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Sandwiched between our seemingly futile efforts to get out your magazine for this month, have been a few moments which we have thoroughly enjoyed in the reading of Dean Busch's new book, *In and Out of Court*.* It is a type of book which many lawyers think of writing but few find time to do.

The author began his law career as a court reporter in Chicago in 1898. He was subsequently admitted to the bar, served as attorney for the Chicago Civil Service Commission, as Master in Chancery of the Circuit Court of Cook County, and as Corporation Counsel for the City of Chicago. He has also been connected with DePaul University Law School as instructor, lecturer, Dean and now as Dean Emeritus. His experiences in these offices have permitted him to collect the data which is contained in his book.

The book presents a wealth of cases and occurrences, some humorous and all interesting, in which the author has participated or which have come within his observation. It deals with characters all well known to the Chicago bar and with many, such as Clarence Darrow, Hamilton Lewis, Kenesaw Mountain Landis and Joseph E. Gary, known over the entire country. Dean Busch tells his stories well, and his book must offer especial appeal to the young lawyer ambitious to succeed.

While *In and Out of Court* will be enjoyed by all the bar, it must represent a jewel to the bar of Chicago. A similar volume could well be written concerning the early lawyers of Colorado. Such a compilation by one of our members would represent a labor of love. It could not only present a highly amusing drama on the unusually colorful background of our early history, but would give fame and the undying gratitude of the bar, present and future, to its author.

*By Francis X. Busch. 1942. Chicago, Ill. DePaul University Press. pp. xii, 306. \$3.00.

Calendar

June 1	Meeting of Denver Bar Association
June 12	Denver Bar Picnic at Troutdale
August 17	Meeting of the Committee on Uniform State Laws at Detroit
August 24	Meeting of the American Bar Association at Detroit
September 17	Meeting of the District Judges' Association at Colorado Springs
September 18-19	Meeting of the Colorado Bar Association at Colorado Springs

Oyez, Oyez and Oh Yeah!

The Fifteenth Annual Grand Outing, otherwise known as the Bar Picnic, will be held at Troutdale-in-the-Pines on the afternoon and evening of Friday, June 12. Chairman John O. Rames of the outing committee promises everyone the usual good time and says that, notwithstanding the present unsettled state of affairs, nothing essential will be omitted.

The outing is for members of the Denver Bar Association, *viz.*, guys who have paid their dues, and court attaches. Out-of-town lawyers may be invited as guests.

Transportation will present the most serious problem, and it is hoped that capacity use may be made of each automobile. If you have extra space, be sure to call John Rames, chairman of the committee, or Fred Neef, secretary of the association.

A notice will be mailed by the committee in a few days giving full particulars.

Amendments to the New Rules

When the rules were adopted, the Supreme Court stated that from time to time it would consider suggestions to amend the same. The rules have now been in effect over a year, and the court has submitted to its rules committee, of which Philip S. Van Cise is chairman, all the letters which it has received to date from attorneys about the rules. To everyone's amazement, there were only three. It has asked the committee to study the rules and submit at its convenience any amendments which it thinks should be made by the court.

Colonel Van Cise, therefore, invites the bar to send to him as chairman, not later than June 15, any suggestions for amendments. However, he points out that it will be the policy of the court to make very few amendments and only those which are deemed vitally important.

The committee will recommend to the court that the time for writ of error be limited to six months, with the proviso that the court, for good cause shown, may extend this time.

Please let Colonel Van Cise have your views about this matter.