

As law and legislative work were his avocation, helping others was his avocation. He gave freely of his time to the countless friends and constituents who brought all manner of problems to him; and the thing most frequently said of him today is, simply, "He helped so many." He derived great personal satisfaction, also, from helping persons who had made a misstep, and his encouragement and wise counseling restored many to good citizenship. In representing such persons, he entered a tribunal with a plea on his lips and a prayer in his heart. He never sought justice without mercy, nor did he seek mercy without justice.

Mr. Sullivan was a Past Exalted Ruler and Life Member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Chamber of Commerce, and of local and American Bar Associations.

No tribute to Henry Sullivan would be complete without mention of his unusual appreciation of outdoor life, of the beauty of lakes and forests, and of his great enjoyment of his lake cottage. A friend once remarked that God had truly blessed Henry in giving him such love of Nature and in having so ordered his life that he spent much time out-of-doors. Many will recall that his leisure-time conversations most frequently were joyous recountings of the fishing and hunting experiences of his wife and himself. He was an expert rifleman, a skilled oarsman and swimmer; his hobbies, hunting, fishing, and motor-ing.

Henry Holland Sullivan was born in St. Cloud, Minnesota, October 3, 1889, son of John D. and Elizabeth Sullivan, and passed away in that city March 21, 1959, survived by his wife, Ruth, by three children, Mrs. W. W. Cowan, San Jose, Calif., Mrs. R. J. Robbers, San Lorenzo, Calif., and John D. Sullivan, Jr., Santa Clara, Calif., and by a sister, Mrs. Lawrence M. Hall of St. Cloud.

This tribute, if lengthy and warmly personal, must be so, to properly commemorate this vital, very human person whom we so greatly miss. I am grateful for assistance with personal information used, and honored at having been selected to present the Senate's final tribute to this friend and statesman.

→ The President of the Senate then recognized the Senator from LeSueur, Mr. McGuire, who offered the following tribute and addressed the Senate as follows:

Mr. President, Members of the Senate and Honored Guests:

It is with sincere respect and honor that I humbly rise to commemorate the memory of a very devoted public servant, Senator Frank M. Wrabek.

Senator Wrabek was a pioneer in south central Minnesota. He was born in New Prague, Minnesota, in 1873 and led a very full and a very busy life for 87½ years.

Senator Wrabek learned the printing trade at an early age. He published the LeSueur County Leader-Democrat at Le Center, the county seat of LeSueur County, from 1895 to 1907. After disposing of his newspaper interests, Senator Wrabek served for 20 years as LeSueur County Clerk of District Court, an office which he conducted with ability and dignity.

After completing his service as Clerk of District Court, Senator Wrabek served for a time as Assistant State Treasurer and then turned to the soil and selected farming as his occupation.

While engaged in farming, Senator Wrabek became interested in securing electrical power for the rural areas of our state. He was instrumental in founding the Jordan REA Co-operative which he helped manage in the late thirties and early forties.

Other public service to which this dedicated man offered of his time and ability included service as Clerk of the Le Center Public School Board, City Assessor, and Justice of the Peace.

Senator Wrabek was an avid fisherman and hunter; a man who harbored many strong opinions in the field of fish and wildlife conservation. He was an active member of the Izaak Walton League.

Senator Wrabek will long be remembered locally for his interest in the history of our area. He was very active in the Old Settler's Association of Le Sueur County and served as its president. He wrote numerous items of local history for Le Sueur County newspapers. Several years ago, in connection with the Centennial Celebration of the City of New Prague, his birth place, Senator Wrabek prepared a very detailed, complete and scholarly history of that community.

Senator Wrabek was elected to the Minnesota State Senate in 1950 and served in the 1951 and 1953 legislative sessions, representing the 17th Legislative District.

Senator Wrabek died at his home in Le Center on Thursday, December 29, 1960. His wife preceded him in death. Surviving him are two daughters and one son—Mrs. S. J. Eifert, Mrs. Edna Ring and Mr. Francis Wrabek. To them we extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy on the loss of their father, a truly devoted public servant.

Mr. Dosland moved that the memorials and personal tributes as presented and read, be approved and spread upon the pages of the Journal of the Senate. Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dosland moved that the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby instructed to send enrolled copies of the memorials and personal tributes, as presented and read, to the widows of the deceased Senators or their next of kin. Which motion prevailed.