

**MEMORIAL EXERCISES
FOR DECEASED MEMBERS**

of the

**RAMSEY COUNTY BAR
ASSOCIATION**



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ANNUAL MEMORIAL EXERCISES

Court House, Saturday, April 21, 1962, 10:00 A.M.

On Saturday, April 21, 1962, memorial exercises 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: Judges John B. Sanborn of the United States Circuit Court; Judges Dennis F. Donovan and Edward J. Devitt of the United States District Court; Judges Oscar R. Knutson, William P. Murphy and James C. Otis of the Minnesota Supreme Court.; Judges Clayton Parks, Albin S. Pearson, Robert V. Rensch, Ronald Hachey, John Graff, Archie Gingold, Edward D. Mulally and Leonard J. Keyes of the Ramsey County District Court; Judge Andrew A. Glenn of the Ramsey County Probate Court; and Judges J. Jerome Plunkett, David Marsden, Otis Godfrey, Jr., and J. Clifford Janes 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 PARKS: These services are conducted under the auspices of the Ramsey County Bar, and the Court now recognizes the president, Mr. Sharood.

MR. SHAROOD: May it please the Court, once again this Easter Saturday morning we assemble to pay respect to our brothers at the bar who died during the past year. For that purpose I ask the Court to

recognize Mr. Mortimer B. Miley, chairman of the Memorials Committee.

MR. MILEY: May it please this Court and friends: memorials have been presented by committees in behalf of the following members of the Ramsey County Bar Association:

Mr. Edwin B. Baer

Mr. John A. Burns

Mr. Sheridan J. Buckley

Mr. Ray E. Cummins

Mr. Allen V. Junkin

Mr. John J. McDonough

Mr. Roger S. Rutchick

Mr. Walter S. Speakman

The committee in charge of the preparation of the memorial for Mr. Edwin B. Baer consisted of the Honorable Oscar R. Knutson, Mr. Richard E. Kyle and Mr. William H. Oppenheimer and will be presented for the committee at this time by Mr. Kyle.

Mr. Kyle read the memorial for Mr. Baer.

May it please the Court:

Edwin B. Baer was born October 30, 1897 in Deadwood, South Dakota, the son of Ben and Ida Baer. When Edwin was a child the family moved to Saint Paul, Minnesota, where his father established the American National Bank of Saint Paul, of which he was president for many years. Edwin's early education was had in the public schools of Saint Paul. Thereafter he entered the University of Wisconsin from which he was graduated in 1919, his college education having been interrupted by World War I during which he was in the Naval Aviation Service. After receiving his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Wisconsin he entered the Harvard Law School. Upon graduation in 1922 he was admitted to the Bar of Minnesota and joined the law firm of Oppenheimer, Peterson, Dickson and Hodgson with which, and its successor firms, he continued to practice law until his death on January 20th, 1962. At the time of his death the firm was known as Oppenheimer, Hodgson, Brown, Baer and Wolff.

During his entire professional life he was active in bar association activities and was a member of the Ramsey and Minnesota State Bar Associations and the American Bar Association.

On November 19, 1925 he was married to Helen Weissenbach of Chicago, Illinois. He is survived by his widow and three daughters, Mrs. Harold Kaufmann of St. Louis Park, Minnesota, Mrs. Sheldon Goldstein of Saint Paul, Minnesota, and Miss Cynthia Helen Baer of New York City.

During almost forty years at this Bar he skillfully handled many important matters for a large number of clients and was regarded by his fellow lawyers as one of the leaders in the legal profession of this locality. He was held in the highest respect by members of the bench and bar. His sincerity and ability were symbolic of the men whose memories will continue to enhance the highest traditions of the profession.

The following quotation from Rabbi Martin's eulogy is an accurate statement of the principles which guided Edwin Baer in the practice of his profession:

"To the practice of law, which he carried on for more than forty years, he brought a profound understanding, as well as a conscientiousness and diligence, which won him the high respect and admiration not only of his clients but of his associates and co-workers. The law to him was not merely a profession or a way of earning a living, but rather, a vocation, a high calling. From his early youth he had been enthralled by the power of an ideal, the ideal of serving his fellow men by promoting the cause of justice among them. Any client coming to him knew that his interests would be well protected, but he knew also that Edwin Baer's concern was not so much with winning cases as with seeing that justice was done. Anything that smacked of chicanery or of sharp practice was utterly repugnant to him. And it was something more than legal advice that he gave to his clients. He gave also of himself, of his own natural sympathy and compassion, his fine understanding of the complex and tortuous paths of the human mind and heart."

Ed, as he was known to his friends, was admired by all who knew him, not only for his outstanding professional qualifications but for his great kindness. His charities were numerous and during his entire lifetime he actively participated in many charitable, civic and

community projects and organizations. He served, on the boards of the Science Museum, Saint Paul School of Art, the Central Community House, the Neighborhood House and the Mount Zion Temple, and as president of the Jewish Welfare Association. He took an active part in the alumni association of the University of Wisconsin and Harvard Law School and in the civic and municipal activities of the Mahtomedi community in which he resided for many years. For many years he served as a special assistant to the Attorney General of the United States and later as a hearing officer for the Department of Justice in cases involving conscientious objectors under the Selective Service Law.

His record as a lawyer and his generous service to charitable and civic enterprises of this community is outstanding but more than that he was a gentleman in everything that the word implies; a devoted and generous husband and father, a person who dealt with his fellow men with sympathy and kindness, a man who gave of himself and his energies to every worthy enterprise. He had a fine sense of humor and a warm and genial personality.

His life, professional and otherwise, furnishes a splendid example to all of us. He is and will be deeply missed not only by his family but by those who have had the privilege of knowing and associating with him.

**Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD E. KYLE, Chairman
WILLIAM H. OPPENHEIMER
OSCAR R. KNUTSON**

MR MILEY: A committee consisting of John B. Burke, A. H. Markert and Wm. Leslie Ulvin will present a memorial in behalf of Mr. John A. Burns. Mr. Burke.

Mr. Burke read the memorial for Mr. Burns.

John A. Burns was born in Columbus, Wisconsin, on May 26, 1882, the son of Michael Burns and Sarah Mullen Burns.

He received his elementary education in Columbus, Wisconsin, and taught school in Columbia County, Wisconsin. Later he moved to Minnesota, where he continued teaching. He was appointed Principal and Superintendent of Schools in West St. Paul.

In furtherance of his education he attended the Saint Paul College of Law receiving a degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1904. The following year he was awarded a degree of Master of Laws from the University of Minnesota.

Thereafter John engaged in the general practice of law in St. Paul with a primary interest in the field of corporation law. For a time he served as City Attorney for West St. Paul, and for nine years he was Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of St. Paul.

John's zeal for teaching continued throughout his life. For many years he was an instructor at the St. Paul College of Law and a member of its Board of Trustees. In 1953 he was elected Dean of the St. Paul College of Law, and following the merger of the St. Paul school with the Minneapolis College of Law, he was made Dean of William Mitchell College of Law, the name given the school which resulted from that merger.

He was active in civic and fraternal work and was a Past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

John was extremely interested in Bar Association work and was a member of the Ramsey County Bar Association, the Minnesota State

Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He served as President of the Ramsey County Bar Association [in 1938-1939], and in 1940 was elected President of the Minnesota State Bar Association.

He married Genevieve A. Grathwol in 1912, and five children were born of that marriage. Mrs. Burns died in 1950. In 1953 he married Georgia Durkin, and she survives him. Also surviving are four daughters and one son: Elizabeth Brewer, Rosemary O'Connell, Harriet Greving, Nenann Deuberry, and John A. Burns, Jr.

Mr. Burns moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1960 where he resided until his death on September 11, 1961.

Throughout his life John Burns never questioned the wisdom of God's plan for him. He instilled his love of God and resignation to His will in the minds of those fortunate enough to know and associate with him.

John's sense of humor, his affection for his fellow man, his friendly greeting and genial companionship will forever be cherished by his friends and associates.

He was the epitome of honor, thorough, well versed in the law, and an outstanding member of his chosen profession. Always considerate of his adversary's opinion, he remained, however, a forthright advocate of his position on any issue.

The principles to which John adhered will live on as a legacy for time immemorial.

**A. H. MARKERT
W. L. ULVIN
J. B. BURKE**

MR. MILEY: A committee consisting of the Honorable Edward J. Devitt, Roland J. Faricy and Victor J. Holper has prepared a memorial in behalf of Mr. Sheridan J. Buckley, which will be presented at this time by Mr. Holper.

Mr. Holper read the memorial for Mr. Buckley.

Sheridan J. Buckley, lawyer, sales executive and recognized authority in the use of law books, died in St. Paul on April 17, 1961 at the age of 60.

He was born on November 2, 1901, at St. Paul, Minnesota, the son of John P. Buckley and the former Helen Regan. He attended St. Michael's grade school, graduated from Cretin High School in 1918, and graduated from the St. Paul College of Law in 1924. He was admitted to the bar of the State of Minnesota in 1924.

Mr. Buckley became associated with the West Publishing Company in the advertising department on August 29, 1925, and was made assistant sales supervisor on August 1, 1927. Thereafter he progressed to the positions of sales supervisor on August 1, 1934, sales manager on October 1, 1945, and vice president on October 16, 1953, from which position he retired on November 1, 1957.

Mr. Buckley is survived by his wife, the former Dorothy Garretty; two sons, Sheridan J., Jr. and Eugene D., both of whom are practicing lawyers in St. Paul; and two daughters, Mrs. Leo B. Walsh and Virginia A.

During Mr. Buckley's lifetime he was interested in many Catholic charities including the Poor Clare Monastery. He was president of the St. Paul Serra Club in 1953 and was elected to the board of trustees, Serra International, for the years 1951-1952. He was a third and fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus, a member of the Ramsey, Minnesota and American Bar Associations, a member of the Gamma Eta Gamma Law Fraternity, a member of the Board of the Christ

Child's Society for Exceptional Children, a trustee of Holy Spirit Church for twenty years, a member of the Newman Foundation, a member of the board of the St. Paul Sales Executives, and an honorary alumnus of St. John's University. He received the Archbishop Brady Distinguished Service Award on March 5, 1961.

Sheridan Buckley was a friendly man, full of bubbling good humor, kindness and generosity. He made friends quickly and kept them. He travelled extensively and developed a wide acquaintance. He directed the work of all of West Publishing Company Sales Representatives in the United States and enjoyed their confidence, respect and affection.

Mr. Buckley was a very serious and a deeply religious man. He lived a practical Christian life and derived great satisfaction and pleasure from his very considerable gifts of personal work and contributions to religious and charitable causes.

We shall sadly miss Sheridan J. Buckley.

**Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD J. DEVITT
ROLAND J. FARICY
VICTOR J. HOLPER**

MR. MILEY: A committee consisting of Montreville J. Brown, Worth K. Rice and Wilfred E. Rumble have presented a memorial in behalf of Mr. Ray E. Cummins which will be presented for the committee at this time by Mr. Rumble.

Mr. Rumble read the memorial for Mr. Cummins.

Ray E. Cummins was born on a farm near the town of Putney, Brown County, South Dakota, on August 19, 1895. He was the sixth in a family of seven children, five boys and two girls. From this family came two lawyers and one Doctor of Medicine.

The Cummins family lived on the farm until 1909 when they moved to Aberdeen, South Dakota. While on the farm Ray performed the chores usually allocated to boys, including, however, the handling of farm equipment operated in those days through horse power.

At Aberdeen Ray attended high school, graduating in 1914. While in high school he played football for four years, was on the basketball team for two years and during each of those years Aberdeen was recognized as the State High School Champion. He was also a member of the baseball and track teams of the school. So, he was indeed an all around athlete in his high school days.

Of greater satisfaction and importance to Ray than his athletic activities was the fact that during his Junior and Senior years he was a member of the school's debating team and awarded a medal for being the best debater in the school.

After graduating from high school in 1914, Ray attended the State Normal School at Aberdeen. During the fall of 1915, at the suggestion of his brother, Carl, then practicing law in Saint Paul, Ray came to Saint Paul and entered the Saint Paul College of Law.

After working his way through the first year of law school, Ray entered the office of the law firm of Morphy, Bradford and Cummins, in which his brother, Carl, was a member, and worked as a law clerk

while he continued his studies at the law school. Early in 1917, the third year of his attendance at the law school, Ray volunteered for service in the United States Army in World War I, and the law school allowed him to graduate without waiting until the end of the term. His admission to the Bar followed. He served in the Armed Forces until after the Armistice in 1918, and, at that time, was eligible for a Commission. He was offered, therefore, a choice between a Commission in the Reserve and his discharge. He accepted the latter.

Upon his return from service in 1918 he became a member of the firm of Morphy, Bradford and Cummins. Upon the deaths of Mr. Morphy and Mr. Bradford, he and his brother, Carl, continued the practice of law under the firm name of Cummins and Cummins. Later Mr. Theodore Christianson joined the firm and the name was changed to Cummins, Cummins and Christianson. Upon the retirement of Mr. Christianson from the firm to accept appointment as a Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court, the name was changed to Cummins, Cummins, Hammond and Ames.

While in the Armed Forces at Camp Lee, Virginia, Ray became interested in Masonry, an interest which grew and commanded his attention over the years. He became a member of Braden Lodge, Saint Paul, on March 27, 1919. After his return to Saint Paul from the service, he became a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies and shortly thereafter became a member of Osman Temple Shrine. In 1938 he served as Master of his own Lodge, and in 1949 he was made Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Minnesota, the highest honor within the gift of Masonry.

As showing Ray's thoroughness in all he undertook, an incident in his Masonic work might well be related. In 1950 while still Grand Master he was asked to prepare and give a paper at the conference of Grand Masters of the various States held in Washington, D. C., on a subject then considered quite controversial. Much debate was expected. Debate, however, did not develop. After Ray's paper was given, a

Grand Master of one of the States was asked why there were no questions directed to Ray about the matter. He replied: "There aren't any questions to ask—he asked all the questions and gave all the answers."

In 1950 Ray was elected to the Board of Directors of the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association and remained a member until the time of his death.

In 1936 the Charter of the City of Saint Paul was amended to provide for the selection of the Chief of Police by a Police Commission. The then Mayor of Saint Paul requested Ray to become a member of the Police Commission, which he accepted and remained a member thereof for many years. He always took pride and justly so in the part he took in bringing about the organization of a competent and honest Police Department for the City.

Ray's principal hobby was that of fishing and he spent as much of his time as was possible during the summer months at his summer home on Gull Lake. He also followed with great interest the football teams of the University of Minnesota, the Golden Gophers, and the Saint Paul baseball teams.

On September 21, 1920, he married Miss Ida Mae Espeseth. To them two daughters were born, namely, Jean, now Mrs. G. William Smith of Saint Paul, and Doris, now Mrs. Peter Spindler of Chicago.

He died on June 14, 1961, and is survived by his widow, two daughters, six grandchildren, his brother, Carl and all of the rest of his brothers and sisters.

Ray was a member of the Ramsey County, State and American Bar Associations, and of the Saint Paul Athletic Club.

He was a fine lawyer, both as a trial lawyer and as an office lawyer. He was keen and went to the heart of a legal problem with alertness. His judgment as to applicable law to the facts in a given situation and the

course of procedure to follow in the solution thereof, whether in Court or out of Court, was always sound.

Courage was one of the outstanding things in his life. In all that he did he went forward always with courage in the right as he saw the right. He was very much handicapped in the last few years of his life by illness. Notwithstanding this he carried on as long as there was strength left. Others in a like situation would have faltered and quit. But not Ray. He took care of his professional and his outside fraternal and other obligations, all to the benefit of those he served, practically until the final call came. He was in truth a martyr to his fidelity.

Ray always had a word of cheer and a hearty handshake upon meeting those of his acquaintance. All who knew him had great respect for him and held him in high esteem as a man and as a lawyer.

With a deep and abiding affection, he was devoted to his family and they to him. His home life was ideal.

Ray was guided in all things by high and noble ideals. So guided, his personal life was beyond reproach of any kind; and his professional life such as to be a distinct credit to the legal profession. It is a privilege, indeed, to pay tribute and do honor to such a man and lawyer.

**Respectfully submitted,
MONTREVILLE J. BROWN
WORTH K. RICE
WILFRED E. RUMBLE**

MR. MILEY: A committee consisting of Roland J. Faricy, Ulric Scott and the Honorable Arthur A. Stewart has prepared a memorial for Mr. Allen V. Junkin, which will be presented at this time by Mr. Faricy.

Mr. Faricy read the memorial for Mr. Junkin.

Allen V. Junkin was born in Kellogg, Minnesota on September 4, 1897, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Junkin.

He received his elementary education in Kellogg public schools, graduated from Lake City High School, took a pre-legal course at Hamline University, and received his L.L.B. from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1923 at which time he was admitted to the Minnesota Bar.

On July 18, 1923, he married Ruth Plank of Pipestone, Minnesota, who had been a fellow student with him at Hamline University.

In his early years of practice he was associated with the firm of Briggs, Weyl & Briggs and, for many years after that association ended, was a partner in the firm of Barrows, Stewart, Jackson & Junkin. When that firm dissolved, he practiced alone for several years.

He spent the late thirties and early forties in Washington representing clients who were interested in extending natural gas lines into Minnesota. From 1942 to 1946 he was a production administrator with the Manhattan Atomic Energy Project at Oak Ridge, Tennessee and then, until 1950, he spent most of his time in Washington for clients who had contracts with various divisions of the United States Government. In 1950 he suffered a disabling disease which precluded his further attention to the law and which brought about his death on May 3, 1961.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, a daughter Joan (Mrs. E. L. Ware, Jr.) of St. Paul, a son, Allen V. Junkin, Jr. of Wayzata, a son, John P. Junkin of St. Paul, by four grandchildren, and by a sister, Mrs. W. H. Replogle of Los Angeles.

Allen Junkin was a good lawyer, diligent in research and preparation, forceful in presentation and argument, industrious and analytic in the consideration of the problems of his clients, and sympathetic in his understanding. He was a student of philosophy in its various branches and was a recognized authority on the subject of world religions. He wrote well on many subjects.

He had a lively interest in the community and participated actively in civic affairs. He was a charter member of the St. Paul Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He will be remembered as a sound lawyer, a congenial companion, a profound scholar and a good citizen.

**Respectfully submitted,
ROLAND J. FARICY, Chairman
ULRIC SCOTT
ARTHUR A. STEWART**

MR. MILEY: A committee consisting of Linus J. Hammond, John J. McNeil and Harold J. O'Loughlin has prepared a memorial in behalf of Mr. John J. McDonough, which will be presented for the committee at this time by Mr. O'Loughlin.

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

John J. McDonough was born in the old East Side of St. Paul September 24th, 1895, the only son of Stephen and Delia McDonough. He was educated in St. Paul grade schools, Cretin and St. Thomas Academies and at the University of Minnesota. He was graduated from the St. Paul College of Law in 1918 and admitted to the bar that same year. He actively practiced law thereafter until his election as Mayor of St. Paul in 1940. Meanwhile, from 1925 until the close of the 1933 regular and special sessions, he represented the 38th district in the Minnesota Legislature. He was Clerk of the House of Representatives in the 1935 and 1937 sessions. Elected Mayor of St. Paul in 1940, he served until he was stricken with paralytic edema in 1946. He survived this as a physically helpless though mentally alert invalid through 16 years. He died in St. Paul February 27th, 1962.

Such, briefly, is the chronology of his career. But a handicap of which he never spoke, even to intimates, was with him from the age of 12. As a sandlot pitcher one August afternoon in 1908 a severe pain gripped him as he threw a ball. In the fever of polio a day or so later he raised his right arm for the last time. A withered hand and arm prevented participation thereafter in many activities. The deprivation might help account for his sympathy for others' misfortunes and his tolerance of their shortcomings. Outstanding in any appraisal of John McDonough is a gregariousness, a love for his fellows and their companionship.

As a young lawyer his clientele was largely made up of people of small means. He possessed a strong sense of justice, a patient tolerance of others' weaknesses. He responded to any appeal for help

of the unfortunate. His popularity among the working people of the 8th and 9th wards inevitably led to his election as their representative.

Two generations have dimmed the memory of the issues he faced in his ten legislative years. People now are little concerned with the so-called sumptuary laws—notably prohibition—which a misplaced idealism had made constitutional shortly after John McDonough's admission to the bar. He is remembered by contemporaries for his unflagging efforts toward repeal. His constant and ever more absorbing study of the implications of the amendment, the steady and ever-increasing encroachment on states' rights, his reaction to the hypocrisy of men who drank freely and voted dry made him a leader in the seemingly hopeless cause of repeal. It also made him a constitutional lawyer. He became more and more concerned with the basic liberty of individuals, and what seemed too often a lack of concern in high places, particularly in high courts, for traditions and concepts the constitution was intended to secure. In his legal outlook, John McDonough was in every sense conservative. He had enthusiasms and radiated them in the causes he believed in. His political creed, both in thought and in action was in the liberal tradition. He admired the courage and purpose of the senior LaFollette, Norris of Nebraska, LaGuardia. He had been an ardent supporter of Al Smith and shared the sense of personal defeat with many of his townfolk in the election of 1928. But he turned to Roosevelt in depression ridden '32.

His notion of great Supreme Court Justices centered on Holmes and Brandeis. He was always a democrat: he believed that its philosophy gave a break to the common man. He had no illusions as to the dangers of bureaucracy, but he accepted risks to save the shipwrecked economy. He was a party man, but he was tolerant of opponents and reasonable. A salient feature of his administration as mayor was appointment of leaders in every field regardless of party to posts and projects they could best perform or lead. He always had the support of

organized labor and generally overcame any opposition to measures which he believed in as in the public interest.

No one had more concern for the progress of his city. His efforts to secure industry and other sources of employment for its people were not only exhaustive but noteworthy. As Mayor, his primary interest was adequate care for the needy and unfortunate, jobs for those who really wanted work, and justice for those suffering from any form of discrimination. His chief concerns were human relations, race problems and housing.

He had always loved sports and even in his crippling illness baseball was his favorite diversion. He enjoyed the friendship of sportsmen everywhere and was always there to greet those who brought trophies home. But he helped in all worthwhile things, opera, symphony—he even sang in a choir as a young man.

No Mayor gave more of himself—no welfare, jobless, worried or even unworthy visitor was denied an interview. He demonstrated his love for people by his never ceasing work for and pleasure with them. During the war the duties of his office more than doubled. Yet almost every morning he was at the Armory at 6 A.M. to take personal leave of every departing G.I. Such exertions led to physical collapse, and made him a war casualty as truly as those who died in foxholes. This giving was not politically inspired. It was his spiritual exercise. John McDonough's basic traits were such talent for friendship, hatred of prejudice and a deep and abiding passion for justice. His friends, and they are legion, revere him as a great citizen and mourn his loss.

He is survived by Marie Gordon McDonough whom he married in 1930, and whose infinite concern for his care and comfort account for his long survival. A daughter, Rita Moosbrugger, wife of Gordon Moosbrugger, Assistant Attorney General of Minnesota lives here; an only son, John Gordon McDonough, lives in Denver, Colorado.

LINUS HAMMOND, JOHN McNEILL and HAROLD O'LOUGHLIN

MR. MILEY: A committee consisting of William W. Fink, Harry W. Oehler and Fred Silverstein have prepared a memorial in behalf of Mr. Roger S. Rutchick, which will be presented at this time for the committee by Mr. Fink.

Mr. Fink read the memorial for Mr. Rutchick.

Roger S. Rutchick was born in Poland on February 28, 1903, to Morris and Masha Rutchick. While still an infant, he was brought by his parents to St. Paul, where he lived his entire life. He attended the public grade schools in the West Side District and graduated from Mechanic Arts High School in 1921. He went on with his studies at Macalester College and then transferred to the University of Minnesota, where he enrolled in its law school, from which he graduated in 1926. He was admitted to practice in the courts of this state later in the same year.

He commenced practice in the office of George L. Siegel and continued in this association until 1933, when he was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General by Harry H. Peterson. He served with distinction in this capacity until 1937, when he became Administrative Secretary to the newly elected Governor Elmer A. Benson. He served with Governor Benson until the end of his term. Roger was a highly controversial figure in state politics in those years, but with all the high feelings generated in this contentious arena, he carried himself with such courage, dignity and reserve, and he served with such competence, as to command the respect of all, friend and foe alike.

In 1939 Roger resumed the practice of law in St. Paul and continued in this service until the time of his death on March 25, 1962, except for that period of time in 1946 and 1947 when he served as counsel to the International Military Tribunal for the Far East and participated in the war crimes trials in Tokyo, Japan. For the three years preceding the time of his death Roger shared offices with Harry W. Oehler and George G. McPartlin in the Commerce Building in St. Paul.

In 1948 he married Mary V. Munson of St. Paul. A daughter named Leah was born to this marriage. His wife and daughter survive him.

Roger Rutchick possessed and practiced the qualities of a highly competent and industrious lawyer. He was extremely patient in dealing with his clients, and it was his practice to make copious notes of each interview and telephone conversation as he was determined to get at and understand the facts in each case. He made painstaking analysis of the issues and law in each of his matters and he was always well prepared.

He had a profound respect for the dignity of the individual and this in turn earned him the high regard of his fellow lawyers and the esteem and friendship of his clients. He had a sense of humor and a great feeling of kindness. He was always ready to give a helping hand and he carried a heavy burden of gratuitous service. Roger was an idealist to whom the practice of law was not merely a way of earning a living but rather a high calling in the service of others. He was an honorable and good man who served his country, his state and his profession with honor and distinction. He lived a most useful and productive life.

He will be sorely missed by his family, to whom he was so deeply devoted. His memory will be cherished by his many friends. We shall miss him, but we shall never forget him.

**Respectfully submitted,
HARRY W. OEHLER, Chairman
FRED SILVERSTEIN
WILLIAM W. FINK**

MR. MILEY: Mr. Walter S. Speakman was a lawyer who practiced his profession in the City of Minneapolis, but he did make his home in the city of St. Paul. A committee consisting of Ernest H. Steneroden, Richard J. Sundberg, a Minneapolis legal associate of his, and Gerard Snell, also a Minneapolis legal associate, have prepared a memorial in his behalf. Is there a member of this committee present?

There being no member present, Mr. Miley read the memorial for Mr. Speakman.

The death of Walter Speakman on November 17, 1961, came as a distinct shock to his family and many friends, more especially because of his youthful outlook and attitude toward life.

Walter Samuel Speakman was born September 19, 1904, at St. Paul, Minnesota. After graduation from the University of Minnesota he entered into a career in the legitimate theater. He commenced his career with the Bainbridge Players in Minneapolis and rose to New York where he played in numerous successful Broadway productions. He was able to number among his friends many of the famous and not so famous of the world of the theater.

After army service in Europe during World War II, he returned to New York and entered the claims adjusting field, where his lifelong interest and love for the law was re-awakened. In 1950, after returning to St. Paul, he entered the Minneapolis-Minnesota College of Law. During this period he was employed as a Labor Relations Consultant. In 1954 he was graduated with an LLB degree and admitted to the practice of law.

In addition to tennis, his hobbies were painting and flowers. Mr. Speakman was a member of the St. Anthony Park Methodist Church and the Minnesota Rose Growers Association, in addition to his Bar Association activities. He is survived by a brother, Burton Speakman of St. Paul.

Throughout his life Walter was known by all for his fairness, integrity and ability. It is difficult to portray his great capacity for friendship and his zest for life. His countless friends bear both audible and silent testimony to his generous and understanding nature. Never losing sight of the great goals of the law, he yet retained a great warmth of feeling and understanding for all with whom he came in contact. Truly here was one who exemplified the highest attribute of his chosen profession.

**Respectfully submitted,
GERARD W. SNELL
ERNEST H. STENERODEN
RICHARD J. SUNDBERG**

MR. MILEY: Your Honors, these memorials have now all been fully presented, and I now move this court through you, Judge Parks, for an order directing the clerk to spread these memorials upon the permanent minutes of this court, further directing the clerk to send copies of these memorials to the next of kin of those we have here today remembered

JUDGE PARKS: The motion is granted, and the clerk is directed to spread these memorials upon the permanent minutes of this court and send a copy to the families. The Court wishes at this time to thank those in attendance and those judges of other courts from the highest in this state, and especially to Judge Sanborn who, I think, has never missed a memorial service if he was present in St Paul at the time.

This court stands adjourned sine die. ▪

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