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THE NEW SEAL

ENSCONCED upon the cover of this magazine appears a suggested seal for the Denver Bar Association. Product of the minds of President Toll and of the other members of the Executive Committee, and of the skillful fingers of Mr. Harold Ware Hull of Denver, it is submitted to the judgment of the members of the Association, whose suggestions will be welcome, and whose comments will doubtless be entertaining.

The need of a seal is clear, but it is in a tentative mood that the Administration offers this proposal for consideration.

This exhibit is a darkling child, new plucked from the crypts of the unknown—imperfect and, it may be, fugitive. It will not be crystallized into permanence until it has been tested by time.

As the background of the shield, the observant may detect the theme of the flag of Denver. In the foreground are symbolized the learning and the spirit of the legal profession. The torch is, of course, the constant emblem of the ideals which each generation aspires to maintain and to deliver undimmed into the hands of its successors.

This seal will not appeal to all alike, and, as we have subtly insinuated above, suggestions for its betterment will be welcome. It is unhallowed by tradition, and the Administration will not be hampered by the doctrine of *stare decisis* in the consideration of proposals for modification or substitution. Few suggestions were received, and it is believed that this joint effort combines the best of them.

The chief fact is this: we have a concrete result—something which can at least be used *pro tempore*, something susceptible of study and comparison, something, in short, to shoot at. It may not be a permanent seal, but at least—something is better than nothing.