

In Memoriam

Harry Earl Wheeler

September 14, 1885 – October 26, 1942

Hennepin County Bar Association
District Court
Fourth Judicial District
Minneapolis, Minnesota
February 16, 1943

Harry Earl Wheeler
1885-1942

Harry Earl Wheeler was born at Madison, Wisconsin, on the 14th day of September, 1885, the son of Charles A. Wheeler and Francis Davis Wheeler. His father came to Madison from the state of New York. His mother was a native of Wisconsin. Harry died October 26, 1942.

He attended the public grade school and high school at Madison; was a very adept student; was known as a child prodigy. While in high school at Madison he served as page in the State Senate for two terms. He attended the University of Wisconsin two years. He then moved with his parents to the city of La Crosse, where he lived for a short time. The family then moved to southeast Minneapolis, and Harry entered the University Minnesota Law School, graduating in 1907. He married Meda Blood in 1912.

After obtaining his law degree from the University he entered the employ of Adam Hannah, as cashier in the Hannah Bank, then situated at Fourth and Second Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minn. Thereafter he entered the employ of the Northwestern Trust Company of St. Paul, where he remained for a period of three or four years. He then became Secretary and Treasurer of the Peters Home Building Company of Minneapolis, and later was an employee of the Commonwealth Mortgage Company. He was Assistant County attorney during a part of the term of John Reese.

After severing his connection with the County Attorney's office he entered the general practice of law and continued in such general practice up until the time of his death. The last several years was life he was in partnership with attorney C. J. Cahaley, with offices in the Andrus Building

Harry's death was very untimely and very unexpected. He was in the writer's office at noon on the day of his death, October 26, 1942. He

seemed in good spirits, and in absolute good health. At 10 o'clock on that evening he died.

Harry was well liked by all of his friends and associates. His avocation and hobby was the taking of moving pictures. He traveled quite extensively, and had his camera with him constantly; showed his pictures at gatherings of many fraternal orders and other public assemblages. One of his last places he showed them was at a public travelogue at the Curtis Hotel sponsored by one of the local papers. The talk he gave in connection with the showing of his pictures was so graphic and interesting that one could imagine oneself traveling with him.

Harry was a man of honor, a good citizen, and a lawyer esteemed by his associates. He was ethical in his profession, and his kindly sympathy and high ideals as a friend and a counselor are worthy of emulation.

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Harry Earl Wheeler was admitted to the bar on June 14, 1907, as a member of the University of Minnesota Law School Class of that year. Roll of Attorneys, Supreme Court, State of Minnesota, 1858-1970, at 95 (Minnesota Digital Library).

