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

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

Fred Newton died at Princeton, Minnesota, on the 9th day of April, 1955, at the age of eighty-two years. He was born in Princeton and spent his whole life as a resident of that community. Mr. Newton is survived by one son, Louis R. Newton, Princeton, Minnesota, and one daughter, Mildred Avery of Williamsburg, Michigan.

For over fifty years Fred Newton was one of the outstanding citizens of Princeton. He was a successful businessman of sound judgment and recognized for his honesty in all his dealings. In addition to his business affairs he took an active interest in the civic and political activities of the community.

For many years Mr. Newton served as a member of the local school board and later as a member of the village council. For seventeen years he represented his community as county commissioner on the Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Newton served as Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeant at Arms in the State Senate during the sessions of 1925 through 1933. He was elected to the State Senate from the 55th Legislative District at a special election held in January, 1939, and held this office for two terms. During his period of service in the State Senate he served with high honor and distinction. His colleagues knew him as a very capable and conscientious legislator. Mr. Newton was a man of varied ability and above all he was a man of sterling character; he was kind, friendly, and considerate.

He was a fine example of a man who had himself strictly in hand and in steering his course through the sea of life, never deviated from what he believed was the right course. Mr. Newton leaves a fine record of accomplishment in which all who knew him will always take much pride. In his death the community in which he lived and the state as a whole has sustained the loss of an honorable and useful citizen."

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

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

I have the honor at this time to pay tribute to my predecessor in this body, the Honorable Ernest P. Anderson of Wadena.

Ernie served the people of Todd and Wadena Counties in the State Senate for ten years, from 1944 to 1954 and his friends were many in numbers and true at heart.

On April 30 of 1955 our entire district was saddened by his untimely and sudden departure from this vale of tears to his