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# NEWS OF BENCH AND BAR

## FIRST DISTRICT

At the annual election of officers of the Evansville Bar Association Monday, December 3rd, John D. Welman was elected president to succeed Joseph Iglehart. Other officers elected were Val Nolan, vice-president; Benjamin Buente, second vice-president; John L. Sanders, secretary; Forest Condit, treasurer.

## FOURTH DISTRICT

At the meeting of the fourth district bar association in the chamber of commerce rooms at Columbus Friday, November 30, Robert A. Creig-mile, of Osgood was elected president and Amos Jackson, of Versailles, secretary. Miss Estella B. Prince, of Brownstown, was re-elected treasurer.

More than fifty persons were present at the meeting. It was featured by an address by Dr. H. A. Millis, president of Hanover College, who recently returned from an extended trip abroad. Judge John W. Craig, of Greensburg, president of the association, presided, and a welcome address was made by Judge Julian Sharpnack of the Bartholomew Circuit Court.

## SEVENTH DISTRICT

Michael E. Foley was elected 1929 president of the Indianapolis Bar Association at the monthly meeting at the Columbia Club Wednesday night. Other officers elected were: Russell Willson and Theodore Locke, vice-presidents; Donald S. Morris, treasurer; Sidney S. Miller and Earl Cox, executive committee members; and John K. Ruckelhaus, B. H. Caughran, H. B. Pike and Harvey Grabill, members of the committee on admission.

Lewis E. Marine was elected president of the Young Lawyers Association Wednesday noon, December 12th, at a meeting of the organization at the Board of Trade building. Other officers are Wilfred Bradshaw, vice-president; Charles W. Holder, secretary; and A. F. Zainey, treasurer. George W. Sheen, Joseph A. Wicker and Robert J. Rutherford were elected directors. Installation will be held at the January meeting. Arrangements are being made for the annual banquet at which Charles G. Dawes, vice-president, will be invited to speak.

## EIGHTH DISTRICT

The Muncie Bar Association had a luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. Friday, December 7, 1928. Dr. F. G. Jackson addressed the meeting on the "The Inns of Court of England."

## NINTH DISTRICT

The annual meeting of the Howard County Bar Association was held Tuesday morning in the circuit court room December 11, 1928. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Lloyd McClure, president

J. C. Herron, vice-president; and George B. Shenk, secretary-treasurer. The association celebrated its annual "ladies' night" Tuesday evening with a dinner at the Courtland Hotel. The dinner was one of the outstanding social events of the season and was attended by the largest gathering of local attorneys and their wives in the history of the organization.

#### TENTH DISTRICT

Professor Edwin C. Goddard of the University of Michigan Law School addressed the Gary Bar Association Wednesday evening, December 19, 1928. The subject of his address was "Looking Backward." While pointing out "there would be no true progress if radical tendencies were left unhindered" and urging that "the new without the old would soon take us all to destruction," Professor Goddard urged that the lawyers must "look forward," and take the lead in an effort to solve the problems connected with the administration of the law.

At the regular meeting of the Bar Association of Gary, held Thursday, December 6, 1928, Charles A. Burnet, referee in bankruptcy of the Hammond division of the northern Indiana district court, spoke on the history of the bankruptcy acts. The meeting was in charge of Sam Turner of the law firm of Wildermuth and Force, secretary of the Association. President Ray C. Thomas presided and introduced the speaker.

#### THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

The St. Joseph County Bar Association held its annual banquet at the Oliver Hotel at South Bend, Indiana, Saturday, December 15th. The speaker of the evening was Mr. Weymouth Kirkland, chief counsel for the Chicago Tribune, who became famous for the part he played in the exposure of sensational graft in the city of Chicago. The speaker urged a better understanding between the bar and the press and called attention to the "lack of intimate cooperation that would join two of the world's greatest intelligences in the promotion of better government and social conditions." He touched on the subject of "trial by newspapers" and was very vigorous in his protest against the tendency to encroach upon the freedom of the press.

Lawyers of Laporte county gathered in the Rumley hotel Monday night, December 3rd, and paid tribute to Judge J. C. Richter, retiring January 1st from the bench of the LaPorte circuit court after 18 years of service. Judge-elect Alfred J. Link also was honored.

At the annual election of the DeKalb County Bar Association Monday, December 3rd, Howard W. Mountz of Garrett, was elected president and Richard W. Sharpless of Auburn, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Mountz succeeds Edgar W. Atkinson of Auburn, who has served two years. Mr. Sharpless succeeds himself.

#### OBITUARIES

Charles A. Dryer of the Indianapolis bar, died Wednesday, December 12, 1928. Mr. Dryer had been a practicing attorney for 52 years and served in public capacities at different times in Marion county and in

Indianapolis. He was a former president of the Indianapolis Bar Association and a member of the Indiana State and American Bar Associations.

Noah Samson Givan, dean of the Dearborn County Bar, died Wednesday, December 26, 1928. Mr. Givan attended Franklin College and Indiana University. He had taken an active part in politics and had held the office of judge and legislator. At the time of his death he was 95 years of age. He had lived in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, 63 years.

Mr. John Kiligrew died Sunday, December 2, 1928. Mr. Kiligrew was a member of the Gary Bar and at the time of his death was clerk of the Lake circuit and superior courts. At the time of his death Mr. Kiligrew was 36 years of age.

Mr. Warrick H. Ripley, age 78, died Sunday, December 2, 1928. Mr. Ripley graduated from Wabash College in 1870 and immediately went to Indianapolis to engage in the practice of the law. He was the author of a digest of Indiana supreme court decisions. He was nationally known as a chess player and held the Indiana title for many years.

Mr. E. B. Sellers died Tuesday, December 25, 1928. Mr. Sellers had practiced law at Monticello for more than 50 years and was one of the widely known lawyers in northwestern Indiana. At the time of his death Mr. Sellers was 72 years of age.

Marion Homer Stanton, age 48, died at his home at Tolleston, Sunday, December 9, 1928. Mr. Stanton was a pioneer member of the Lake County Bar Association.

Robert D. Stimson of Terre Haute died Thursday, December 20, 1928. At the time of his death Mr. Stimson was 84 years of age and was one of the oldest members of the Terre Haute Bar Association.

Charles Weidler of the South Bend bar died Tuesday, December 11, 1928. Mr. Weidler was a prominent attorney and had served a term in the Indiana state legislature and was a member of the South Bend school board at the time of his death. He was the Democratic nominee for Congress from his district in 1926.

Judge Ulric Z. Wiley died at his home in Indianapolis Saturday, December 5, 1928. Mr. Wiley was a former judge of the state Appellate Court. He was elected circuit judge while engaged in the practice at Fowler, Indiana, in 1888 and was later elected judge of the Indiana Appellate Court. Judge Wiley was 81 years of age at the time of his death.