

PROCEEDINGS IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
IN MEMORY OF
FORMER CHIEF JUSTICE WILLIAM LEE KNOUS
MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1960.

The court having convened en banc at 9 o'clock a.m., the Honorable Leonard v. B. Sutton, Chief Justice, addressed the court and assembled guests as follows:

May it please the court, ladies and gentlemen:

We are met here today to honor the memory of one of Colorado's most distinguished citizens. All of us were indeed saddened at the recent passing of William Lee Knous, a former Justice and Chief Justice of this court. We therefore deem it fitting and proper that a permanent record of our feelings be made at this time.

In order to permit others who also loved and esteemed Judge Knous to participate in this service our Court has asked several of his friends and colleagues to appear here today to comment on various phases of his widespread and brilliant career as mayor, legislator, governor, federal judge and bar association member.

On behalf of our court I will first, however, make some brief comments about this great man's work on our bench and his philosophy of life so all of us have known ~~xxx~~ ^{it} over the years.

There are none on the court today who were privileged to serve with Lee Knous but all of us knew him as friend and public official for most of our active lives so my remarks are not mere platitudes.

Judge Knous was elected to the Colorado Supreme Court in 1936 and took office on January , 1937. In 1946

he became Chief Justice. He left this branch of government when that same year.

He was elected Governor of Colorado in ~~1946~~. In his career on this bench he served with distinction, tact, humility, courage and ability. Each of these attributes is commendable and most of us will agree that both courage and ability are essential qualities for all judicial officers to have if their work is to be performed properly. The other three qualities are those that set Lee Knous above most of us. His philosophy of gentleness and of interest in human beings and their problems ran deep and produced much good throughout his life.

He was the author of some of the most important opinions this court has had to write in the course of its long history.

His decisions were noted for their clarity, thoroughness, and the sound law they announced. He personified the independence of the judiciary in his fearless stands on many questions without regard to public opinion, criticism or clamor.

Henry Ward Beecher once said:

"No man can tell whether he is rich or poor by turning to his ledger. It is the heart that makes a man rich. He is rich according to what he is, not according to what he has." Such a man

was Lee Knous and so measured he was a wealthy man indeed. He was one of those rare people who was able to endure much but who would submit to little and who had complete faith in the democratic ideals of civilized society to the point of being willing to devote his varied talents as a public servant to society for most of his adult life.

As a young lawyer I had occasion to seek advice or help from my friend several times and I always found him gentle, firm and fair. The privilege of calling him friend is one of my most treasured memories as I am sure it is one of yours.

Several of his friends and colleagues have written us extending their regrets that they could not be here today

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expressed
and have ~~also~~ ~~expressed~~ their sorrow at his passing.

We especially note the letters from Circuit Judge
Circuit Judge Orie Phillips, Retired,
Walter A. Humman, Retired, and former Justice Norris Bakke,
who are out of the state.

~~It is a pleasure to have present today the fine family Judge Knous left behind;~~
We are, of course, pleased

~~to have present today the fine family Judge Knous left behind;~~
~~the presence of~~
John Vivian and former governor
former Governor and former United States Senator Edwin C. Johnson,
~~as well as those former Supreme Court~~
Justices, Federal Judges, District and County Judges and other
friends of Judge Knous who could be present here.

In a moment I will call upon some of you to complete
the picture ~~of~~ of Lee Knous. Before I do so, however, I want to

read to you a short ~~bit~~ piece of prose by Max Ehrmann, which describes

so much better than I am able to do ~~the way I will always re-~~

member ~~our~~ ~~former~~ ~~Chief~~ ~~Justice~~, ~~and~~ how I believe ~~he~~ would
the goals of
have described his own life:

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"Let me do my work each day; and if the darkened hours of despair overcome me, may I not forget the strength that comforted me in the desolation of other times. May I still remember the bright hours that found me walking over the silent hills of my childhood, or dreaming on the margin of the quiet river, when a light glowed within me, and I promised my early God to have courage amid the tempests of the changing years. Spare me from the bitterness and from the sharp passions of unguarded moments. May I not forget that poverty and riches are of the spirit. Though the world know me not, may my thoughts and actions be such as shall keep me friendly with myself. Lift my eyes from the earth, and let me not forget the uses of the stars. Forbid that I should judge others, lest I condemn myself. Let me not follow the clamor of the world, but walk calmly in my path. Give me a few friends who will love me for what I am; and keep ever burning before my vagrant steps the kindly light of hope. And though age and infirmity overtake me, and I come not within sight of the castle of my dreams, teach me still to be thankful for life, and for time's olden memories that are good and sweet; and may the evening's twilight find me gentle still."

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Such a man was our friend whom we and our state will never forget.

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At this time I will call upon the Honorable Dan Hughes,
former District Judge and former Montrose law partner of Judge
Knous.

(Judge Hughes' remarks to be inserted here)

Thank you Judge Hughes.

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We are now privileged to hear from the Honorable
Edwin C. Johnson, former Governor and former United States
Senator.

(Governor Johnson's remarks to be inserted here)

Thank you Governor Johnson.

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At this time I will call upon the Honorable Raphael
Moses of Alamosa, President of the Colorado Bar Association for
remarks on behalf of the organized Bar in Colorado.

(Mr. Moses' remarks to be inserted here.)

Thank you Mr. Moses.

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The remarks of Judge Knous' friends will I know be an
inspiration to all public officials. The memory of this man
will live on with clarity and example for the citizens of our
state. We rejoice in the heritage he left his family, his
friends and for posterity. The eulogies pronounced here today
will linger on as cherished treasures for all of us during the
remaining time the Supreme Judge has allotted to our respective
lives.

As a tribute to our departed friend we will order that
the services held in his honor be printed in the official reports
of our court as a permanent record.

Judge Knous has entered the last summons. May the Supreme

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Judge cherish his appearance as much as we regret the call to
that other world from whence none return.

Mr. Bailiff, announce a recess until 2:30 p.m. this
afternoon.

MEMORIAL TO WILLIAM LEE KNOUS

Remarks by The Honorable Dan Hughes

Honorable Judges, Friends and the Family of Lee:
First let me read into the record the historical statement of Lee from his birth and the several offices to which he was elected.

He was born in Ouray, Colorado, to John Francis and Julia Bain Knous on February 2, 1889. He attended public schools in Ouray, then the University of Colorado Law School, graduating in 1911. He was admitted to the Bar in July of 1911. He started to practice the law with Thomas Y. Bradshaw in Ouray as Bradshaw and Knous. He was Deputy District Attorney under William Weiser in 1912 and served until 1916. He was County Attorney of Ouray County, moved to Montrose about 1917, and was associated in the law firm of which I was a member and also Charles J. Moynihan. The firm was known as Moynihan, Hughes and Knous. He served several terms on the School Board at Montrose. He was Mayor of Montrose from '26 to '30. A member of the General Assembly in 1929. He was elected to the Senate in 1930, and appointed as Floor Leader in '32 and served through '36. He was President Protem from '34 to '36.

He was elected to the Colorado Supreme Court in 1936 and served until he was elected Governor of the State of Colorado in 1947. In 1950 he was appointed to the U. S. District Judgeship.

His affiliations: He was president of Western Colorado Bar Association, member of the 7th Judicial District Bar Associ-

ation of the Colorado State Bar, past president of the Montrose Rotary Club. A member of Inspiration Lodge No. 143, Free and Accepted Masons. Member of Ouray Lodge No. 492, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He held an honorary life membership in the Elks Lodge. He was a member of the Episcopal Church. A member of the War Labor Board for the 9th Region during World War II. He was Past Exalted Ruler of the Ouray Elks Lodge. He was Chief of the Ouray Volunteer Fire Department, and that was one of his proudest offices. He received his law degree when he was 22 years of age.

He was interested in all athletics, particularly at Ouray and throughout the Western Slope as a hunter and fisherman. He was catcher on the Ouray town team which was semi-professional, and always was very proud of his ability as a ball player. He also was an amateur boxer appearing in many of the matches on the Western Slope, particularly at Ouray. That was in the days when Jack Dempsey was growing up and boxing in that country. I remember personally when he boxed, which was supposedly just to be a sparring match, with Andy Malloy, one of the Dempsey sparring partners, and Lee came up second.

It was my good fortune to know and be a friend and close associate of Lee Knous from my high school days. We both started the practice of law in 1911, and for many years we were law partners, and these were very enjoyable years.

Lee's first public office was in 1912 as Deputy District Attorney for Ouray County. From 1912 on he served as a public official in many capacities, first in Ouray County and then Montrose County.

His first elective office was that of Mayor of Montrose. Then he became a member of the Colorado State Legislature, then to the Senate and then Governor, and then Supreme Court Justice, and lastly Federal Judge.

Lee never lost an election. His characteristics and mental qualities made him one of Colorado's most outstanding citizens. As I have known him for over a half century, let me try and list some of these qualities. First, he was humble in that he was free from both egotism and over-confidence. Second, he had a remarkable degree of what we call the common touch. To know him was to be his friend, for you knew when he was your friend and you had to reciprocate. He was the equal of, and when with him, on the same level with the day laborer, the farmer, the stockman and the banker. Each knew he was his friend, and so each was his friend.

Third, he had the best legal mind that it has been my privilege to know. Analytical, a sound understanding of the principles of the common law and equity, and the ability to put his conclusions in an understandable language. As a judge, the ability to call the play as he saw it.

Fourth, as a politician, he ran "scared." Never did he take an election for granted. In his first race for the House of Representatives, he just knew he could not be elected. Some five days before election his stomach went bad, and he had to stay in bed. It was terrible. Lee carried every precinct, one precinct by every vote cast, much to the distress of the Republican committeeman and committeewoman. I think each thought the other would vote for the Republican candidate and they could claim that vote.

With all of Lee's abilities as a lawyer and statesman, he was best and most at home as a companion and friend. He loved to talk of his days in Ouray, in particular, of his ability as a baseball catcher and hunter and fisherman. When I say he was humble, this applies more particularly to his public life and legal activities. As a baseball catcher, hunter and fisherman, he gave no ground to any one. If I heard him extolling his abilities as a catcher once, I would say I heard him fifty times.

He caught Smoky Joe Woods, later the fireball artist of one of the Boston teams. He loved to tell what a fast ball Smoky Joe threw and what a man it took to catch him. He could spend hours telling of his hunting and fishing experiences.

On the other hand, to my knowledge, whenever two shot at the same bird, his immediate reaction was to exclaim to the other hunter, "You surely made a good shot and knocked that bird down." It is fair to say that he was the outstanding baseball catcher, hunter and fisherman of the Western Slope some fifty years ago.

I might delve into other instances when the late Foster Simms died. I think at least sixty percent of the lawyers in Colorado immediately thought of Lee Knous as his successor. Lee came over home, came into the office. I was district judge then, and I knew he had something on his mind, so I said, "Lee, what steps have you taken in connection with this District Judgeship? We all want to see you in there." Oh, he didn't know whether he was qualified. "Well," I said, "do you want it?" He said, "Yes, I want it," so I called Ed Johnson right then and there on the phone, and I said, "Lee

is here, and he would like to have that District Judgeship." Ed said, "Well, why in the hell don't he say so?" And then they talked. He was humble in that sense to a very remarkable degree.

By his death, Colorado lost one of its most outstanding citizens and statesmen, and the people of Colorado lost their best and most lovable friend.

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MEMORIAL TO WILLIAM LEE KNOUS

Remarks by The Honorable Edwin C. Johnson

Your Honor Chief Justice Sutton, the Associate Justices, the Former Justices, the family of our departed friend of blessed memory, Ladies and Gentlemen:

What I may say will be somewhat repetitious but the things that we say about Judge Knous and Governor Knous will bear repetition over and over. They should be stamped indelibly upon our hearts. So it won't be too greatly amiss if I repeat some of the observations that have been expressed.

I recall very distinctly the session of the Legislature in which Governor Knous first served. A few of us were sitting around in a ball session, wondering about Representative Knous. All of us knew Charlie Moynihan, the eloquent, beloved member of the firm, and we rather expected that Lee Knous would be something along that line, too. That firm of Moynihan, Dan Hughes and Lee Knous was favorably known everywhere. We were surprised when we got acquainted with Lee Knous. His down to earth humility, his warm friendliness and his realistic sense of humor appealed to us strongly.

I recall that Senator Harry Hanson from Moffat County, and the representative from Eagle County, Lee Knous and I during the noontime recess each day would go downtown and bowl a few games and eat our sandwiches as we bowled. Lee was a good bowler and he loved it. In fact, he was proficient in athletics generally. He dearly loved athletics and to fish and to hunt and revel in the great outdoors. I meant much to him.

In the political campaign of 1946 Lt. Governor Robert Knous was our driver. Lee Knous and I were making a trip to Durango and in the San Juan Mountains we suddenly came upon one of those beautiful vistas that are so awe inspiring, so glorious in the fall of the year, and it was October. The Judge asked Robert to stop the car and we got out and marveled at Nature's

wondrous scene of beauty, a valley of golden aspens flanked by scarlet red scrub oaks and topped by the forest of pines above, Awed with this sight of sights, Governor Knous usually serene was deeply moved by it. He had been away from his beloved San Juan Mountains a long time, and he drank it in only as a lover of nature could. He loved those mountains. He loved Colorado.

One of the really great governors of Colorado was Uncle Billy Adams, and Lee Knous had many of the attributes and qualities of Uncle Billy. The same inexhaustible patience, the same uncanny understanding, the same love of people, the same strong determination never to hurt the feelings of anyone. Both had these attributes, but both also had the courage to face an issue squarely and to do whatever was necessary in the peoples interest.

A reporter recently asked Lee Knous to compare services in the judiciary with services in the administrative government. Governor Knous says, "There's really no basis for comparison. Each has its advantages. In the governor's office, one must make decisions without much notice, while in the courts, he has more opportunity to deliberate." Then he added this significant and revealing observation. He said, "Justice must be tempered with mercy. I found it hard to keep mercy in its rightful place at times." Knowing Judge Knous, it must have been difficult for he was a man with great sympathy. In each case, in each trial held before him each verdict that he rendered, I know that his heart was heavy. "And yet," Governor Knous told this reporter, "the law must be upheld," and Judge Knous upheld the law. This great judge, and this great governor, upheld the law. He loved his country too much to do otherwise, and he set aside his deep feelings of sympathy, whenever necessary, painful as it was, to see that justice prevailed.

Often young fellows come to me and say, "I would like a little advice," and I tell them--the first best advice is do not take my advice, and they say, "Well, I want to ask you about going into politics," and I say, "Good, I have three tests which you might think about. Do you love people? Do you like to help people with their problems? Do you love your country with all your heart?" And if the answer to those three questions is yes, then perhaps you may become a second Judge Knous.

Governor Knous truly loved the people. He operated the office of Governor on the open door plan. No one who came to see the governor, no matter how insignificant his problem might appear to everyone else, Governor Knous heard him. With the great patience of Uncle Billy Adams, Governor Knous listened to him to the end, heard his full story, and gave him as much helpful encouragement and advice as he possibly could.

He was as thrifty and as careful of the expenditure of public funds as that other great governor sitting here today, Governor Vivian. Each of them left the treasury in much better shape than when they entered office--without increasing taxes. These astute governors held the line against undue expenditures. Both had deep concern for the taxpayers of the state, and for the requirements of the people.

Oh, one could go on and on in paying tribute to Lee Knous; his friendliness, his warmth, his sincerity, his devotion to the good things left a deep impression upon every one of us who came in contact with him.

It is hard for me to speak about this life that was spent so gloriously and so humbly in the service of the people. A tribute should be paid to one who is present here today who watched over him with love and devotion. He married his school boy home town sweetheart. She helped him. She assisted him. She comforted and encouraged him, and he was a man who needed greatly the things that Marie Knous gave to him. May God

give her the strength to travel the road alone.

I feel greatly honored with this opportunity of paying tribute to my beloved friend, this friend of the people. They are not easily fooled. They know the sincerity of their friends. They knew that Lee Knous was their staunch friend every day, all the time under every circumstance, and in every possible situation. I thank you.

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Mr. Chief Justice, my brethern of the Bench and Bar, ladies and gentlemen:

Judge William Lee Knous was the fourth Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Colorado. He was appointed by President Truman in April 1950, and served on that Court for nearly ten years. Today, we pay solemn tribute in memory both of the man and the Judge.

Judge Knous' history is one of government service. In his early years at the Bar he served as Deputy District Attorney for Montrose County and as City Attorney for the City of Montrose, Colorado. Successively in his carrer he was elected to the State House of Representatives, the Colorado State Senate, the Colorado Supreme Court and to the Governorship of our great state. From the Governor's chair he came to the Federal Bench--bringing to it a rich background of experience in the private practice of law and outstanding service in the legislative, judicial and executive branches of our state government.

No Judge who ever sat upon either of the Courts of which Judge Knous was honored to become a member did so with greater respect for the obligations of such occupancy. His constant wish was that he gain the light to see and to do right--to the end that all that came before him might have justice in its highest form. He believed in fair play for everyman.

Judge Knous had a great gift for friendship--his friends were legion--and from every walk and station in life. He was a humanitarian in every sense of the word; he had profound confidence and faith in, and complete respect for, the individuals who constitute society. He had in his heart a compelling passion to accomplish justice. He revered and honored the Bench; and though he was forceful in his pronouncements, he was even tempered, poised and courteous always.

Possessed of a generous and warm heart, he was sympathetic and considerate of the weaknesses of others. Judge Knous was devoted to what is right and good. Here was a man of comprehensive understanding and wise discernment balanced with rare common sense. His is a brilliant record of faithful and rewarding service to his profession and to his State.

These are the qualities that won for him the love and admiration, not only of the Bench and Bar, but of all those who were privileged to be associated with him.

The opportunity to serve with Judge William Lee Knous on the United States District Court for the District of Colorado afforded me one of the most treasured privileges of my life. It was a most congenial service. I am grateful that this opportunity was afforded me for even so short a time. The Judge Knous' passing creates a void that will be hard to fill-his memory is secure in our hearts.

U. S. District Judge Alfred A. Arraj
March 21, 1960.

The United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit pays tribute to the memory of the late William Lee Knous, who at the time of his death was Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the State of Colorado. During his long service on the federal bench, Lee Knous gained the respect and affection of all the judges of the circuit. It is my high privilege to speak for them on this solemn occasion.

I had the good fortune to know Lee Knous when he was a member of the Colorado General Assembly, to have appeared before him as a lawyer when he was a Colorado Supreme Court Justice and when he was a United States District Judge, to have worked with him on interstate water matters when he was Governor of Colorado, and to have served with him on the United States District Court for the District of Colorado. These years of association brought to me an ever-increasing admiration of Lee Knous as a man, a legal scholar, and, most importantly, a devoted public servant who performed the duties of office with unsurpassed faithfulness and sincerity.

Born and educated in Colorado, Lee Knous throughout his long and useful life applied his great talents in the field of public affairs. He loved his state and he loved and understood its people. They in turn rewarded him with many high offices, all of which he filled with honor and distinction. As Legislator, Chief Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court, and Governor of Colorado, Lee Knous so endeared himself to his fellow citizens by his humility, his deep sense of responsibility, his wisdom, and his leadership that few equalled him in popular esteem.

Those for whom I speak today knew Lee Knous best as a United States District Judge. The duties of a federal district

judge are most arduous and the responsibilities are of grave consequence. Lee Knous met the challenge of that office wisely and courageously. On the bench he was patient, courteous, and understanding. While firm in his insistence on the traditional proprieties, he presided over his court with a personal charm and unassuming dignity that impressed all who appeared before him. Mindful of the rights of litigants, learned in the law, and willing to hear all sides of every question Lee Knous held the respect of lawyers and litigants alike. That indefinable and intangible quality, sometimes referred to as judicial temperament, is not found in all men, indeed not in all judges, but Lee Knous possessed it in such measure that to many he typified justice itself.

Perhaps no one is more critical of a judge than are his brethren on the bench. Those who worked with Lee Knous in the trial and appellate courts, for on occasion he sat on the Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, recognized his keen and analytical mind which quickly moved to the heart of any controversy no matter how complicated. This professional skill was coupled with a depth of human understanding which manifested his warm nature, his tolerance for the frailties of mankind, and his zeal for the right. Intellectually honest, with no touch of intellectual arrogance, Lee Knous judged those who came before him with kindness, fairness, and impartiality,^{and} without heed of consequence. He was a judge's judge.

The federal judges of the Tenth Circuit express their sorrow on the death of Lee Knous and their recognition of the unselfish and devoted service which he rendered. We have lost a great jurist, a great man, and a great friend.

Judge Brietenstein.
March 21, 1960.

WILLIAM LEE KNOUS

The greatness of men is measured by many standards. For the most part, I think, the appraiser takes an objective point of view. He measures his subject by achievements -- a great general by his strategy, his victories; a great doctor by his service perhaps in medical research; a great lawyer by his courtroom achievements; a great judge by his contributions to legal learning; a great scientist by his disclosures of Nature's potentialities. My own standard of appraisal is, I am sure, unorthodox. Mine is based on the concept that the greatest contribution a living man can make is to provide happiness for his fellow-beings, -- in short, to leave his world of friends, neighbors and fellow-citizens a happier place than when he came into it. That is why William Lee Knous was a great man. The thousands of us who knew and loved this man, a truly distinguished lawmaker, executive, and jurist by any standards, held our love and admiration not because of those objective accomplishments, great as they were, but because he put joy in our hearts because of his very presence, he made us happy, his ever-present smile and twinkling eyes made us feel good, he made us always conscious of the worth of living in a world of which he was a part. My world and your world is a better place just for Lee Knous having passed our way.

-James M. Noland. *Orator judge, I miss you*

Remarks of
Raphael J. Moses of
Alamosa, Colorado

President,
The Colorado Bar Association
at the
Memorial Services
for
Hon..William Lee Knous
held
March 21, 1960
Supreme Court Chambers
Capitol Building
Conver, Colorado

It is my honor and privilege, as President of the Colorado Bar Association, to read a resolution adopted by the Board of Governors of the Colorado Bar Association at a meeting held January 16, 1960.

It is as follows:

R E S O L U T I O N

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Governors of The Colorado Bar Association, that the lawyers of Colorado mourn the death of the Honorable William Lee Knous.

Judge Knous was a native of Colorado, educated in its schools and University, and devoted his long and useful life to the service of the people of the state he loved. Successively, he was Mayor of Montrose, a member of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly, a member of the State Senate, Justice and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and Governor of Colorado, and in his last years Judge of the United States District Court. In every capacity he was noted for his integrity, his scholarship, his strict devotion to duty, his kindly manner in dealing with the persons and the problems that engaged his official attention, for the friendships he made with all who came to know him, and for the humility which marked his approach in all the many things which his responsibilities in the highest offices and as a man imposed upon him.

The lawyers of Colorado knew and respected him as an able practitioner and as a fair, competent, and just judge. They and all of the people of Colorado knew and respected him as an honest, capable, and industrious citizen, legislator, judge, and administrator. His career has been without parallel in the hundred years of the history of our State. We shall miss him; and we shall not see his like again.

We extend to his widow and to his sons our heartfelt sympathy, and earnestly pray that the Lord will comfort and sustain them.

Adopted by the Board of
Governors of the Colorado
Bar Association at its
meeting held in Denver,
Colorado, on January 16,
1960.

THE COLORADO BAR ASSOCIATION

Dated this 2nd day of
February, 1960.

By Donald S. Molen
Donald S. Molen
Executive Secretary

SEAL

In addition to spreading the above resolution on the record of this solemn occasion, I should like also to be permitted to add a few personal remarks.

Judge Knous was everything this resolution has said. He was much more. He was kindly and gentle toward those, such as I, who came before him on infrequent occasions, both while he sat on the bench of this Court and on the Federal bench. He was patient with those who practiced rarely in these courts.

With his own rural background, he was well grounded in practical matters as well as in legal theory. I can well remember the twinkle in his eye as a lawyer endeavored to instruct him in certain fundamentals of sheep ranching, a subject he was thoroughly familiar with, his association with Judge Hughes in Montrose in itself having been ample education.

President Eisenhower, in a recent proclamation concerning Law Day, USA, has said:

"WHEREAS one of the greatest heritages of American citizenship is a government of law before which all men stand as equals, and the dedication of our people to freedom under law has made possible the remarkable growth and development of our society in all its aspects; and

"WHEREAS respect for justice under law is vital and abiding only when its roots are grounded in our many traditions of religion, ethics, and philosophy with their common teaching concern-law as the foundation of our social order..."

it is particularly fitting that we should honor here today a great judge who held such a respect for justice under law, and who exemplified the type of jurist and man whose roots are so grounded.

We shall miss him, but we shall be better men and better lawyers for having known him.

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G. Walter Bowman

CLERK

Dear Walter:

Enclosed are copies of the remarks made at the
memorial services in honor of Judge William Lee Knous
held March 21, 1960.

Yours very truly,

George A. Trout
(George A. Trout)
Clerk.