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The annual meeting of the Colorado Bar Association will be held at the Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs, Friday and Saturday, October 19 and 20. Milton J. Keegan, Denver, convention chairman, has announced a full program of interesting and informative addresses, section and committee meetings, and entertainment, which will keep the attending members and guests from having time on their hands to worry about cares at home. The District Judges' Association will get the drop on the lawyers by having their meeting on Thursday, October 18. By meeting on Thursday the judges will give the lawyers no excuse for staying home to try cases, and will be able to prepare the proper atmosphere for the arrival of the attorneys on Friday.

The District Judges' Association will meet at 10:00 A. M. Thursday with president Henry S. Lindsley, Denver, behind the gavel and secretary Harold Davies, Englewood, behind the pen. District judges Charles C. Sackmann, Denver, and Claude C. Coffin, Fort Collins, and president Robert L. Stearns of the University of Colorado, are the scheduled speakers.

Friday morning will be devoted to several meetings. The Section of Probate and Trust Law, the Committee on Real Estate Title Standards, and the Lawyers War Emergency Committee will hold a joint meeting in the Little Theatre. County judge William E. Buck, Boulder, will discuss the 1945 changes in the probate laws. Royal C. Rubright, Denver, will discuss proceedings to probate a will and for sale of real estate under the 1945 law. It is possible that at this point some mention may be made of the 1945 amendment to Section 253 of Chapter 176 of the 1935 C. S. A., which created the new method of giving notices in these proceedings, which has caused so much discussion among attorneys and judges. Horace F. Phelps, Denver, will discuss legal aid to service men and veterans. At this time it has not yet been decided how the three chairmen, Floyd Walpole, Edwin J. Wittelshofer and Horace F. Phelps, will divide the duties of wielding the gavel.

The Junior Bar Section will meet at the same time under the chairmanship of William R. Newcomb, Denver, and the District Attorneys' Association will meet under the chairmanship of A. Allen Brown,

Montrose. The Board of Governors will be called to order at 11:00 A. M. by president Benjamin E. Sweet.

At the noon luncheon meeting on Friday, Robert L. Stearns, president of the University of Colorado, will speak on the subject, "Lawyers' Part in War and Post-War Reconstruction." President Stearns has recently returned to his post at Colorado University after two years' leave of absence as chief of the operations analysis sections of the Thirteenth and Twentieth Air Forces. From October, 1943, to April, 1944, he was stationed in the South Pacific, and shared the dangers of those areas with the members of the armed forces. On June 15 of this year he was cited by Gen. H. H. Arnold, commanding general of the Twentieth Air Force, for meritorious services in the improvement of bombing accuracy analyses, weapons' effectiveness and the development of offset radar bombing technics. On April 22 he was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific theater ribbon by Col. R. E. Fraile for sharing the hardships and dangers of U. S. troops. He has been joyously welcomed back to the university, and this will be our opportunity to welcome him back to active participation in the association.

Friday afternoon will be devoted to the principal business session of the annual meeting. Benjamin E. Sweet will deliver his president's address, and the nomination and election of officers and other business will be transacted.

Friday evening will be devoted to special entertainment provided by the El Paso County Bar Association. Thomas M. Burgess is president of the association and C. H. Babcock is chairman of the entertainment program. The program includes an ice show in the Ice Palace, and other entertainment on the Lake Terrace. The committee refuses to reveal the nature of the entertainment by saying, "If anyone misses it, it will be his tough luck."

The Saturday morning session includes three addresses. Dean James F. Price, of the University of Denver School of Law, will discuss "Recent Developments in Labor Law." William R. Kelly, Greeley, will discuss "Income Tax Returns for the Farmer" and Thomas L. Girault, chief field deputy of the Internal Revenue Office, Denver, will discuss "Income Tax Returns for the Individual."

After concluding the serious business of labor and taxes, the members and guests will enjoy, at the Saturday noon luncheon, special entertainment provided by the Law Club of Denver, of which Mark H. Harrington is president and Truman A. Stockton is chairman of the entertainment program. Saturday afternoon will be free for the members to use as they please, with the exception of the governors, who will meet in serious session.

The annual dinner on Saturday evening will be preceded by the usual cocktail party. At the dinner, Frank Ongley Darvall, British consul for Colorado, Utah and Wyoming, will present the subject, "Britain's Role in the Post-War World." Mr. Darvall is a speaker of repute, having been a member of the British Universities debating team while at Cambridge, and head of British Information Office for the United States, in London, during the war. Special entertainment will be provided by Shorty, Sally, Sue and the Boys of Radio Station KOA. Ben Sweet will bow out as president and turn the gavel over to incoming president Frank L. Moorhead, Boulder, and the meeting will be over, except for extra-curricular activities.

All members and guests registered at other hotels than the Broadmoor will be expected to take part in all the activities at the Broadmoor.

Summary of Colorado Bar Association Committee and Section Reports

Grievance and Ethics

BEN S. WENDELKEN, COLORADO SPRINGS, CHAIRMAN

The committee has followed the policy, wherever possible, of referring complaints to local associations. Seven complaints were filed. In two cases, full restitution was ordered and made. In one of these cases the lawyer has removed from the state. In one case disciplinary action was justified but not taken because of the physical and mental condition of the lawyer. In one case no determination has been made. Two of the cases were referred by the Supreme Court.

Reorganization

ALLYN COLE, GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CHAIRMAN

The committee adheres to its former opinion that no reorganization should take place until the return of the lawyers now serving in the armed forces, but that the committee should be continued. When integration is accomplished, it should be by rule of the Supreme Court rather than by legislation.

Local Bar Associations and Law Institutes

HARRY S. PETERSEN, PUEBLO, CHAIRMAN

The committee is negotiating with the deans of the law schools regarding refresher courses for law graduates who never practiced. As to practicing lawyers who went into the armed services, a series of institutes should be planned in the key cities on changes in the law since the beginning of the war.