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COLORADO BAR ASSOCIATION MEETS

The annual meeting of the Colorado Bar Association was held at Colorado Springs on September 16 and 17, 1932. A former president of the Denver Bar Association, Ernest L. Rhoads, was unanimously elected to serve as President of the Colorado Bar during the ensuing year. The meeting amply repaid those who attended.

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JUSTICE JOHN CAMPBELL

In recognition of 34 years of service on the Colorado Bench, the Bar joined together in eulogy of Justice John Campbell at the meeting of the Colorado Association. Judge Campbell has been an honored member of the bar and justly deserves the recognition tendered him.

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PRESS AND THE LAW

Lee Taylor Casey, of the Rocky Mountain News, addressed the Colorado Bar Association upon the above subject. He stated that differences arise between the bar and the press because each desires by different methods to exert efforts to obtain reforms. He urged that a committee of the association cooperate with the press to keep relations harmonious for all concerned.

ORAL ARGUMENT

Horace W. Hawkins, of Denver, ably presented the above subject. The topic was especially chosen to enlighten younger members of the bar who might be faced with the problem of the proper and most effective manner of presenting an oral argument. A thorough knowledge of the facts involved in the case was deemed of especial importance.

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BAR EXAMINATIONS

A symposium upon the above subject was presented by Dean R. H. Wolcott of Denver Law School, Dean H. J. Barry of Westminster Law School and Dean R. L. Stearns of Colorado Law School. Dean Wolcott traced the expansion and growth of law schools from 61 in 1889 to 181 in 1929 and the increased number of law students. He stated that the raising of the standards of the bar was invoked because the public demanded for its protection fewer and better lawyers. Dean Barry deplored the fact that many bar examinations covered specialized fields and practical problems which no Law School attempted or could teach in its curricula. He also recommended that after the examinations are taken by students, they be promptly advised of the results. Dean Stearns spoke upon the subject of "Character Examinations". He stated that present methods of obtaining character information was being improved and that to inculcate ideals and legal ethics in the minds of the students, the same should be encouraged and taught in the Law Schools. The Junior Bar plan was also suggested as a means of character building for students desiring to enter the profession.

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NOTICES

Dicta is pleased to publish notices of interest to the Bar, such as formation of new law firms, dissolutions of law partnerships, or removal of law offices and items of a similar nature, when submitted to it.