In Memoriam

John Valentine O'Hearn

February 14, 1907 - October 25, 1952

Hennepin County Bar Association
District Court
Fourth Judicial District
Minneapolis, Minnesota

April 18, 1953

MEMORIAL FOR JOHN VALENTINE O'HEARN (1907-1962)

John Valentine O'Hearn was born in St. Paul, Minnesota on February 14, 1907. After attending the Cathedral Grade School, he graduated from Creighton High School in 1926.

He had his first contacts with the law in his work in the Claim Department of the New York Indemnity Company in St. Paul. Then with the General Insurance Exchange Corporation, all the time attending as so many other able lawyers have, the night classes at the St. Paul College of Law. He graduated in 1930 and was admitted to practice his profession that same year.

In January of 1932, he became associated with the Banker Casualty Company and continued with that Company for the next twenty years, until his untimely death on October 25, 1952. As Assistant Secretary of the Anchor Casualty Company, the Anchor Insurance Company, and Assistant Claims Manager, he served the Law, the Insurance World and his Employer well and faithfully

Tho he was a member of Delta Theta Phi and the Midway Club, tho he served as Chairman in 1950 of the Creighton Alumni Scholarship Fund, he could hardly be remembered as a joiner. Rather did others join John in pleasant association. He had that rare gift of intent listening, of interest in others, of awareness and sympathy that made his death as personal a loss for his many friends as it was for his wife, Jane, and daughters, Joan and Jean.

His qualities of consistent capability, industry and devotion to duty coupled with a personality noted for his sincerity and humor, its understanding and unfailing courtesy, its unassuming friendliness and good fellowship will long be remembered by many of the members of the Bar of Minnesota. One does not like to think on suffering and death and youth simultaneously, but if, in a short span of time, one man may live so that others feel they have lost an understanding brother with his passing, that something good and genuine has gone on, he has lived well.

Dated April 18th, 1953

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