. He was active in Aldersgate United Methodist Church in St. Louis Park, where he was a lay leader. He was also on the state board of the American Diabetes Association. He devoted most of his time outside his work to his Masonic activities. He was a past Potentate of the Zuhrah Shrine Temple and Vice President of the Midwest

Shrine Association. As one of his fellow Shriners put it, "he was the kind of man who gives charity without anybody knowing about it. He gave unselfishly of his time." He was never happier than when working for a good cause or rendering assistance to an acquaintance in distress.

In addition to his many friends, he is survived by his wife, Betty; his son, Bruce and daughter, Lee Ann Christiansen; two grandchildren; his brother, Neal; and his three sisters, Betty Spang, Leita Feay and Gladys McCracken.

**EVERETT J. SCHROEDER** 

### NORMAN F. STEWART

July 18, 1916 — October 15, 1986

Norman E. Stewart was born in Fort Dodge, Iowa, July 18, 1916, and died October 15, 1986, only a few days after physicians discovered that he suffered from leukemia.

Norman grew to maturity in lowa and, like many other men his age, his first career was in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was assigned to the Military Police and ultimately became commander of a prisoner-of-war camp in New Caledonia. Here he demonstrated an unusual ability to learn the Japanese language and in early 1945 he was returned to the University of Michigan for concentrated study of the language. In January, 1946, he was assigned as a counterintelligence officer in Japan where he spent two years. He became interested in Japanese arts and customs and continued to expand and enjoy his knowledge.

After he was discharged, Norman enrolled at the Minneapolis College of Law. While attending he was employed at the Minneapolis Collection Bureau and that was the root of his principal activity in the practice of law. He was admitted to the bar in 1953 and headed the Collection Bureau, until his retirement in 1981. He developed a large creditor practice and was recognized as an expert in the field.

For many years Norman was active in politics and civic affairs and he served as an alderman of the Minneapolis 13th Ward for two terms commencing in 1955. Norman was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Edina, sang in its choir, recently served on the vestry and was active in many of its other activities.

Before his army service, Norman was employed for a short period in Mankato, Minn., where he met Francelia Smith and they were married on June 6, 1942. They had four children: Michael Stewart, Elizabeth Stewart and twins, Victoria and Tamara.

Any tribute to Norman Stewart must remember his six-foot five-inch frame, Lincolnesque bearing, generous gray hair and moustache and his gentle manner of bearing and speech. He was that kind of a person and in response he was loved and admired by all who knew him.

WILLIAM M. THOMSON

# FREDFRICK W. THOMAS

December 12, 1911 — June 22, 1986

Fred Thomas was a lawyer of special character. He was born in Minneapolis, the son of a distinguished Professor and Dean at the University of Minnesota. Fred's life of accomplishment was its own tribute to his victory over hearing and coordination difficulties that he had incurred in childhood. Fred never allowed his handicaps to interfere with his education, his ongoing learning, or his marvelous sense of humor. He was educated at Carlton and the University of Minnesota. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and graduated from the University with honors in 1936. While at the University, he was editor of the campus humor magazine Ski U Mah. He graduated from Harvard Law School in 1939, a member of Order of the Coif.

Fred taught as well as practiced in the field of taxation, but he was also able and skilled in a broad range of legal matters particularly real property and estate planning. He practiced initially with the Fowler Youngquist Firm. He served overseas with the State Department of the United States. While serving in England he met and married his wife Belle, who predeceased him. In 1958, he became a member of O'Connor Green & Thomas and he continued to practice until his final illness. He was always an active and respected member of the Bar Association. His successful handling of large and significant legal matters never caused him to lose touch with his many personal friends and clients.

Fred had a broad range of interests beyond the law — music, golf, literature, travel, and conservation, to name a few.

He is survived by his daughter Sheila Jensen, her husband John, and their two children. Fred was a loving parent and grandparent. He was also a beloved and caring friend and advisor to each of us who knew him or who practiced with him. His wit and his sensitivity are missed.

**KENNETH W. GREEN** 

### HORACE VAN VALKENBURG

June 5, 1901 — February 8, 1987

Horace was born on June 5, 1901, in Minneapolis, and graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1924 and from the Minneapolis College of Law in 1926. He practiced first as a law clerk for and sharing offices with his father Jesse, also a lawyer, and then starting his own firm, Van Valkenburg, Blaisdell and Moss, one of the predecessors of the current Moss and Barnett.

He "wanted more than anything to be a lawyer, and a darn good one," to which cause he devoted most of the rest of his life. He graduated second in his law school class, and became a very active and hard working member of the Hennepin County and Minnesota State Bar Associations. He served for a number of years as Secretary of the State Bar Association (which at that time meant being the unpaid executive director), and as its President from 1946-47. He never lost interest in the Hennepin County or State Bar Associations, and he never stopped being involved in the meetings and activities of both.

The words which come to mind to describe Horace (in addition to "hardworking," "dedicated," "thoughtful," and "always willing to help") are "integrity," "graciousness" and "wit." Above all else, he was proud of the fact that he had never once gone back on his word as an attorney. To clients, other attorneys, judges and court personnel, and to members of the general public, he was always a most gracious gentleman. Finally, no matter how serious the occasion, he was renowned for his witty remark, his quick comeback, and his clever bon mot.

In addition, his family and close friends knew him as inquisitive: always interested in new ideas and developments (not just in law, but in science and philosophy); becoming proficient in the Spanish language to better enjoy trips to his beloved Mexico; and attending University of Minnesota Extension Division evening classes all of his life (even after his retirement from the legal profession). Finally is his love of classical music; after his retirement, he never missed a Minnesota Symphony Orchestra Coffee Concert, and he was the first male to enroll in the Continuing Education for Women Series taught by Mary Ann Feldman at Orchestra Hall.

For much of his life he was an avid fisherman, and an active member of the Isaac Walton League. He belonged to a group of lawyers and judges which each spring celebrated VE Day by canoeing down the St. Croix River from Taylors Falls to Marine, until their advancing age made it no longer prudent to do so.

He is survived by his wife, Julia Patty Van Valkenburg, his sons, James (an attorney with Thomsen, Nybeck, Johnson, Bouquet, Van Valkenburg, Ohnstad & Smith, P.A.) and Paul (an attorney with Moss & Barnett), and eight grandchildren who were the light of his life.

He was truly a man of many interests and a man for all seasons.

JAMES VAN VALKENBURG PAUL VAN VALKENBURG

### ROBERT L. VAN FOSSEN

July 4, 1898 — January 1, 1987

Robert L. Van Fossen, a Minneapolis lawyer for 50 years and the first president of the Minneapolis Jaycees in 1931, died of a heart attack January 1, 1987, at his winter home in Naples, Florida, at the age of 88. Bob was born July 4, 1898, in Minneapolis. He joined the French army during World War I as an ambulance driver and received France's highest award for bravery. When the United States entered the war, he joined the U.S. Army.

Bob was graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1925 and then formed a partnership with his father, Van Fossen and Van Fossen had offices in the Soo Line Building in downtown Minneapolis. He was a court-appointed condemnation commissioner in the mid-1960s. He awarded cash settlements to businesses displaced by Interstate Hwy. 94 in the Hennepin-Lyndale area. In 1967 Bob became associated with the Minneapolis law firm now known as Dorsey & Whitney in an "of counsel" capacity. He retired 10 years later.

He was regarded as a specialist in labor relations. Gov. Luther Youngdahl named him chairman of a commission to study problems in the Minneapolis public schools after a 22-day teachers strike in 1951. Van Fossen also was a member of a three-man fact-finding board that tried to help settle a 1958 strike by Austin city employees. "Bob didn't talk much, he was quiet and came across as cautious sometimes," said a longtime friend, Lester Malkerson. "He was a very concerned person and had friends on both sides of the fence, labor and management, who respected him."

Bob served as general counsel to many of Minnesota's small and mediumsized business corporations, bringing to them outstanding business acumen and judgment as well as competent, practical legal advice. Another interest of his was the Northeast Neighborhood House, now called Eastside Neighborhood Services, Inc. He was a former member of its board of directors and did the legal work to set up the Northeast Booster Club as a nonprofit organization.

He is survived by his daughters Theodosia McConnell of Minneapolis, Courtenay of Campbell Hall, New York, and Sandra Porter of Bethesda, Maryland; sister Gladys of Santa Barbara, California; ten grandchildren and one great-grandson.

HORACE HITCH

### CARL O. WEGNER

December 13, 1897 — June 13, 1986

Carl O. Wegner was born on December 13, 1897 at Carrol, lowa. He died on June 13, 1986 at Minneapolis. Minnesota.

Carl was married to Harriett Galman on June 26, 1926. They had two children, James L. Wegner and Mary R. Nelson. He is survived by his wife, both children, and grandchildren, Leanne Wegner, Mary Staats, Karl Wegner, Carole Wegner, Mark Nelson and Leslie Nelson.

He graduated from Morningside College in Iowa and went on to graduate from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1927. He worked his way through both college and law school.

Carl practiced law in Northeast Minneapolis from 1928 until his retirement in 1983 and specialized in probate and business law. He represented that district in the Minnesota State Legislature for approximately ten years in the 1940's and 1950's. While serving in the legislature, he was chairman of the Judiciary Committee. It was very unusual for a conservative to win that many elections in a predominantly liberal area.

Carl served his country during World War I in the Army Air Force. He loved to hunt and fish and helped support organizations that were involved in the preservation of our wildlife. He was very active in local civic and business groups such as the Masonic Lodge, Kiwanis and Lions Club.

Carl was a "gentleman" in the old-fashioned sense of the word. He was a good lawyer. He was a good person. I miss him.

**DERCK AMERMAN** 

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