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NEWS OF BENCH AND BAR

FIRST DISTRICT

About 100 attorneys, many from counties in the district, attended the meeting of the Evansville Bar Association on April 14, 1930. Paul V. McNutt, dean of the Indiana University Law School and past national commander of the American Legion, addressed the bar on "Written and Unwritten Law." The association adopted resolutions commending the candidacy of Walter E. Treanor for judge of the Supreme Court of Indiana from the first judicial district, and Posey T. Kime for the Appellate Court.

THIRD DISTRICT

The Bedford Bar Association met in called meeting in the Circuit Court room in Bedford Tuesday, April 15, 1930, for the purpose of making arrangements to cooperate with representatives of the State Bar Association in connection with the holding of the State Oratorical Contest.

FOURTH DISTRICT

Special meetings were held Saturday, April 12, 1930, by the Decatur Bar Association in memory of Myron C. Jenkins and John F. Goddard, both leading members of the Decatur County Bar Association. Resolutions were adopted paying high tribute to these two members of the Decatur County Bar.

FIFTH DISTRICT

Howard L. Hancock was appointed judge of the Parke Circuit Court to fill the vacancy created by the death of Judge Howard Maxwell.

Members of the Vigo County Bar Association in session Tuesday, April 1, 1930, adopted a memorial tribute to Judge Howard Maxwell of Parke County.

Members of the Parke County Bar Association in a meeting Wednesday, April 1, 1930, passed a resolution praising the work of Judge Howard Maxwell, former jurist over the Parke Circuit Court.

The annual meeting of the fifth district will be held in Terre Haute Saturday, June 28, 1930. Arrangements for same have not been made as yet.

At the annual meeting of the Terre Haute Bar Association held April 2, 1930, the following officers were elected for the year: Frank R. Miller, president; Harry S. Wallace, vice-president; Chester Y. Keller, secretary; George Ira Kisner, treasurer; and J. T. Walker, Ben Small and Clarence Royse, trustees.

SIXTH DISTRICT

The monthly meeting of the Henry County Bar Association was held in the Orangerie room of the Bundy hotel Tuesday, April 8, 1930. Judge W.

O. Barnard and Judge J. R. Hinshaw were the principal speakers of the evening.

The Shelby County Bar Association at a special meeting April 10, 1930, endorsed the candidacy of Walter R. Myers for the Democratic nomination as representative in Congress from the Sixth district.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Dr. W. E. Steckel, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, spoke before the members of the Muncie Bar Association at a noon luncheon meeting Friday, April 25, 1930, in the Y. M. C. A. His subject was on the life of John Marshall.

Reports on the district meeting held March 28 were heard by the Muncie Bar Association at its luncheon Friday, April 4, 1930.

NINTH DISTRICT

The April meeting of the Howard County Bar Association was held in the Frances hotel at Kokomo, Indiana, Tuesday night, April 15, 1930. A comprehensive survey of "The Constitutional Convention of 1787" was given by Judge John Marshall. Following the address the meeting developed into a discussion and earnest debate on the practicability of a new constitution in Indiana.

Members of the Hamilton County Bar Association had dinner at the Wright cafeteria at Noblesville, Indiana, Tuesday noon, April 15, 1930. Judge Meade Vestal, president of the association, presided, and there were special talks by Judge James M. Purvis, of Tipton, and Edward Gillon, of Lebanon.

TENTH DISTRICT

A meeting of the Whiting Bar Association was held Monday, April 14, 1930. John C. Hall was elected president and Dewy Kelley secretary. The association went on record as endorsing the present judges of the Lake Superior Court.

At the regular meeting of the Gary Bar Association the Honorable James W. Noel of the Indianapolis Bar presented the negative side of the question "Should Indiana Hold a Constitutional Convention?"

ELEVENTH DISTRICT

The Eleventh district Bar Association meeting held at Marion, Tuesday, April 8, 1930, was one of the most notable district meetings ever held in the state of Indiana. The guest of honor, and speaker of the evening, was Justice Willis Van Devanter, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court and a native of Marion. Two hundred guests were present, including many of the most outstanding members of the Indiana State Bar Association, two federal judges and the members of the Supreme and Appellate courts of Indiana. John R. Browne, president of the Eleventh district Bar Association, presided at the meeting and introduced Justice Van Devanter, who spoke on the subject "The Supreme Court of the United States and How It Works." Among the distinguished guests who sat at

the speaker's table and who were introduced at the meeting by President Browne were the following: Judge Will M. Sparks, of the United States circuit court of appeals; Federal Judge Thomas W. Slick, of the northern Indiana district; Oliver Loomis, South Bend, United States district attorney; Paul V. McNutt, dean of the Indiana University law school and a former national commander of the American Legion; State Supreme Court Judges Gemmill, Martin, Travis, and Willoughby; Appellate Court Judges Remy, McMahan, Enloe, Neal, Lockyear and Nichols; Fred C. Gause, Lewis B. Ewbank and Charles Cox, former members of the state supreme court; Arthur Gilliom, former attorney general; M. E. Foley, member of the Indiana state prison board; Judges Frank Gillespie, James Moran and Robert L. Smith of Portland, Judge Cleo W. Mount of Tipton, James A. Van Osdol of Anderson, former president of the Indiana State Bar Association, and L. L. Pittenger of Muncie, president of Ball Teachers College.

A "ladies night" program was observed by members of the Huntington County Bar Association at the Elks Club at Huntington, Indiana, Monday evening, April 14. Mr. Roy Adney, of Lebanon, using for his subject, "The Unselfishness of Selfishness" was the principal speaker. Lee M. Bowers, president of the association, presided at the meeting. A musical program included a piano solo by Mrs. Mark Risebrough and vocal number by Mrs. Elmer Kase.

TWELFTH DISTRICT

The Allen County Bar Association at a memorial meeting Tuesday, April 24, 1930, paid high tribute to William P. Breen, prominent attorney, banker and churchman of Fort Wayne.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

At a meeting of the LaPorte Bar Association Monday, April 7, Professor J. F. Kirby of the law faculty of Notre Dame University spoke on "The New Uniform Sales Act." Professor Kirby gave a survey of the work which is being done in getting uniform laws on sales instruments and traced the development of sales contracts from the early days of common law to the present time.