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## FIRST DISTRICT

At the annual election of officers of the Vanderburg County Bar Association held at the Vendome Hotel, Evansville, Indiana, Monday, December 9, 1929, Val Nolan was elected president; Paul Schmidt, first vice-president; James T. Cutler, second vice-president; John Sanders, secretary, and Forrest Condit, treasurer. The address of the evening was by John W. Brady on "Legal Aid Societies."

The annual meeting of the Gibson County Bar Association was held Saturday night, December 14, 1929, at the Taylor Tea Room. Following a turkey dinner, officers were elected for the coming year as follows: Marsh T. Lewis, president; T. Morton McDonald, secretary; and A. Dale Eby, treasurer. Brief talks were made by President Marsh T. Lewis, Fred R. Ewing, S. L. Vandever and T. Morton McDonald.

## SECOND DISTRICT

A meeting of the Second District Bar Association was held at Vincennes in the new Fortnightly Club home on Thursday, December 12, 1929. The principal address was made by James M. Ogden, president of the Indiana State Bar Association. Other speakers were Judge W. M. Willoughby of the Supreme Court and Judges McMahan, Nichols, Neal and Enloe of the Appellate Court. The following officers were elected: Robert G. Miller, of Bloomington, president; John S. Hastings, of Washington, secretary; and C. B. Kessinger, of Vincennes, treasurer.

Schuyler McCormick was elected president of the Knox County Bar Association Monday, December 23, 1929, at the annual election of the association held in the Circuit Court room, Vincennes, Indiana. Other officers elected were: Vice-president, C. H. Huston; secretary, Lyle E. Miller; treasurer, Norman Arterburn; sergeant-at-arms, J. A. Ramsey; and usher, Harry Lewis.

## FIFTH DISTRICT

The Vermillion County Bar Association held its first annual banquet at the Roma Hotel, Clinton, Indiana, on December 7th. Former Judge B. S. Aikman was toastmaster and called on Judge W. C. Wait, of Newport; Frank R. Miller, of Terre Haute; B. F. Stephenson, of Rockville, and E. M. Causey, of Terre Haute, for short talks. The chief speaker of the evening was John McFaddin, of Rockville, and his address was on general legal lines of the practice of the law.

## SEVENTH DISTRICT

Short talks by guest members of bar associations from the seven counties surrounding Marion county and the annual election of officers were features of the dinner meeting of the Indianapolis Bar Association Wednes-

day night, December 4th, at the Columbia Club. William L. Taylor was chosen president for 1930 by the members at a short business session following the dinner and addresses; Howard S. Young, first vice-president; Earl R. Cox, second vice-president; Donald S. Morris, treasurer; Eph Inman and Clarence W. Means, members of the executive committee; Paul G. Davis, C. Severin Buschmann, Asa J. Smith and Thomas C. Batchelor, members of the committee of admissions, and John W. Kern, secretary.

Among the guests who spoke were W. H. Parr, of Boone county; Judge Fred E. Hines, of Hamilton county, and John F. Neal, president of the Hamilton County Bar Association; Judge Arthur C. Van Duyn, of the Hancock Circuit Court; Samuel J. Offett, president of the Hancock County Bar Association; Judge Z. W. Dugan, of Hendricks county; Edward Blessing, of Hendricks county; Judge Fremont Miller, of the Johnson Circuit Court; Henry Barnett, president of the Johnson County Bar Association; John C. McNutt, president of the Morgan County Bar Association; Judge James A. Emmert, of the Shelby Circuit Court, and Michael Sullivan, of Shelby county.

Officers of the Young Lawyers' Club who were elected recently for the year 1930 at the Harrison Hotel are: Edward F. New, president; Charles W. Holder, vice-president; J. E. McClure, secretary, and George S. Elliott, treasurer. The new directors will be John M. Caylor, Lewis E. Marine and Edwin C. Berryhill.

#### EIGHTH DISTRICT

At a meeting of the Madison County Bar Association held Tuesday night, December 10th, in the Hotel Stilwell, Anderson, Indiana, James M. Ogden made the principal address, on "What the Legal Profession Can Accomplish." The officers elected for the ensuing year are: Sanford M. Keltner, president; Eli P. Myers, vice-president; and Lawrence M. Busby, secretary-treasurer.

Chauncey L. Medsker, Sr., was the principal speaker at the noon luncheon meeting of the Muncie Bar Association held Friday, December 6th, in the Y. M. C. A. His discussion was on the Indiana constitution.

#### NINTH DISTRICT

The annual banquet of the year of the Howard County Bar Association was held at the Frances Hotel Tuesday evening, December 17, 1929. Forrest Jump and Lloyd McClure, incoming and retiring presidents, made short addresses in which they stressed the importance of co-operation in carrying out the work of the association. There were about sixty members, ladies and invited guests present at the banquet and holiday entertainment.

#### TENTH DISTRICT

Over one hundred of Lake county's leading attorneys and jurists attended the meeting of the Lake County Bar Association Friday, December 6th, at the Hammond Chamber of Commerce rooms, to hear the Hon. William Marshall Bullit, former solicitor general of the United States, now of Louisville, Ky., speak on the famed Sacco-Vanzetti murder trial. The

speaker of the evening was introduced by Attorney L. L. Bomberger, of Hammond.

### THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

Paul A. Kreuger, well known Michigan City attorney, as a guest speaker of the Laporte Bar Association at a regular meeting held Monday night, December 2d, gave an interesting commentary on the lives of John and William Niles, pioneer lawyers, business and professional men of Laporte county. The meeting was held in the Bay Tree Inn in Laporte.

John W. Schindler, Mishawaka attorney, was unanimously elected president of the St. Joseph County Bar Association at a meeting in the Superior Court room of Judge J. Fred Bingham, Friday, December 6th. Samuel B. Pettengill was elected vice-president, D. D. Nemeth, secretary-treasurer. Arthur L. May was elected to a place on the board of governors of the association for a period of three years.

Dean Leon Green of the school of law at Northwestern University was the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the St. Joseph County Bar Association at the Oliver Hotel Saturday night, December 7, 1929. The break away from the old order of teaching law was outlined in a lengthy paper read by Dean Green. Its reaction was to provoke considerable debate among the lawyers, especially among the barristers and judges who have made notable studies in law. Mr. Green was introduced by S. J. Crumpacker, president of the bar association.

Robert Proctor, of Elkhart, spoke briefly, urging St. Joseph county lawyers to attend the state meeting at Indianapolis in January at which former solicitor general James Beck will be the speaker. Others who spoke included Judge James Drake of the circuit court at Goshen and John Kitch of Plymouth.

Almost every member of the Marshall County Bar Association was in attendance at a meeting held in the court room Monday, December 23, 1929, at Plymouth, Indiana, called for the purpose of making changes in the rules of the association and schedule of fees for various services in legal procedure.

### OBITUARIES

John R. Brill, age 66, member of the firm of Brill & Brady, of Evansville, died December 27, 1929. He was graduated from Indiana University Law School in 1891 and has practiced law in Evansville since that time.

Elias Bundy, age sixty-five, widely known Marion lawyer, died Tuesday, December 10, 1929. He had practiced law at Marion, Indiana, for thirty-five years.

Sidney Brian Davis, eighty-seven years old, one of the oldest members of the Vigo county bar, died Monday night, December 9th, at his home in Terre Haute, Indiana. He was admitted to the bar at Crawfordsville, Indiana, December 10, 1867, and began practice of law in Parke and Montgomery county courts. He formed a partnership with his brother, the late Sanford C. Davis, in October, 1869, at Terre Haute. He was a member of the local, State, and American Bar Associations and was dean of the Vigo bar in point of service and age.

Henry A. Lee, seventy-five years old, and leading attorney of the Monroe county bar for many years, died Monday, December 23d, at his home in Bloomington, Indiana. Mr. Lee graduated from Indiana University in 1878 and has practiced law in Bloomington for a long period of time.

Buena Vista Marshall, 77 years old, and one of Terre Haute's most prominent lawyers, died Thursday night, December 26, 1929. He had been an attorney at Terre Haute for over fifty years and at the time of his death was a member of the firm of Marshall & Marshall.

Elisha Pierce, age 83, for many years a member of the Blackford county bar, died at his home Monday, December 30th.

Bomar Traylor, age fifty-two, judge of the Fifty-Seventh Judicial Circuit, composed of Dubois and Pike counties, died at his home at Jasper, Indiana, on Tuesday, December 3, 1929.

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#### APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE INDIANA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION DURING DECEMBER

(All from Indianapolis)

(Recommended by Lawrence B. Davis, Joel A. Baker and W. E. Treanor)

Name	Address
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Frank K. Miller	806 New City Trust Bldg.
Howard D. Phillips	510 Odd Fellow Bldg.
Jacob Weiss	503 Indiana Trust Bldg.
Bernard Stroyman	607 Meyer-Kiser Bank Bldg.
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Michael B. Reddington	216 Indiana Trust Bldg.
Alfred C. Baumgart	541 Bankers Trust Bldg.
George A. Henry	505 Meyer-Kiser Bank Bldg.
Max Plesser	313 Meyer-Kiser Bank Bldg.
Peter A. Cancilla	704 Inland Bank Bldg.
Charles W. Holder	801 State Life Bldg.
Charles J. Karabell	401 Guaranty Bldg.
Newell W. Ward	617 Bankers Trust Bldg.
Ray H. Briggs	522 State Life Bldg.
Frank King	808 Kahn Bldg.
Herbert T. Rader	807 Union Title Bldg.
William L. Hanscom	717 Meyer-Kiser Bank Bldg.
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