

Senator Michael Boylan has left important lessons; he has provided a part of the history of Minnesota's Iron Range. We honor his memory today as we honor his service in this Chamber.

He is survived by two sons, John Boylan of Los Angeles and Robert Boylan of Atlanta; a daughter, Mrs. John Tuberty of Kalamazoo; two sisters, Miss Helen Boylan and Mrs. Austin Travis, both of Kalamazoo; two grandchildren, and a nephew, Mr. Harlan White of Minneapolis.

We thank his children and relatives for the service of Senator Michael Boylan to his city and to his state.

Thank you.

The President of the Senate then recognized the Senator from Cottonwood and Jackson, Mr. Franz, who offered the following tribute and addressed the Senate as follows:

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

It is an honor for me to pay tribute this day to one who served in the Minnesota Senate from 1930 to 1947. O. J. Finstad was born on a farm near Avoca in Murray County on March 29, 1878. His mother passed away when he was two or three years old and he was brought up by a Johnson family south of Windom in Christiana Township. He attended grade school in rural Delafield Township and received his high school education in the Windom public schools.

It is said that he was an ambitious and industrious student. He attended the University of Minnesota where he received his law degree on June 4, 1903 and was admitted to the bar in the State of Minnesota on June 5, 1903.

On April 7, 1906 he married Mabel Sheets, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Sheets.

He practiced law in the City of Windom until his retirement in 1959. He served as County Attorney of Cottonwood County from 1930 to 1946, at which time he was elected to the Minnesota Senate, serving the counties of Cottonwood and Jackson. He was always interested in his community, serving on the School Board, the Windom Cemetery Association and was a member of the Board of Directors of the Windom Savings and Loan Association. He was enrolled as a life member of the Minnesota Historical Society on July 9, 1942.

Mrs. Finstad passed away on November 23, 1958.

Senator Finstad passed away at the Windom Community Hospital on Sunday, February 7, 1960. He was a member of the Methodist Church. Funeral services for the prominent Senator were held at the Methodist Church at Windom on Wednesday, February 10, 1960.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Donald Clarke of San Jose, California, a son-in-law and two grandchildren.

“God hath not promised
Skies always blue
Flower-strewn pathways
All our lives through
God hath not promised
Sun without rain
Joy without sorrow
Peace without pain
But God hath promised
Strength for the day
Rest for the labor
Light for the way
Grace for the trials
Help from above
Unfailing sympathy
Undying love. . .”

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

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

At this memorial service it is an honor for me to pay tribute to the late Ralph Goodhue, who so ably served the 18th District in the Minnesota Senate.

Ralph Goodhue was born in Northfield, January 27, 1878. Mr. Goodhue's father, the late Horace Goodhue, was the first Dean of Carleton College, on whose faculty he served for 40 years. His mother, whose maiden name was Sarah A. Bigelow, was one of Northfield's beloved citizens, associated with her husband in the pioneer days of college and town.

Ralph grew up in Northfield and attended the Carleton Academy and Carleton College, and the School of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota. Mr. Goodhue owned and operated a livestock farm near Dennison, Minnesota, and he took an active part in the life of the Dennison neighborhood. He was an officer of the Dennison Cooperative Dairy Association, and was elected by patrons of the Dennison Creamery Plant to attend the first meeting of milk producers in the Twin Cities on September 1, 1916, from which developed the Twin Cities Milk Producers Association, now one of the leading dairy cooperatives in the United States. Revolutionary changes occurred in the marketing of dairy products during the more than two score years that he was active in this field. From the pioneering period in producers cooperative organizations, an acceptance of this type of marketing organization was widely opposed to the day when the strength and success of the producers cooperatives is widely recognized. Mr. Goodhue was elected State Senator from Rice County in 1942 and was re-elected for a second four-year term

in 1946. He became one of the conservative leaders of the Legislature, known for his studious attention to state affairs. He was active in developing plans for preservation of the Nerstrand Woods as a state park, and was a member of most of the important committees of the State Senate during his two terms in office. Indicative of Mr. Goodhue's forward looking interest in betterment of farm life is the fact that he was the first farmer to sign a contract hiring a county agricultural agent in Minnesota. He was an organizer and director of the Rice County Farm Bureau, Area Vice President of the National Dairy Council and President for two years of the Minnesota Frozen Foods Association. Mr. Goodhue was a life-long member of the Congregational Church, and contributed in many ways to the church.

To all of his activities during his long and useful life, Mr. Goodhue brought not only an active and loyal participation, but also the good judgment and sane viewpoint, the high standards and vision, the kindly good will and friendly spirit for which he was always known and respected among the neighbors and friends in his home community. Mr. Goodhue's quiet leadership, good judgment and keen understanding played an important part in the development and growth of his community during his many years of public service. He was survived by his wife, the former Emily M. Rice, whose marriage to Mr. Goodhue was solemnized August 29, 1903. Also surviving are one son, Horace Rice Goodhue of St. Paul, and two daughters, Mrs. Ross Ensminger of Carlinville, Illinois and Mrs. Lloyd Berg of Northfield. To them we extend our deepest sympathy in the loss of a father and husband.

The President of the Senate then recognized the Senator from Scott and Carver, Mr. Metcalf, who offered the following tribute and addressed the Senate as follows:

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

Today it is my privilege to honor an old friend of mine, a man that contributed much to his community and, as a member of this body, from the twenty-first district, made very definite contributions to state government.

Mr. Arthur A. Hahn was born on May 23, 1861 at Mayer in Carver County, Minnesota, where he graduated from the elementary school. He then attended high school at Hutchinson, Minnesota, graduating in 1904. He later completed a course in Business.

Mr. Hahn joined his father in the general merchandise business. He was enthused and very successful in business. He later moved to Belle Plaine where he opened a general merchandise store and gradually made it into one of the finest small town stores in the state. At one time he owned such stores in Belle Plaine, Jordan, Mayer, Watertown, Waverly and Springfield. He was, for twenty-six years, Chairman of the Fairway system of stores.

Mr. Hahn met his wife Lena Fois of Lester Prairie and from this union there were three daughters and one son. The son still operates his store at Belle Plaine.

In addition to the many associations and service clubs to which he belonged, Mr. Hahn advanced to the 32nd Degree in the Masonic Lodge. He was a Shriner and a Knights Templar.

Beginning his politics as a Councilman on the Belle Plaine City Council, Mr. Hahn advanced to the position as State Senator from Scott and Carver Counties. He served two sessions in this capacity, striving diligently for the laws that would help his people at home and our entire state.

When his health no longer permitted him to travel, he retired to his lake cottage at Waconia where he thoroughly enjoyed Mother Nature's gift of birds, animals, lovely weather with cool, balmy evenings.

With his body spent, but his mind clear, he loved having his many friends call and discuss community and state problems—politics. He often relived his years in the Senate, mentioning the names of many of his friends that helped him with legislation.

Mr. Hahn was kind, personable and generous. His friends were many, and his services to his community innumerable. His pleasant smile and kindly disposition will long be remembered. May he rest in peace.

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

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

I have the honor today to pay tribute to Dr. Victor E. Lawson who was born on March 24, 1871 at Paxton, Illinois.

When he was a mere lad the family moved to New London, Minnesota, in 1880. As a boy on the home farm his hobby was printing. No surprise then that at the age of 17 years he became editor of the New London Times and some years later was the founder of the Willmar Tribune, the forerunner of the present West Central Daily Tribune. As an editor he was the champion of the common man, was of liberal political philosophy, was a crusader for temperance and good morals and an upholder of the Christian faith.

With a meagre country schooling of a few early years he, through self study, was some years ago recognized by a great college when Gustavus Adolphus College bestowed upon him the Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters.

As an American of Swedish extraction his contribution to the culture of both nations was notably recognized when the late King Gustav of Sweden conferred upon him Knighthood in the Order of Vasa.