

June 10, 1939

A special meeting of the Franklin County Bar Association held June 10, 1939, at 11 o'clock A. M., to take appropriate action in the death of W. L. Minick, Sr.

Edwin D. Strite, Vice-president, presiding called the meeting to order.

The vice-president stated that the purpose of the meeting was to take appropriate action in the death of W. L. Minick, who died June 7, 1939.

The Vice-president called for report of the Committee previously appointed to prepare appropriate resolutions. The Committee consisting of John W. Hoke, Chairman, George W. Atherton, D. Edw. Long, William R. Davison and N. F. Keller. George W. Atherton reported for the Committee and read the resolution and moved its adoption. The resolution is as follows:

"William L. Minick, Sr., lawyer and business man, died Wednesday, June 7th, after a life replete with professional and business success and civic usefulness. Born in Arretstown seventy-four years ago he early in life manifested the energy and intelligence which enabled him to succeed in all of the activities of his career. His training in public schools and in teaching laid a solid foundation upon which he builded a life full of many activities.

Mr. Minick's admission to the Franklin County Bar in 1902 came after he had achieved success in business and politics. He had then served as Deputy Register and Recorder under several officials and had twice been elected Clerk of the Courts of Franklin County. It was during his service as Clerk of the Courts that he read law in the office of the Honorable W. Rush Gillan and prepared himself for admission to the Bar. It cannot

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be said that he was ever very active in the practice of the legal profession unless it was within the last few years of his life. This was not because of any lack of legal ability or liking for the profession, but because when he came to the Bar he had become involved in many business activities which required his attention and the skill which he brought to everything he attempted. These other activities included civic endeavor, banking, politics, Corporation business, lodge work, and many others. In all of the fields he entered he exhibited a geniality of disposition, an adroit skill and a manifest integrity that could not fail to draw to him the friendship and trust of those with whom he came into contact.

In whatever capacity Mr. Minick was engaged he served with signal distinction. As a public official he was courteous and careful; as a Corporation executive he was efficient; as a public spirited Citizen he was ever alert for the well being of his Community and of his County. Years ago when he removed from Chambersburg to Waynesboro he entered into the public activities of the latter Community with his whole heart, and that Community will sorely miss him. His interest in the Franklin County Bar was unflagging, although it cannot be said that he continuously and exclusively followed the practice of the legal profession. The Bar will miss him and it now joins with all of the public who knew him in sorrow for his passing and in sympathy for his bereaved family.

William R. Davison

N. F. Keller

G. W. Atherton
D. Edw. Long
John W. Hoke,
Chairman."

Judge Davison seconding the adoption of the resolution paid high tribute to the W. L. Minick, Sr., as a business man and a Church man, relating some of the activities of Mr. Minick.

N. F. Keller spoke of his partnership association with Mr. Minick and his knowledge of Mr. Minick as a lawyer and Church man.

T. J. Minchert spoke of the example of Mr. Minick's life.

T. K. Scheller, Esq., spoke of his association with Mr. Minick as a business neighbor and Mr. Minick's willingness and kindness to stop and discuss matters of mutual concern.

The question was called for on the motion and it was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, meeting adjourned.

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