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Notice of Next Meeting—

Time— The next regular meeting of the Denver Bar Association will be held on Monday, December 3, 1923, at 12:15 p. m. sharp.

Place— The Dining Room of the Denver Civic and Commercial Association. Price, 75c.

Speaker— Henry McAllister, Jr., will address the meeting. Subject: "Federal Receiverships."

Immediately on receipt of this notice will you please make a note of time, date and place on your docket? Also return the enclosed card immediately. It will greatly expedite the work of the Program Committee if they can ascertain in advance the number attending.

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EDITORIAL

The Executive Committee has authorized the experiment of publishing this little paper of news from the Denver Bar Association. The plan is to publish it monthly, and to include reports of the work being done by the various committees as well as personal and other news items of interest to the profession. We hope it will serve to familiarize all of our members with the work the Association is trying to do so that we shall all work more intelligently and efficiently to accomplish the aims of our Association.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Jacob V. Schaetzel

Balance previous administration	\$ 365.65
Dues collected since July 1, 1923	2,755.00
Collected from sale of Banquet tickets	437.00
Total	\$3,557.65
Paid out for Library Fund..	\$ 571.70
Paid out for General Fund..	1,569.35
Total	\$2,141.05
Cash on hand November 20, 1923	\$1,416.60
Under our By-laws the Library Fund is entitled to 60% of dues collected or	1,653.00
The General Fund is entitled to 40% or.....	1,102.00
Balance in Library Fund....	1,081.30
Balance in General Fund....	335.30

Principal Items of Expense From July 1, 1928

GENERAL FUND

Postage	\$ 32.06
Stenographer	161.33
Stationery (including letter-heads, envelopes, statements, receipts, applications, voucher checks, stamped return envelopes, new set of books for keeping records, etc.).....	278.57
Banquet expense	768.81
Meetings (printing, multi-graphing, addressing envelopes, postage, etc.).....	209.05
Miscellaneous	119.53

LIBRARY FUND

Salary, Librarian	\$175.00
Books for Library.....	336.50
Miscellaneous	60.20

Total number of members in Association	542
Number of members owing \$15.00 or more.....	68
Number of members whose dues are entirely paid up	337
Total amount of dues outstanding	\$2,535.00

The Executive Committee has directed the Secretary to drop from membership on December 15, 1923, all members owing \$15.00 or more. This does not include some members who have asked for additional time.

Cost of Wickersham Banquet including expenses of Mr. Wickersham	\$768.81
Amount taken in.....	437.00
Loss	\$331.81
Paid bills of previous administration	\$372.33

REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Gustave J. Ornauer, Chairman

Each member of the Association is urged to scrutinize the following list of persons who have filed applications for membership. Members should deem it a duty to attend the meetings and ballot on the names reported. The committee has reported favorably on the below named applicants and they will be voted upon for membership at the meeting on December 3, 1923:

James R. Hoffman
 John F. Rotruck
 Ivan A. Allen
 Bryan G. Johnson
 Tully Scott
 Lewis deR. Mowry
 John T. Dugan

It is the desire of the Membership Committee that all lawyers practicing in the city and who are eligible to membership shall belong to our Association, and in order to accomplish this they desire the active cooperation of all members.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Mary Lathrop, Chairman

The recent activities of the committee on laws concerning women and children have consisted in addresses before various women's clubs, giving information as to the amendment to the Constitution of the United States proposed by the National Woman's Party, explaining the child welfare legislation of 1923, explaining the probate laws of Colorado and the divorce laws.

One of the members went to Greeley to talk to the Woman's Club there on necessary changes in our legislation concerning children.

REPORT OF JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

William E. Hutton, Chairman

"It is not too much to say that there are but few reforms or changes in all of the modern civilization more important than improvement in methods leading to the selection of fair, fearless judges, if, by the procedure in force, they are permitted to assist in the administration of justice."—Osborn, *The Problem of Proof*.

At the regular meeting of our Association held November 5, 1923, the Judiciary Committee presented for the consideration of the Association its report for the selection of judges to be elected in November, 1924. There were 175 members in attendance. The report was enthusiastically and unanimously adopted. The resolution adopted being as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That it is the sense of the members of the Denver Bar Association that the Association should take such affirmative action as will most effectually aid in the selection of lawyers of unquestioned integrity and ability to fill the positions of District and County Judge of the City and County of Denver, to which important offices eight (8) lawyers are to be elected at the next general election.

2. That toward the accomplishment of this end, there be held by the Democratic and Republican members of the Bar of Denver separate Bar primaries for the purpose of designating and recommending for nomination, by their respective political parties, eight (8) Democratic lawyers and eight (8) Republican lawyers as judicial candidates.

3. That for the purpose of carrying out this plan, the President of the Denver Bar Association appoint a joint committee consisting of three (3) Democratic lawyers and three (3) Republican lawyers, of which the President of the Denver Bar Association shall be ex-officio chairman and entitled to vote in case of a tie. This committee shall determine the time, place and manner of holding such separate Bar primaries, shall adopt uniform rules of procedure therefor, and shall do all things appropriate to obtain and procure from the Democratic and Republican members of the Bar of Denver, respectively, through the means of such separate Bar primaries, a fair and full expression of their sentiment in the designation and recommendation of these judicial candidates.

4. That the Judiciary Committee of the Bar Association shall make such further recommendations to the Association for its action thereupon as that committee from time to time may deem desirable.

The lawyers of Denver are awake to the necessity of putting our very best men on the Bench and to gain this end means a great deal of careful and fearless action on the part of the committee, as well as the members of the Denver Bar. A thorough speaking campaign will be arranged and all will be asked to participate.

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REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Ralph Hartzell, Chairman

The Memorial Committee regrets to report since July 1, 1923, the death of three prominent members of our Association. Flowers were sent to the funeral of each. In the death of these three men we feel that the city and state have been deprived of their active public support, and our Association loses three of its prominent members.

Judge William H. Gabbert died July 17, 1923. He had been a resident of Colorado since 1879, and was a judge of the Seventh District Court of Colorado from 1893 until 1897. He was a justice of the Supreme Court of Colorado from 1898 through 1916; and was chief justice of the Supreme Court of Colorado from 1904 until 1907, and from 1915 through 1916. About a year ago he retired from active practice owing to ill health. Judge Gabbert was born October 12, 1849. Judge Gabbert was also a member of the American Bar Association and the Colorado Bar Association.

Bernard J. Ford died October 5, 1923. He was a graduate of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. He was admitted to the Colorado Bar in 1903, and was a member of the Denver Bar Association since 1904. Mr. Ford was always active in civic affairs and was well liked by all who came in contact with him.

Paul E. Knowles died October 31, 1923. He was born in Durango, Colorado, in 1884. He was a graduate of the University of Denver, and was a member of our Association since 1910. Mr. Knowles was liked by all members of the legal profession for his geniality, fairness and unswerving loyalty to the interests of his clients.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Wilbur F. Denious, Chairman

The library of the Denver Bar Association contains 6,425 volumes, and is considered one of the best law libraries in the West. Recent additions to its shelves are:

Wigmore on Evidence, 5 volumes.
Woerner on Law of Administration, 3 volumes.

It is the aim of this committee to provide all of the current text books, reports and statutes consistent with the funds at its disposal. The library is becoming more popular with the lawyers, owing to the ease by which books can be withdrawn, and the fact that nearly all reports are available. In order to make our West Reporter System complete, State reports for the period prior to the beginning of the Reporter System from the following states are needed, to-wit:

Maine
New Hampshire
Delaware
Maryland
District of Columbia
Tennessee
Arkansas
Texas
Louisiana

From time to time important donations have been made to the library of books or funds. Those making donations of either one or the other are as follows:

Thomas J. O'Donnell
Charles S. Thomas
Erastus Smith
Bartels, Blood and Bancroft
Joseph Jaffa
Ralph Stevens
Judge H. J. Hersey
Henry McAllister, Jr.
T. E. Watters
Mills Publishing Company
Morrison and DeSoto
Judge John A. Perry
Gerald Hughes
Karl C. Schuyler
C. W. Waterman
And others.

The Association has been honored by having its representative (James Grafton Rogers, Vice-President) on the Mayor's Advisory Committee, chosen as chairman of that body. The committee is doing much important work, and has assisted in pushing forward the project of a new courthouse.

A report from our Courthouse Committee will appear in the next number of The Record.