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For the past two and a half months the Colorado Bar Association in conjunction with the nineteen local associations has been carrying on a tremendous program designed to aid in the war effort. This work embraces many fields of activity, but the most important work to date has been.

- 1. Aiding in the draft work by placing volunteer workers on all advisory boards, by supervising registration of draftees, and assuming responsibility for many tasks assigned to the association in this connection by draft boards.
- 2. Aiding the navy in its volunteer recruiting program in every community in the state.
- 3. Setting up legal aid clinics in every army post in the state.
- 4. Drafting a manual for use in bar association defense work by bar associations everywhere.
- 5. Setting up standards for the protection of the business for those members of the profession engaged in the armed forces.

These manifold obligations which the bar associations of this state have gladly assumed have been centered in the committee of national defense under the chairmanship of John Zanoni of Denver. Practically every lawyer in the state who has not been called to military duty is engaged in this program.

The task of registering the new selectees was undertaken in part by the bar committee in assigning lawyers to the various local draft boards. Much of this work was undertaken under the supervision of Robert More, who aided in establishing the advisory boards for the last registration.

In response to the request of Lieutenant-Commander Thom, recruiting officer in charge of this area, the bar has set up a state-wide organization, assisted by the local associations, to aid in the recruiting problems of the navy. Speaker's bureaus have been established in each locality, and in each section where radio stations functioned, special radio committees have been formed in an effort to increase enlistments in the navy in this area. Talks are being made in high schools and colleges, in union halls, over the radio, and before clubs, motion picture audiences, and generally wherever a group of people may congregate.

Since the navy depends entirely on enlistments for its personnel and is not aided by the draft, the problem of securing enough men for

a large navy is particularly acute in this emergency. As a result the bar association has volunteered its organization in aiding in an intense recruiting program. These efforts have been decentralized as much as possible with responsibility placed on the local bar associations under the guidance of the state committee.

At the present time every theater and radio station in Denver has given freely of its time to permit speakers to explain the needs of the navy and the opportunities for men enlisting in this branch of the service. Newspapers in practically every area of the state have given generous publicity to this drive.

With nearly all sections of the state reporting on the intense campaign, the results are now beginning to show in increased enlistments in the navy. Such work as this affords the organized bar a chance to demonstrate once again the leadership which it can quickly mobilize and use in times of emergency.

Early in February, acting on a call from Captain Kahl of Lowry Field, the committee on national defense laid plans for the establishment of legal aid clinics at that army post. The needs of the enlisted men were two: first, they had many problems which affected their personal interests which were quite apart from army life, and second, they desired to consult with qualified men who could advise them without the embarrassment incident to seeking information from superior officers. As a result, a plan has been worked out where lawyers will attempt to meet with these soldiers once each week at the army post or hold such office consultations as may be required. The basis of these consultations will be the same as that maintained by the legal aid bureau in Denver. Similar units will be established at every army post in the state.

In addition to these matters of immediate concern to the welfare of the nation, the committee has worked out a set of standards to protect the lawyer who has been called away from his practice. These standards are designed to enable the absent lawyer to retain his business and contacts and at the same time assure an equitable compensation to the lawyer who undertakes to pinch hit during the emergency.

While the major share of this work has been personally directed by John Zanoni, he has also taken time out to aid the national committee prepare a new handbook dealing with the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act and kindred legislation and to prepare a manual which has been adopted by the American Bar Association for distribution to every bar association on the work of the bar in national defense.

First Judicial Bar Meets at Morrison

The First Judicial District Bar Association held a meeting at Morrison on February fourteenth with more than forty lawyers in attendance. The chief speaker of the evening was Justice Ben C. Hilliard.

Preceding the evening meeting, the association gathered for a cocktail hour and informal dinner. Judge Homer Preston of Aurora presided at the affair.

Junior Bar Holds Winter Meeting

Approximately a hundred young lawyers defied February's blizzards to assemble for the winter meeting of the Junior Bar section of the Colorado Bar Association held in Denver on February fourteenth. The afternoon program was devoted to various business sessions.

Ray Moses of Alamosa, chairman of the section, stated the section had some very difficult problems to solve. "The Junior Bar is vitally concerned with the problems of the young lawyers who are giving up their practice to serve in the military forces of this nation," he said. "We are making every effort to safeguard the interests of the younger members of the bar. With our recent affiliation of the Junior Bar with the state association we have in excess of four hundred potential members of this section. However our numbers are rapidly dwindling due to the war situation, and the tasks thrust on those who remain are thereby proportionately increased. We hope to be able to meet this situation."

The evening program included a cocktail party and a dinner dance in the Silver Glade. Arrangements for the meeting were in charge of Sydney E. Shuteran of Denver.

Law Books for Sale

A.L.R., complete; 1935 Colorado Statutes Annotated, not including new volume 1; Colorado Digest, Consolidated Edition, 15 volumes; Wharton's Criminal Evidence, 11th Edition, 3 volumes; Modern Legal Forms, 3 volumes; United States Supreme Court Reports, Lawyers Edition, volumes 79 through 85; Thompson on Wills, 2nd Edition (1936); Abbott on Facts, 5th Edition; Williams, Quieting Title in Colorado; Ruling Case Law, Permanent Supplement Edition; Colorado Reports, volumes 105 through 107.—CHARLES ROTHENBERG, Exchange National Building, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Was the Bard Wrong?

A rose by any other name would not be as sweet. The Bard for once at least was definitely in error. Could anyone think of another name for these corporations whose charters have been filed in Mississippi that would be nearly as appropriate?

The Brotherly Love Continue Undertakers and Sons of America. The Nuptial Tie Union.

The Grand Court of the Independent Order of Calanthe, under the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court Annexed to the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, Colored, of North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Africa.

The Supreme Division of Men and Women of the City of Refuge. The Connubial Anti-Matrimonial Society.

Cooperative Too Utter Utterly Utter Marriage Aid Association.

Believe You've Got Something There

During the prohibition era, Judge J. Foster Symes was holding a session of court in Pueblo. Among the defendants charged with liquor violations was an Italian named Dominic. Not many years before Dominic had been granted his final naturalization papers.

After Dominic had pleaded guilty to the charge on the advice of the district attorney, Judge Symes questioned the Italian about his attitude toward government and laws.

"Don't you realize that you violated the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States?" queried the judge in his attempt to impress upon the defendant the seriousness of his acts.

"Yes," replied Dominic, "but the eighteenth amendment wasn't in the Constitution when I signed up."

Calendar

March 28	Institute at Colorado Springs
April 6	Meeting of Denver Bar Association
April	Law Day, University of Colorado
May 23	Institute at Monte Vista
September 18-19	(tentative)Meeting of Colorado Bar Association

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GOVERNMENT

INSTALLMENT AND BAILMENT

LEASE SECTION

Washington, D. C., October 17, 1942.

Private HANS SCHMIDT, \$1416 Swastika Strasse, Berlin, Germany.

> File #2,436,128 Six (6) Machine gun projectiles Great Britain Account #AZ41,642

Dear Private Schmidt:

Your reply to ours of September 11th indicates that you do not yet fully appreciate our legal rights in the matter. The fact (as you point out) that you had the six (6) bullets removed from your side and shoulder does not give you title to the same. Repeating again, we point out that the aforesaid chattels were leased to the British army and not sold. No title, therefore, passed to them, and consequently their receipt by you during the battle of Prussia gave you no higher rights than those had by your transferror.

Our property is clearly marked "leased, never sold—property of I. & B. L. S." See the case of Install. Div. v. Heinkelbaum's Administrator, 99 P. T. C. p. 62½, where the questions raised by you were resolved in our favor. In that case where the leased articles were lodged in defendant's decedent's stomach, recovery was allowed against the undertaker, who obtained them from the surgeon.

Your claim to any lien on the chattels because of surgical bills incurred in connection with their removel is equally without merit. This is so notwithstanding that we would have had to wait longer for them in the absence of an operation. In *Install. Div. v. Pugliese*, 117 R. S. V. P. 911, where the exact point was involved, it was held that there was no lien. Also note, that there the surgeon was paid, whereas you still have several payments to make.

We feel that there has been sufficient correspondence back and forth in the matter. Unless the chattels are returned in fifteen (15) days from date, replevin will be instituted without further notice. If so, costs will be added and charged to you.

The British Intelligence advises us that you have been reassigned to active duty. In order that there may be no repetition of the delay involved in this transaction, please remember that all articles received by

^{*}By Jacob Boonin. From The Shingle, of the Philadelphia Bar Association.

you from any Greek or British source are on lease and must be returned to us.

Very truly yours,

INSTALLMENT AND BAILMENT LEASE SECTION.

P. S. We almost forgot to remind you to also remit twenty-six (26) reichmarks, the cost necessary to reload the spent bullets involved in your case. They were to be returned, reasonable wear and tear only, excepted. Their deterioration occurred when you obtained custody. This clearly makes you liable for reconditioning costs. (See: In re Matiko, 189 A. W. O. L. 21.)

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