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## UNVEILING OF PORTRAIT

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Nothing could afford me more pleasure than to perform this act of unveiling the magnificent oil portrait of a man whom I have known since he came to Wyoming in 1901, and with whom I have been so closely associated as his Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Wyoming since his elevation to the Federal Bench in October, 1921.

I will now remove the veil for your view of the portrait of the so favorably known, to both laymen and members of the Bar, the distinguished and Honorable Thomas Blake Kennedy, Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Wyoming.

## ACCEPTANCE OF PORTRAIT

ORIE L. PHILLIPS\*\*

It is a privilege and an honor which I highly esteem to accept this portrait as a gift from the Wyoming Bar to the United States.

I trust you will not deem it inappropriate if I take time to briefly express some personal sentiments with respect to Judge Kennedy, for whom I have a high regard and a deep affection. He was commissioned as United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming in October, 1921. He had practiced law for almost 23 years. His professional experience was wide and varied. He was an able trial lawyer and advocate. I briefly refer to these facts, because, in my opinion, service at the Bar and a broad background of experience in the every-day affairs of life are important qualifications for judicial service.

It could be well said that the superb character, the fine quality, and high order of judicial service Judge Kennedy has rendered during the period of almost 30 years speak for themselves far more eloquently than any mere words I can command. But, the character and quality of judicial service rendered discloses attributes of mind and heart and character, which we may fittingly refer to on this occasion. I first met Judge Kennedy in 1923. As I came to know him better I found in him a man with a broad understanding of human nature and human frailties and a deep sympathy for his fellow man; a man with a wealth of common sense and sound judgment, ripened and seasoned by a long and broad experience; a man who loves justice and ordered liberty under law and who hates wrong and oppression; and a man who understands, believes in, and appreciates

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