

**MEMORIAL EXERCISES
FOR DECEASED MEMBERS**

of the

**RAMSEY COUNTY BAR
ASSOCIATION**



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ANNUAL MEMORIAL EXERCISES

Court House, Saturday, April 9, 1966, 10:00 A.M.

On Saturday, April 9, 1966, Memorial Services in honor of those members of the Ramsey County Bar who died during the past year were held in the Court House.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF RAMSEY.

District Court, Second Judicial District.

Present: Judge Edward J. Devitt of the United States District Court; Judge James C. Otis of the Minnesota Supreme Court; Judges Clayton Parks, Albin S. Pearson, Robert V. Rensch, John W. Graff, Archie L. Gingold, Edward D. Mulally, Harold W. Schultz and David E. Marsden of the Ramsey County District Court, and Arthur A. Stewart, Retired Judge of the Ramsey County District Court; Judge Andrew A. Glenn of the Ramsey County Probate Court; Judges J. Jerome Plunkett, Otis H. Godfrey, J. Clifford Janes, James M. Lynch and Edward K. Delaney of the St. Paul Municipal Court.

Also present: Officers and members of the Ramsey County Bar Association and families and friends of deceased members of the Bar.

JUDGE JOHN W. GRAFF: Ladies and gentlemen, in conformity with a custom of long standing, we meet here today to pay thoughtful tribute to the members of the bar who have passed away during the preceding year. As is customary, the exercises today will be conducted by the Ramsey County Bar Association, and the Court at this time will recognize Mr. James H. Geraghty, the President of the Ramsey County Bar Association.

MR. GERAGHTY: Your Honor, members of the court, members of the bar, families and friends of our deceased members of the bar, the memorials which will be presented today have been prepared by our Committee on Legal History and Biography, and it gives me pleasure at this time to call upon Everett L. Peterson who is chairman of our memorial program, to conduct the remainder of this program.

JUDGE GRAFF: Mr. Peterson.

MR. PETERSON: May it please the Court and friends, since we met here a year ago for a similar purpose, we have been saddened by the loss of eleven of our members through death, and it is fitting to cease our activities this day for a few moments to pay tribute to them. Various members of the Association have prepared memorials, and they will be presented at this time. Memorials will be read for:

**Robert C. Buell
Gerhard J. Bundlie
Henry Post Currer
Irving Gotlieb
Armand W. Harris
Hugo Hendricks, Sr.
Walter T. Mack
John McConneloug
John J. Sexton
Roy J. Wendel
William F. Woods**

MR. PETERSON: The memorial for Robert C. Buell has been prepared by Robert J. Beugen, Howard J. Stacker and Kenneth E. Tilsen. Mr. Tilsen will present the memorial.

Mr. Tilsen read the memorial for Mr. Buell.

A highly promising career came to a tragic end on January 10, 1966, with the death of Robert C. Buell. Robert was born in Pipestone, Minnesota, on April 10, 1935. He graduated from Pipestone High School in 1953 and then attended Carleton College from where he graduated in 1958 with a major in Economics.

His many and varied interests and abilities were manifested early in his short life. To highlight a few of his accomplishments, Robert was an Eagle Scout, a winner of a state-wide award for amateur dramatics, a pilot, and a winner of a Civil Air Patrol trip to Europe while a member of the Civil Air Patrol.

However, Robert's keenest interest was in Law—the law itself, the shaping of future decisional law and the practice of law. Upon his graduation from the University of Minnesota Law School, he began practicing in St. Paul with the law firm of Robins, Davis & Lyons, where he had been employed since 1962.

Although skilled in many facets of the practice of law, Robert's forte was the Tort area. His research and original thought were worthy of publication, and his ability as a trial lawyer was developing rapidly. He was an active member of the American Trial Lawyers Association and the Ramsey County Bar Association.

Robert is survived by his wife, Suzanne; a son, Montgomery; his mother, Rhea, who lives in Pipestone; and by his brother, James, who lives in Estherville, Iowa.

The death of Robert C. Buell is a tragic loss to his family, his friends, and to the Bar Association.

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD G. STACKER
ROBERT J. BEUGEN
KENNETH E. TILSEN

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Tilsen. The memorial for Gerhard J. Bundlie has been prepared by Lewis L. Anderson, James E. Kelley and C. Paul Smith. It will be presented by Mr. Kelley.

MR. C. PAUL SMITH: Mr. Kelley has requested me to present this memorial.

MR. PETERSON: This is Mr. C. Paul Smith.

Mr. Smith read the memorial for Mr. Bundlie.

Gerhard J. Bundlie was born on the 26th day of October, 1889, at Red Wing, Minnesota. His father and mother both came from Norway. The birth place of his father Ole J. Bundlie was Hurdal, Norway. He immigrated to the United States at the age of 24 and settled at Red Wing, Minnesota. Gerhard's mother, whose maiden name was Gertrude J. Brusegard, was born near Sogn, Norway. At the age of 9 she came with her family to the United States and they settled at Red Wing. They were residing there for some time prior to the arrival of Ole Bundlie. Gerhard's father and mother were married at Red Wing and had five children, three daughters and two sons. Gerhard was the second child and the eldest son.

Shortly after the youngest child arrived, the Bundlie family moved to Stillwater, Minnesota, and the father acquired a small retail grocery store which he owned and operated for many years. All of the children received their preliminary education in the grade school and attended the high school at Stillwater. Gerhard graduated from the Stillwater High school with the Class of 1907.

After graduating, he enrolled at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minnesota, from which he graduated in 1911 with honors, and was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then taught high school at Ely and Little Falls, Minnesota for three years for the primary purpose of providing himself with funds to finance his legal education.

As a freshman at high school, he had decided he wanted to be a lawyer and planned his course of studies at high school and in college to prepare himself for the law. He was from early youth an outstanding student and enjoyed and excelled in oratory and debate, both at high school and in college. He enrolled as a freshman in the St. Paul College of Law in the Fall of 1914. At the same time he entered the employ of the law firm of Denege and McDermott as a clerk in that office. He graduated from the St. Paul College of Law in June of 1917 with honors, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota on motion in the same month and year.

He, as with most of the Class of 1917, attempted to enter the Armed Forces of the United States. World War I was then in progress, but because of his small stature he was unable to enter the Service until the Summer of 1918 when he was permitted to enlist in the Intelligence Division of the United States Navy. He continued his association with the firm of Denege and McDermott until he entered the Armed Forces. After the Armistice and in January of 1919, he returned to the Denege and McDermott firm where he remained until May 15, 1919. On that day he and James E. Kelley became partners in the practice of law and opened their offices in the Guardian Building in the City of St. Paul. Kelley had also entered the St. Paul College of Law in the Fall of 1914, and Bundlie and he soon became close friends. Kelley had entered the employ of Orr, Stark and Kidder as a law clerk in the Summer of 1914, and he remained with this firm until he joined the United States Army about the same time as Bundlie had entered Service in 1918. Both Senator Denege's and Senator Orr's firms had excellent law libraries, and during those years the library of the St. Paul

College of Law was practically nonexistent. Law students of the St. Paul College of Law, who through their employment as law clerks had access to good libraries, were fortunate. The privilege of using a good law library was a fringe benefit that equaled, if it did not surpass, the pecuniary reward that law firms were accustomed to paying their law clerks in St. Paul a half century ago. During those years, law clerks were expected to do a full day's work for their respective employers, and while they had the privilege of using the library for study this privilege was expected to be utilized after the regular office hours. The St. Paul College of Law was then located in Downtown St. Paul so that there was time for study after the day's work was done and before it was time to be in the classroom, and again after class was dismissed about 9:00 o'clock P.M. It was on Saturday afternoons and Sunday that the heavier research was accomplished, and it seemed that greater results were obtained when conducted as a joint effort

During their three years at law school Gay Bundlie and Jim Kelley spent many, hours together in the law library of either Orr, Stark and Kidder, or of Denege and McDermott, and often they were joined by some of the other members of the Class of 1917 who were not so well connected. It was during these years that the friendship which began in 1914 ripened, and by the time they were admitted to the Bar, Bundlie and Kelley had decided that when the War was over they would become partners and practice law in St. Paul together.

The firm maintained its offices in the Guardian Building until 1931 when it moved into the new west wing of the First National Bank Building upon its completion. The partnership continued to office in the First National Bank Building, until the Spring of 1936 when it moved to the Hamm Building. Joseph W. Finley, who had started his legal career as an associate of Bundlie and Kelley and who had left their office to become an assistant to the United States District Attorney in St. Paul, joined the firm as a partner in 1938. The name of the firm was then changed to Bundlie, Kelley and Finley. Joe Finley remained a partner in the firm until his death in 1953. In the

meantime, Joseph A. Maun, who had begun his legal career with the firm, became a partner in October of 1944. The name of the firm then became Bundlie, Kelley, Finley and Maun. When Joe Finley died his name was dropped from the firm, and the partnership then consisted of Bundlie, Kelley and Maun until 1959. Joe Maun at that time withdrew from the partnership and organized his own firm. Mandt Torrison, who for many years had been an associate of the firm, then became a partner under the firm name of Bundlie, Kelley and Torrison, until Bundlie retired as a partner as of December 31, 1965.

In the Spring of 1921 Bundlie married Alice J. Davis, who had been for a number of years prior to her marriage employed as a secretary of Tom McDermott of the Denege and McDermott law firm.

Bundlie's life was most active and meaningful. He was a prodigious worker and seemed endowed with tireless energy. His capacity for work was unusual. Early in his professional life he was recognized as a very able and respected member of the Bar. He was most meticulous in his work and had an exceptional command of the English language. In his practice he directed most of his energy toward real estate, corporate, probate and insurance law. In his earlier years before the Bar he was active as a trial lawyer and particularly in cases which were tried before the Court. During this period he prepared and argued most of the firm's cases that were appealed to the Appellate Courts and did so with exceptional skill and success.

Soon after he returned from World War I he became interested in the American Legion. He was one of the organizers and a charter member of Hamline Post No. 450, which subsequently, became the Business and Professional Men's Post No. 450, with offices in Downtown St. Paul. He was elected the third Commander of Hamline Post, was at one time Commander of the Fourth District, and for a number of years was a member of the State Executive Committee. Each year, for years until his death, he was annually.

elected as the Post Historian of the Business and Professional Men's Post No. 450.

He was always active in civic and public affairs, and in the year 1930, against his better judgment and at the persistent pressure of many of his friends, particularly those active in Legion affairs, he became a candidate, and was elected Mayor of St. Paul. He succeeded the former Mayor Larry Hodgson and was defeated for re-election by the labor candidate, William Mahoney. Although not again a candidate for any public office, his interest in politics and in civic matters continued throughout his entire life. He was a staunch Republican and a great admirer of the Late Senator Robert Taft. He was conservative in his thinking, had the courage of his convictions, and never hesitated to give them forthright expression. He was a firm believer in the philosophy that "government is best which governs least".

Throughout his life Bundlie was a devout Christian. He was an active member for many years in the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church which he liberally supported with his talents and his purse. He was very tolerant in his views toward all other denominations. For years he had been the Protestant Chairman of the National Council of Christians and Jews. While he received many honors and awards throughout his life, the citation which gave him the greatest pleasure was the Humanitarian Award from the Mount Zion Temple of St. Paul in 1957 which reads as follows:

"To Gerhard J. Bundlie, servant and leader of his community in civic, religious and fraternal work; whose hands have reached across many barriers and opened the gates to wider understanding and fellowship—this Humanitarian Award is given."

The thirst for knowledge that he had acquired as a youth continued throughout his entire life. He firmly believed that no one was ever too old to learn. He thoroughly enjoyed the many hours spent in his home after the day's work was done in reading the classics in prose

and poetry. He never tired of his search after the truth and reveled in the study of history, modern and ancient. He was a brilliant orator. His services were in demand as a speaker before many audiences in and out of the State of Minnesota. Whenever it was at all possible, he willingly accepted these invitations. He enjoyed these opportunities, was always thoroughly at ease, never was at a loss for words, and never spoke with the aid of notes. He had prepared a few lectures that he would give from time to time before various groups.

Many years ago his combined interest in the law, religion and history, prompted him to research the trial of Christ. Later on he chose to narrate his findings to a group that had requested him to give an after-dinner talk. Since that beginning and into the year 1965, a very large number of people heard Gerhard Bundlie speak to them on "The Legal Aspects of the Trial of Christ".

He enjoyed and appreciated music as much as he did literature. He would sing with as much zest as he would orate. Wherever and whenever a group of men would burst into song and he was in the group, he would quickly emerge as the leader with the expertise of a professional choral director. He seemed always able to readily remember the words and music of any song that any one wanted to sing or hear. No doubt it was this facet of his character that caused someone to give him the nickname "Gay". He was "Gay" Bundlie when he arrived' as a freshman at law school in 1914, and was affectionately known as "Gay" by all who knew him well ever since.

While wedded to the law as his profession, Bundlie s avocation was Free Masonry. His Masonic record is most impressive. He was a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, A. F. & A. M. St. Paul, a member of all the York Rite Bodies, past Potentate of Osman Temple, and Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Minnesota. He gave much of his time to Scottish Rite Masonry, and had few equals as a student of Masonic history. Every week while the meetings of the Scottish Rite were held at the Temple in St. Paul, he would deliver a lecture to the Scottish Rite class, drawing

on his boundless fund of Masonic lore. The lesson and purpose of each degree was explained clearly and nowhere were Scottish Rite Masons better informed than those in the Valley of St. Paul. He was the Venerable Master of the Lodge of Perfection from 1938 to 1946, was Coroneted with the 33rd Degree of the Scottish Rite on November 18, 1945, was class lecturer and instructor from 1945 to 1966, a member of the Red Cross of Constantine, and Editor of the Scottish Rite Journal.

He was one of the founders and organized the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of St. Paul. This was the first savings and loan association that was organized with a Federal charter in this City. It was incorporated and received its charter in the year 1934. From a small beginning the First Federal Savings and Loan Association has become one of the very strong financial institutions in the City of St. Paul. This growth has been largely due to Bundlie's leadership and wise counsel. Upon its organization, he was elected President and occupied that office and was its General Counsel until the date of his death. In the year 1965, plans were being made by the Board of Directors for a new building made necessary by the growth of this institution. It was because of the increased demands upon his time and of his desire to lighten his work load that he reluctantly decided to retire from the active practice of law at the close of the year 1965. It was his intention to relieve himself of as many of his responsibilities as he could and to have more time for travel which he thoroughly enjoyed.

No children were born to the Bundlie marriage. Although he never had any of his own, he was very fond of all children with whom he came in contact and these were many. He was of a gentle nature and had a way with children that immediately inspired their confidence and made them feel at ease. He would join in their play and they found him great fun and liked being with him.

Gerhard J. Bundlie departed this life on February 8, 1966, at the age of seventy-six years, three months and thirteen days. Death came after a very short illness and was most unexpected. It came as a

distinct shock to his family and to all others who knew him well. For his entire life he had enjoyed excellent health and to be confined to his bed because of illness was almost unknown to him.

He left surviving him his widow, Alice, two sisters, Agnes M. Borne-man of Pipestone, Minnesota, Gertrude L. Collins of San Marino, California, a brother, Ordner T. Bundlie of Pipestone, Minnesota, a niece and seven nephews, and many, many friends.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES E. KELLEY, Chairman
LEWIS L. ANDERSON
C. PAUL SMITH

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Smith. A committee consisting of Judge Andrew A. Glenn, Fred A. Kueppers and Gustav A. Larson have prepared a memorial for Henry Post Currer—Mr. Larson.

Mr. Larson read the memorial for Mr. Currer.

Henry Post Currer was born November 29, 1882, at Hebron, Illinois, and lived for a time in Girard, Kansas, then in Menomonie, Wisconsin. His family moved to Minnesota and he graduated from the Le Sueur, Minnesota, high school in 1902. One of his classmates was another illustrious member of the St. Paul bar, Mr. Michael Doherty. The two of them, together with Mr. Currer's sister, Alice, constituted the state high school championship debating team of 1902, winning the Minneapolis Journal cup that year.

After graduation from high school, Mr. Currer spent a year at the University of Minnesota, and then went to work for the Northern Pacific Railroad as a car clerk. Later he entered the general office of the railroad in the office of auditor of freight receipts where he worked until 1913.

While working for the railroad, he attended evening classes at the St. Paul College of Law for three years. He graduated from law school in the spring of 1910 and was admitted to the Minnesota Bar in June of that said year.

For a short time he practiced law with the firm of O'Brien, Horn and Stringer.

On June 30, 1915, Henry Curren and Margaret Porter were married in St. Paul. Three children were born to them, of which two survive: a daughter Elizabeth Wolf, and a son Robert Curren. Mrs. Curren also survives her husband [who died on July 11, 1965]. Another son, Lieutenant Junior Grade David Curren, a graduate of Annapolis Naval Academy, was killed in World War II.

On June 1, 1913, Mr. Curren was appointed Deputy Clerk of the Ramsey County Probate Court, serving as Inheritance Tax Clerk. The appointment was made by Hon. Edmund W. Bazille, then probate judge. Mr. Curren was reappointed by the succeeding probate judges, Hon. Howard Wheeler, Hon. Albin S. Pearson and Hon. Michael F. Kinkead. On December 24, 1940, Judge Kinkead appointed Mr. Curren the Clerk of Probate Court. He was reappointed Clerk by Hon. Edward J. Devitt and Hon. Andrew A. Glenn.

On May 1, 1957, Mr. Curren was appointed the first referee in probate in this county by Judge Glenn. Henry Curren retired from public service on December 31, 1963, at age 81.

On the occasion of the retirement of Mr. Curren from office with the Probate Court, a special committee of the Ramsey County Bar Association had this to say about him:

"For two or three generations Henry Curren has been the educator of the members of the bar. He has seen every type of case that comes within the jurisdiction of the Court. It is even suggested that some of the Probate Judges have used Henry as a sort of ultimate court of appeals. Others, including

Judges, have written about the new Probate Code; but when it, comes right down to earth, it has come to Henry to tell us what it means.

"We came into more intimate relations with Henry on term days. It was then that he was master of ceremonies. When he administered the oath to witnesses he was a veritable English chancellor. It is a matter of record that no witness who took the oath from Henry was ever charged with perjury. * * * After administering the oath, Henry modified the austerity thereof by stating to the witness in subdued and kindly words 'You may be seated in the witness chair.' "

This last quoted statement recalls to most of us the way we best remember our departed friend.

Mr. Curren was highly respected as a most sincere and dedicated public employee. He was considered an authority on Minnesota Inheritance Taxes as evidenced by an article written by him published in 1938 in Volume 23 Minnesota Law Review, page 120.

Henry Curren was always a friend and helper of the members of the Bar and the many citizens of the community who from time to time had occasion to deal with the Court. He was a loyal and faithful member of the staff of the Clerk's Office. He made generous contributions to the solution of many problems that came before the Court. Many lawyers, both young and old, experienced and inexperienced, from time to time called upon him for his guidance in meeting perplexing problems.

He always responded graciously and with competence. One of the very best evidences of his worth to the Court may well be found in the fact that he served as a member of the staff under five judges.

Mr. Curren was very active in church activities. For some years he was an elder of East Presbyterian Church, since merged into Arlington Hills Presbyterian Church. Then he was a member for

many decades of the First Evangelical United Brethren Church in St. Paul, serving as a junior church speaker (lay preacher) from 1934 until about 1956. He was on the church board (the council of administration) for a good number of years and served as a Sunday School teacher as well.

One of the activities very close to his heart was the Union Gospel Mission of St. Paul. Mr. Currer became a member of its Board of Directors in 1929 and served continuously in that capacity until his death. He served as vice president of the board from 1946 through 1956 and was president pro tem for a time in 1956.

Henry Post Currer was an outstanding example of a devoted public servant, but his life went further than that: he was also a splendid family man and a fine church man; he was an outstanding citizen.

The annals of history will not necessarily record the things that Mr. Currer had done, but we will long fondly remember him as a Christian gentleman who was a real credit to the Bar of this state.

HON. ANDREW A. GLENN
FRED A. KUEPPERS
GUSTAV A. LARSON

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Larson. Harry A Paulet, William Serbine and Ralph Stacker have prepared a memorial for Irving Gotlieb. It will be presented by Mr. Paulet.

Mr. Paulet read the memorial for Mr. Gotlieb.

Irving Gotlieb was born on the West side of Saint Paul on February 4, 1902. There he attended grade school and graduated from Humboldt High School in 1919. At Humboldt he had a great interest

in sports and was a member of the track team. He excelled in the 100 yard dash. He attended Hamline University for a time and obtained his law degree from the University of Minnesota in 1924.

During these early years and throughout his life he was very active in communal work. It is recalled by his early friends that while a member of the Utopian Club, an unusual intellectual group of high school students, he was a violinist in the club's orchestra which held recitals in Neighborhood House. This group remained intact for many years. Irving was talented with the violin and was also an active debater.

In 1924 he commenced the practice of law on an individual basis, and then was associated with Messrs. Harry Weiss, Stan J. Donnelly and Warren Newcome until 1930 when he joined the staff of the Corporation Counsel of the City of Saint Paul as City Prosecutor. Later he became Assistant Corporation Counsel and served in that position for about five years. His honesty, integrity and fair play manifest in his early years characterized him all his life.

In 1935 he made a trip to Canada to visit relatives. While there, he was introduced to his future wife, Bess, who was from Winnipeg. They were married within a short time. In 1937 their daughter, Susan was born.

In 1940 Irving returned to the private practice of law. He established his office in the Minnesota Building where he was associated for many years with Russell Swenson, now deceased. Later he moved to the new Degree of Honor Building.

He served for a time as President of B'nai B'rith. He was active in Masonry, Capital City Lodge and the Scottish Rite, Valley of Saint Paul and was a member of Osman Temple Shrine.

He was very devoted to the legal profession. He gave constantly of his time and energy to the Minnesota and Ramsey County Bar Associations. His fellow lawyers honored him by electing him to the

presidency of the Ramsey County Bar in 1963; and it was during his presidency and to a large measure through Irving's efforts, that a perpetual memorial to the noted legal scholar, Roscoe Pound, was proposed and later became a reality. This memorial is now located in the State Capitol.

His work for the State Bar Association is exemplified by the many years he served as chairman of the standing committee on Legal Aid—Legal Reference. He held this assignment to the time of his death [on December 20, 1965]. During his chairmanship various plans and proposals for providing legal services to the disadvantaged were begun and even now are being studied and improved. Mr. Gotlieb traveled and spent much time and effort providing great impetus to these programs. He was always interested in and dedicated to the problems of the disadvantaged.

Memory of Irving Gotlieb would be incomplete without mention of his deep religious convictions and his service as one of the outstanding laymen of the Temple of Aaron in Saint Paul. Those of us who attended his funeral will never forget the great tribute paid him by Rabbi Raskas who preached the Eulogy.

Irving was a home loving family man as well as a good lawyer. He openly displayed his affection and admiration for his wife, Bess. They were profoundly devoted to each other. He was very proud of his daughter, Susan who attended the University of Minnesota where her unusual scholastic talents were manifest and she was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society. She has since received her Master's Degree in Sociology.

Many of Irving Gotlieb's personal characteristics have already been mentioned but we will remember him also for his humility, dedication, sincerity, and compassion and his deep concern for the underprivileged. As a profound scholar of the law he made a substantial contribution to the improvement of Jurisprudence.

**Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM M. SERBINE
HARRY E. PAULET
RALPH STACKER**

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Paulet. A committee consisting of John B. Burke, Sr., Harold J. O'Loughlin and Paul Kelly have prepared a memorial for Armand W. Harris. It will be read by Mr. O'Loughlin.

Mr. O'Loughlin read the memorial for Mr. Harris.

Armand W. Harris was born in St. Paul August 15, 1897, the son of Armand. C. Harris and Matilda Rose Harris. He attended Longfellow School here. When the family moved to Delano, Minnesota, he attended Young America High School at Norwood, Minnesota. After graduation he attended the University of Denver Law School for one year. He left school to enlist in the Marine Corps in which he served in France until the armistice. Returning to St. Paul he entered St. Paul College of Law. He was admitted to the bar in 1922 and practiced law in Minneapolis 8 years.

He married Marian Stewart June 15, 1926. They had four Children, James Harris, William Harris and twin daughters, Virginia Harris Kelly, whose husband is Paul Kelly, assistant corporation counsel of St. Paul, and Sister Mary Armand, a Religious in the Dominican Order, stationed at a convent in Illinois.

Armand Harris left the practice of law in the early 30's, adjusting claims for Standard Accident and, then joining the late Fitzhugh & Robert A. Burns in insurance sales. He opened his own agency in 1941 which continued until his son James Harris took over operations a few years ago.

He joined the staff of the Commissioner of Insurance of Minnesota in 1947 with responsibility for rate regulations. In 1948 Governor Luther Youngdahl appointed him Commissioner in which office he served 4 years. He then assumed management of the rate division, of St. Paul Fire & Marine where he continued until his forced retirement.

During all of those years Armand Harris was constantly busy with myriad things in his community. He became recognized as an effective organizer of many projects. He was active in the American Legion and served as Commander of the Mark Hamilton Post. He was among the organizers of our local Junior Chamber of Commerce becoming Secretary of the National organization. Through his entire life he was a member of Ramsey County and American, Bar Associations and Delta Theta Phi law fraternity. He worked annually for funds for the Children's Hospital.

Before appointment as Insurance Commissioner Armand Harris had been an effective organizer of insurance groups and in 1943 was elected President of the Minnesota Association of Insurance Agents. He had already served as President of the St. Paul Association of Agents. Through this period he was chairman of the legislative committee of the Minnesota Insurance Federation. His personal achievement was the adoption of the Uniform Fire Insurance policy by the legislature in 1957.

Harris was gregarious to an extreme. He was a member of St. Paul Club many years—faithfully attending its weekly meetings. The Serra Club of St. Paul memorializes him in its roster as the sole individual who effected its formation in 1940 in St. Paul. He never missed a meeting of this group which enabled Catholic laymen to lunch and to encourage vocations to its priesthood. Any summary of this genial character must cite his tireless interest in the outdoors. He hunted and fished in every place in Minnesota. He had hunting friends in every town. A wide friendship enabled him to effect unity and understanding among members of his profession.

This was his life until 1956 when he suffered a stroke and surgery removed his left leg. He was immobilized through the remaining 9 years of life. His wife, Marian Harris, died in January 1964. Armand Harris died April 12, 1965, leaving nine grandchildren, and an enviable record of civic performance and of interest in his fellow man.

**JOHN B. BURKE
PAUL KELLY
HAROLD J. O'LOUGHLIN**

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. O'Loughlin. A committee consisting of George G. McPartlin, Jerrold J. Sullivan and William Leslie Ulvin have prepared a memorial for Mr. Hugo Hendricks, Sr., which will be presented by Mr. McPartlin.

Mr. McPartlin read the memorial for Mr. Hendricks.

Hugo Hendricks was born in Friesland, an Island in the North Sea off the coast of Germany, on the 17th of July, 1887. He came to the United States to seek his fortune at the age of 16 and worked at many and sundry jobs and occupations until about 1915 when he was attracted to the profession of the law. He was attracted to the law by his love for his new-found country, and his wish to have a part in the protection of the new rights that he found here.

He enrolled in and completed the prescribed courses at the St. Paul College of Law and received a certificate for the completion of the course prescribed by the college in June 1918. He was then confronted by the fact that he had no high school education. He then enrolled in Mechanic Arts High School in the general evening course. While going to high school and on special permission, he was granted a legal diploma by the Board of Law Examiners on the

17th day of March, 1919. Then, being admitted to the Bar, he commenced the practice of law, but continued his education and was graduated from Mechanic Arts High School on May 28, 1920. On the basis of his having fulfilled the requirements of a high school education and his having done such exceptional work during the years he attended the St. Paul College of Law, the college gave him a Bachelor of Laws degree on the 14th day of June, 1920. Mr. Hendricks began practice with the late Judge Oscar Hallam, who was then Dean of the St. Paul College of Law. He practiced with Judge Hallam for a number of years and then began practice by himself. His practice was confined to the state and federal district courts. In later years, as his hearing became bad, he confined his practice to real estate and probate.

He was an avid and enthusiastic hunter. He was to be found strolling in the forests of northern Minnesota, the plains of Wyoming and the mountains of Montana. He was at home in the jungles of Africa where he hunted often as well as the mountain ranges and rivers of Alaska. His most prized hunting trophy was a rare blue bear which he got in Alaska in the middle 1950's.

Mr. Hendricks distinguished himself as an active and popular member of the Bar of Ramsey County, from the date of his admission until his retirement in about 1960.

Hugo Hendricks died on the 29th of July 1965, and left surviving him a daughter and son, Mrs. Bette M. Bradley of Bloomington, Minnesota, and Hugo Hendricks, Jr., of St. Paul, Minnesota.

We, who knew Mr. Hendricks, are proud to have known him.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE G. McPARTLIN
WM. LESLIE ULVIN
JERROLD J. SULLIVAN

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. McPartlin. The memorial for Walter T. Mack has, been prepared by Thomas M. Conlin, Eugene W. Hoppe and William Leslie Ulvin. It will be submitted by Mr. Hoppe.

Mr. Hope read the memorial for Mr. Mack.

Walter T. Mack was born in Ivanhoe, Minnesota on July 29th, 1906. He was one of five children born to John Mack and Veronica Mack. Walter attended the Ivanhoe grade school and high school and thereafter entered St. Paul College of Law, from which institution he was graduated in 1933. Upon being admitted to the practice of law he became associated with Humphrey Barton, a well known personal injury lawyer, who practiced in St. Paul for more than fifty years. Walter became very proficient in personal injury work and was a competent, thorough and conscientious lawyer.

In 1939 he married Lillian Bezdichek. They purchased a home and resided thereafter in Arden Hills, where he served as village trustee for many years.

Walter was an ardent hunter and fisherman and was one of the original organizers of the Arden Hills Sportsmen Club. He also was a member of the armed forces in World War II.

He died as a result of an accident on April 30th, 1965 and is survived by his wife, Lillian, brother, Basil and sisters, Blanche Hanseman and Elizabeth Ranson;

**Respectfully submitted,
EUGENE W. HOPPE
THOMAS M. CONLIN
W. L. ULVIN**

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Hoppe. A committee consisting of Judge Arthur A. Stewart, William Fallon and Mark Gehan have composed a memorial for Mr. John McConneloug. It will be read by Mr. William Fallon.

Mr. Fallon read the memorial for Mr. McConneloug.

John W. McConneloug was born in Eldora, Iowa, on February 23, 1894, the son of John Mitchell McConneloug and Martha Ann McConneloug. His family moved to St. Paul in 1904 and John continued his education here, being graduated from Cretin High School in 1910. In 1914 he enrolled in the St. Paul College of Law and was graduated and admitted to practice in 1917. During his school days he also studied music and was an accomplished pianist.

Mr. McConneloug entered military service in 1918, serving in France and Germany with the 54th Pioneer Infantry; upon his return from service he resumed his employment with the J. H. Allen Co.

In 1921 he began the practice of law in partnership with Daniel W. Lawlor and Michael Kinkead. In 1931 he was selected by Mr. Kinkead, who was then Ramsey county attorney, as one of his assistants in which capacity he served for seven years. He was assigned as legal advisor to the Board of County Commissioners. He was also legal counsel to the City Hall and Court House Building Commission and handled the proceedings for the acquisition of the site for this building as well as all contractual negotiations and the several matters of litigation resulting from its construction.

In 1937 Mr. McConneloug was selected by the then Mayor Mark H. Gehan to succeed John L. Connolly as corporation counsellor for the City of St. Paul, serving as such until 1940 at which time he returned to private practice. By reason of his long service as Assistant County Attorney and City Attorney, the judges of this court appointed him a member of the City Charter Commission, on which body he served for several years, three years of which he was its chairman.

In 1945 Mr. McConneloug was appointed the first Secretary of the Capitol Approach Commission in which position he inaugurated the condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of the properties used in the enlargement of the Capitol grounds. He resigned in 1948 to accept an appointment as Special Counsel for the Oliver Iron Mining Co., a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation. He served as such counsel until his retirement in 1959.

Mr. MoCornieloug was an active member of the Knights of Columbus and as a young man participated in its athletic and entertainment activities. In 1926 he was honored by being elected Deputy Grand Knight and in 1927 he was elected Grand Knight. For many years he served on its Christmas committee, soliciting and distributing gifts to the orphans and poor of this city. For sixteen years he was a member of the Archdiocesan committee on scouting and for several years he was a member of the St. Paul area Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Mr. McCouneloug was elected vice chairman of the Budget Committee of St. Paul's Community Chest for a period of two years and as chairman for an additional two years. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Community Chest for a period of four years.

During his many years of private and public life and because of his profound knowledge of State and Municipal affairs, Mr. McConneloug was often called upon by the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations for his advice and counsel regarding such matters as bond issues, legislative proposals and taxation procedures. His opinions were always well founded and of immense value to his city and community. He was not only a thorough student of the law but he performed his duties in an efficient and expeditious manner and always required his subordinates to render the same kind of service.

Mr. McConneloug was a member of the Ramsey County and Minnesota State Bar Associations. He was also a long time member of the Athletic Club, serving on many of its committees, and for three years as a member of its Board of Directors. He was also a

member of the Minnesota, Club, the St., Paul Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion, Delta Theta Phi law fraternity, Holy Spirit Catholic church and its Men's Club.

On September 25,, 1917, Mr. McConneloug was united in marriage to Genevieve W. Murphy, who, survives him. They have one son John. C. McConneloug of San Francisco and four grandchildren. Mr. McConneloug passed away on October 26, 1965, and his remains were interred in the Fort Snelling National cemetery.

Mr. McConneloug was possessed of a kind and pleasing personality. He was a man of outstanding integrity and character. He was always ready and willing to give of his time and talents to any worthwhile activity that was for the betterment of his church, his community and his fellow man. Those of us who knew him personally have lost a very dear friend and join with his wife and family in mourning their loss.

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR A. STEWART
MARK H. GEHAN
WILLIAM H. FALLON

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Fallon. A committee consisting of Judge Albin S. Pearson, Frank J. Danz, Warren Newcome and Maurice W. Stoffer have prepared a memorial for John J. Sexton, and it will be read by Mr. Newcome.

Mr. Newcome read the memorial for Mr. Sexton.

John J. Sexton was born in Saint Paul, Minnesota on June 10, 1890, the son of Patrick Sexton and Catherine Cronin Sexton, and died at his home on April 26, 1965. He attended Webster Grade School and Cretin High School, and then entered and graduated from Mechanic

Arts High School in Saint Paul. Shortly thereafter, he enrolled as a student at the St. Paul College of Law, now the William Mitchell College of Law, and was graduated therefrom and admitted to the Minnesota Bar in 1911.

While attending law school, he worked in the offices of Moritz Heim and the late Judge Gustavus Loevinger. Shortly after his graduation from law school, he became associated in the practice of law at St. Paul with Colonel Ernest E. Watson and Herbert Abernethy. In 1916, he became a member of the firm of Watson, Sexton and Mordaunt, and successively until his retirement, he was the senior member of the firms of Sexton, Mordaunt and Kennedy; Sexton, Mordaunt, Kennedy and Carroll; Sexton and Kennedy; and Sexton, Tyrrell and Jardine.

In his youth, John was interested in athletics and the out of doors life and was particularly proficient in the sport of ice hockey, and was a valued member of the Mechanic Arts High School hockey team. He was very fond of the open country, and as a boy, spent many happy moments during the summer time on the farm of his maternal grandfather. He was in military service and served with distinction during World War I.

On April 5, 1921, he was married to Evelyn McDonald, and his wife and their five children, Kathryn Sexton, Patrick Sexton, Mary Sexton Walters, Evelyn Sexton and Elizabeth Sexton Schumacher, survive him.

Throughout his legal career, John Sexton occupied a rather unique place at the Minnesota Bar. Colonel Watson, with whom he first practiced law, was one of the original automobile insurance defense counsel in this State, and it was not long until his associate, John Sexton, also became recognized as an expert in the insurance defense field, and such recognition continued throughout his legal career.

John Sexton possessed those inherent qualities essential to a lawyer and advocate: honesty, integrity and clarity of thought, coupled with painstaking industry, loyalty to clients and respect for the courts. Because of his analytical mind and insistence on thorough preparation preliminary to trial, he was an excellent example for the younger men associated with him to emulate. He was an extremely practical man insisting that facts be produced and understood and that he himself work hard and that others do likewise. He not only knew his side of a case, but would do his utmost to learn his opponent's side. He believed that the practice of law was a serious business and a public trust and that adequate presentation of his client's case was essential to success. He wasted no time on trifling matters. He was an unusually successful trial lawyer and extremely adept and effective in the appellate courts.

Throughout his practice, John was always more interested in the conscientious performance of duty than in attempting to create an image that was foreign to his true nature. He viewed the world with a candid eye and there was not a trace of insincerity or hypocrisy in his makeup. Until one became more acquainted with him, he might have appeared to be unduly reserved, but closer association with him dispelled this viewpoint and increased one's respect for his true character. He will be remembered by his family as a good husband and father, by a large part of the general public as a fine citizen, and by the Bench and Bar as an excellent lawyer with a firm grasp of essential legal principles. He will be missed by all who knew him.

**ALBIN S. PEARSON
MAURICE W. STOFFER
FRANK J. DANZ
WARREN NEWCOME**

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Newcome. William J. Dunn, Oliver W. Hedeem and Philip Lonergan have prepared a memorial for Roy J. Wendel, and it will be delivered by Mr. Dunn.

Mr. Dunn read the memorial for Mr. Wendel.

Roy J. Wendel was born in Saint Paul, Minnesota, on June 10, 1905 and was a lifelong resident of St. Paul. He attended grade and high school in St. Paul and was graduated from Johnson High School in 1923. Thereafter, Roy entered St. Paul College of Law from which he graduated in June, 1933. He was admitted to the practice of law in the State of Minnesota on September 14, 1933, and although very much interested in law never engaged in active practice. He was a member of Phi Beta Gamma Legal Fraternity.

In 1932, during the depression days while Roy was attending Law School, he obtained employment with Gordon and Ferguson, and served in various capacities, including credit manager and in 1944 was elevated to the position of secretary-treasurer, which office he held at the time of his death on April 20, 1965.

Roy was a devout member of St. John's Catholic Church of St. Paul and was a willing, tireless worker for his church. He was active in the Knights of Columbus and held various offices in that organization.

Roy enjoyed fishing, played golf, and was an ardent bowler.

He was a dedicated husband and father and his family was his primary consideration.

While on his way to work on the morning of April 20, 1965, he was stricken with a fatal heart attack.

Roy is survived, by his wife, Dorothy L., three children, Patricia A., Richard J. and Kathleen M., and his mother and a sister, Alice Hedeem.

**Respectfully, submitted,
OLIVER W. HEDEEN
PHILIP F. LONERGAN
WILLIAM J. DUNN, Chairman**



MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Dunn. A committee consisting of Winston Ehlmann, B. Warren Hart and William J. McGraw have prepared a memorial for William F. Woods, and it will be read by Mr. Ehlmann.

Mr. Ehlmann read the memorial for Mr. Woods.

William Fabian Woods was born November 20, 1924, in Madison, Wisconsin. He attended grade school in Lake Tomahawk and graduated from the Minocqua, Wisconsin High School in 1942. He served in the ski troops (10th Mountain Division) and then transferred to the Navy, being honorably discharged in 1946.

After graduating from the University of Wisconsin in 1950 with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, he obtained his law degree in 1955 from the same university. When he had gained experience as a patent attorney for private employers, he entered the private practice of patent law in 1959.

In 1951 Mr. Woods married Maxine Elizabeth Schmit at Wausau, Wisconsin. There are four children, Robert, Thomas, Jane and James, to whom he was a loving and devoted parent.

Bill Woods was, above all, an advocate of the strenuous life. He was skilled in tennis, skiing, swimming, golf, and bicycling. He was an ardent mountain climber and fell to his death attempting a difficult climb in the Interstate Park at Taylors Falls on October 10, 1965.

His intellectual interests were wide. He was by nature a philosopher and an interested observer of the human comedy. He loved struggle and competition more than winning, and in all matters, was truly a fine sportsman and a fair opponent.

As a practicing patent lawyer, Bill exhibited all the commendable qualities which were the hallmarks of his personal life. In the

practice of law he was capable, diligent and resourceful and he combined these qualities with a strong and courageous competitive spirit. In his pursuit, support and defense of truth and fairness, he was fearless and resolute. Bill was a man who was not afraid to stand up and be counted.

In matters of public service, Bill was quick to give his time and support and if he could lend his legal skill to help a charitable or community cause or to create increased respect, for the law, he was especially happy to serve.

Because Bill came from outside Minnesota, practiced as a patent specialist and was taken prematurely after a relatively short time in private practice, he was not yet widely known by his fellow lawyers. Those who did know him as an able lawyer and as a personal friend feel there is a great personal and professional loss in his passing.

WILLIAM J. McGRAW
WINSTON EHLMANN
B. WARREN HART

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MR. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Ehlmann. Your Honors, this completes the memorial services. We of the Ramsey County Bar Association are grateful for having the opportunity of participating in this service. At this time I move the Court for an order directing the Clerk of Court to spread these memorials upon the permanent minutes of this court, and also to send a copy of the memorials to the families of the departed members.

JUDGE GRAFF: The motion of Mr. Peterson is granted. The record will show that the Court joins in these memorials. On behalf of the District Court of Ramsey County we express our thanks to the members of other courts who have attended and assisted in the presentation of these memorials. We also wish to express our

appreciation to the Ramsey County Bar Association for so effectively continuing this splendid tradition.

As a further mark of respect to the departed, no other matters will be taken up, and this Court will now adjourn without day.

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