News of Bench and Bar
Provisions of several new laws enacted at the 1933 session of the Indiana General Assembly were discussed by Attorney Henry Hasley, chairman of the Allen County Bar Association’s committee on legislation, at a dinner-meeting of the association at the Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday evening, April 25th.

Captain Arch D. Ball, of the Indianapolis police department, was the speaker at a meeting of the Indianapolis Bar Association at the Columbia Club, Wednesday, May 3rd. He advocated the enactment of a state law requiring all purchasers of firearms to register “test shots” with some state or local bureau.

The annual meeting of the Terre Haute Bar Association was held Tuesday, May 2nd. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Thomas F. O’Mara, president; Harry S. Wallace, vice-president; Jerdie Lewis, secretary; Ira Kisner, treasurer, and J. T. Walker, Gilbert Gambill and H. B. Aikman, directors.

Seventy-five members of the Elkhart County Bar Association met in the Hotel Elkhart, Thursday, May 4th, at their regular meeting. Judge Albert R. Link, of Auburn, was the speaker.

Muncie lawyers, who are members of the Muncie Bar Association, will start Saturday, May 6th, on a weekly half-holiday schedule. Their offices will be closed each Saturday afternoon through the summer months.

Philip Zoercher, chairman of the state board of tax commissioners, gave an explanatory address on the intangible tax law and some of its technicalities at a meeting of the Muncie Bar Association at the Delaware Hotel, April 14th. Following the address Mr. Zoercher asked for questions, and was nearly submerged by the deluge that followed.

The Tippecanoe County Bar Association held a luncheon meeting at the Lafayette Club on April 8th to honor Captain William C. Mitchell, dean of the organization. Walter J. Ball, who was to have made an address, was compelled to leave the city and Allison E. Stuart, who took his place, outlined new laws passed by the recent state assembly.

At a recent meeting of the Shelby County Bar Association E. K. Adams was re-elected president; W. P. Pell, vice-president; and Gordon Thruston, secretary-treasurer.

Attorney C. V. Shields was elected president of the LaPorte Bar Association at the annual spring banquet at the Rumely Hotel, Monday, May 8th. He succeeds Attorney Ben C. Rees. K. D. Osborn was named vice-president, and Isadore E. Levine was re-elected secretary-treasurer. John A. Rothrock, Monticello, field man for the state tax board, explained complicated points of the new state intangibles tax.

Members of the Madison County Bar Association and their guests heard Carl Wilde, of Indianapolis, referee in bankruptcy, give an historical talk on the evolution of the legal profession at the quarterly banquet of the association which was held Friday, May 5th at the Grandview clubhouse. The title of Mr. Wilde’s talk was “Lawyers Across the Stage of History.” Following the dinner a brief business session was held with Wade H. Free, president of the association, presiding.