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NEW MEMBERS

The following candidates, recommended by the Membership Committee, will be voted upon at the regular meeting December 7:

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THE BAR AND THE PRESS

The casual reader is led to believe that the only interesting law cases are the so-called sensational ones, those in which the sex relation is exploited or someone's life is hanging in the balance. This perspective is

wrong. It can be corrected. Every dramatist knows that there are interesting facets to life besides murder and divorce. The modern newspaper is keen for "news"-all news. There is much news, much interesting news in litigated cases, more than the public is aware of. But if the lawyer brings his case to the attention of the press, he is open to the charge of self-exploitation. If, however, his case be one of real interest or moment, his bar association can, through its own bureau, bring it to the attention of the local press. The proprieties can be observed, yet the puble be informed. Everyone is presumed to know the law. Decisions of the highest importance, affecting the daily conduct of the people, go without reporting in the public press and the public remains ignorant. This can all be corrected and freed of any sordid purpose through the operation of such a bureau as Mr. Seitz suggests. What is today a matter of chance, or the good will of a friendly reporter, should be made a matter of bar association communication. The press will welcome such an agency of co-operation .- Julius Henry Cohen at meeting of American Bar Association, September, 1925.

LAWYERS MUST KNOW THE CONSTITUTION

Chicago, Nov. 28.—(By Associated Press.)—The citizenship committee of the American Bar Association Saturday planned a drive to make knowledge of the Constitution a requirement for admission to the bar. The committee met simultaneously with the committee on jurisprudence and law reform, which created three subcommittees.

"We lawyers have been studying the Constitution at our clients' expense," said R. Dumont Smith of Hutchinson, Kan., chairman of the citizenship committee. "The lawyer often knows nothing of the Constitution except where it touches a case he is handling; then he delves into it so far as immediate needs suggest. Through the state bar associations we will try to have questions on the Constitution in every state bar examination. Then the law schools which are now neglecting the Constitution will revise their curricula accordingly."