

Clavison,
Strite, John Mc.
tion. The question
was carried.
r. Patton and
t we held
Chamberburg
in the hands

med
ry.

January 17, 1940
A special meeting of the Franklin
County Bar Association was held in the
Court Room at 1:20 P. M. Wednesday, January 17.

The meeting was called to order
by the President, Edmund C. Wingerd
who stated that the purpose of the meeting
was to pay respect to the memory of
George W. Asherton, deceased, and to receive
the report of the Committee appointed
to prepare appropriate resolutions on the
death of Mr. Asherton.

Those present were: Edwin Strite,
Arthur W. Gillan, Judge Watson R. Clavison,
Geo. S. Black, G. J. Minchart, S. D. Huber, John R.
Jackson, H. Edw. Long, Benj. Keefner, Stenger
Niehl, George Wenger, John Mc. Sharpe,
Paul M. Crider, LeRoy Maxwell, Albert Strite,
Chauncey M. Depuy, Thos. K. Scheller, Rudolf
Wertine, and Wm. C. Haglett.

Edwin Strite, Chairman of the resolutions
Committee, made a report for his Committee
and, after the reading of the resolutions
prepared, moved for its adoption.

Judge Clavison, in seconding the
motion for the adoption of the resolutions,
recalled early memories of Mr. Asherton
as a young lawyer, a newspaper publisher,
and a leader in the Masonic lodge.

H. Edw. Long, in seconding the motion,
called attention to Mr. Asherton's control
of personal habits.

George S. Black spoke briefly
of his association in recent years with
Mr. Asherton and of Mr. Asherton's willingness
to help and sympathize for a young lawyer.

Arthur W. Gillan referred to the
pleasant personality and congenial fellowship
of Mr. Asherton.

E. C. Wingard pointed out that Mr. Akherton had a distinguished character and personality and that we all should have an individual character.

John R. Jackson said Mr. Akherton was fine company and a good gunning companion.

The motion to adopt the resolutions was put and carried unanimously. The resolution is as follows:

The Committee of the Franklin County Bar Association appointed to prepare and submit resolutions relative to the death of George W. Akherton, Esq., respectfully submits the following resolution:

With the passing of George W. Akherton January 14, 1940 there came to its end and fulfillment the long and useful life of the oldest member of our bar in point of years and in point of service.

He lives in memory as a man of great force of character, of sterling integrity, devoted to the highest ideals of his profession; a man who enjoyed life to the full but shirked none of life's responsibilities, meeting them squarely and contending with them courageously.

Born in Antism Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1857 of Scotch-Irish and German parentage, his early education was received in the local schools, a private school in Greencastle, a short term at normal school, and several years of teaching in country schools. It may be noted that at the same time and in the same locality were being similarly educated

two
like
Cann
John

sales
he tr
upon
study
of Br
proct
May
years
Pham
note

to the
the st
day
the is
a sau
they lo
in th
out of
in th
untie
spend
in h
ever
great
care
junior
Chien
strict
takes

A man
stamin
age to

that Mr. Adherton
and personality
as an individual

Mr. Adherton
graduating
the resolutions
unanimously.

Franklin County
to prepare and
to the death
respectfully
tution.

George W.
ere came to
the long and
member of our
d in plain

as a man
of sterling
highest ideals
he enjoyed
ed name of
ting them
with them

Townships,
vania, April
German parentage,
received in
the school in
at normal
as of teaching
ay be noted
ed in the same
arly educated

two other young men who were destined,
like him, to practice at the Franklin
County Bar for more than fifty years—
John R. Ruthrauff and W. T. Ormbrake.

After a year of employment as a
salesman of School Desk Books, in which
he travelled on the road, he decided
upon the study of the law, and after
studying in the office of the firm
of Breuer & Winger, was admitted to
practice at the Franklin County bar
May 5, 1883. He practiced for seven
years in Mercersburg and removed to
Chambersburg in 1890, where he practiced
until his death.

From the time of his admission
to the bar until the time of his death
the story of his career is that of day after
day of tireless industry, devotion to
the interests of his clients, application
of sound judgment and skill gained
by long experience in guiding them
in the handling of their affairs in and
out of court. He was almost constantly
in his office from early Monday morning
until late Saturday night, probably
expending more labor in the aggregate
in his office than any man who
ever practiced at this bar. He took
great pride, and properly so, in his
care and promptness in concluding
financial transactions with his own
clients. In a word, he adhered
strictly to the oath which every lawyer
takes upon admission to the bar.

His personality was a striking one.
A man of great physical strength and
stamina, he was able at an advanced
age to perform feats of strength and

endurance which would have done credit to men half his age. His capacity for making and keeping friends was remarkable. He had a wide circle of friends of all stations and walks in life, ranging from eminent judges of important Courts to illiterate backwoodsmen from the most remote points.

He was devoted to the large family which he reared in the home which he bought nearly fifty years ago, and in which he lived and died, all of whom are good citizens and worthy children of their parents. He took pride in the fact that four of his sons were at the same time in fighting units in France in 1918.

After the reading of the resolutions it was moved and seconded that we adjourn and attend the funeral in a body.

Meeting adjourned.

J. H. Burdick
Secretary

County
Court
Edmund
Thore
Arthur
Edwin
Tuttle
Blayne
J. G. Black
Gleason
John
Minn
read
was
submi
showin
the tre
Comm
of law
that
were
Comp
He re
proce
C. S. 10
and
writ
unat
The
fallo
Comp
of the
that
this
of un