

THOS. SULLIVAN DIES AT HOME AT AGE OF 89

Services for Former Mayor
Are to Be Held at 2
Tomorrow.

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stands of the old mansions of the early days.

Kindly, fond of the family circle, Mike, who wandered lonesomely today in the Sullivan yard, Mr. Sullivan, acquaintances say, disliked trickery and deceit. He was known as an outspoken man on any subject—political or otherwise.

He was the grandson of Jeremiah Sullivan, who as a member of the Legislature, first suggested the name of Indianapolis for the new capital of the state when it was decided to shift the site from Corydon. He also was a grandson of the pioneer United States Senator from Indiana, Oliver H. Smith.

During his active years he was chairman of the city sinking fund board and president of the Citizens Gas Co.'s board of trustees until the recent acquisition by the city of the gas utility.

He also had been a trustee of the Indianapolis diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church and was the oldest living master of the Oriental Lodge, F. & A. M. He also was a member of the Scottish Rite.

Was Former Judge

Other survivors in addition to the two sons and the daughter, are another daughter, Mrs. John E. Hollett, two grandchildren, John E. Hollett Jr., and Byron P. Hollett; and a great-grandchild, Thomas Sullivan Hollett, all of Indianapolis.

The first term Mr. Sullivan served as mayor of Indianapolis he pledged a platform of city improvements. Previous to his election he was judge of the Marion-Hendricks Circuit Court. His selection as nominee for Mayor was based on a previous defeat for the judgeship.

During his time as Mayor he also served as police judge.

A prisoner who might have imbibed too freely on New Year's day might be met by Judge Sullivan with the biblical comment, "Go and sin no more."

He was proud of the fact that during his mayoralty term Indianapolis emerged from a lamp-lit and flickering gas-lighted city into the electric age.

Opposed by Some
"There was some opposition, but we got the lights," he would relate to friends and relatives.

"There were no improved streets. That is, none but Washington-st. and the pavement there had been torn up. We gave them pavement," he would relate.

All was not rosy, however, during his term for he met with political fire and attempts to discredit him and as he put it "some of the opposition tried to connect me with the asphalt trust."

The charges failed of their own lack of weight, old settlers of the city say.

Sullivan's robust health was in wide variance with his idiosyncrasies. He considered it "foolishness" to sleep with his windows open, his sons said.

Believed in Tolerance
He was a "teetotaler" but did not believe in prohibition. He believed in tolerance to mankind, honesty of purpose, and was rarely given to being prejudiced without sufficient evidence to warrant the prejudices, friends say.

He used tobacco all his life. He became an aviation enthusiast late in life and six years ago was in a plane mishap in which his son, the former Mayor, suffered several fractured vertebrae. The father was cut on the head.

The cut was received as he was being helped from the plane. "If you boys would have let me alone I wouldn't have gotten a scratch," he said.

Interested in Sports
He was interested in fishing, canoeing, and other outdoor sports.

During earlier years he went to Wisconsin for two months each summer and took a grandson with him. Timber-cutting, however, caused him to change his vacation stamping ground and he shifted his camp to wilder spots in Minnesota where he employed the same Indian guide each year.

The home at Capitol-av and Ohio-st. in which Mr. Sullivan was

born, was built by his grandfather, the former United States Senator Smith. It was a large double house made of brick and was designed by Mr. Smith as a home for himself and his daughter, Mary Smith, who was married to Gen. John Love.

Mr. and Mrs. Love later traded their half of the house for a home at the northeast corner of St. Clair-st. and Capitol-av. The trade was made with Thomas Hendricks, former governor of Indiana and twenty-first vice president of the United States. Mr. Hendricks lived in one-half of the old homestead, but in 1903 the structure was razed to make way for Traction Terminal properties.

Attended Local School

Mr. Sullivan attended schools in Indianapolis and studied law at Washington and Jefferson University, Racine, Wis., College, and the Indiana Law School. He also studied law in the office of Reginald Hall. His son, Reginald Hall Sullivan, was named after the former law partner.

Mr. Sullivan's relatives on his mother's side were Whigs and Republicans but he always was a partisan Democrat.

On one occasion he was being photographed with his great-grandson and the child reached up and grabbed his white moustache. The photograph was snapped with the babe holding a handful of beard.

Picture Was Favorite

"And that picture was one of his favorites," friends said today. Civic leaders who mourned his death include:

Gov. McBurney: "I join with hundreds of others in mourning the passing of this beloved citizen. In public and in private life he had become endeared to all those who knew him. His passing will be genuinely mourned."

Rabbi Feuerlicht, who said: "In-

dianapolis has lost an invaluable citizen and a fine gentleman of the real old-fashioned American type. His example and advice has had a strong influence on our community. He has been a worthwhile grandson of his grandfather, as well as an exemplary grandfather and father."

Mayor Kern—"Indianapolis mourns the death of one of its finest Mayors and foremost citizens. He represented all that was best in Hoosier life."

Theodore Dammeyer, president of Safety Board—"We all regret the passing of a public figure whose personal integrity was so well known. He was an outstanding citizen whose long career was a series of fine achievements."

Dr. Carleton B. McCullough: "One of nature's noblemen. Kindly and courteous, ruggedly honest."

"Square with his ideals was the record of his name."

Leads Make Comment

Attorney General Philip Lutz Jr.: "The state as well as the city of Indianapolis mourns a fine old man who gave much in his life to Hoosierdom."

Chief Morrissey: "Former Mayor Thomas L. Sullivan never lost his interest in Indianapolis civic affairs and especially law enforcement. Until just a few years ago he made occasional trips with me in police cars. The police department as well as the entire city has lost a constant booster and a valuable advisor."

Mrs. Raymond R. Noll: "We all admired Mr. Sullivan for the fine tradition he established as well as the ideals for which he stood. He had done much for the community through his exemplary life."

B. Howard Caughran, assistant United States district attorney: "For more than half a century, Judge Thomas L. Sullivan has been a leading citizen of this city which he loved so devotedly and served so

faithfully. His public service on the bench and in the Mayor's office set a high standard of industry, efficiency and honesty which is worthy of the emulation of all public officials. His life has been an inspiration to all who have been privileged to come within the wide range of his influence. Indianapolis is a better city because of his long and useful life."

George S. Olive, president of Chamber of Commerce: "Mr. Sullivan leaves to his community a long record of unselfish, intelligent public service. The present advantages which we enjoy are in no small measure the result of the foresight and leadership of a number of such men, whom we honor in our memory."

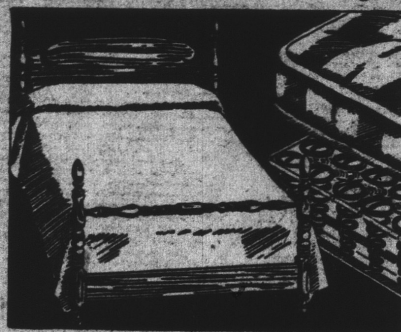
Mr. Sullivan had many exceptional personal qualities that made

him loved by all who enjoyed his friendship. It was a blessing well earned that he might live to see many of the fine results of his active life."

Federal Judge Robert C. Rutland: "Although I am not a native of Indianapolis and didn't know Mr. Sullivan until during the World War, I considered him to be one of the finest characters I ever have met anywhere. His life should be a fine example to the youth of the city for the things he stood for were honest and real."

Dick Heller, Democratic State Committee secretary: "On behalf of the state committee, we feel deeply the loss suffered by the family of Mr. Sullivan. I did not know him, but those who did say he was as fine a man politically as he was in his private life."

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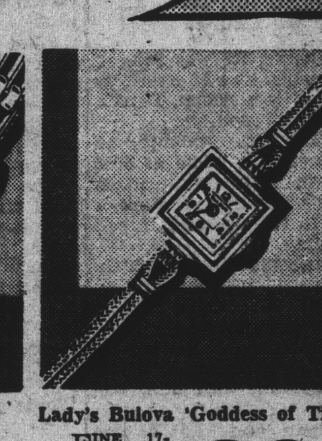
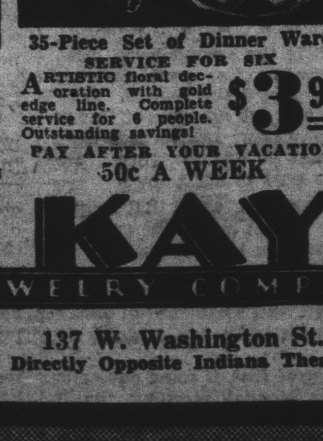
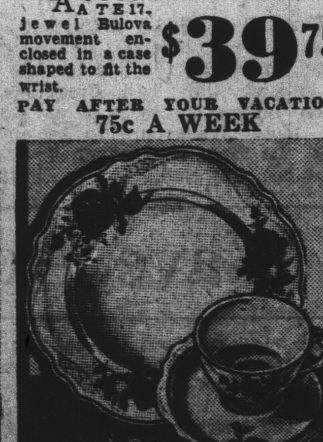
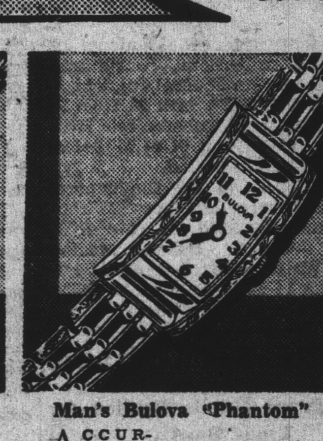
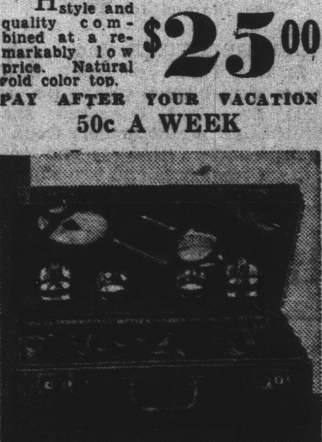
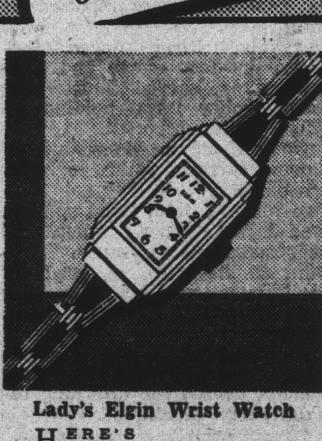
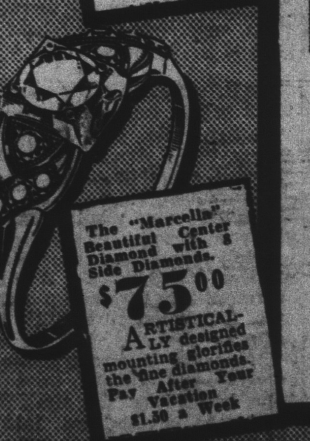
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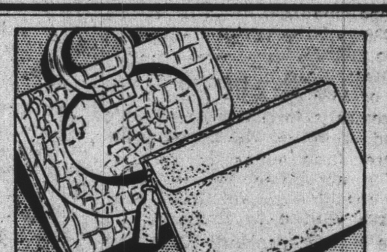


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