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September 2, 3, 4, 1965

Casper, Wyoming

The 25th Annual Meeting of the Integrated Bar, the same being also the 50th Annual Meeting of the Wyoming State Bar, was called to order by President R. R. Bostwick, at 9:30 o'clock A.M. in the Spruce Room of the beautiful new Student Union, Casper Community College, Casper, Wyoming. President Bostwick opened the session by calling upon R. R. Rose, Casper, Wyoming, President of the Natrona County Bar, who cordially welcomed the members of the Wyoming State Bar to Casper for the annual convention. Responding to Mr. Rose's remarks, was Dr. Tim Aley, President of the Casper Community College, who also cordially welcomed the members of the Wyoming State Bar, advising those in attendance that the Wyoming State Bar was privileged to become the first group to hold a meeting in the Student Union.

After thanking both Mr. Rose and President Aley, President Bostwick introduced Cullen Y. Christensen, Salt Lake City, Utah, President-elect of the Utah State Bar, following which, the President called upon Vice-president George F. Guy, Cheyenne, Wyoming, to preside over the meeting.

Vice-president Guy in turn introduced President R. R. Bostwick who gave the President's annual report, during which President Bostwick introduced Edward W. Kuhn, Memphis, Tennessee, the 1965-66 President of the American Bar Association.

Following his report, President Bostwick once again presided over the meeting, and the first attendance drawing for the day was held with Robert B. Ranck, Jackson, Wyoming, winning Trial Handbook, donated by Prentice-Hall, Inc.

President Bostwick then recessed the meeting at 10:15 A.M. for a coffee break, following which a congratulatory telegram was read from the Honorable Milward L. Simpson, U.S. Senator from Wyoming, advising the membership that due to his present duties in Washington, he would be unable to attend the convention. Senator Simpson wished the Wyoming State Bar a fruitful and successful meeting.

President Bostwick then introduced the Honorable Rodney M. Guthrie, presiding Judge, Dr. Robert Horstman, M.D., witness, Houston Williams, Gene Lonabaugh, Walter Phelan, and William H. Brown, examining attorneys, who conducted a trial vignette entitled "How Badly Is He Hurt?" for the remainder of the morning.

After thanking the participating members of the trial vignette, President Bostwick recessed the meeting at 12:00 o'clock noon, until 9:00 o'clock A.M., Friday, September 3, 1965.

The lawyers joined their wives for luncheon at the Holiday Inn during which Edward W. Kuhn, President of American Bar Association, addressed the gathering. Mr. Kuhn's remarks depicted the practice of law as it had been in the past, stressing the need for change in the future.

Following the noon luncheon, golf tournaments for both men and women were held at the Casper Country Club, with boating on Alcova Lake and excursions to Casper Mountain, Fort Caspar, and the Casper City parks providing entertainment for those not joining in the golf tournament.

The 50th Annual Meeting of the Wyoming State Bar reconvened on September 3, 1965, in the Spruce Room of the Student Union of the Casper Community College at 9:30 o'clock A.M., by Vice-president George F. Guy, Cheyenne, Wyoming, who presided over the morning session. Mr. Guy introduced the American Judicature Society panel who presented "Modern Courts for Wyoming" with Chief Justice Edward E. Pringle, Supreme Court of Colorado, speaking on "Court Organization and Administration;" Allen Levinthal, Assistant Director of American Judicature Society, Chicago, Illinois, presenting the topic "Courts of Limited and Special Jurisdiction" and Bob Allard, Director of Special Projects, American Judicature Society, Chicago, Illinois, talking to the membership on recent "Court Modernization Accomplishments."

After Mr. Allard's talk, a fifteen minute coffee break was called at 10:15, following which Robert A. Schroeder, President-elect of the Missouri State Bar Association, discussed the subject, "The Trial Lawyer Looks At Merit Judicial Selection." At the conclusion of Mr. Schroeder's talk, the balance of the morning was spent in a question and answer session with the membership at large participating. Included in the morning session were committee reports by R. S. Lowe, Rawlins, Wyoming, Chairman of the Minor Courts Committee, and W. Hume Everett, Casper, Wyoming, Chairman of the Judicial Committee.

John F. Sullivan, Laramie, Wyoming, was awarded a one year subscription to Shepard's Wyoming Citation, donated by Shepard's

Citations. Following the presentation of the door prize, Vice-president Guy recessed the meeting until 2:30 P.M., Friday, September 3, 1965.

The members met their wives for luncheon in the Spruce Room of the Student Union of Casper Community College. President-elect Elmer J. Scott, Worland, Wyoming, presided over the luncheon, presenting Glenn R. Winters, Executive Director, American Judicature Society, Chicago, Illinois, who spoke to the assemblage on "What Judicial Reform Can Do For You."

President R. R. Bostwick reconvened the meeting at 2:30 P.M., in the Spruce Room holding two attendance drawings. A. M. Pence, Laramie, Wyoming, was the lucky recipient of the Uniform Laws Annotated, donated by West Publishing Company. Chet Ingle, Thermopolis, was awarded Jones On Evidence, donated by Bancroft-Whitney.

Following the attendance drawing, President Bostwick introduced John D. Fey, President of the University of Wyoming, who favored the gathering with a few remarks concerning higher education.

President Bostwick next called on Edward E. Murane for his annual report on the activities of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association. Mr. Murane reported on those activities as Chairman of that group.

Following Mr. Murane's report, Mr. Bostwick called on A. M. Pence, Laramie, Wyoming, representative of the Wyoming State Bar to the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association. Mr. Pence also reported on the activities for the National Conference On Uniform Laws, and the Annual American Bar Association meeting held in Miami, August, 1965.

After thanking both Mr. Murane and Mr. Pence for their reports, President Bostwick called on Leonard Lang, Committee member of the Necrology Committee, who reported for that Committee in the absence of John O'Callahan, Basin, Wyoming, who was unable to attend. At the conclusion of the Necrology report, the entire membership stood for a moment of silence in the memory of the departed members.

Following the Necrology report, President Bostwick called on Vice-president George Guy to introduce the new members of the Wyoming State Bar in attendance at the Annual meeting, who had been admitted to membership subsequent to the 1964 meeting in Cody.

The following new members were present and introduced by Mr. Guy:

Lynn Garrett	Lovell
Samuel Ishmael	Rawlins

James E. Sinon	Casper
Joseph E. Darrah	Powell
Louis Walrath	Casper
David Kennedy	Sheridan

Frank J. Trelease, Dean of the Wyoming Law School, reported on the 1964-65 school year and the faculty plans for the 1965-66 year. Dean Trelease also reported on the National Defender Program on behalf of Professor Glen Shellhaas, who was unable to be in attendance at the meeting. Following his report on the National Defender Program, Dean Trelease answered questions from the membership concerning various phases and aspects of the program.

President Bostwick then asked Honorable Ewing T. Kerr, Federal District Judge for Wyoming, to comment on the Criminal Defender Act of 1964, which became effective on August 20, 1965.

President Bostwick then called on the Resolutions Committee whose report was given by Thomas Morgan, Gillette, Wyoming, a member of the Committee on behalf of Leonard McEwen, Sheridan, Wyoming, Chairman of the committee, who was called home during the convention by serious illness in his family.

At the conclusion of Mr. Morgan's report, it was duly moved, seconded and carried that the following Resolutions be adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the members of the Wyoming State Bar were privileged to have enjoyed the hospitality and generosity of the Natrona County Bar Association, the wives and members thereof, the City of Casper, Casper College, Casper Chamber of Commerce, the Gladstone Hotel, Petroleum Club, Holiday Inn, Casper Country Club, Casper Boat Club and its members, Title Guaranty Company of Wyoming, Inc., Paradise Valley Country Club, Commerce Clearing House, Inc., West Publishing Co., Bancroft-Whitney Co., Prentice-Hall, Inc., Shephard's Citations, Inc., David A. Scott, Addison E. Winter, Wm. F. Drew, Wm. E. Barton, Ed Engleman, Norma P. Fowler and John Doyle, during the 50th Annual Meeting of the Wyoming State Bar at Casper, Wyoming, held on September 1, 2, & 3, 1965, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Wyoming State Bar are desirous of expressing their appreciation, thanks and gratitude to all who have made the meeting so successful and memorable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Wyoming State Bar in session duly assembled on the 3rd day of September, 1965, does hereby extend and express the appreciation, thanks and gratitude of all its members and their wives who have attended the said annual meeting to above-named parties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary-Treasurer of the Wyoming State Bar send copies of this resolution to the parties herein named.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1965.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Wyoming State Bar has been fortunate in having the following men from outside the Wyoming State Bar participate in the various meetings, to wit:

The Honorable Edward W. Kuhn, President of the American Bar Association, the Honorable Charles H. Whiting, President of the South Dakota Bar, the Honorable Cullen Christensen, President-elect of the Utah State Bar, Dr. John T. Fey, President of the University of Wyoming, Honorable Glenn Winters, American Judicature Society, Honorable Bob Allard, American Judicature Society, Honorable Allen Levinthal, American Judicature Society, Edward E. Pringle, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Colorado, Honorable Robert A. Schoeder, President-elect of Missouri State Bar, Dr. Tim Aley, President of Casper College.

WHEREAS, the Wyoming State Bar is greatly appreciative of the fine work of these gentlemen which has contributed much to the success of this 50th Annual Meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wyoming State Bar extends its thanks and appreciation to the distinguished gentlemen above-named for their contribution to and participation in this meeting and that the Secretary-Treasurer of the Wyoming State Bar send copies of this resolution to the parties named.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1965.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the members of the Wyoming State Bar were privileged to have presented to them at their meeting, September 2, 1965, a trial vignette which was most enlightening and educational and which was presented by Houston Williams, E. E. Lonabaugh, Walter Phelan, Wm. H. Brown, R. R. Bostwick, distinguished members of the Wyoming State Bar and Dr. Robert Horstman of Casper and Honorable Rodney M. Guthrie as presiding Judge.

NOW THEREOFRE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wyoming State Bar extends its thanks and appreciation to the named gentlemen for taking the time and energy to present such an informative and enlightening program.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Wyoming State Bar has heretofore voiced approval of legislation in the Congress to permit members of the bar to represent clients before all federal departments and agencies without being subjected to special admissions, requirements and examinations, and

WHEREAS, similar legislation S 1758 has been introduced in the 89th Congress,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wyoming State Bar support S 1758, and that copies of this resolution be sent to our Wyoming Congressional delegation and other appropriate members of Congress.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1965.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, attendance at elections of officers at the Wyoming State Bar Association has not included the full membership of those persons attending the annual convention and it is desirous to investigate a new method of election of officers,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Wyoming State Bar be requested to appoint a committee to investigate the distribution of ballots for the election of officers at the time of registration to the annual convention and, in connection therewith, investigate a method of prior nomination of officers.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1965.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Wyoming Law Journal, in cooperation with the Wyoming State Bar, did in August, 1957, publish a special supplement containing the Wyoming Rules of Civil Procedure and,

WHEREAS, there have been amendments to said rules of civil procedure and,

WHEREAS, it is desirous to publish a new issue of said rules in compact form and to include therein the rules of the district courts as well as the rules of the Supreme Court of Wyoming,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Wyoming State Bar be requested to take such steps as necessary to publish a special supplement of the Wyoming Law Journal containing the Wyoming Rules of Civil Procedure, the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Wyoming, and the Rules of the District Courts of the State of Wyoming.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1965.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Honorable Sam Thompson and the Honorable H. R. Christmas have long served the bench and bar of the State of Wyoming and

WHEREAS, these two distinguished gentlemen have recently retired as judges of their respective District Courts, and

WHEREAS, the Wyoming State Bar regards it fitting and proper to recognize and commend these two gentlemen for their long and faithful service and their dedicated devotion to duty,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wyoming State Bar acknowledge with gratitude the years of faithful service rendered by Judge Sam C. Thompson and Judge H. R. Christmas and that the Secretary of the Wyoming State Bar send a copy of this resolution to Judge Sam C. Thompson and Judge H. R. Christmas.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 1965.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Casper Legal Secretaries, through their untiring efforts contributed greatly to the success of this 50th Annual Meeting of the Wyoming State Bar and,

WHEREAS, the members of the Wyoming State Bar wish to express their thanks to the Casper Legal Secretaries,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Wyoming State Bar do hereby express their thanks and appreciation to the Casper Legal Secretaries and that the Secretary of the Wyoming State Bar send a copy of this resolution to each of the Casper Legal Secretaries.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:
LEONARD McEWEN
Chairman

The final report of the afternoon session was given by Elmer J. Scott, who attended the Conference On Law And Poverty held in Washington, D. C., in June of 1965.

Following Mr. Scott's report, the final item on the agenda of the business session of the Wyoming State Bar was the election of officers. It was duly moved, seconded and carried, that the Secretary be instructed to cast an unanimous ballot for the following officers:

- George F. GuyPresident-elect
- Henry BurgessVice-president
- John T. DixonSecretary-Treasurer

By virtue of the rules governing the conduct of the Wyoming State Bar, Elmer J. Scott, Worland, Wyoming, the 1964-65 President-elect became President of the Wyoming State Bar for the 1965-66 year without election.

The meeting was concluded with the last attendance drawing for the day. Charles Holland, Salt Lake City, Utah, was the recipient of Uniform Law Annotated, donated by West Publishing Company. Harold Mai, Cheyenne, Wyoming, received Federal Tax Return Manual donated by Commerce Clearing House.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, same was adjourned at 4:40 o'clock P.M., September 4, 1965.

The members and their wives were entertained at a social hour held in the Sky Room of the Gladstone Hotel by the Title Guaranty Company of Wyoming and the Wyoming State Bar as joint hosts. Following the very enjoyable social hour, a banquet was held at the Holiday Inn, during which President Bostwick presented 50-year plaques to G. R. McConnell, Laramie, Harry A. Henderson, Cheyenne. George F. Guy, who accepted the presentation of the 50-year plaque on behalf of Clyde A. Zackman, Cheyenne, Wyoming, both Messrs. McConnell and Henderson reminisced with the membership over their fifty years as members of the Wyoming State Bar.

David A. Scott, Casper, Wyoming, Chairman of the Golf Tournament Committee, presented the golf awards to various and sundry types of golfers, said awards having been based upon a handicap system known only to Mr. Scott himself.

George F. Guy, Cheyenne, Wyoming, read the following telegram from Ted Hunt of Sydney, Australia, a frequent attender of Wyoming State Bar meetings:

Please convey to President Wyoming Bar warmest regards and advise acceptance of kind invitation to attend next year.

Following the presentations of the 50-year plaques and the golf awards, President Bostwick handed the gavel of office to the President of the Wyoming State Bar, Elmer J. Scot, Worland, Wyoming. President Scott, in accepting his role as such, and on behalf of the entire membership of Wyoming State Bar, thanked President Bostwick for the very excellent job he had done during the past year.

Dancing at the Holiday Inn concluded the evening's entertainment.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. DIXON
Secretary-Treasurer