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### FIRST DISTRICT

The following officers of the Warrick County Bar Association were elected at a recent meeting at Boonville, Indiana: O. A. Davis, president; S. T. Deforest, vice-president; W. W. Martin, secretary; and W. S. Hatfield, treasurer.

### FOURTH DISTRICT

W. C. Duncan was re-elected president of the Bartholomew County Bar Association at the annual meeting held in the court room at Columbus, Indiana, January 13th. Charles S. Baker was re-elected vice-president and Devere J. McGinnis, secretary-treasurer. Judge Julian Sharpnack was re-elected vice-president of the Fourth District Bar Association to represent Bartholomew county.

### SEVENTH DISTRICT

Commemorating the twentieth anniversary of Judge James A. Collins' service on the bench, friends of the criminal court judge gave a dinner in his honor Monday, January 6, 1930, at the Marott hotel. William L. Taylor, president of the Indianapolis Bar Association, presided as toastmaster. Tribute to Judge Collins' term on the bench was paid by M. E. Foley, of the Indiana State Pardon Board, and Archibald M. Hall.

### EIGHTH DISTRICT

Muncie lawyers at a luncheon meeting of the Bar Association heard F. Clayton Mansfield Friday, January 17, 1930 in an address on mechanic's liens and actions in courts for their foreclosure.

Bar associations of the Eighth District have been challenged by the Eleventh District to a membership contest. The contest is a part of the State Bar Association's campaign to obtain 600 new members during 1930. Francis A. Shaw is the chairman for the Eighth District.

### NINTH DISTRICT

Charles N. Johnston has been elected president of the Montgomery County Bar Association for 1930 and Bernard Foley re-elected secretary-treasurer.

At a dinner of the Hamilton County Bar Association, held at the Wright Cafeteria at noon Tuesday, January 14, the following officers were elected for the new year: President, Meade Vestal; secretary and treasurer, Ralph Waltz. There were short talks by Judge Neal, Judge Vestal, E. E. Cloe, William V. Rooker and C. M. Gentry. It was decided that in the future similar dinners will be held on the day that the docket is called at each term of court.

C. W. Roll of the Kokomo, Indiana bar gave an address Tuesday night, January 14th, at the meeting of the Howard County Bar Association on "Aaron Burr as a lawyer." A discussion by Judge Joseph Cripe, J. C. Herron, C. H. Wills, Don Elliott and Homer R. Miller followed the main address.

#### TENTH DISTRICT

Officers for the White County Bar Association were re-elected at a recent meeting as follows: M. B. Beard, president; Lynn Thompsron, vice-president; Ralph Scowden, secretary; and John Rothrock, treasurer.

#### THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

The board of managers of the St. Joseph County Bar Association met Tuesday afternoon, December 31, 1929 and decided on the following attorneys to serve on the nine important committees during 1930: *Grievance*: Vitus G. Jones, chairman; Walter R. Arnold, Ralph S. Feig, ex-officio; John W. Schindler, Samuel B. Pettingill. *Membership*: Iden S. Romig, chairman; Joseph A. Avery, Charles W. Bingham, Joseph J. Kovacs, Zalman Dekelboun. *Legislative*: Dudley M. Shively, chairman; Archibald G. Graham, William A. McInerny, Eli F. Seebirt, John G. Yeagley. *Admission to bar*: Shepherd J. Crumpacker, chairman; G. A. Farabaugh, L. W. Hammond. *Library*: Alfred E. Martin, chairman; Dan Pyle, I. K. Parks, Phil Nicar, ex-officio; Cyrus E. Pattee, J. Fred Bingham, Orlo R. Deahl. *Entertainment*: Will G. Crabill, chairman; Gilbert A. Elliott, Frank Gilmer, John W. Niemiec, Lenn J. Oare. *Fees*: Thad M. Talcott, Jr., chairman; William A. Bertsch, L. M. Hammerschmidt, Irving Hurwick, J. Elmer Peak, Harry S. Taylor, Edmund A. Wills. *Constitution and by-laws*: Samuel Parker, chairman; Woodson S. Carlisle, Arthur L. Hubbard, Thomas Konop, W. E. Miller.

#### OBITUARIES

James W. Harrington, 65, attorney and musical leader, died suddenly at his home in Indianapolis, Tuesday, January 21st. He had practiced law at Indianapolis for thirty years and was a member of the law firm of Doan & Mathews.

John W. Morgan, age 83, of Columbus, Indiana, died Sunday, January 26th, 1930. Mr. Morgan was judge of the Bartholomew and Brown circuit court at one time, and was the oldest member of the Bartholomew County Bar Association.

Charles B. Swayne, age 36, of Clinton, Indiana died Friday, January 3, 1930. He was associated in the practice of law with Frank R. Miller for seven years, and had served as prosecuting attorney for Vermillion county for two terms.

Harry Elmer Walk, 68, attorney of Muncie, Indiana, died Wednesday, January 22, 1930.

Charles T. Williams, Indianapolis, Indiana attorney, with offices at 824 Hume-Mansur building, died Sunday, January 26, 1930 at his home.

John R. Ward, age 57, and practicing attorney of Indianapolis, Indiana, died Thursday, January 30, 1930. He entered the law practice in 1894, following graduation from Indiana University Law School. He has practiced law in Indianapolis since 1901.