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## BENCH AND BAR

### MEMORIALS

The following tributes to the memory of those members of the Bar of North Dakota who have recently passed away have been prepared by the Committee on Memorials of the North Dakota State Bar Association. The Committee on Memorials is under the chairmanship of Mr. J. H. Newton, Clerk of the North Dakota Supreme Court, and consists of A. W. Aylmer, Vernon D. Forbes, William T. DePuy, Joseph P. Fleck, Roy A. Ilvedson, and Orrin B. Lovell, in addition to Mr. Newton.

#### JOHN KNAUF

John Knauf, who was a pioneer of the city of Jamestown and Stutsman County, North Dakota, died at Jamestown on the nineteenth day of September, 1952, at the age of 84 years.

Mr. Knauf came to Stutsman County in the year 1883. He attended the public schools in Jamestown, Jamestown College, and in 1892 received his law degree from the University of Michigan. He was admitted to the Bar of North Dakota in 1893 and practiced in this state until his death. He served two terms as County Judge in Stutsman County from January 1, 1895, to January 1, 1899. He served upon the Supreme Court Bench in 1906. He was President of the State Bar Association for the years 1913-1914 and 1914-1915, and vigorously devoted his efforts to the establishment of our present integrated State Bar Association. For many years he served on the associations committee on Americanization. He also served as a member of the State Bar Board for approximately four years, from 1927 to 1931.

Mr. Knauf gave untiringly of his time and efforts toward community betterment, and was ever generous with his time and willingness to assist his fellow counsellors. He is survived by his widow, Winifred Knauf, and five children, Miriam, Donald, Robert and Carolyn Knauf and Katherine LaChapelle.

#### THOMAS D. MORROW

Mr. Thomas D. Morrow, Towner, died at a Minot Rest Home on September 27, 1952.

Mr. Morrow, 77 years of age, was a member of the Bar of North Dakota for nearly fifty years, having graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1903. He was born December 7,

1874, at River Falls, Wisconsin. His parents were natives of Ireland and his father had been a river man in Wisconsin. He attended normal school at River Falls and then taught and farmed in Traverse County, Minnesota, just preceding his college studies.

Mr. Morrow was admitted to the North Dakota Bar on March 24, 1904, and began the practice of law at Bowdon, also serving as postmaster there. Three years later he moved to Denhoff and was there when Sheridan County was created. He was appointed States Attorney and served in that office at McClusky four years. He then practiced law in Drake and was living there when elected States Attorney of McHenry County. Thereafter he was a resident of Towner.

Mr. Morrow was active in Democratic circles and had for many years been a member of the county committee. In 1948 he was a candidate for Attorney General on the Democratic ticket. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

He was quiet, conscientious, and courteous. He was very accommodating and considerate towards fellow lawyers. His friendly and easy-going disposition had much to do with the many friends he had in the Towner vicinity. Surviving are a daughter and four sons: Jean (Mrs. E. C. Jenson), of St. Cloud, Minnesota; Harry, Grayland, Wisconsin; Philip, White Bear Lake, Minnesota; Thomas, Lebanon, Pennsylvania, and Duane of Towner, North Dakota.

#### CHARLES T. MUIR

Charles T. Muir, a native of Williston, and in practice at that city until shortly before his death, was killed in an automobile accident on September 6, 1952.

Mr. Muir was born at Williston on May 30, 1920, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Muir. He was educated in the grade and high school at Williston. After his graduation from high school he served four years in the army, with two years of such service being in the South Pacific. After returning from service he entered the Law Department of the University of Montana and graduated therefrom in 1950. On August 17, 1950, he was admitted to the Bar of North Dakota and was associated in the practice of law with Mr. Walter O. Burk at Williston until early in 1952, at which time he took employment with the Hunt Oil Company at Wolf Point, Montana.

Mr. Muir was a member of the Catholic Church, the Elks and Moose Lodges, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars as well as the North Dakota and Montana Bar Associations. On March 3, 1952, he was married to Margaret Raum Walton of Scobey, Montana. She and three step-children as well as his father, John Muir, Williston, and two brothers, John of Mill City, Oregon, James of Seattle, Washington, and one sister, Mrs. Wallace Morrow, survive.

#### PETER C. ARILDSON

Peter C. Arildson, Watford City, a member of the Bar of North Dakota since 1918, died at a Williston Hospital on August 6, 1952.

Judge Arildson was born in Rock County, Minnesota, March 11, 1875. When he was quite young the family moved to Iowa where he continued his education and finally entered the Law Department of Northwestern University. During his period of study at Northwestern, he was a member of the varsity football team and continued his interest in athletics throughout his life and for two years served as an umpire in semi-pro baseball. The Judge also took a great interest in hunting and fishing.

During his early years Judge Arildson engaged in teaching activities and while so engaged at LaMont, Iowa, he met and married Miss Grace Brigham. He was elected County Superintendent of Schools at Independence, Iowa, where he served for two years before removing to Richland, Oregon, where he was engaged in school work for several years. In May, 1910, he was admitted to practice in the State of Oregon and practiced law at Richland until 1914. In 1915 he and his family moved to Alexander, North Dakota, where he continued school work and later sought admission to the North Dakota Bar and was admitted on February 22, 1918, and practiced law at Alexander for a number of years. In 1928 he was appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of County Judge of McKenzie County and moved to Shafer, being re-elected thereafter every two years until 1948, at which time he decided to retire from office. From that time until his death he resided at Watford City and engaged in private practice, in which he was later joined by his daughter, Helen L. Arildson, a member of the North Dakota Bar. Judge Arildson was a member of the Masonic fraternity and took an active interest in the affairs of that fraternity and in community life in

McKenzie County. Although an ardent Democrat, he was, as before stated, returned to office time after time in a county predominantly Republican, thus testifying as to his standing in the community and the esteem in which he was held by the electors.

Mrs. Arlidson died in 1931. Judge Arlidson is survived by his daughter, Helen, and his daughter Norma, now Mrs. Francis Tuffley; also four sons, Paul, Claude, Edward and Norman. Funeral services were held in Watford City, with Rev. McClure of the Methodist Church of Williston in charge of the services. Masonic burial rites were held at Riverview Cemetery, Williston, on August 11, 1952.

