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### FIRST DISTRICT

The Evansville Bar Association met on Wednesday morning, January 2, 1929, to present resolutions on the retirement of Superior Judge Edgar Durre and Probate Judge Elmer Q. Lockyear and to welcome Judge Edwin C. Henning, who succeeds Judge Durre, and Judge Travis B. Williams, who takes the probate bench. Judge Durre retired to become head of the Trust Department of the Old National Bank and Judge Lockyear took office on the State Appellate bench. The resolutions on the retirement of Judges Durre and Lockyear were read by John W. Spencer and by James T. Walker, respectively. Henry B. Walker, president of the Indiana State Bar Association, spoke briefly.

### SIXTH DISTRICT

The meeting of the Fayette County Bar Association was held Tuesday, January 15, 1929.

The Shelby County Bar Association met in special session at Shelbyville in honor of Judge Harry C. Morrison, who retired from the judgeship of the Shelby County circuit. Judge Morrison's long and distinguished service was commended in a resolution and individual members of the Shelby County Bar gave expression to the high esteem in which he is held by the legal profession.

Judge James A. Emmert, who succeeds Judge Morrison, was welcomed at a special meeting of the Shelby County Bar Association at the opening of the January term of court. Albert F. Ray presided and after Judge Emmert had been escorted to the bench by the bailiffs of the court, Ralph Adams presented him with a new gavel and greeted the new judge in the name of the Shelby County Bar Association.

### SEVENTH DISTRICT

Charles P. Taft II, prosecutor of Hamilton County, Cincinnati, Ohio, spoke at a joint meeting and dinner of the Marion County Bar Association and the Indianapolis City Manager League, February 6th, 1929. Mr. Taft spoke on the city manager plan. Michael E. Foley, president of the Marion County Bar Association, presided at the meeting.

### EIGHTH DISTRICT

The annual banquet of the Madison County Bar Association was held at the Grand Hotel at Anderson Thursday, January 3rd. The election of officers was held at the meeting. Charles T. Sansberry was elected president, Conrad S. Arkens, vice-president, and Philip B. O'Neill, secretary. Walter Myers, of Indianapolis, addressed the Association and William Herschell talked and recited selections from his poems. Thirty-five members of the Madison Bar Association were present including members of the bar associations of Anderson, Elwood and Alexandria.

## NINTH DISTRICT

Prominent jurists and attorneys of Indiana gathered at the Crawfordsville Country Club to pay tribute and honor to Judge Jerre West, who was completing his thirty-two years of service on the bench of the Montgomery county circuit. The meeting was under the auspices of the Montgomery County Bar Association. Charles Johnston, one of the oldest members of the Montgomery County bar, presided and addresses were made by Judge Robert C. Baltzell, Chief Justice Clarence Martin, Chief Justice Solon Enlow, Michael E. Foley, Daniel Sims, Judge West and the judge-elect who will succeed Judge West, Edgar A. Rice. Judge West was presented with a large silver loving cup, a gift of the bar association, and Beveridge's "The Life of Chief Justice John Marshall."

## TENTH DISTRICT

The Tippecanoe County Bar Association held a meeting January 12, 1929, President Frank Kimmel in the chair.

Willard E. Van Horne, Sr., East Chicago attorney, was chosen to head the Lake County Bar Association during 1929 at the January meeting held Tuesday, January 15th, in Hammond superior court. Mr. Van Horne succeeds Judge Virgil S. Reiter, who has been president of the bar association for several terms.

Other officers elected were Oscar Haney, Hammond, vice-president; Frank Keenan, East Chicago, secretary, and Emil Bauer, Hammond, treasurer.

At the meeting the barristers' organization decided unanimously to continue its policy of sponsoring constitutional oratorical contests in the county high schools. Revision of the bar docket also will be undertaken by a committee to be appointed in the near future.

## ELEVENTH DISTRICT

Members of the Grant County Bar Association gave a banquet at the Spencer Hotel at Marion, Indiana, in honor of Judge J. Frank Charles, of the Grant County circuit, who is retiring from the bench after a service of twelve years. President George M. Coon presided over the banquet and introduced each member of the association who in turn paid tribute to Judge Charles. Judge Charles will be succeeded in office by Judge Oliver S. Clawson.

The Huntington County Bar Association held its regular monthly meeting at the Hotel LaFontain Monday evening, January 24th. The speaker of the evening was Sam Jackson, of Fort Wayne.

## TWELFTH DISTRICT

At a dinner held by the DeKalb County Bar Association at the Auburn Country Club Tuesday evening the members entertained their wives. After-dinner talks were made by former Judge and Mrs. Dan M. Link of Chicago, and former Judge James H. Rose, of Fort Wayne.

Members of the LL. B. Club, composed of the younger attorneys of Fort Wayne, honored H. Parnell McGreevy, deputy prosecutor, at a dinner meeting at the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. McGreevy is to be married in Chicago Saturday.

#### THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

Committees for the ensuing year for the LaPorte Bar Association were named by President Fred R. Liddell at the monthly meeting of the organization Monday night. The grievance committee is composed of R. N. Smith, Wirt Worden and Vance Shields; the legislative committee, Norman Wolfe, Lee Osborn and Leonard Henoch; the admission to the bar committee, J. B. Dilworth, Ben Rees and Leonard Henoch, and the Americanization committee, Norman Sallwasser, Russell W. Smith and K. D. Osborn.

F. J. Conboy is vice-president, and I. E. Levine is secretary-treasurer. The officers with H. W. Sallwasser and Frank Osborn compose the board of managers.

Verne G. Cawley, president of the Elkhart County Bar Association, has announced the appointment of standing committees for the year as follows: Grievance—Ira Church, O. H. Markel, Carlton Olds, George R. Harper and Alda J. Simpson. Executive—R. E. Proctor, J. H. State, Harry Vernon, Wallace Mehl and V. G. Cawley, members of the committee by virtue of their offices as vice president and president. Admission to bar—C. C. Raymer, Ray Deahl and Tom A. Davis.

#### OBITUARIES

Mr. Cyrus S. Boyd, age 72, died at his home at Markle, Indiana, Thursday, January 17, 1929. Mr. Boyd had practiced law in Markle for 35 years.

Mr. Argyle B. Cullen, age 37, of the Princeton, Indiana, bar, died Tuesday, January 24, 1929. Mr. Cullen was a graduate of Princeton High School and Wabash College and was admitted to the Gibson County bar in 1922 and for several years engaged in the practice of law with his father, Thomas W. Cullen.

John H. Breve, retired attorney of DeMotte, Indiana, died at Rensselaer, Indiana Saturday, January 19, 1929. Mr. Greve was born in Germany in 1847 and came to this country in 1865. He was the dean of the Jasper county lawyers in point of age, having been an inhabitant for 45 years at the time of his death.

John T. Lecklider, age 88, widely known Indianapolis attorney and a pioneer resident of the city, died Wednesday, January 2, 1929. Mr. Lecklider was born in Ohio and was educated at Wittenberg College, Ohio. He came to Indianapolis while a young man, engaged in the active practice of law for fifty-five years before retiring several years ago.

Mr. Charles Springer, age 61, died Monday, January 21, 1929, at his home in Bloomington, Indiana. Mr. Springer attended Indiana University and later located in Bloomington where he engaged in the practice of law and in various business activities. He was a member of the Bloomington bar and of the law firm of Springer and Sare.

Leonard Eckstine Starr, age 77, of the Muncie bar, died Friday, January 18, 1929. Mr. Starr had an interesting experience as a member of the regular army during the Indiana wars which followed soon after the Civil War. He located in Muncie about 1885, served as court bailiff and justice of the peace and was admitted to the bar and continued the active practice of law until two years ago.

William E. Stilwell, 65 years of age, died at the Walker Hospital, Evansville, Indiana Monday, January 21, 1929. Mr. Stilwell was born in Gibson County, Indiana in 1864, studied at Valparaiso University and later at Indiana University Law School. He was admitted to the bar in Gibson County in 1889 and was state senator from Gibson County for the years 1899-1901. In 1907 he became a member of the firm of Robinson and Stilwell and as a member of this firm practiced in Evansville until his death.

S. Mahlon Unger, 57 years old, former Indianapolis attorney, died at the home of his sister in Arcadia, Indiana Thursday, January 31, 1929. Mr. Unger had practiced law in Indianapolis for 30 years. He was a member of the Indianapolis Bar Association and a graduate of Indiana University School of Law.