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REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Auditing Committee of the Wyoming State Bar, on examination of the Treasurer's Report dated August 1, 1957, and the books and records of the Treasurer in support of said report, finds that the report is correct and recommends that the report be approved.

Dated August 27, 1957.

Ernest Wilkerson, Chairman
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REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

During the past year since our 1956 annual meeting, the deaths of ten members of the Wyoming State Bar have been reported. Most of them were long-time active members of the Bar and the cumulative affect of their loss will be felt most keenly by our profession in the state. Of the ten, one had recently retired as U.S. District Judge after over 55 years as a member of the Wyoming Bar, one was serving as a state District Judge after over 30 years in his profession in Wyoming, four had been members of the Wyoming Bar for approximately 50 years each, one had been a member of our Bar for over 40 years, one for over 35 years, and the other two who died in California had each practiced law in the state for some years, although not active in Wyoming practice in recent years. In each case these distinguished gentlemen will be missed most by their families and others who were associated closely with them, but their absence will also be felt throughout the state of Wyoming.

T. BLAKE KENNEDY

T. Blake Kennedy was born in Commerce, Michigan, on April 4, 1874, and died at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on May 21, 1957, at the age of 83. He received his Bachelors degree from Muskingum College, Ohio, and his Law Degree from Syracuse University, New York, in 1897. In 1901, he came to Cheyenne, Wyoming, and commenced the practice of law. He served as referee in bankruptcy for Wyoming from 1903 to 1913 and from 1919 to 1921. He was very active in the Republican party and was chairman of the state Republican central committee from 1918 to 1921. In 1921, President Harding appointed him Judge of the federal Wyoming District, in which position he remained until his retirement in 1955, a period of some 34 years. At the time of his retirement he was the ranking U.S. District Judge in the nation in point of seniority. After his retirement from the bench he continued to help with the court's business until failing health prevented him from so doing during the last months of his life.

He was a member of the Masonic Order, and his civic affiliations included the Rotary Club, Literary Club, and the Presbyterian church.