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Court House, Friday, April 30, 1976, 2:00 P.M.

On Friday, April 30, 1976, Memorial Services in honor of those members of the Ramsey County Bar who died during the past year were held in the Ramsey County Court House.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF RAMSEY, District Court, Second Judicial District.

Present: Judges Ronald E. Hachey, Archie L. Gingold, Harold W. Schultz, David E. Marsden, Otis H. Godfrey, Jr., Stephen Maxwell, Hyam Segell, James M. Lynch, Sidney P. Abramson and E. Thomas Brennan of the Ramsey County District Court; Judge John W. Graff, Retired, Ramsey County District Court; Judges Roland J. Faricy, Bertrand Poritsky and Joseph E. Salland of the Ramsey County Municipal Court.

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

CHIEF JUDGE. RONALD E. HACHEY: Ladies and gentlemen: In conformity with the 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 will be conducted by the Ramsey County Bar Association, and the Court at this time will recognize Mr. Leonard J. Keyes, the President of the Ramsey County Bar Association.

MR. LEONARD J. KEYES: Welcome to our members and families and friends of our departed lawyers in Ramsey County.

May it please the Court and Your Honors, and Ladies and Gentlemen. In keeping with our tradition, we have asked this Court to set aside this day for the holding of these memorial services for those members of our profession who have passed away during the past year. We meet here as friends to pay our respects to them and to recall their good works. At the conclusion of this ceremony, we shall move the Court to make these memorials a part of the permanent records of this Court and thereby a part of the permanent history of Ramsey County.

Mr. Samuel H. Morgan, who is the chairman of our Legal History and Biography Committee, will conduct this ceremony. So, Your Honor, if the Court please, I would request that the Court recognize Mr. Morgan.

CHIEF JUDGE RONALD E. HACHEY: The Court at this time recognizes Mr. Samuel H. Morgan, the Chairman of the Ramsey County Legal History and Biography Committee.

MR. LEONARD J. KEYES: Thank you, Your Honor.

MR. SAMUEL H. MORGAN: Thank you, Your Honor, and thank you, Mr. Keyes. Friends of the Ramsey County Bar Association. Memorials have been prepared for presentation here today by various committees made up from the membership of the Ramsey County Bar Association, in behalf of the following, recently deceased members of said Bar Association:

Marcellus L. Countryman, Jr.
Henry Harrison Cowie, Jr.
Lawrence H. Hazen
Frank X. Cronan
Stanley J. Donahoe
Gerald F. Geraghty
Martin J. Hurley
James E. Magistad
William H. Oppenheimer
Ulric Scott
William Leslie Ulvin

MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Marcellus L. Countryman, Jr. consists of Mr. Frank S. Farrell, Mr. Reginald Ames, Mr. M. J. Galvin, Sr., and Mr. H. B. Krengel. Mr. Reginald Ames will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Ames read the memorial for Marcellus L. Countryman, Jr.

MARCELLUS L. COUNTRYMAN, JR., known throughout his career by his many friends as "June," died on July 25, 1975, at St. Paul, at the age of 81. June was born in St. Paul on January 12, 1894; he remained a resident of St. Paul throughout his lifetime except for brief periods of time when be practiced law in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and in Duluth, Minnesota.

June spent almost all of his career as a lawyer in the Law Departments of the Great Northern Railway Company and the Northern Pacific Railway Company. He followed in the footsteps of his distinguished father, whose name he bore, who had been General Counsel for the Great Northern Railway Company for many years.

At the University of Minnesota Law School, June was a brilliant student. He served on the Student Editorial Board of the Minnesota Law Review for Volume 1 in 1917. He left law school to enter the Armed Services during World War I and served as a Captain of Infantry. He returned to law school in 1919 and served as Note Editor for Volume 4 of the Law Review.

Following graduation from the University of Minnesota in 1920 and admission to the Bars of Minnesota and South Dakota, June entered private practice for a brief period prior to being employed by the Great Northern Railway Company in its Law Department. On March 1, 1924, June joined the Law Department of the Northern Pacific Railway Company; he remained with that Company in its Law Department for the remainder of his working career. It was a career marked by significant achievements as a railroad lawyer. He was promoted from General Attorney to Assistant General. Counsel on October 1, 1928. On January 29, 1941, he was named General Solicitor, and on May 1, 1949, he became General Counsel. Seventeen months later, on September 28, 1950, the Board of Directors of the Northern Pacific appointed June Vice President and General Counsel, the position he held when he retired on May 1, 1961.

June's service with the Northern Pacific over more than 37 years covered a period of great change in railroad industry. At the time of his retirement, there was no person better acquainted with the history of the Northern Pacific Railway Company and its circumstances. June had been one of the more influential officials in the Northern Pacific organization during the great depression, guiding and shepherding the company successfully through those perilous years.

Early in his career, June handled railroad commerce cases involving rates and services and he remained an expert in commerce matters throughout his career. He participated with the late Ben Scandrett in the important Northern Pacific valuation case. He was an extremely able corporate lawyer and handled important corporate work including the reorganization of the Northwestern Improvement Company, a Northern Pacific subsidiary, with immense land ownership. He became an expert in income taxation and in taxation of Northern Pacific's vast railroad and non-railroad properties.

Although June was primarily an office lawyer, he was also an extremely competent trial lawyer with an enviable record in the handling of important litigation. He was successful in the handling of cases against the United States involving both income taxes and Railroad Retirement taxes. He participated actively in the extended litigation with the United States involving the myriad of disputes that arose in the course of administration and adjustment of the Northern Pacific land grant, the largest of all the railroad land grants. He tried without assistance the "Grand Coulee Dam Case," which involved a dispute with the United States over the applicable freight charges for all the cement used in building the Grand Coulee Dam, then the largest structure in the world.

It will not surprise any lawyer to learn that June's success in the trial of important cases was the result of his broad legal knowledge, his penetrating mind, and of the most painstaking preparation. Every problem of substantive law, trial procedure and evidence was anticipated and briefed, and the results of his research and careful analysis were incorporated in masterful trial documents for use at the trial.

June was not only a busy and able practitioner, of the law but he was also a fine teacher. For many years he taught real property courses at the St. Paul College of Law. He finally gave up his teaching career but only because his railroad legal work required him to spend increasing amounts of time away from St. Paul.

His vast knowledge of commerce, tax, property and corporate law uniquely qualified him as a major in the intricate and exhausting legal work that eventually led to the consolidation of the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company into the Burlington Northern Inc. which operates, among many other enterprises, the longest railroad in the United States. The application for authority to consummate the merger was filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission on February 17, 1961, just two and one-half months before June's retirement. Although June did not participate in the prolonged hearings before the Commission and in the courts that resulted in the consummation of this merger, he was, truly, a major architect of Burlington Northern Inc.

June and his first wife, Ruth, raised a fine family of two sons and three daughters. Ruth Countryman was a deeply religious and very admirable person. She died, much too young, on January 16, 1952. June subsequently remarried. He and his second wife, Dolores O'Halloran, spent many happy years together, both in their lovely home on South Robert Trail and in extensive traveling following June's retirement.

June Countryman was a great lawyer and a true gentleman, with a wonderful capacity for the enjoyment of life. He found time for hunting and for golfing. He had a keen sense of humor and a quiet friendliness that earned him the respect and affection of many devoted friends.

In addition to his wife, Dolores, June left surviving him his two sons, Christopher and Larry, and three daughters, Sister Ann, Mrs. Thomas (Ruth) Jansen, and Mrs. John (Joan) Bradshaw. Also surviving him are his two stepdaughters, Mrs. Eline Breon and Mrs. John Nolan, and his two stepsons, Patrick and John O'Halloran, and his brother, Alden, of Spring City, Tennessee.

Respectfully submitted, FRANK S. FARRELL REGINALD AMES M. J. GALVIN, SR. H. B. KRENGEL MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Henry Harrison Cowie, Jr. consists of Mr. Richard A. Rohleder, Mr. David C. Donnelly, Mr. Kenneth W. Green, Mr. John S. Holten and Mr. Perry M. Wilson. Mr. Richard A. Rohleder will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Rohleder read the memorial for Henry Harrison Cowie, Jr.

HENRY HARRISON COWIE, JR. died June 10, 1975 at the age of 49. He was a loving and devoted husband and father, a loyal friend and a respected lawyer and counselor. The suddenness of his passing created a void in the lives of all who knew him.

He was born in St. Paul on November 17, 1925, the son of Gladys and Henry Harrison Cowie, Sr., and attended the public schools, graduating from Central High School in 1943. Henry entered the University of Minnesota for his college education, which was interrupted by service in the United States Army, and graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1950. He then entered the private practice of law as an associate, and later as a member of the firm in what was at the time of his death Stringer, Donnelly, Courtney, Cowie & Rohleder. His practice was general and extensive, but he particularly enjoyed working with medical and dental professional associations, pension and profit-sharing plans, and commercial litigation. He was well versed and highly regarded in these fields.

Henry's interests and accomplishments apart from the practice of law were a kaleidoscope ranging from Bar Association activities to music. He had served on the Ramsey County Bar Association Executive Council and Ethics Committee as well as on the State Client's Security Fund Committee. He had been a board member of Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, the Ramsey County Historical Society, and Minnesota Landmarks. He loved hunting, golf and tennis as well as the symphony, and sang with the Bach Society. He was an avid reader. The family library is extensive and weighted in favor of his fascination with the Old West and American History. He enjoyed Remington's paintings of the early West. He had a love for animals: his dogs and earlier a riding horse. His first enrollment in college in fact was directed towards a career in veterinary medicine. Henry and his family derived much enjoyment from their summer home in Springbrook, Wisconsin and from vacations in the American Rookies.

Henry had a sense of humor that was unsurpassed for its dry wit which was the envy of those who knew him well. Really a marvelous storyteller, he enjoyed his stories as much as his listeners. He had that ability possessed by few of us to relate the kind of a story with the unexpected witty ending, the start of which required the listener to be carried along believing the tale to be true, until he was hit with the punch line. He delighted in barbed repartee with his friends and was a real pleasure to be with.

There was also a genuine concern, not only, of course, for his own family, but for the welfare of his friends and their families. He was a very caring person with a knack for helping people, revelling in their individual triumphs and the triumphs of their children. Perhaps the real quality of Henry was that every one of his friends regarded Henry as just about his best friend.

Henry treasured his relationship with his family; with his parents during their lives, then his wife and children. He was a thoroughly committed family man and he was good at it. He is survived by his wife Betty, a daughter Anne, sons Norman and James, and a legacy of love and respect from all whose lives he touched.

Respectfully submitted, RICHARD A. ROHLEDER DAVID C. DONNELLY KENNETH W. GREEN JOHN S. HOLTEN PERRY M. WILSON MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Lawrence H. Hazen consists of Mr. Horace R. Hansen, Mr. Wayne P. Dordell and The Honorable James M. Lynch. Mr. Horace R. Hansen will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Hansen read the memorial for Lawrence H. Hazen.

LAWRENCE H. HAZEN passed away on November 29, 1975 at the age of 69. He is survived by his wife, Leona, of St. Paul, and his daughter, Laurie L. Anderson, of Minneapolis.

Larry was born June 24, 1906 at Larimore, North Dakota, the son of Ora and Anna L. Hazen. He received his elementary and secondary education there, and attended the University of Minnesota, after which he was a newspaper reporter for a short time.

Later, he was engaged in the grain commission business in Minneapolis, during which time he attended the Minnesota College of Law, graduating in June of 1934.

He was admitted to the practice of law in October, 1934, and practiced at Norwood, Minnesota until, in February, 1938, he became an attorney in the Industrial Commission.

He married Leona Ring of Minneapolis on September 30, 1939. He was made Chief of the Workman's Compensation Division in November, 1941 and was in that position until he enlisted in the United States Navy in World War II, on March 5, 1942 as an Apprentice Seaman. He served in the Pacific area and achieved the rank of Lieutenant Senior Grade before his honorable discharge on December 9, 1945.

Larry entered private practice in St. Paul in 1946 with me and later, for 15 years with The Honorable James M. Lynch, and continued until his retirement in 1972.

He always enjoyed the admiration of judges, fellow lawyers and his many friends during his active practice. The main part of his practice was trial work in which he excelled. His cases were thoroughly prepared and well presented. It is noteworthy that in many cases he raised points of first impression and established unusual principles of law in several cases before our Minnesota Supreme Court.

In addition to his unusual thoroughness and skill as a lawyer, Larry was always a gentleman. No. matter how strenuous the argument, Larry never raised his voice beyond a conversational tone, relying entirely upon the facts and the law in a quiet and persuasive manner. He felt keenly that the practice of law was difficult enough without becoming personally involved with opposing counsel. In short, he was the thorough professional, combining skill with exemplary decorum.

Larry was great fun socially and was especially noted for his dry humor and quick wit. He was a person who enjoyed the outdoors and in the past several years spent as much time as he could working at his lake home in Wisconsin.

His family, his many friends, and his peers all have fond memories of him and all miss him.

Respectfully submitted, HORACE R. HANSEN WAYNE P. DORDELL THE HONORABLE JAMES M. LYNCH MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Frank X. Cronan consists of Mr. George S. Roth, Mr. Robert M. Austin and Mr. Donald M. Jardine. Mr. Donald M. Jardine will resent the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Jardine read the memorial for Frank X. Cronan.

FRANK X. CRONAN was born in Nanuet, New York [April 22, 1912]. He attended Fordham Law School and was admitted to the New York bar in 1939 and he practiced in New York City prior to coining to Minnesota 25 years ago.

Frank joined the firm of Carroll, Cronan, Roth & Austin, P. A., in 1955, after having been associated with the Twin City Rapid Transit Company as general trial counsel since 1949. He was a member of the Minnesota, Hennepin County and New York Bar Associations and the International Association of Insurance Counsel. From 1953 through 1956 Frank was a lecturer in trial practice law at William Mitchell College of Law, St. Paul.

At the time of his death [May 16, 1975], Frank was a member of and served as secretary of the Board of Directors of the Edina Country Club. He was an active member of the Minneapolis Athletic Club, Serra Club, Knights of Columbus and served on the Board of Directors of Regis College, Denver, Colorado.

The dictionary definition of a "gentleman" is: "A man whose conduct conforms to a high standard of propriety or correct behavior." Frank was a "gentleman" in the true sense of the word and, perhaps more important, he was a gentle man, a dignified man. A recent article in "Business Ideas" described personal dignity as "not what a person says, or what he looks like, but what he is inside."

Frank loved life—he was a familiar figure on the Edina Country Club golf course and at the Minneapolis Athletic Club pool. He was a patron of the arts—be it the symphony, the opera, the Vikings, or the Twins.

Perhaps the truest measure of any man is what he leaves behind. In this respect, Frank was a very rich man, and we who knew him were richer by our association with him.

Frank leaves behind him his wife and friend, Ann, and four children— John, Frank Jr., Patrick and Maureen. Frank's enjoyment of life and his love of people were a source of comfort and inspiration to others. He was an honest man of few words. He was a man of great determination — exemplified best by his last months. It was obvious to all that he was suffering, but Frank never complained, but carried on as best he could and was in the office practicing law until early in April.

Frank loved the law, and this did not end with his death, but it has been passed to a new generation—Patrick Cronan is in his second year of law school at Gonzaga University, Spokane. It was the dream of father and son to someday join in the practice of law. Frank saw the beginning of that dream and Pat will carry on in the best Cronan tradition.

Frank X. Cronan: husband, father, gentleman, gentle man, friend, a good person. He gave of himself. He is missed by all he touched.

Respectfully submitted, ROBERT M. AUSTIN GEORGE S. ROTH DONALD M. JARDINE MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Stanley J. Donahoe consists of Mr. James P. Miley, Mr. Kenneth J. Maas, Jr., Mr. Linn J. Firestone, Mr. Israel E. Krawetz and Mr. William W. Fink. Mr. William W. Fink will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Fink read the memorial for Stanley J. Donahoe.

STANLEY J. DONAHOE was born April 5, 1897. He died March 5, 1976, one month short of his 79th birthday.

He attended St. Thomas Academy and the College of St. Thomas. Thereafter he served in the United States Navy during the First World War. Upon his return he attended the University of Minnesota (B.S. 1922) and then graduated from the Minnesota College of Law (L.L.B. 1925).

After being admitted to the bar in 1925, he was employed by the Aetna Casualty and Surety Co. He was the attorney in charge of the St. Paul Claim Office of that company for many years and was later employed in the Minneapolis Claim Office of the same company. Except for a short interval, he remained with the Aetna from the time of his admission to the bar in 1925 until his retirement from that company in 1962.

During his close to 37 years in claim work, he acquired a deep knowledge of cases involving personal injury. He became well known to the lawyers in the Twin Cities as a result of the litigation that he was involved in. He worked with Mr. Ray Cummins, a trial lawyer of distinction, for many years, and they were involved together in many important cases.

He was highly regarded by his employer, by the attorneys he associated with in connection with the defense of malpractice and injury cases, and by the attorneys who represented the plaintiffs. He was very successful in the work of defending his employer. While he was with the Aetna he trained many young men in claim work. James P. Miley and Kenneth J. Maas, Jr., of the Ramsey County Bar were employed by him and guided by him.

The Aetna had a policy of compulsory retirement at age 65. Stan reached that age in 1962. Upon receiving his retirement watch and dinner, he was not completely happy. At that time James P. Miley and Kenneth J. Maas, Jr., were associated with the firm that is now known as Firestone, Fink, Krawetz, Miley and Maas. After conferring with others, the two attorneys decided to ask Stan to become associated with that firm in the practice of law. Stan accepted the invitation, and at the age of 65 en-

tered into the, general practice of law. The following 14 years of practice of law were the happiest working years of his life. He worked until 14 days before his death. For the most part, he specialized in negligence cases.

His deep and profound knowledge of his specialty and his knowledge of anatomy proved to be invaluable. So far as productivity in dollars were concerned he became one of the most valuable men in the firm. He knew the strengths and weaknesses of a negligence case. One of the matters he handled when he first came to the firm was the case of *Hickory vs. Hickory Insulation Co.*, 271 Minnesota 74, 134 N.W. 2nd 879 [1965]. Stan won the case because of his skillful cross examination of a physician. A part of the cross examination was quoted verbatim in the decision of the Supreme Court. In his specialized field, he was unsurpassed and an exceptionally industrious and able lawyer.

He was modest to a fault but nevertheless patient with a boaster. No man could more effectively use the power of understatement. The only person he ever became impatient with was one who would tell a falsehood.

He was a devout man and a member of the Church of the Nativity. He spoke evil of no man. He was patient and forgiving with everyone. During his years of physical strength, he was a low handicap golfer and an avid hunter. He was a good bridge player and had a fine subtle sense of humor.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; his daughter, Mary Patricia Speltz; his grandchild, Sheila Speltz; his sisters, Mrs. F. J. Ryan, and Sister Leonardo; and his brothers, Leonard Donahoe, and Hugh Donahoe.

He will live in the minds of his family and his associates as long as they are able to remember. He was a man who loved mercy, did justice, and walked humbly with his God.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES P. MILEY
KENNETH J. MAAS, JR.
LINN J. FIRESTONE
ISRAEL E. KRAWETZ
WILLIAM W. FINK

MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Gerald F. Geraghty consists of Mr. Paige J. Donnelly, Mr. Robert O. Knutson and Mr. John H. Martin. Mr. John H. Martin will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Martin read the memorial for Gerald F. Geraghty.

GERALD F. GERAGHTY was born on February 17, 1936 in the City of St. Paul, Minnesota. He attended grade school at St. Bernard's Catholic School and graduated from St. Agnes High School in 1954. He worked during high school and participated in varsity athletics in football, basketball and baseball. Upon his graduation he went to work for what was then the Great Northern railroad in various capacities until 1958 when he joined the United States Army and served in the Quartermaster Corp until his discharge in 1960.

In 1960 Gerry enrolled at the University of Minnesota where he majored in economics. During his college years Gerry worked with the Great Northern railroad. An indication of his hardworking devotion to his career was the excellent academic record he achieved at the University while working full time.

After receiving his B.A. Degree from the University of Minnesota and graduating Magna Cum Laude, he enrolled in the University of Minnesota Law School in 1963. While attending law school, Gerry worked during the academic year as a teaching assistant in the University Business Law Courses and during the summer continued his work with the Great Northern railroad. He received his law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School in June of 1966.

Gerry began the private practice of law in the St. Paul Metropolitan Area associated with Paige J. Donnelly and John H. Martin until the time of his death. Gerry's principal areas of activity in the law were corporate and business affairs, functioning both as legal representative and financial counselor.

Gerry actively participated in community affairs such as the Roseville Jaycees as reflected by the many awards he received. He also spent a great deal of time and effort in political activities. As the years went by Gerry became increasingly aware of and concerned with the personal problems encountered by his clients, particularly in the area of family law and devoted more of his professional and personal time to them often counseling and encouraging people to obtain outside assistance.

Mr. Geraghty is survived by his wife, Lorna, daughters, Deborah Donna and infant daughter, Jill, who was born December 10, 1975, only eleven days before the time of his death. He is also survived by his parents, Leo and Julia Geraghty, and a sister, Judith Lee.

Gerry, in the opinion of the undersigned, was one of the most hard working, dedicated and concerned attorneys that they have had the privilege of knowing.

Respectfully submitted, PAIGE J. DONNELLY ROBERT O. KNUTSON JOHN H. MARTIN MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Martin John Hurley consists of Mr. Frank Danz, Mr. Frank Murray and Mr. Donald A. Hausler. Mr. Frank Danz will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Danz read the memorial for Martin John Hurley.

MARTIN JOHN HURLEY was born in Pine City, Minnesota, September 18, 1884, son of James Hurley and Mary Egan Hurley. He attended elementary and high school in Pine City. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1906 with an LLB. He received a LLM from Yale University in 1907. He graduated from Nichols Expert Business School in 1908. While at the University of Minnesota he played on the baseball team. He was a member of the M. Club.

He was admitted to the Minnesota Bar in 1906 and admitted to practice in United States District Court in 1910. He was honored by the Minnesota Bar Association for having been a member for over fifty years. He practiced law in St. Paul with his brother Michael under the firm name of Hurley & Hurley. He later became associated with Dunn & Stringer as General Counsel where he remained many years.

He was an outstanding real estate lawyer and most knowledgeable expert on mortgage law. He was frequently consulted by other real property law experts, and would answer their questions readily and immediately, citing them the applicable cases without the necessity of research. He would then check back with them the same day to make certain that they had read and understood the proposition of law. He taught the course of Mortgages at St. Paul College of Law, now William Mitchell, for seven or eight years when the faculty boasted such outstanding lawyer-teachers as Warren Burger, Harry Blackmun, Albin Pearson and Arthur Stewart. In his law school lectures he cited title, book and page and the holding without reference to notes and answered questions in the same manner. We have not found a student or lawyer who knew him who could say that he ever gave them an incorrect citation. It is probably very close to the truth to say that he had the title, book, page and holdings of almost every Minnesota case relating to mortgage law committed to memory.

In later life he was associated with the Southern Minnesota Joint-Stock Land Bank with offices in Minneapolis. He also did title work for the Federal Land Bank of Saint Paul.

He was in very poor health the last ten years of his life and died at Wilder Infirmary on May 23, 1974.

He married Josephine Prendergast October 9, 1912. They had two children, a son James T., a distinguished member of our bar who has been a Special Assistant Attorney General for 20 years, and a daughter, Helen. James T. Hurley married Jane Plunkett of the well-known Plunkett family of lawyers, and Helen married Bruce T. Gurnee, whose father was a long time Dean of the St. Paul College of Law.

Martin Hurley was always pleasant, always a gentleman, a credit to the profession. I have never met a lawyer who found fault with him. He worked quietly without ostentation, but always honorably and efficiently. His passing was a loss, not only to the older lawyers who knew him, but also to the younger lawyers yet to come who did not know him.

Respectfully submitted, FRANK DANZ FRANK MURRAY DONALD A. HAUSLER MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. James E. Magistad consists of Mr. James O. Noonan, Mr. Stewart C. Loper and Mr. John A. Cochrane. Mr. James C. Noonan will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Noonan read the memorial for James. E. Magistad.

JAMES E. MAGISTAD, father, husband, lawyer, and friend. He was born on August 21, 1931, and married to Margaret Delaney on June 27, 1959. Of this marriage four children were born: Patrick, Mary Kay, Stephen and Daniel.

Mr. Magistad did his undergraduate studies at the University of Minnesota and St. Johns University, Collegeville, Minnesota, and took his law degree at the William Mitchell College of Law. He was admitted to the Minnesota bar. He spent approximately thirteen years with Economics Laboratory in various capacities. During his time at Economics Laboratory he achieved such positions as Corporate Secretary, General Counsel, and Director of Economics Laboratory International, Ltd., a subsidiary of the St. Paul-based Corporation.

From 1953-55 he served his country as a Lieutenant in the U. S. Army.

Mr. Magistad resigned from his position at Economics Laboratory in 1970 to join in forming the law firm of Magistad and Noonan. His expertise in Corporate and International Law made him sought after for advice by many other lawyers. His untimely death [June 10, 1975] has left a void in his law firm which cannot be filled, and in the Ramsey County legal community as well.

Respectfully submitted, JAMES C. NOONAN STEWART C. LOPER JOHN A. COCHRANE MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. William H. Oppenheimer consists of Mr. Lewis L. Anderson, Mr. Charles W. Briggs, Mr. Jack C. Foote, Mr. Wood H. Foster, Mr. Gordon Shepard, Mr. Philip Stringer and Mr. Benno F. Wolff. Mr. Wood B. Foster will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Foster read the memorial for William H. Oppenheimer.

WILLIAM H. OPPENHEIMER was born in Dallas, Texas on November 4, 1883. His family moved to St. Paul three years later and he resided here until his death on September 9, 1975.

He graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1904 at the age of 20 and was admitted to practice later that year after reaching his 21st birthday. Thereafter in 1905 he earned a Master of Laws Degree from the University. After a brief period of service for Keefe Davidson Company, a law book publishing firm, he practiced alone until 1913 when E. S. Durment and Albert R. Moore invited him to become their law partner.

Will Oppenheimer became the senior partner of that firm in 1923 following the untimely death of Albert Moore, and for more than 50 years thereafter was the head of the partnership bearing his name. The firm prospered, increasing more than ten-fold in numbers to a total of 59 partners and associates, a great tribute to Mr. Oppenheimer's professional ability, judgment, leadership and foresight.

As a young lawyer he devoted himself primarily to a challenging advocacy before trial and appellate courts. As his practice increased, his keen, incisive mind and dynamic personality led many business interests to seek his counsel and guidance. He approached problems with the thought that they could and must be solved. His clients, seeking advice concerning business affairs, depended on him to show them the way "it could be done", and it is fair to say that they rarely were told that "it can't be done". This approach to the law led to his becoming counsel to and, in some cases, a board member of many of the city's leading business firms. His business clients not only received his guidance in legal matters, but they, and their officers and directors as well, sought and acted upon his advice concerning attitudes and action to be taken in civic and community affairs

For these and many other professional and civic activities, he received through the years many awards and citations including a gold medal from the City in 1930 and the Cosmopolitan Club Distinguished Service Medal in 1931; the University of Minnesota Outstanding Achievement Award in 1957; designation as a Fellow of the American Bar Association in 1958 and as a Senior Counsellor by the Minnesota State Bar Association in 1959; the University of Minnesota Law Alumni Association Award in 1964 and the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce Great Living Saint Paulite Award in 1973.

Despite the demands of his professional career, William Oppenheimer found time to participate in church and Masonic and Rotary Club activities. He was one of the founders of the St. Paul Rotary Club, and at the time of his death was the oldest Rotarian in the United States. He also enjoyed a lake home, travel and his hobbies of woodworking and stamp collecting. He was a kind man, always thoughtful of others and sensitive to their feelings, and he brought the warmth of his personality to all who knew him. Above all, he was a devoted family man.

Preceded in death by his wife, the former Marion Joslin, he is survived by two sons, one a senior partner of the Oppenheimer Law Firm and the other a Minneapolis businessman, by five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Their loss is shared by the entire community, a community which is vastly richer for having had William Henry Oppenheimer as one of its citizens.

Respectfully submitted, LEWIS L. ANDERSON CHARLES W. BRIGGS JACK C. FOOTE WOOD R. FOSTER GORDON SHEPARD PHILIP STRINGER BENNO F. WOLFF MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Ulric Scott consists of Mr. John B. Burke, Sr., Mr. Edward W. Spring and Mr. Oliver W. Hedeen. Mr. Oliver W. Hedeen will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Hedeen read the memorial for Ulric Scott

ULRIC SCOTT was born in St. Cloud, Minnesota on November 12, 1898. He attended Cathedral Grade School and St. Cloud Technical High School there, graduating in 1916 as President of his Class.

His college work was taken at University of Michigan Law School where he received his LLB degree in 1922. He promptly opened an office in the Merchants Bank Building in St. Paul where he practiced law for two years. Then he joined Merchants Trust Company in 1924 and continued with that Company and with its successor, First Trust Company of Saint Paul, till his retirement as Vice President in 1963.

At the time Ole moved from the practice of law to employment by Merchants Trust Company, he made a trip to Europe. Aboard ship he met, and later married, Annamay Gorry, a native of Connecticut. They lived for most of their married life at 1168 Portland Avenue.

The word "gregarious" had to be coined to describe people like Ole who had such love for the company of others. His warm personality and the humor he exhibited in recounting an anecdote, of which he had many favorites, endeared him to all. He was seldom a mere acquaintance, in most cases a close friend.

Ole was active in the Trust business, having held the office of President of Corporate Fiduciaries of Minnesota, in his community, and devoutly, in the Catholic Church.

In later years he, with much pride, gave conscientious attention to duties as Honorary Consul of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. He was appointed to that office by the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg in the year, 1959. He continued to serve in that capacity after his retirement from business until failing health moved him to resign about a year before his death.

He died on April 29, 1975. His widow survives as well as four children, Andrew, Maura, Ulric, Jr., and Michael. Also surviving is a brother, Dr. Eugene Scott. Two other brothers, lawyers John and Peter, predeceased him.

Respectfully submitted, JOHN B. BURKE, SR. EDWARD W. SPRING OLIVER W. HEDEEN MR. MORGAN: The Committee that was in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. William Leslie Ulvin consists of Mr. Irving C. Christensen, Mr. Eugene W. Hoppe and Mr. Robert I. Christensen. Mr. Irving C. Christensen will present the memorial in behalf of that group.

Mr. Christensen read the memorial for William Leslie Ulvin.

WM. LESLIE ULVIN was born on November 10, 1906, on a farm near Grantsburg, Wisconsin, and passed away on February 29, 1976, at Saint Paul, residing at Wyoming, Minnesota.

Les received his grade and high school education at Grantsburg, Wisconsin. When he finished high school he came, to Saint Paul, and enrolled at Dunwoody Industrial Institute where he took a course in electricity. Upon completing this course, he obtained employment at the Koppers Coke Company as an electrician where his earnings supported him and financed his legal education.

While attending law school, Les was a member of Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity. He graduated Cum Laude from the Saint Paul College of Law and was admitted to practice in September 1932. From then until the summer of 1933, he sold law books for West Publishing Company in North and South Dakota and earned all honors and prizes as top salesman of the year.

Les started his law practice in the early summer of 1933 with Irv Christensen and opened their offices in the Commerce Building in Saint Paul, under the firm name of Ulvin & Christensen. Some years later Jerrold Sullivan became associated with the firm and the name was changed to Ulvin, Christensen & Sullivan. Les was a very able and dedicated lawyer and was highly regarded by all the members of the Bar. He worked hard and diligently for his clients caring not whether the fee was large or small. His only thought was to do the job well.

The varied and diverse talents and abilities were not limited to the general practice of law. For over ten years Les taught Real Property law at Saint Paul College of Law and many lawyers in the Twin Cities today can well remember, as students, the mixture of Les' humor with the common law rules of property. Time was also devoted to service of a non-legal nature. Les was a member of Saint Paul Lodge No. 3 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and Osman Temple Shrine.

He was a member of the Knox Presbyterian Church of Saint Paul.

Les enjoyed the outdoors. He spent many weekends at his lake cabin on Forest Lake. He loved to fish and hunt and did so in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Canada.

From the time Les started his law practice until 1966, he took his work seriously and devoted long hours to his practice, his clients and his teaching. In 1966 his health failed him and his practice became very restricted until the summer of 1968 when he had to retire completely. From that time until his death, his spirit was never broken and his desire for joy, happiness and friendship with his friends and colleagues never changed.

Les was survived by his wife Agnes whom he married on September 8, 1936, together with sons William and Richard Ulvin, daughter Beverly Reuten and six grandchildren.

Les and his devotion to the law and the service of his fellowman together with his love of life will not be easily forgotten. There's no question that he was truly a self-made man. He will be greatly missed by his fellow lawyers and by his wife and family.

Respectfully, submitted, IRVING C. CHRISTENSEN EUGENE W. HOPPE ROBERT I. CHRISTENSEN MR. MORGAN: Your Honor, these memorials have now all been fully presented and I now move this Court, through you, Judge Hachey, for an order directing the clerk to spread these memorials upon the permanent minutes of this Court and also for a further order directing the clerk to send copies of these memorials to the next of kin of those who have today here been read.

CHIEF JUDGE RONALD E. HACHEY: The motions of Mr. Morgan are 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 as-stated 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 special mark of respect for the departed, no other matters will be taken up and this Court will now adjourn without day.



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