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Officers for the 1931-32 season were elected by the Allen County Bar Association at their annual dinner meeting in the Chamber of Commerce at Fort Wayne, Thursday evening, October 28. Sol A. Wood, former judge of the Circuit Court, was elected president; John Morris, first vice-president; Clyde W. Reed, second vice-president; Howard W. Shambaugh, secretary; Leigh L. Hunt, treasurer; Albert H. Thomas and John A. Aiken, trustees for two years.

Paul G. Davis was selected as the 1932 head of the Indianapolis Bar Association at a dinner-meeting at the Indianapolis Athletic Club Wednesday evening, November 4. Other officers were Homer L. Elliott, first vice-president; Frank C. Dailey, second vice-president; Donald S. Morris, treasurer; William C. Kern, secretary; Michael A. Ryan and Carl Wilde, members of the executive committee; Jeremiah L. Chadwick, Hubert Hickam, Milton W. Mangus and William W. Seagle, members of the committee on admissions.

Harry P. Schultz was elected president of the Tippecanoe County Bar Association at the annual election of the Organization Saturday noon, October 17th, at the Hotel Lahr in Lafayette. Roy C. Street was elected vice-president and Robert J. Mohlman was elected secretary-treasurer.

Judge Walter E. Treanor of the Supreme Court addressed members of the Delaware County Bar Association at the Y. M. C. A. in Muncie Friday, October 24, 1931.

Members of the Morgan County Bar Association held a meeting in the court room at Martinsville Saturday, October 23, and adopted resolutions on the death of Fred R. Owens of Franklin.

Members of the Tipton County Bar, together with representatives from other bar associations of adjoining counties, held a memorial meeting in the Tipton Circuit Court room Friday, October 30th, and paid tribute to the memory of Jesse R. Coleman, who for forty-one years was a member of the Tipton bar.

Attorney Glenn Peters of Hammond was the speaker Monday evening, November 2, at the LaPorte Bar Association meeting. His subject was "History of the Law."

The regular monthly banquet-meeting of the Howard County Bar Association was held at the Hotel Courtland in Kokomo, Tuesday evening, November 10th. Homer R. Miller was the principal speaker of the evening and delivered a paper on the "Impeachment Trial of President Andrew Johnson."
Resolutions were passed upon the death of Lawrence Carey by members of the White County Bar Association at a meeting of the association held Friday, November 6, at Monticello.

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP

Mr. Samuel E. Garrison, executive secretary of the Committee on American Citizenship, reports that the program of his committee for the year 1931-32 is well under way, and that the results to date are highly satisfactory.

On the 15th of September the committee, through the kind co-operation of WKBF, the Voice of the Capitol Station at Indianapolis, had a fifteen minute address by the Hon. Charles F. Coffin, President of the General Counsel of the State Life Insurance Company, upon "The Constitution" in celebration of Constitution Week. The chairman of the committee, Mr. Carter, was successful in supplying all requests for speakers to various clubs during Constitution Week which were received more than twenty-four hours in advance of the date for making the speech upon the constitution.

The Indiana State Teacher, organ of the State Teachers Association, published rules for the oratorical and essay contest together with the subjects, etc., and Mr. Garrison reports that the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State has been very kind in his co-operation with the committee to make the contest an unusual success. Several schools have already requested that they be enrolled in both the oratorical and essay contest. The first school to register was the P. A. Allen High School of Bluffton, Wells County, Indiana. Eighty-three students from this school will participate in the two contests.

Mr. Garrison has mailed a letter and a copy of the rules for the contest to the principal of every accredited high school in the State, approximately 825. He has also, during the fall, been in touch with the county chairman in every county to secure the heartiest cooperation from them.

The following is a list of managers of the various congressional districts: First, Robert L. McMahon, Crown Point; Second, Francis K. Bowser, Warsaw; Third, Herman Newsom, South Bend; Fourth, Dan C. Flanagan, Fort Wayne; Fifth, Brenton A. Devol, Frankfort; Sixth, Victor H. Ringer, Williamsport; Seventh, John S. Hastings, Washington; Eighth, Chester S. Wentzell, New Albany; Ninth, Earl Wolfinger, Vernon; Tenth, Franklyn George, New Castle; Eleventh, Lawrence V. Mays, Anderson; Twelfth, Sidney S. Miller, Indianapolis.

The Association is to be congratulated upon the energy and industry of its committee on American Citizenship in administering the award made possible by Mr. Frank C. Ball of Muncie, Indiana, and by others through whose generosity the contest this year is made possible. The Association's committee keeps in constant touch with the program and activities of the American Citizenship Committee of the American Bar Association.