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Wayne N. Aspinall, captain, Army of the U. S., specialist reserve in the military government, served from Sept. 1943 to Dec. 1944 in continental United States, England, France and Belgium. He is now practicing in his own office at Grand Junction. Capt. Aspinall was admitted to practice in 1925. He holds an A.B. and an LL.B. from Denver University, and is at present a state senator and a member of the legislature's interim committee. Capt. Aspinall is a veteran of the first World War also, having served from Oct. 1917 to Nov. 1918. He was a flying cadet at the time of his discharge.

Albert Ellis Radinsky, lieutenant (jg) in the U. S. Navy Reserve, served for more than three years, from 1941 to 1945 in the Atlantic area, South Pacific and American theater. He has received three area ribbons, three special gunnery awards, two presidential citations and the purple heart. He is now a part time member of the faculty of the University of Denver Law School and is practicing at 622 Symes Bldg., Denver.

Walter B. Franklin, captain, C. A. C. (A. A.), served for 14 months, from Feb. 1943 to April 1944, on headquarters staff (law member, general court martial) airborne command, Camp Mackall, N. C., has returned to his position on the faculty of the University of Colorado at Boulder. Captain Franklin was admitted to practice in 1926. He holds an A.B. and an LL.B. from Colorado University.

Ford E. Williams, major, army air corps (pilot), served for three years from Jan. 1941 to Jan. 1944 in the border patrol and anti-submarine patrol along the Gulf of Mexico. He has received the American defense and American theater ribbons. He is with the Mountain States Aviation, Inc., in Denver.

Thomas W. Nevin, private, army air corps, served from Feb. 1944 to June 1945 at Cam Ritchie, Maryland (intelligence school), Lowry Field, Buckley Field regional hospital. He is practicing in his own office at 214 First National Bank Bldg., Denver. Prior to entering military service he was deputy clerk of the Denver County Court for seven years.

James N. Sabin, master sergeant, army air corps, assigned to judge advocate's office, served for three years from 1942 to July 1945 in the United States. He is now Assistant Attorney General of Colorado with offices in the State Capitol Bldg. Mr. Sabin was formerly justice of the peace in Denver.

Sidney P. Godsman, major, army, in the field artillery and transportation corps, served for four years from Feb. 1941 to June 1945 in Tennessee, Oklahoma, Baltimore, Maryland, and Boston, Massachusetts.

Was commanding officer of the Boston Post Agency. He is now practicing in his own office at 710-717 Majestic Bldg., Denver.

Canton O'Donnell, major, army air corps, served for two years from 1942 to 1944 in the continental United States. He is now manager of the securities department of Garrett-Bromfield & Co., 201 Security Bldg., Denver.

Pierpont Fuller, Jr., special agent, counter intelligence corps, M. I. D., War Department, served for 19 months from March 1942 to Oct. 1943 in the Western defense command, attached to Fourth army in the continental United States. He has returned to his position as trust officer of the International Trust Company, Denver.

John A. Carroll, major, army, military government, served for two years from May 1943 to July 1945 in Africa, Italy, Corsica, France, and at University of Stanford as associate professor of military government. He is now practicing law in suite 432 Equitable Bldg., Denver.

David F. How, captain, army, military government, served from July 1943 to June 1945 in the United States. He has now returned to his position as executive director, Industrial Commission of Colorado, with offices in the State Capitol Annex, Denver.

Horace F. Phelps, major, army, judge advocate general's department, served from March 1942 to Sept. 1944. He graduated from the Judge Advocate General's school in Washington, D. C., and served as staff judge advocate, headquarters Fourth district, A. A. F. technical training command, Denver; staff judge advocate, headquarters Third district, A. A. F. technical training command, Tulsa, Okla.; staff judge advocate, IV fighter command, Oakland, Calif. He has returned to his office at 725 E. & C. Bldg., Denver, where he is a partner in the firm of Benedict and Phelps.

Peter J. Little, corporal, army air corps classification, served two years from May 1943 to July 1945 at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and Scott Field, Ill. He is now practicing in his own office at 902 Midland Savings Bldg., Denver.

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**Admitted to a Higher Court**

Clarence V. Benson, former Colorado attorney, died at his home in Long Beach, California, at the age of 77. Mr. Benson began his law practice in Colorado in 1892. He came to Colorado in 1870, and was graduated from the Colorado State College and from Michigan University in law. He was twice elected city attorney in Loveland, and then became county attorney of Larimer County and moved to Fort Collins.

## Personals

Lt. Com. Quigg Newton, Jr., Denver, has been named assistant to Assistant Secretary of the Navy John L. Sullivan, in charge of operating naval air transport.

Colorado Supreme Court Justice William Lee Knous has been appointed public member of the newspaper commission of the National War Labor Board.

Lt. Col. Frank Seydel, Denver, has been appointed chief of the judiciary branch of the legal division of the United States group control council, which is charged with recommending policies governing German and military government courts. Col. Seydel has been on active duty more than three years.

Capt. J. Hartley Murray, Colorado Springs, who has been working on the staff of Justice Robert H. Jackson in Washington preparing for the trial of war criminals, has now been transferred to Europe, where he will assist Justice Jackson in the prosecution of the leading war criminals.

Charles F. Morris, Salida, has been appointed by Governor Vivian as Uniform Law Commissioner succeeding Laurence W. De Muth, Boulder, for a term expiring April 29, 1951.

Thomas J. Morrissey, Denver, has been nominated by President Truman for reappointment as United States Attorney for Colorado for a fourth term, upon the recommendation of Senator Ed. C. Johnson. Mr. Morrissey was first appointed to this position in 1933.

Ensign John Bell Stivers, Montrose, has been liberated from a Japanese prison camp in Thailand and is on his way home. Before his capture he flew a combat plane with the Asiatic fleet, and served as judge advocate of a fleet unit. He was reported as missing after the sinking of the U. S. S. Houston in March, 1942, and since December, 1942, has been listed as a prisoner.

Lt. Col. William O. Perry has been at home in Denver while awaiting arrival of Colorado's own 157th infantry regiment of the 45th division. Col. Perry, originally a headquarters officer of the 157th regiment later became inspector general of the 45th division.

William C. Rhodes has been elected by the city council of Greeley as police magistrate to succeed Tracy C. Cameron who was elected to the position on his return from military service, but after a short time moved to Cheyenne as adjudicator in the Veterans Administration.

## Personals

Dale S. Deane, clerk of the West Side Court for almost twenty years, has resigned, and Horace Montague, assistant cashier and book-keeper in the District Court clerk's office has been appointed to succeed him. Matt Mesch, deputy clerk of the District Court succeeds Mr. Montague.

Charles J. Beise, formerly of Durango, and more recently assistant regional counsel of the Bureau of Reclamation, in Salt Lake City, is now practicing law with Fairfield and Woods in the First National Bank Bldg., Denver.

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## Letter to the Editor

September 5, 1945.

Editor of Dicta:

I agree with much that Shippen Lewis says in his "Practicing Law by Telephone" (August Dicta) but I cannot join in his condemnation of the secretary who asks, "Who is it, please?" when I call an office.

I go to a man's home, knock and the door is opened. As a matter of courtesy I introduce myself before I expect any information.

When I walk into a man's office I do the same.

What is the difference whether I knock at the door of his home, walk into his office; or ring his phone? Courtesy demands that I introduce myself in any event.

There is another, and very practical, reason. There is someone I wish to reach or from whom I am expecting a call. I leave the office and leave with the secretary the message I wish to get to him. When he calls and gives his name the secretary at once gives him the message and further phoning is avoided and much time is frequently saved. Too commonly, however, the party calls and, without introduction, asks if I am in. On being informed that I am not, he hangs up without indicating who he is or giving the secretary a chance to find out. Result—I fail to get my message to him and he has to call again in hopes of finding me in. Even if I am in, the secretary can frequently give the desired information without bothering me.

I think the courteous and efficient thing to do is to give your name when you phone or, at least, readily and pleasantly respond with it when the secretary asks it.

—CARLE WHITEHEAD.