

John's Lutheran Church, the institution to which he had given so much of his time and service during his lifetime.

Ours is a better state and nation because of men like Frank Romberg. As a legislator and community leader, his work has touched the lives of many. His memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew him".

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

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

We are today paying tribute to Frank J. Sell as a citizen and former State Senator, who represented the 11th Senatorial District, and a friend.

Mr. Sell was born June 7, 1893 at Adrian, Minnesota and lived there ever since. His education was received at Adrian Public Schools and he graduated from Adrian High School and also from Minneapolis Business College. He was active as a salesman for R. Sell and Company of Adrian, Minnesota and later entered into Real Estate and Insurance business.

Mr. Sell was County Commissioner for Nobles County for several years. He was elected State Senator of the 11th district in 1930, reelected in 1934, and 1938, serving three terms, including special sessions.

He was married March 17th, 1919 to Grace de Neui of George, Iowa, who survives him.

Frank J. Sell was in ill health since June, 1950 and he died March 2nd, 1952. He was buried in Adrian Cemetery, Adrian, Minnesota.

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

It is with deep respect and humility that I rise today to say a few words at this service in memory of my distinguished predecessor, former Senator Oscar A. Swenson.

Funeral services for Mr. Swenson were held at the Norwegian Lutheran Church of Norseland in Nicollet County on Saturday, June 23, 1951. Rev. M. E. Twiet officiated.

Mr. Swenson was born March 27, 1877, to Swen and Kristie Swenson, early pioneers of Nicollet County. He attended rural school in New Sweden township and later Luther Academy at Albert Lea and Gustavus Adolphus college in St. Peter.

On March 29, 1900, he was married to Bertha Jenson of Bernadotte. Mr. and Mrs. Swenson took over the operations of the family homestead and continued to live there during all of Mr. Swenson's life. A few days before Mr. and Mrs. Swenson were to have observed their golden wedding anniversary, on March 21, 1950, Mr. Swenson suffered a cerebral hemorrhage from which he was never able to fully recover. He passed away at the Miller Hospital in St. Paul, on June 20, 1951, at the age of 74.

Mr. Swenson began his political career as a member of the town board of New Sweden Township and served as secretary for the New Sweden Creamery board for 30 years. He was for many years secretary for his church, the Norwegian Lutheran church of Norseland.

Mr. Swenson was elected to the state legislature the fall of 1912, where he served as a member of the House for 20 years. He was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives at the 1931 session. In 1936 he was elected to the State Senate from Nicollet and Sibley Counties and served here until his retirement January 1, 1951.

He served as a director and officer of numerous state and national dairy organizations and mutual insurance associations.

The immediate family surviving Mr. Swenson are his wife, Bertha, and four children. The eldest son, Maurice, preceded his father in death five years ago. The children who survive are: Bernhard of St. Paul, Minn.; Constance, St. Paul; Clara (Mrs. M. Hovland), Mahtomedi, and Eda (Mrs. Willis John) of St. Paul. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren and one brother, S. G. Swenson of New Sweden.

Oscar will be long remembered for his tremendous sense of humor, his determined adherence to the objectives he believed in.

Few men had a keener analysis of the needs of agriculture, and few have contributed more that he has for the farm folks of Minnesota.

During his long service as a legislator, Oscar A. Swenson sponsored much worthwhile legislation, which will stand as a

monument to him and to his service to the people of the state, and the legislative district he so ably represented."

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

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

One of the sixteen men we meet in tribute to, John B. Stepan, represented Todd and Wadena Counties during the 1919-1921 Sessions. An ardent supporter of the Non-Partisan League, he concerted every effort in behalf of the farmer and farm movement. In typical, true American style, Mr. Stepan, devoted many years of his life to political efforts and in public offices. He served as State Hotel Inspector during Governor Olson's term of office, later worked as an appraiser for the Rural Credit Department in the state.

The former Senator was born at New Prague, Minnesota, May 21, 1879, spent his early life there, later moved to Long Prairie with his parents, then to Browerville. They moved to North Dakota for a short duration, then back to Browerville. After his term as Senator, Mr. Stepan's duties required his moving to Minneapolis and Randall, Minnesota, but when he retired, he moved back to Todd County where he resided until he passed away March 18, 1951, at the age of 72 years.

Mr. Stepan was conscientious, devoted to his family; he was public spirited and manifested a deep interest in the welfare of his fellow man, physically strong and sincere in his convictions, he worked untiringly in his service to the public.

Left surviving him are two daughters and two grandsons who reside in the State of Washington."

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

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

George Albert Turnham, who was my predecessor in this Senate, was born February 19, 1859, near Long Lake, Hennepin County. His parents, Edwin and Emily Turnham, were among the early settlers of western Hennepin County and some years earlier had taken a homestead from the federal government.

Mr. Turnham grew up, married and raised his own family in the same vicinity of his birthplace. He became a highway, rail-