

May it Please the Court:

The Special Committee appointed by the president of the Racine County Bar Association has the honor of presenting this memorial on the life of Jerome J. Foley.

Jerome J. Foley was born in the city of Racine November 14, 1886 and passed away on the 28th day of December, 1954, following a heart attack. He was the son of Edmond Foley and Mary (Rooney) Foley. His father was born in Ireland and came to the United States as a young man and took up his residence in this city. His mother was a lifetime resident of the city of Racine.

Mr. Foley attended the Janes graded school and St. Patrick's parochial school. He graduated from Racine High School in June, 1904, having completed his high school course in three and one-half years. While attending high school, he was employed as janitor at St. Patrick's School and Church. He was an industrious young man, and his industry and enthusiasm continued throughout his lifetime, as evidenced by his success in later life. Following his graduation from high school, he entered the employ of the J. I. Case Threshing Machine Company and continued his employment with that concern up to the time of his admission to the Bar.

He had an ambition from childhood to become a lawyer, and urged by members of his family, he entered Marquette Law School in the fall of 1910 and for three years attended night sessions at that school. Following his day's work at the Case Company, where he held a responsible position, he traveled to Milwaukee on the interurban line known in those days as the M.R.K. (Milwaukee, Racine and Kenosha Line). That was prior to the advent of rapid transportation. It required one and one-half hours to make the trip to Milwaukee and one and one-half hours were required to make the return trip. The night school

sessions were held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and on the intervening evenings, his time was spent in preparing for the following day's assignment.

Mr. Foley was graduated from Marquette Law School in June of 1913 and following his graduation, passed the Wisconsin State Bar examination. His ambition to become a lawyer was realized following three years of night school attendance--a high compliment to his perseverance.

On November 17, 1913, he signed the roll of attorneys in the Circuit Court for Racine County. On his admission to practice his profession, he entered the law offices of W. W. Storms, at that time district attorney for Racine County, and served as assistant district attorney under Mr. Storms. He participated in the prosecution of many important criminal trials and became an outstanding trial lawyer. His experience in that office prepared him for the handling of important litigated matters in the later years of his practice. The firm of Storms, Foley & Beck was formed in 1920 and was later known as Storms & Foley on Mr. Beck's organizing his own firm. Following Mr. Storms' death in 1923, the firm name was changed to Foley & Brach and later to Foley, Brach & Colbert. In 1947, Jerome J. Foley, Jr. associated himself with his father under the firm name of Foley & Foley, and John W. Foley, the youngest son, became associated with his father following his graduation from Marquette Law School in 1954.

Mr. Foley was united in marriage with Rose Weldon of Chicago on May 16, 1917. Six children were born of that marriage: Jerome J. Jr.; Rosemary; Margaret (Mrs. Frank Culotta); Edmund J.; John W. One daughter died at birth.

He was one of the organizers of the Blackstone Club, comprising several young attorneys of this city. This club met each month at the Elks Club and reviewed recent decisions

of the Wisconsin Supreme Court and discussed matters of interest to the legal profession. Mr. Foley was one of the charter members of the Racine County Bar Association which was organized in October, 1916. Upon the organization of the Bar Association, the Blackstone Club discontinued its activities. Throughout his professional life, he was active in the work of the Association and served as its president in 1929. He was an active member of the Racine County, State and American Bar Associations and was also a member of the association of attorneys of the Seventh Federal Judicial Circuit. He served for several years as a Circuit Court Commissioner of Racine County.

He was a member of St. John's Nepomuk Church and a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus. He served as Grand Knight of Racine Council and as District Deputy of the state organization. He was also a member of the Racine Elks Lodge.

He was active in the Boy Scout movement and helped organize the local Boy Scout Council in 1918. At a later date, he served as president of the Council and in 1948 was honored for his contribution to scouting. He was a gifted orator and appeared on many patriotic programs throughout the state.

Because of failing health in the later years of his life and because of illness in his family, it became necessary for him to limit his activities to professional duties, and most of his time was devoted to corporation, business and probate law. He served as general counsel for Western Printing & Lithographing Company for several years and was a director of that company at the time of his death. Up to the time of his death, he was active in his profession, and on the morning of the day he was stricken, he was in communication with his office concerning pending legal matters.

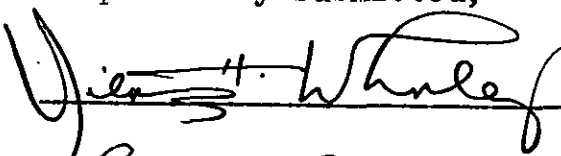
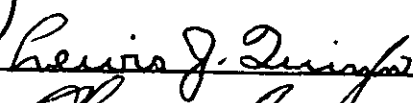
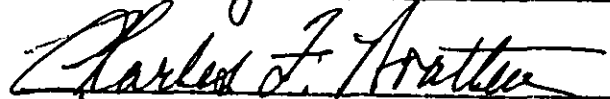
Jerome J. Foley was in every sense a self-made man. As a lawyer, he was always well prepared for the trial of

his cases. He had a keen sense of humor, and often his ready wit was a factor in getting litigants to compromise their differences. The oath he took when he signed the roll of attorneys was to him a sacred pledge which he upheld throughout his professional life. He was at all times courteous to opposing counsel and accorded the utmost respect to the courts in which he appeared. He had a large circle of friends, many of whom sought his advice in legal matters. His good judgment and practical approach to legal problems made him an excellent advisor.

In his passing, his family has suffered an irreparable loss, and this community has lost a patriotic and public spirited citizen. His honesty, his loyalty and his application to duty earned for him a just reward; the high esteem of those with whom he was associated.

His busy life and splendid achievements as a lawyer will stand as a monument to his memory and will serve as an inspiration to all lawyers in the years that lie ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

RACINE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
RACINE, WISCONSIN

February 26, 1955

Mr. James H. Daley, Chairman,
Mr. John J. Quinn, Jr.,
Mr. Charles P. Lambert,
Chicago, Ill. 60602

Dear Sirs:

You have been appointed as the Committee to prepare and present the memorial for Justice J. Daley, Sr. This memorial is to be presented at the opening of the Spring Term of the Racine County Circuit Court.

I appreciate your offer of assistance in this matter and if I can be of any help in preparing the memorial, please feel free to call upon me.

Very truly yours,

EDW. F. DALEY, JUDGE
Racine County Circuit Court

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EDW. F. DALEY

A Light Is Dimmed

JEROME J. FOLEY, one of Racine's finest citizens, and a Westerner since 1920, departed this life on December 28, 1954. Mr. Foley was the senior partner of the law firm of Foley & Foley, had served as the legal counsel of Western Printing & Lithographing Company for 34 years, was a member of the Board of Directors of the organization and also President of Weck's Lumber Company of Racine.

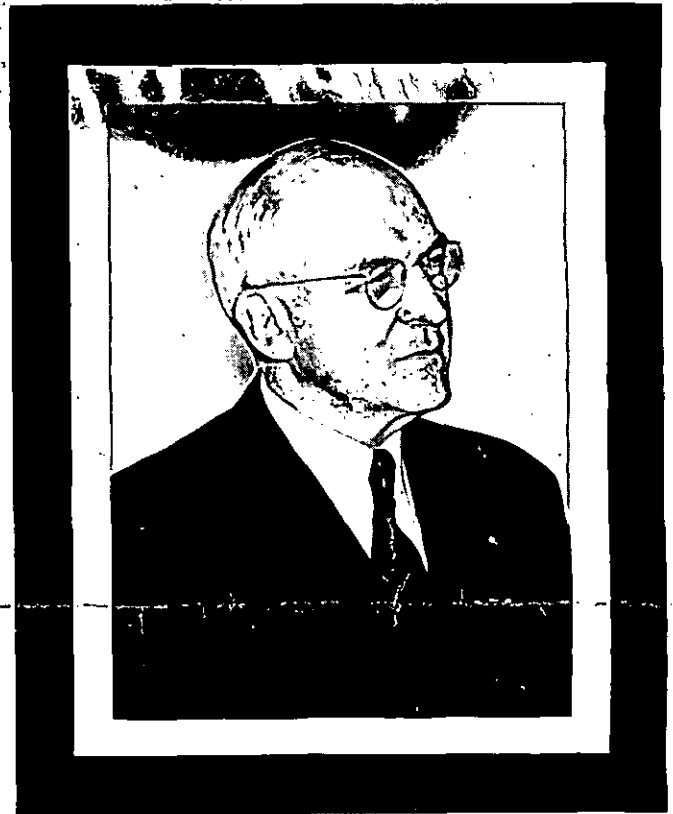
Born in Racine on November 14, 1886, "Jerry" Foley attended Racine schools and was graduated from Marquette University Law School in 1913. He served six years as assistant district attorney of Racine County and was a charter member and former President of the Racine County Bar Association. He was also a member of the Wisconsin Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the Bar Association of the 7th Judicial Circuit. He served at one time as a Court Commissioner of Racine.

Active in Scouting, he helped to organize the Racine County Boy Scout Council back in 1918. He was a Past President of the Council and served as a national council member. He was also Chairman of the Catholic Committee on Scouting for the Milwaukee Archdiocese. The Racine County Boy Scout Council, in 1948, honored Foley for his contributions to Scouting.

As an active member of the Knights of Columbus, Foley served at one time as a district deputy and was a former Grand Knight of the Racine Council of the K. of C. He was a fourth degree Knight. He was also a member of St. John's Nepomuk Church, the Holy Name Society, and the Elks Lodge No. 252.

Surviving are his wife, Rose; three sons, Jerome J. Jr., and John W., (associated with their father in the law firm); Edmund J., of Weck's Lumber Company; two daughters, Miss Rosemary Foley (of Whitman Editorial at Racine) and Mrs. Frank (Margaret) Culotta, all of Racine; two brothers, Edmund J. of Racine and James F. of Milwaukee; three sisters, Miss Katherine Foley, Mrs. Anna Quirk and Miss Winifred Foley, also of Racine, and five grandchildren.

Extremely active in community affairs and always interested in good government, Jerome Foley was an



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accomplished speaker and he delivered many a stirring and inspirational address on the privileges and advantages of the American Way of Life.

He was well known to hundreds of Westerners, serving as a friend and counselor and guide and was often a familiar figure as toastmaster, speaker, and leading participant at Company meetings, banquets, and stockholders' gatherings. He was a familiar figure at annual meetings of the Twenty-Year Club, of which he was a charter member. And he served with dignity and loyalty as a member of the Board of Directors of the Company for many years.

Speaking at the Twenty-Year Club banquet in 1949, Jerome Foley spoke inspiringly on the subject of Americanism when he said:

"You and I can strike a light and ignite the torch of freedom. Regardless of what our neighbors may think or do, we can live a life that shows our beliefs in American principles and our gratitude to the men who have built and preserved this country in which we live in happiness and contentment . . . The only way we can demonstrate that is by our adherence to American principles, our willingness to accord to every man, woman, and child the rights with which they have been endowed."

No man ever better portrayed the exemplification of good Christian living and an adherence to American principles than Jerome J. Foley. Although his light may be dimmed, the flame he ignited in a host of friends and admirers continues to burn brightly in his memory.

Feather Giving

COMMUNITY CHEST—1954-1955

| FACTORY—HOURLY | Formula | Less Than Formula | Nothing | Total Employees | Percent Giving Formula |
|---|-------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Composing | 16 | — | — | 16 | 100 |
| Electrical, Plant 1 | 8 | — | — | 8 | 100 |
| Electrical, Plant 4 | 3 | — | — | 3 | 100 |
| Garage | 3 | — | — | 3 | 100 |
| Gordon Press | 11 | — | — | 11 | 100 |
| Janitors, Plants 4 and 5 | 9 | — | — | 9 | 100 |
| Ink | 12 | — | — | 12 | 100 |
| Machine, Plant 1 | 7 | — | — | 7 | 100 |
| Paper Converting | 43 | — | — | 43 | 100 |
| Rotary | 24 | — | — | 24 | 100 |
| Shipping—Herb | 33 | — | — | 38 | 100 |
| Shipping—Les | 73 | — | — | 73 | 100 |
| Shipping—Leo | 39 | — | — | 39 | 100 |
| Shipping—Herman | 158 | — | — | 158 | 100 |
| Sheet Metal, Plant 1 | 5 | — | — | 5 | 100 |
| Cafeteria | 12 | — | — | 12 | 100 |
| Watchmen | 7 | — | — | 7 | 100 |
| Operating Engineers, Plant 4 | 6 | — | — | 6 | 100 |
| Box | 127 | 2 | 2 | 131 | 97 |
| Carpenters, Plant 1 | 19 | 1 | — | 20 | 95 |
| Platemaking | 17 | 1 | — | 18 | 94 |
| Photo Engravers | 10 | 1 | — | 11 | 91 |
| Institute | 9 | 1 | — | 10 | 90 |
| Bindery | 224 | 22 | 8 | 254 | 88 |
| Varnishing | 8 | — | 1 | 9 | 88 |
| Aniline and Gravure | 7 | 1 | — | 8 | 87 |
| Die Cutting | 22 | 1 | 3 | 26 | 84 |
| Electrotype | 11 | 2 | — | 13 | 84 |
| Photo Litho, Plant 4 | 18 | 4 | — | 22 | 82 |
| Plate Storage | 4 | 1 | — | 5 | 80 |
| Janitors, Plant 1 | 17 | 3 | 2 | 22 | 77 |
| Operating Engineers, Plant 1 | 12 | 4 | — | 16 | 75 |
| Stock | 14 | 5 | — | 19 | 74 |
| Photo Litho, Plant 1 | 30 | 11 | — | 41 | 73 |
| Offset | 74 | 29 | — | 103 | 71 |
| Greeting Card | 49 | 19 | 2 | 70 | 70 |
| Folding | 35 | 20 | 1 | 56 | 65 |
| Playing Card | 47 | 26 | — | 73 | 64 |
| Carpenters, Plant 4 | 4 | 3 | — | 7 | 57 |
| Machine, Plant 5 | 5 | 4 | — | 9 | 55 |
| Cylinder Press | 10 | 8 | 4 | 22 | 45 |
| TOTAL | 1247 | 169 | 23 | 1439 | 87 |
| OFFICE | | | | | |
| Whitman Syndicate and Retail Sales and Bookkeeping | 35 | 5 | — | 41 | 88 |
| Artists, Artists & Writers, Editorial, Cafeteria, Photography | 23 | — | — | 23 | 100 |
| Billing and Tabulating, Traffic | 62 | — | — | 62 | 100 |
| General Office and Cost | 28 | — | — | 28 | 100 |
| Superintendent-Personnel | 25 | — | — | 25 | 100 |
| Quality Control, Laboratory | 14 | — | 1 | 15 | 93 |
| TOTAL | 188 | 5 | 1 | 194 | 97 |
| Executive and Department Heads | 149 | — | — | 149 | 100 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 1584 | 174 | 24 | 1782 | 89 |