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Minutes of a special meeting of the Franklin County Bar Association held in memory of D. Edw. Long in the Court Room, Chambersburg, Pa., December 3, 1952, at 1:15 o'clock P. M.

Those present were Charles Davison, Edmund C. Wingerd, Jr., John Keller, Thomas Humelsine, George C. Eppinger, Anson Good, Paul Mower, Robert Shoemaker, Rudolf Wertine, George S. Black, George E. Wenger, Edwin D. Strite, Edwin D. Strite, Jr., William C. Hazlett, Stenger Diehl, Lawrence Zeger, J. Stewart Glen, Benjamin L. Heefner, John R. Lashley, T. J. Minehart, Paul M. Crider, Hon. Edmund C. Wingerd, John McD. Sharpe, J. Glenn Benedict, Charles W. High, Thomas MacBride and Millard A. Ullman.

The meeting was called to order by John McD. Sharpe, President of the Bar Association who stated that the meeting was called in memory of D. Edw. Long who passed away on December 1st, 1952.

Mr. Sharpe expressed his regrets on the passing of Mr. Long and called upon the Committee previously appointed to present resolutions.

T. J. Minehart for the Committee presented a resolution, a copy of which is attached hereto, and after reading of the resolution he moved its adoption, and spoke briefly on his memories of Mr. Long.

Judge Wingerd spoke of his many associations with Mr. Long and particularly with his intimate close association with him at meal-time over a period of years and expressed his regrets for the passing of a dear friend and a good lawyer.

J. Glenn Benedict spoke of his twenty-five years association with Mr. Long in offices jointly occupied by him.

Edwin D. Strite, Chauncey M. Depuy, George S. Black and George C. Eppinger spoke of their acquaintances with Mr. Long and their experiences with him and regreted his passing.

On motion, duly seconded, the meeting was adjourned to attend the burial services at the Sellers Funeral Home.

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IN MEMORIAM

A minute on the death of D. Edward Long, Vice-President of the Franklin County Bar Association.

Daniel Edward Long was born March 15, 1872 and died December 1, 1952. For fifty-three years he was a member of the local bar having been admitted to practice September 13, 1899, during the incumbency of President Judge John Stewart, later a Justice of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Long had a varied career as teacher, lawyer, business man, farmer and civic leader. A graduate of the Shippensburg State Normal School he later entered Dickinson School of Law and was graduated from that institution, class of 1899.

Upon his admission to the Bar Mr. Long soon forged ahead in the practice of law and likewise became active in politics. In 1905 he was elected district attorney and conducted that office with credit, Judge W. Rush Gillan being the Presiding Judge. He later served as state senator, representing the Adams-Franklin District. His activities as civic leader over the year assumed a wide scope and he was ever ready to serve.

As a lawyer he was able and trustworthy and as a business man, carrying on successfully a variety of important interests, he was the soul of integrity. In private life he was kindly and generous, deeply religious, courageous and forceful in espousing that which he deemed to be just and right.

It is not humanly possible by encomium, eulogy or praise to adequately evaluate such a life to this Bar and to this community in which it was lived for over four score years.

Suffice it to record that a life well spent has come to an end according to the inexorable law of nature and that it may truly be said it was a good thing this man lived and was spared so long. Concerning D. Edward Long it may be said as was long ago of others:

"So they gave their bodies to the Commonwealth and received each for his own memory, praise that will never die; and with it the grandest of all sepulchers, not that in which their mortal bones are laid, but a home in the minds of men, where their glory remains fresh to stir to speech or action on occasion.

For the whole earth is the sepulchre of famous men and their story is graven not only on stone over their native earth, but lives on far away, without visible symbol, woven into the stuff of other men's lives."

A. J. White Hutton

J. Glenn Benedict

Edmund C. Wingerd

T. Z. Minehart

Committee