

**Memorial**

**for**

**Amos C. Sardeson**

**( November 2, 1863 – May 1, 1944 )**

**Hennepin County Bar Association**

**Hennepin County District Court  
Fourth Judicial District  
Minneapolis, Minnesota**

**February 24, 1945**

**Memorial for Amos C. Sardeson**  
**1863 - 1944**

**Special Term, Hennepin County District  
Court  
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**Amos Sardeson was born on November 2, 1863 at Oswego, Wisconsin. He came to Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1883 to attend Augsburg seminary. He studied Law and received his Law Degree at the University of Minnesota. He was engaged for a time in the Lumber Business in both Minneapolis and St. Paul. He was Chief Deputy Sheriff of Hennepin County, Minnesota under Sheriff Paul P. T. Swenson in the late eighteen nineties.**

**Mr. Sardeson continued various post graduate studies at the University of Minnesota. His hobby was collecting Violins. He was interested in languages and Fine Arts. He assisted at times as an Instructor in the department of Scandinavian languages at the University of Minnesota.**

**Mr. Sardeson, while admitted to the Bar, did not practice his profession very extensively. He was of the philosopher type and loved to read and play Scandinavian folk songs on his violin. He was interesting conversationalist and a loyal and devoted friend.**

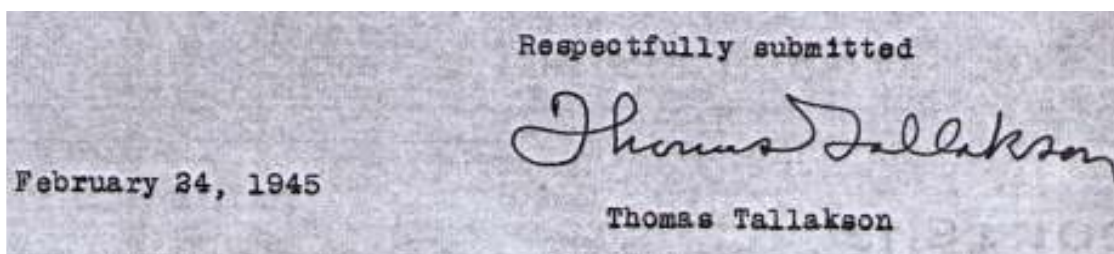
**Mr. Sardeson passed away at Minneapolis, Minnesota on May 1, 1944 at the age of 80 years. He left surviving him a son, Robert Sardeson of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and a daughter, Jean Coryell of Indianapolis, Indiana, a brother, Dr. F. W. Sardeson, formerly of the Geology Department of the University of Minnesota, and a sister, Mrs. Eva Jerome of Minneapolis, Minnesota.**

**These more or less chronological facts are somewhat similar in the biographies of all the Brethern of the Bar we commemorate today. Each in their own way had many traits and characteristics that made them much like their other brethren at the Bar and again in many respects they each had characteristics that were strikingly different. With these similarities and these differences we are not now so much concerned. Their individual degrees of influence or affluence is not our goal to seek after today. They themselves would discourage such vanity and such attempt to measure the immeasurable. Rather it is our thought**

and reflection today that this brother and these our other brethren of the Bar are gone from our midst. They have laid down their burdens and efforts in their chosen profession and from there we who are left carry on. That we do so honorably and well is our greatest and most effective means of truly honoring their memory.

That we individually and as a profession have lost something by their passing is certain, irrespective of who the departed friend is or what his prominence was. A part of us is gone. As so aptly put as a prologue to Ernest Hemingway's great story, "For Whom the Bell Tolls", it is indeed true that

**"No man is an island, entire of itself;  
ever man is a piece of the continent, a  
part of the main; if a clod be washed away  
by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as  
if a promontorie were, as well as if a manor  
of their friends or of thine own were; any man's  
death diminishes me, because I am involved in  
mankind; and therefore never send to know for whom  
the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."**



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### **Addendum**

**Sardeson graduated from the Law Department of the University of Minnesota in 1896.**

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