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properly denied the lawyer, permitting them to function on a foundation of prestige built by lawyers which they enjoy as a parasitical class. As has been stated in the Journal of the American Judicature Society, "The lawyers of a state are more than a group of people making a living by the same occupation. They are an essential part of the government. They are officers of the courts, engaged in performing a public service as vital to the people of a commonwealth as police, public health, or any other governmental service."

Even today some administrative agencies advise the citizen that no lawyer is necessary, and that representation by lawyers is not looked upon with favor. Perhaps those who seek to impose an arbitrary view upon a helpless citizen do not want to have standing at his side one versed in rights and duties as well as obligations.

Counselors on public relations, economic counselors, traffic counselors, trade counselors, customs counsel, house counsel, and all variations of the phrase, lead but to one door—the implication that the "counselor," so-called, is especially skilled in a special field, a field which properly belongs to the responsible lawyer.

While 40,000 lawyers are in uniform (one-fourth of the bench and bar), the "counsel" marches in to capitalize on an emergency condition. Here today and gone tomorrow, his interest is in the moment—making hay while the sun shines. He is a counselor, but not at-law.

Perhaps no one has more appropriately set forth the importance of the lawyer to the community than Alexis de Tocqueville, who more than 100 years ago in his book *Democracy in America* stated:

"The profession of the law is the only aristocratic element that can be amalgamated without violence with the natural elements of democracy and be advantageously and permanently combined with them. I am not ignorant of the defects inherent in the character of this body of men; but without this admixture of lawyer-like sobriety with the democratic principle, I question whether democratic institutions could long be maintained; and I cannot believe that a republic could hope to exist at the present time in the influence of lawyers in public business did not increase in proportion to the power of the people."

Now to us, as lawyers, comes the task of contributing to the lasting solution of the problems faced by a disorganized post-war world, and with pride of accomplishment, with understanding of our responsibility, we approach these problems as counselors-at-law.

Our Returning Lawyer-Veterans

MARCUS O. SHIVERS, JR., major, air corps, served from May 1942 to Jan. 1946 in the C. B. I. theater and the U. S. He has returned to practice as a partner in the firm of Simon and Lee, 3485 South Broadway, Armitage Bldg., Englewood.

EDWARD J. RUFF, lt. (j.g.), Coast Guard, served from March 1943 to April 1946 in the third and twelfth naval districts, U. S. He served as district legal officer on the staff of Admiral Scammell during the last six months of service. He has returned to practice in association with Stanley Wallbank, 514 Equitable Bldg., Denver.

JAMES K. GROVES, lt., U. S. N. R., served from May 1944 to March 1946 in the Asiatic-Pacific theater, including Ie Shima. He received a letter of commendation. He has returned to practice as a member of the firm of Groves and Banks, 501 First National Bank Bldg., Grand Junction.

THEODORE A. CHISHOLM, col., Judge Advocate General Dept., served from Feb. 1942 to March 1946 at San Francisco port of embarkation, New Caledonia, Guadalcanal, New Guinea, Philippine Islands, Japan. He received the bronze star medal and two commendations. He is now employed in the office of the Attorney General of Colorado. He was admitted to the Colorado bar in 1925 after receiving the degree of LL.B. (cum laude) from Denver University, 1925. Before entering service he was engaged in general civil, corporate and insurance practice, and is seeking an opening in those fields.

HAMLET J. BARRY, JR., first lt., U. S. Marine Corps, served from Jan. 1943 to Jan. 1946 in the American theater. He served as trial judge advocate for the fleet marine force. He has now returned to practice at 646 Gas and Electric Bldg., Denver. He was admitted to the Colorado bar in March 1941. He received his B.A. degree from Columbia in 1938 and his LL.B. from Westminster Law School, 1940.

ARTHUR C. GREGORY, capt., infantry, served from Sept. 1941 to Jan. 1946 with the 76th Infantry Division, Third Army, in the continental U. S. and the European theater. He received battle stars for the battle of the Ardennes, the Rhine, and the battle of Central Europe. He has the combat infantry badge and the bronze star medal. He is now assistant City Attorney, Denver

Calendar

July 10. Denver Bar Association summer outing, Park Hill Country Club.

July 22 and 23. Annual Conference of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Federal Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

October 7. Denver Bar Association, first fall meeting.

October 18 and 19. Colorado Bar Association annual meeting, Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs. Hon. Tom Clark, Attorney General of the United States, principal speaker.

October 28 to November 1. American Bar Association, annual meeting, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Admitted to a Higher Court

DISTRICT JUDGE CHARLES C. SACKMANN died at Mercy Hospital, Denver, at the age of 66. He had been ill for several months. He served as district judge from 1925 to 1937, and was again elected to the district bench in 1942. He served in the 23rd and 24th General Assemblies, during the second term of which he was Speaker of the House of Representatives. Judge Sackmann was born November 25, 1879, in Brooklyn, New York. He received a law degree from the University of Michigan and came to Denver in 1903. He was on the Fathers' Council of P.T.A., a 33rd degree Mason, a Shriner, past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, a director of Kiwanis Club, and an official of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

ELROY NEWTON CLARK, died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Denver, at the age of 85, after a long illness following an accident last fall. Mr. Clark was a prominent railroad attorney until his retirement in 1931. He was born in North Hero, Vt., July 22, 1860. He received his B.A. degree from Vermont University in 1885, and his law degree from Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., in 1892. He was an honorary LL.D. from Vermont University, 1941. He practiced law for six years in Chicago, and came to Denver in 1898. He entered the law office of Senator Edward O. Wolcott, then general counsel for the D. & R. G. Rr. Co., and in 1906 he became general attorney for the railroad. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, and of Phi Beta Kappa.

Personals

SYDNEY H. GROSSMAN, business manager of DICTA for the past fourteen years, and his associates, have moved their offices to 715 Security Life Building, 14th and Stout Sts., Denver. Associated with Mr. Grossman are his partner, LOUIS E. GELT, recently returned from the armed services (making up the firm of Gelt and Grossman), and ROBERT S. ZIMMERMAN, SAM WEINSTEIN and HYMAN A. COGGAN, the latter two of which are also recently returned from the armed forces.

STANFORD W. GREGORY, Denver, has been named to command the National Guard air unit in Colorado, and will be named a brigadier general in the guard's air corps. He entered federal service as a member of the 120th observation squadron, Colorado National Guard in Jan. 1941. He was in the African and European theaters with the Ninth and Twelfth air forces. He has received the Croix de Guerre, the Silver Star and the Legion of Merit.

RICHARD M. DAVIS and HAROLD D. ROBERTS, both of Denver, have been elected members of the board of trustees of the Colorado Museum of Natural History, at the annual board meeting.

DONALD B. ROBERTSON, Denver, has been appointed by the Denver district judges to the Denver Civil Service Commission. He will take office June 17, and will serve until June 17, 1949, to complete the term of William E. Hutton, who resigned. The other members of the commission are Bertha V. Perry and Benjamin E. Sweet.

PAUL V. HODGES, JR., Denver, has resigned from the F.B.I. as special agent to resume the practice of law. He has been with the F.B.I. for seven years. During the war he was a bureau administrative assistant in Washington.

E. RAY CAMPBELL, Denver, former regent of the University of Colorado, has been conferred the degree of doctor of laws by his alma mater, Davidson College, from which he graduated at the age of 19. Mr. Campbell is president of the Denver Post Printing and Publishing Company.

FRANCIS J. KNAUSS is Denver's new district judge, appointed by Governor Vivian to fill the vacancy on the bench created by the death of Judge Sackmann. Judge Knauss is chairman of the Republican party Denver County Central Committee. He served four terms in the state senate. He graduated from Colorado University law school, and was admitted to the bar in 1905. He will serve until the November election, at which time a judge will be elected for the remainder of the term.

Junior Bar Honors Recently Admitted Lawyers

The Junior Bar Section of the Colorado Bar Association honored lawyers admitted to practice in recent years at a luncheon at the Albany Hotel, Denver, on June 7. Sydney Shuteran, chairman of the Junior Bar Section, presided. In addition to recently admitted members of the bar, guests included Frank L. Moorhead, president of the Colorado Bar Association, William Hedges Robinson, Jr., secretary of the Colorado Bar Association, and Wilbur F. Denious, Colorado Bar Association's representative in the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association.

Col. Philip S. Van Cise, noted trial lawyer, former president of the Denver Bar Association, and chairman of the Colorado Bar Association committee on Judicial Administration, was the principal speaker. He gave the lawyers present some good tips and excellent advice on practicing. He said that the courtroom is a stage and each person in the trial is an actor. Don't be a ham actor. Prepare your case well and do your best to win. Have a trial book, with your exhibits carefully arranged. During the trial of a case, live the case. If you are going to examine an expert, know as much about the point involved as does the expert. Quote from cases and documents accurately.

Much valuable trial experience can be gained in the office of the district attorney.

One should, as soon as possible, find the particular line of law that he wishes to follow and should become an expert in that line. Fixing fees is a problem. Sometimes a lawyer will fix a fee too low, but when that happens, he should take his medicine and give his best to the case anyway. Go to older lawyers for advice if you are stuck and don't know what to do. Be skeptical about the client who claims he was sold out by his lawyer. Sometimes the lawyer is incompetent rather than that he sold out his client.

Alex Holland, chairman of the Membership Committee, urged all new lawyers to join the Colorado and American Bar Associations immediately. T. Raber Taylor, chairman of the Committee on Information on Integration of the Bar, and Stewart Shaffer, chairman of the committee on Meetings and Arrangements, discussed future plans for their committees.

Annual Conference of the Tenth Judicial Circuit

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

JULY 22 AND 23, 1946

Members of the Bar are cordially invited and urged to attend the open sessions of the Judicial Conference.

MONDAY, JULY 22, 1946—OPEN SESSION

HONORABLE ALFRED P. MURRAH, United States Circuit Judge, Presiding

10:00 A.M.—Address of Welcome, HONORABLE MANUEL LUJAN, Mayor of the City of Santa Fe.

10:15 A.M.—Address, HONORABLE BOLITHA J. LAWS, Chief Justice, United States District Court for the District of Columbia, "*Cooperation of Judges and Laymen in Improving the Administration of Justice.*"

11:00 A.M.—Address, MR. JACK FOSTER, Editor of the Rocky Mountain News, Denver, Colorado, "*The Layman and the Courts.*" Discussion.

OPEN SESSION

HONORABLE J. FOSTER SYMES, United States District Judge
for the District of Colorado, Presiding

2:00 P. M.—Address, HONORABLE JUSTIN MILLER, Chairman of the American Bar Association Committee on Cooperation with Laymen and President of the National Association of Broadcasters. Discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

HONORABLE ORIE L. PHILLIPS, Senior Circuit Judge,
Tenth Judicial Circuit, Presiding

3:00 P. M.—Reports of committees of the Judicial Conference.