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The committee on Constitutional Education has completed that part of its work in the Oratorical Contests on the Constitution that covers Indiana. This is the third National and First International Contest on the Constitution, however and there will be national international contests for the winners in the Indiana contests to engage in in the coming months. Mr. James A VanOsdl, Chairman of the Indiana State Bar Association Committee on Legal Education, reports that after the completion of the county and district contests there were held six regional contests and that the winners of these contests were as follows:

GEORGE S. TAGGART, Charleston High School, representing Clark County, Third district, and Territory A.

LEAH DAUBENHEYER, Butlerville High School, representing Jennings County, Fourth district and Territory B.

COLLIER YOUNG, Shortridge High School, Indianapolis, representing Marion county, Seventh district and Territory C.

PHEL CLARK, Westfield High School, representing Hamilton county, Ninth district and Territory D.

ROMA HAYWORTH, Central High School of Muncie, representing Delaware county, Eighth district and Territory E.

NATHAN LEVY, South Bend High School, representing St. Joseph County, Thirteenth district and Territory F.

FIRST DISTRICT

James W. Davis, oldest member of the Warrick County Bar Association, spoke at the Kiwanis luncheon on Tuesday, April 13, at Boonville, Indiana. Miss Mary Janet Derr, winner of the Warrick County Oratorical Contest, gave her winning oration.

A second trial in the case of William H. Axton, real estate man, on petition for admission to the Vanderburgh County Bar, occurred on Monday, April 19, at Evansville, Indiana. It will be recalled that there had previously been a trial on the petition of Mr. Axton to practice law and that the court had denied him admission upon the findings of the jury that he was not qualified to practice law although he was a man of good moral character. On motion of Mr. Ollie C. Reeves, Attorney for the petitioner, the question was submitted to the jury a second time by the court because of the ambiguity in the first verdict on the special findings. The second jury verdict was: "We, the jury, deny the petitioner admission to the bar." In answer to the interrogatory submitted to it, "Did you find the petitioner to be a man of good moral character?", the jury replied, "No."

Mr. Paul Schmidt was counsel for the Vanderburgh County Bar Association in opposing Mr. Axton’s admission and Mr. Ollie C. Reeves was counsel for the petitioner. Mr. Axton’s admission was opposed on the ground that he did not have legal training and it was supported on the ground that he was of good moral character as required by the constitution since no act involving moral turpitude had been alleged against him.

It is believed that this is the first case in which there has been a straight legal contest on this clause in the constitution involving admission to the bar. Mr. Reeves, counsel for Mr. Axton, intimates that he will appeal to the Appellate Court in the case. Meanwhile the victory is with the Vanderburgh County Bar Association in their enforcement of The Uniform Admission Rules which have been formulated by the Indiana State Bar Association.

The Vanderburgh County competition in the Oratorical Contest on the Constitution has been very close. The regular county contest was held on
Monday, April 5, at Evansville, Indiana, and at that time William Pelz, Charles Wechesser and Lindsey Flemister tied for first place in the annual contest held at the Chamber of Commerce. A second competition to find a winner in this three-cornered tie was held on Tuesday, April 13, at which Lindsey Flemister, colored, representing Douglas High School was acclaimed the winner of the contest. The judges were Judge Charles P. Bock; James Ensle, Attorney, and Paul Schmidt, Attorney.

In Warrick County Miss Mary Janet Deer has won the Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. She will compete in the district contest. Her subject was "The Constitution and John Marshall."

It is of interest to lawyers in the first district especially and, indirectly, to lawyers throughout the state to know the new officers of the Kentucky Bar Association. They are: President, Judge John D. Carroll, Frankfort; Secretary, J. V. Vonmor, Louisville; Treasurer, Clint M. Marbison, Lexington. Vice-Presidents were elected from each one of the Kentucky Congressional Districts. The following were elected: John K. Todd, Shelbyville; R. C. Simmons, Covington; S. S. Willis, Ashland; Otto A. Wehle, Louisville; Clem S. Nunn, Marion.

SECOND DISTRICT

The Morgan County Bar Association was reorganized at a meeting held on Saturday afternoon, April 10, in the circuit court room at Martinsville. Judge John C. McNutt was elected President; Noble D. Stanton was elected Secretary. A committee composed of H. L. McGinnis, Don McKahn and Omer O'Harrow, was appointed to prepare by-laws and fee schedules for admission to the bar. The association voted unanimously to support the Morgan County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. At the meeting an invitation was received from the Marion County Bar Association to meet with them on Wednesday evening, April 14 and Mr. S. C. Kivett was appointed to speak at that meeting on "Change of Venue."

This joint meeting of the Marion County Bar Association and the Morgan County Bar Association was held at the Elks' Club in Indianapolis on Wednesday, as appointed. An excellent dinner was served and the speeches afterwards were both enjoyable and valuable. Among those attending from Morgan County were: J. C. McNutt, Omer O'Harrow, S. C. Kivett, Judge Williams, Ralph Lowder, J. E. Overton, H. L. McGinnis, W. H. Pigg and Noble Stanton.

Mr. Richard Williams, of Martinsville, won the Morgan County Contest on the Constitution. Prizes were given of $25 to Mr. Williams, $15 to Miss Avis Applegate, who took second place and $10 to Miss Edith Fishel, who received third honors.

In the Greene County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution, held Wednesday, April 14 at Bloomfield, Lessie LaRup won first place, Maeine MacIntosh, second place Lucinda Wright and Irvin Reintjes tied for third and fourth places and Grace Parker took fifth place.

Olin Parrett won the Knox County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution, on Monday, April 12. Frances Miller took second place and Henry Brocksmith was third.

Richard Williams of Martinsville, who, as noted above, won the Morgan County Contest, was also the winner for the second district in the Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. In the competition for the second district, held at Sullivan on Friday, Mr. Jesse LaRue of Lyons was second, Glen E. Parrott of Vincennes was third and Harold Robertson was fourth. The judges were: E. W. Henry, of Terre Haute, C. T. Mahan, of Indiana
State Normal School, and Walter A. Davis, of Vincennes University. John C. Chaney presided.

THIRD DISTRICT

Miss Olive Regan, of the Elizabeth High School, won first place in the Harrison County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution at the court house in Corydon on Saturday evening, April 17. Her subject was "Benjamin Franklin and the Constitution." The second place was won by Miss Mildred Gettelfinger, of the DePauw High School, and Mr. Lowell Rainge, of New Salisbury, took third place. The oratorical contest was under the direction of Mr. L. M. O'Bannon of the Harrison County Bar Association. The judges were: Mr. Harry A. Buerk, Mr. Walter V. Bulleit, and Mr. Chester Wentzell, of the Harrison County Bar.

George Weigel, of the Jasper High School, won the Dubois County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Robert Andre, of Huntingburg, was second and Clara Pfaffenberger was third.

FOURTH DISTRICT

Mr. John W. Morgan, Dean of the Bartholomew County Bar Association, was honored by the bar association on his thirtieth birthday. A message of good cheer and flowers were sent to him at the sanitarium in Indianapolis where he is now under treatment.

The Johnson County Bar Association formed a permanent organization at a meeting in the Circuit Court room on Saturday morning, April 10. The officers are as follows: President, R. M. Miller; Vice-President, W. E. Dupree; Secretary, E. L. Branegin; Treasurer, Oral Barnett.

A committee composed of Will Featherngill, J. M. Robinson, and Fred Owens was appointed to draw up organization papers to be presented to the association on July 1. Mr. Featherngill was appointed to represent the Johnson County Bar Association at the InterCounty Bar Association meeting at Indianapolis, April 14.

David Hilckmann, of the Batesville High School, won the Ripley County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Arthur Nickell was second and Miss Ruby Lane was third. The judges were: Judge Robert A. Creigmile, E. S. Furnish and A. C. Thomas. The winner of the second contest referred to a statement once made by Lord McCoy in the course of his argument against the stability of the Republic, "As for America, we appeal to the twentieth century." The speaker pointed out that the twentieth century was here and that the United States of America under its present constitution was regarded as perhaps the most stable country in the world.

Miss Leah Daubenheyer, of Butlerville, won the Jennings County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution held on Friday evening, April 3. Edward Little, of North Vernon was second and Jack Riley of Vernon was third. The judges were: Charles L. Dibler, Edward P. Elsner and W. T. Zetterburg.

Mavey Krugg, of Aurora, won the Darbon County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Elihu Harris was second and Herschel Houston was third. Judges for the occasion were: Judge Stanley Struble of the Court of Common Pleas, Cincinnati; Judge John W. Craig, of Greensburg and Mr. Sam A. Connelly, of Milan.

FIFTH DISTRICT

The Vigo County Bar Association held its annual election of officers at a meeting on Tuesday morning, April 6, in the Circuit Court Room at Terre Haute, the officers elected were:

Finley A. McNutt.................................President
Josiah T. Walker............................Vice-President
Charles Piety..................................Secretary
Leonard B. Marshall............................Treasurer

Henry Adamson, Gilbert Tambill and Bert Beasley were elected directors. Henry Adamson, retiring President, addressed the meeting as did George I. Risner, who has served the association as secretary for ten years.

Harold Robertson won the Sullivan County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution at Sullivan, Indiana, Friday, April 9. Miss Lucille Myers and Clem Hux divided second place, while Miss Mildred Muncie was fourth. Judges were E. L. Hutchens, Judge Arthur E. DeBaum and R. E. Gray.

Clair Jeffries won the Putnam County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Miss Virginia Smithson was second and Miss Lela Alter was third. The contest was held under the direction of the Putnam County Bar Association.

Miss Josephine Burnett won the Parke County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution at Greencastle, April 20. Ared Rusk was second and Miss Laura Crooks was third. Judge Howard Maxwell presided and the judges were: B. S. Aikman, George D. Sunkel and W. Bert Connelly.

SIXTH DISTRICT

A reorganization of the Sixth District Bar Association was effected at a meeting on Friday evening, April 2, at Richmond, Indiana. The officers elected were:

President, John Rufus Hinshaw, Newcastle.
Secretary-Treasurer, W. W. Heller, Richmond.
Vice-President, Byram Robbins, Wayne County.
W. O. Barnard, Henry County.
Russell B. Titsworth, Rush County.
Cecil Teague, Franklin County.
Raymond Springer, Fayette County.
Chester E. Roberts, Union County.
Arthur Van Duym, Hancock County.
Alonzo Blair, Shelby County.

Mr. Byram Robbins was appointed to draw up a constitution. Mr. C. C. Shirley of Indianapolis was the principle speaker. He addressed the members on the subject "The Constitution of the United States." He pointed out that the function of the constitution was to insure primary rights and that the legislature should take care of transitory needs by statutes. President George O. Dix, of the Indiana State Bar Association, also addressed the meeting. He pointed out the need and purpose of a district bar association. Mr. William A. Pickens, Vice-President of the Indiana State Bar Association, emphasized the importance of members in the state bar association. He pointed out that last year there were 3,200 lawyers in Indiana and only 800 of them were members of the association. After the meeting the following pioneer members of the bar were given applause by way of special recognition: Henry U. Johnson, William Dudley Foulke, W. O. Barnard, Judge Vanarsdal and H. H. Evans.

The meeting was an extraordinary success in every way. Eight counties composed the sixth district and every county was well represented at the meeting. Wayne County led the list with thirty-eight members present while Henry County came next with seventeen. Over one hundred lawyers were present.

Miss Louise Freeland won first place in the Shelby County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Margaret Wishard took second place and Alton Cochran was third. The Shelby County Bar Association presented the winners with prizes in gold.
Clarence M. Brown, of the Wayne County Bar, addressed the Richmond Kiwanis club on Thursday, April 15. He advocated the abolition of all forms and practices in our criminal procedure that gave top-heavy advantages to persons accused of crime. He gave a number of instances in which the technical rules were all against the state and could be used by the prisoner to escape punishment although he was guilty.

Helen Price won the Rush County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution which was held under the auspices of the Rush County Bar Association. Russell Perrigo was second and Hazel McDonald was third. The judges were James A. Emmert, Mayor of Shelbyville, Rollin Turner and Raymond Springer. All of the judges were members of the Shelby County Bar Association.

Dorothy Personette won first place in the Franklin County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Gilbert Condo was second and Anna May Lindsey was third. The judges were: Chester E. Roberts, Ellis H. Bell, Raymond S. Springer, B. E. Meyers and E. L. Rickert.

Harry E. Jennings took first place in the Henry County contest on the constitution. Knight Worth was second and Orville Johnson was third.

SEVENTH DISTRICT

Ballots were mailed to all members of the Indianapolis Bar Association for the vote on candidates for judicial position in Marion County who are to be selected at the primary on May 4. The ballots were mailed April 6th and the results of the first bar association contest were learned on April 14th. The winners of this first contest were as follows:

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Lahr ...................... 86  Steinmetz ................ 49
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The two highest candidates for each judicial office were voted for in the bar association primary and ballots in this contest were mailed April 15th. The results of the second ballot in the bar association primary was announced April 20th. The record is given below:

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It was announced that the Indianapolis Bar Association would support the winning candidates in its primary. Furthermore the Indianapolis Bar Association urges strongly upon the voters of Marion County that they support the men who received the highest vote as a result of these two primary election. Inevitably the great mass of voters cannot know the professional attainments of each candidate for a judgeship and yet it is because of his knowledge and training in the law which will fit him for a competent and just judge that all candidates for judicial office should be selected. Rarely if ever will the question of party politics be involved in the duties of a local judge. It is therefore a great service to the voters of Marion County for the men who know the professional attainments of
candidates for the bench to advise their fellow citizens in this matter to
the end that the people may secure the most competent and economical
service in the administration of justice.

The Indianapolis Bar Association held a special dinner on Wednesday,
April 16, at which the members of county bar associations near Marion
County were the guests. President James M. Ogden presided. There
were short addresses by the following representatives: "The Selection of
a Jury," Edgar M. Blessing, Hendricks County; "Early Practice," Ed
Adams, Shelby County; "Change of Venue," Silas C. Kivett, Morgan
County "The Hung-Jury," E. E. Cloe, Hamilton County; "The One-Judge
Court," Samuel J. Offutt, Hancock County; "Awaiting the Verdict," Elza
Rogers, Boone County; and "Lost Papers," W. F. Featherngill, Johnson
County.

It was a remarkably successful meeting. Nearly two hundred members
of the Marion County and other bar associations were present.

Collier H. Young won the Marion County Oratorical Contest on the
Constitution on Friday, April 23. Walter Huff was second and Margaret
Knue was third. The judges were Elmer Stevenson, Charles F. Coffin,
John W. Holtzman, Fred C. Gause and Samuel Ashby.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Francis A. Shaw, President of the Muncie Bar Association, has urged
upon the members of that organization the importance of studying cer-
tain phases of the law during the coming year. He suggests the subjects of
criminal law and procedure and public utilities since he feels that these
subjects are uppermost in the public mind at this time. Mr. Shaw takes
the view that no bar association is an end in itself. Every bar organiza-
tion is an incidental means to the achievement of some greater end in the
advancement of justice for the community. Thus if the Muncie Bar As-
sociation could make a valuable contribution through its investigation in
the field of criminal law or public utilities, it would be following the best
course for its own improvement and advantage.

Roma Hayworth took first place in the Delaware County Oratorical Con-
test on the Constitution. Rosemary Williams was second and Dorothy
Kirp was third. The judges were George Barnard, George Cromer and
Judge Rufus Hinshaw. Francis A. Shaw, President of the Muncie Bar
Association presided.

Thurma Waters won first place in the Randolph County Oratorical Con-
test on the Constitution. Ruby Anderson was second and Gletha Noff-
siger was third. The contest was held under the auspices of the Ran-
dolph County Bar Association. The judges were Judge Hoelecher, Thomas
M. Bracken and Harry Nixon.

Roma Hayworth, of Muncie, took first place in the eighth district ora-
torical contest on the constitution on Tuesday, April 20th. She received a
prize of $50 in cash given by the eighth district bar association which has
sponsored the contest. Miss Emma Stump was second receiving $25.00
in cash and Miss Thurma Waters was third with a prize of $15.00.

NINTH DISTRICT

James M. Ogden President of the Indianapolis Bar Association spoke
before the Kiwanis Club at Lebanon on April 1. Mr. Ogden spoke on "A
New Day in Politics." He made an eloquent plea in favor of the teaching
of practical politics in our high schools and colleges. He pointed out that
politics was really a branch of civics and that it was unfortunate to have
young men and women grow up without such knowledge of political organ-
ization that they could not do their proper work in public affairs as good
citizens. Mr. Ogden pointed out that men and women of little education and less character often exerted a powerful influence in politics due largely to their detailed knowledge of local political organization. It is surely a shameful thing to have those least worthy to take part in political life possess more knowledge and training in the political field than the great mass of citizens who, from their education and character, are best qualified to render efficient service in public affairs.

Vivian Curless took first place in the Howard County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Hershell Faust was second and Harriet Gross was third. The contest was held under the direction of the Howard County Bar Association.

William Dice was first in the Montgomery County contest on the Constitution. Carl Epperson was second and Virgil Johnson was third.

Bryan Pittman took first place in the Clinton County Bar Association contest on the Constitution. Paul Hiatt was second. The judges were: C. H. Willis, of Kokomo; John L. Hanna, of Delphi; and Ben Scifries, of Lebanon.

Dwight Neal took first place in the Boone County Oratorical Contest on Constitution on Tuesday, April 20. John Ross was second and Helen Brownlee was third. The judges were Truman A. Goldsberry E. E. Moorman and Frank R. Herr.

Warren W. Quinnley won the Montgomery County Contest on the Constitution. Ray H. Mehary was second and George F. Beatty was third. The judges were Judge James P. Hughes, of the Putnam County Circuit Court, and Charles McGAughey and Matt Murphey, Attorneys of Greens caster. Judge Jere West of the Montgomery Circuit Court presided.

Odunee Snyder took first place in the Fountain County contest on the Constitution. Miss Royal was second and Miss Shaup was third. Mr. O. W. McGAughey, President of the Fountain County Bar Association, presided.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Howard County Bar Association, held on Tuesday, April 20th, resolutions were adopted approving the Uniform Admission Rules for admission to the bar as formulated by the Indiana State Bar Association. These rules provide that in each county examinations shall be held twice a year to determine the fitness of applicants for admission to the bar.

The meeting had the good fortune to hear addresses by Judge B. F. Harness and Mr. A. G. Manning.

TENTH DISTRICT

Dean Paul V. McNutt, of Indiana University School of Law, was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Gary Bar Association on Wednesday, April 2. Dean McNutt commended the lawyers of Gary for their efforts in ridding the profession in that city of shysters. He also commended the efforts of the state bar association in encouraging each county to require a written examination of applicants for admission to the bar. He urged, however, that the Uniform Admission Rules of the Indiana State Bar Association were not adequate protection finally and that in the near future the lawyers of the state must secure the passage of a constitutional amendment authorizing the requirement of legal training for everyone who seeks to practice law. Dean McNutt gave an account of the work of Indiana University School of Law. He pointed out that it was greatly hampered in its efforts through lack of funds and he gave an account of its achievements inspite of its financial limitations. It is a class "A" law
school giving instruction comparable to that of the best law schools in the country.

President W. W. Miller presided at the meeting and used a gavel that was made of very hard Cuban wood and had been presented to Mr. Miller by M. Cassa, a Cuban Caballero.

In response to an editorial in the Post Tribune of Gary, Mr. W. W. Miller, president of the Gary Bar Association, ascribed the present disrespect for law to the many changing conditions in the country, most important of which were the great changes in the family relationships. Mr. Miller emphasized that lawyers were trying to uphold the law and that the present disrespect occurred in spite of that.

Thomas Frank Gaylord, Dean of the Tippecanoe County Bar Association, celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday anniversary on Tuesday, April 20. Mr. Gaylord has committed two great errors in his life; first, he is a bachelor and second, he is a Yale graduate, but for all that his fellow members of the bar hold him in great esteem and were anxious to congratulate him on his seventy-fifth birthday. A special meeting of the bar association was held on Tuesday night to extend hearty congratulations and felicitations to Mr. Gaylord on his long and distinguished career.

Mr. Gaylord was judge of the Tippecanoe County Circuit Court in 1889 and when he retired from this office he formed a partnership with the late Austin Kumler, which continued for thirty years. The firm of Kumler and Gaylord was considered to be one of the leading firms in Indiana. A classmate of Mr. Gaylord's at Yale and life long friend was Judge Samuel J. Elder who was a leader of the Boston bar for many years. Mr. Gaylord has been in the active practice of the law for some fifty years. During this time he has been counsel in some of the most important law suits that have arisen in Indiana.

First place in the tenth district oratorical contest was awarded to Robert Kumberlin of Lafayette. Second place went to Josephine Hall and third place to Dorothy Thompson. Representatives from six counties participated in the contest. The speakers were introduced by Honorable Dan W. Simms, President of the tenth district bar association. While the judges were making their decision Mr. Simms made a short address on general questions of the constitution and the oratorical contest which was under way. The judges were Thomas Armstrong, John Hanna and James O'Bear.

Judge Bur W. Jones, formerly a member of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin addressed a meeting of the Gary Bar Association on Wednesday, April 28, at a dinner given at the Gary Commercial Club. Mr. W. W. Miller, President of the Gary Bar Association, presided. Judges Jones is a distinguished jurist having had an enviable record on the bench and being the author of "Jones on Evidence" and other works of a legal nature.

The address before the Gary Bar Association was on Thomas Erskine, distinguished English lawyer and Lower Chancellor of Great Britain. Judge Jones is known as the "Nestor of Wisconsin bar. Those who had the privilege of hearing his address on this occasion felt that the title was well given. His account of the long struggle of Thomas Erskine for liberty under law and for the independence of bench and bar from both the crowd and the crown was an inspiration to all who listened. Judge Jones is eighty years young. His choice of language and his animated presentation of the subject combined with the excellence of his treatment all united to delight his audience.

Examinations for admission to the bar were held under the direction of the Lake County Bar Association on Tuesday, April 27, in the Circuit Court
room at Crown Point. The Board of Bar Examiners appointed by the Lake County Bar Association is composed of Frank B. Patty, Crown Point, Daniel Moran, Hammond; and Ora L. Wildermuth, Gary. The following applicants received their certificates at the close of the examination:

Theodore W. Miller, Gary.
Thomas J. Johnson, Gary.
John H. Underwood, Gary.
Patrick Maloney, Gary.
James E. Davis, East Chicago.
Chester F. Brzezinski, Hammond.
James L. Sullivan, Hammond.
Gideon B. McBall, Gary.
Charles C. Delnicke, Indiana Harbor.
John J. Stubbler, East Chicago.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT

Round Table Discussion relative to co-operation between the Cass County Notaries' Association and the Cass County Bar Association featured a meeting of the Cass County Notaries' Association on Friday, April 2. The work of Notareis was carefully considered. A resolution was passed approving a drive to secure one hundred percent membership among notaries in Cass County.

Lytle Freehafer won the Huntington County Oratorical Contest on Friday, April 9. Paul Altman was second and Marie McCrum was third. The contest was sponsored by the Huntington County Bar Association under the direction of Mart J. O'Malley.

Mary Hassett of Logansport took first place in the Cass County Oratorical Contest. Robert David was second and Catherine Kitchell was third. The contest was sponsored by the Cass County Bar Association under the direction of Mr. B. C. Jenkines.

Noyells Burkhart took first place in the Miami County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution which is being held under the direction of the bar association.

In honor of the three contestants in the territorial contest, the Grant County Bar Association gave a luncheon on Friday, April 30. The particular guest of honor was Leonard Cross, 14 years of age, who won the Eleventh District Oratorical Contest on the Constitution the preceding Friday. The other contestants at the territorial contest were: Roma Hayworth of Muncie, Eighth District winner, and Dean Ransburg, Twelfth District winner. George M. Coon, president of the Grant County Bar Association, presided. In addition to the contestants, other guests of honor were Robert M. VanAtta, Eleventh District Chairman; William Ballou, Twelfth District Chairman; and Harry Orr, Eighth District Chairman. Other guests at the luncheon were the judges for the territorial contest: Don Strode of Kokomo; Fred E. Hines, Judge of the Hamilton Circuit Court; and Julius Travis, of the Indiana Supreme Court.

TWELFTH DISTRICT

The DeKalb County Bar Association held its April meeting on April 14 at the Auburn Country Club. The Rev. Howard M. Morgan was the principal speaker. Mr. Charles M. Bryon presided. Mr Howard W. Montz also addressed the meeting. The Garrett Country Club was chosen as the place for the main meeting of the association. After his address, Rev. Howard M. Morgan was made an honorary member of the DeKalb County Bar Association.
Dean Ransburg took first place in the Steuben County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution held on Friday evening, April 9. Margaret Allen was second and Mildred Lucas was third. The judges were John W. Hanna, H. S. Craven and William Duff.

Caroline Witsaman won the Lagrange County Contest on the Constitution Friday, April 9. Mr. Herman Haskins of the Lagrange County Bar Association presided at the contest. Margaret Price took second place and Dorothy Young was third. The Lagrange County Bar Association gave the prizes amounting to $50.00.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

The LaPorte County Bar Association held its regular monthly dinner and meeting at the Rumley Hotel on Monday evening, April 12. The principle speaker and special guest of the association on this occasion was Professor C. P. Manion of Notre Dame University Law School, who delivered an eloquent address upon “The Lawyers’ Part in the Making of the American Government.” Mr. Liddell, Chairman of the Committee on Americanization and Citizenship, outlined the work of the committee and made announcements about the Oratorical contests for LaPorte County. Mr. Worden, Chairman of the Committee on Entertainment, announced that “Ladies’ Night” will be observed by the association on the evening of May 24. An elaborate program has been arranged. It is planned to invite a number of prominent lawyers from northern Indiana to be the guests of the association on that occasion.

Nathan Levy took first place in the Thirteenth District Oratorical Contest on the Constitution on Wednesday, April 21. Frank T. Cole was second and Russell Scofield was third. Mr. I S. Romig, Chairman for the Oratorical Contest in the Thirteenth District, presided at the meeting. The judges were Dudley Wooten, J. A. Abel, and John V. Parker.

Russell Scofield won the LaPorte County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. The contest was held on Friday, April 16 at Wantah. Mr. Frederick Liddel, Chairman for the LaPorte Bar Association in sponsoring the contest, presided at the meeting. There were three judges, among whom was former Mayor Agar, of Valparaiso.

Mary Emma Adams won the Elkhart County Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. The contest was held under the direction of the Elkhart County Bar Association.

OBITUARIES

William D. Frazier died at his home at Warsaw, Indiana, on Friday, April 2. Mr. Frazier was seventy-seven years old at his death. He is survived by a wife and two sons who are both practicing lawyers, Mr. James R. Frazier, of Chicago, and Mr. Theodore C. Frazier, of Warsaw.

It has been said that Mr. Frazier had a wider range of acquaintances in Indiana than any other citizen in Koscuisko County. He was a native Hoosier being the son of Judge James S. Frazier. He was born at Warsaw, November 26, 1849. He has been a leading attorney of his native city for over half a century. He served one term in the State Legislature from 1881 to 1883.

L. J. Gengler, of Garrett, Indiana, died at his home in that city. At a meeting of the DeKalk Bar Association held on Wednesday, April 7, it was voted to have resolutions in honor of Mr. Gengler drawn up by
the bar association. The members appointed to draw up these resolutions were: W. W. Sharpless, Finley A. Nash and J. D. Brrinkerhaff.

Mr. Edward N. McKenan of the DeKalb County Bar died at Garrett, Indiana. The DeKalb County Bar Association passed resolutions in honor of his memory. These resolutions were drawn up by a committee composed of W. Mountz, C. E. McClintock and W. D. Stump.

Charles S. Smith, of the DeKalb County Bar, died at a hospital in Auburn, Indiana on Monday, April 5. At the time of his death Mr. Smith was fifty-two years old and was serving as Deputy-Prosecuting Attorney of DeKalb County. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 7 at the Presbyterian Church in Auburn. Mr. Smith was a member of the Elks Lodge of his city and the Elks' service was used at the funeral. Members of the DeKalb County Bar Association acted as pallbearers. They were: Judge W. P. Endicott, H. C. Springer, Judge Dan M. Link, Walter D. Stump, H. W. Mountz and E. W. Atkinson. The DeKalb County Bar Association passed resolutions in honor of Mr. Smith's memory. These resolutions were drawn up by C. E. Brown, Edward W. Atkinson and Judge Endicott.