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Bar during the year, and it will continue to strive to merit it. We shall be happy to render any service to the Bar to the end that we may contribute to its improvement and advancement.

R. R. Hamilton,
Dean.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

During the past year the Wyoming State Bar has lost six of its most outstanding members; each was a leader in his community, five of whom were leaders in their profession and each of the five had long and outstanding careers in the legal profession in Wyoming and contributed much to the development and progress of that profession; the sixth, while a member of the Bar, gained recognition not as an attorney but as a newspaper publisher and public servant. The Wyoming State Bar mourns the loss of Judge Bryant S. Cromer, Alvin T. Clark, Mark Ewing, Charles F. Mallin, C. R. Ingle and William C. Deming.

Judge Bryant S. Cromer was born February 8, 1881 at Carthage, Illinois. He graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in 1902 and entered the practice of law in Kansas City, Missouri, where he served with distinction as counsel for the Police Department, Associate Counsel for the Municipality of Kansas City as well as the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway Company. He located at Hudson, Wyoming in 1912. In that same year he entered the practice of law in Casper where he remained until 1916 when he moved to Riverton and practiced until 1924, in which year he was elected Judge of the District Court of the then Eighth Judicial District, now Seventh, comprising Converse, Fremont and Natrona Counties which he served with distinction until 1931. Following his retirement from the bench, Judge Cromer established his practice of law at Casper where he remained in the active practice of law until his death on October 6, 1948 in that city. Active in politics, an ardent Republican, he was well known for his outstanding ability as a public speaker. He was a member of the Kansas City, Natrona County, State and American Bar Associations as well as the Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity, Moose and Lions International, Past Exalted Ruler of Elks Lodge No. 1353 of Casper in 1934 and in the same year President of the State Elks Association. He is survived by his wife, Josephine Smith Cromer, to whom he was united in marriage on February 8, 1912.

Alvin Turis Clark was born on January 31, 1870 at Bedford, Indiana; a graduate of Kent Law School in Chicago where he practiced for a year following his graduation, moving to Harrison, Nebraska, where he served two terms as County Attorney; he came to Wyoming in October, 1899 where he established an active law practice which he continued until shortly before his death. He served several terms as Prosecuting Attorney of Johnson County. He was known as a lover of the great outdoors, spent much time in hunting and prospecting and was one of the few persons known to have scaled Clouds Peak. He parted

this life on October 3, 1948 at the age of seventy-eight, and is survived by three children, Margaret Clark, Mrs. George Darling and Carl A. Clark, all of Buffalo, Wyoming.

Mark Ewing, late of Sheridan, Wyoming, was born on June 30, 1871 at St. Louis, Missouri. He attended Yale University and was admitted to the Bar of Missouri where he practiced before moving to Sheridan, Wyoming in 1915. In 1918 he enlisted in the United States Army and was commissioned a First Lieutenant in the Quartermaster Corps. He served until after the Armistice when he was discharged. He then returned to Sheridan where he continued to make his residence until his death on August 18, 1948 at the age of seventy-seven years. Following his return from the Army he was admitted to the Bar of Wyoming but never engaged in active practice. Mr. Ewing never married.

Charles F. Mallin, late of Cheyenne, was born in October 1871 in Camp Brown which was located on the present site of Lander. He later lived for some time at Camp Washakie. In the late 1880's he moved to Camp Carlin. He was admitted to the Bar on July 30, 1894 and maintained an office in Cheyenne until his death November 24, 1948. At the time of his death he was seventy-seven years of age and was serving as Justice of the Peace. He was a member of the Elks Lodge and never married.

Chester Raymond Ingle died January 31, 1949 at the age of sixty-eight years at Thermopolis, Wyoming where he had been engaged in the active practice of law since 1923. Mr. Ingle was born May 4, 1880 at Des Moines, Iowa. At the age of three years, his parents moved to the sparsely settled region of eastern Kansas where he received his education. In the early statehood of Oklahoma he was admitted to the practice of law in that state. Before moving to Thermopolis he was engaged in the practice in the State of Washington and in the State of Montana. Mr. Ingle was always willing to extend a helping hand to those in distress and by such actions exemplified the principles of his profession. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, to whom he was united in marriage on January 3, 1907, and by his son, Chester B. Ingle, the present County Attorney of Hot Springs County, Wyoming.

William C. Deming was born at Mount Olivet, Kentucky on December 6, 1869, a graduate of Allegheny College, Pennsylvania, studied law in the office of his father and was a member of the Kentucky, Wyoming and American Bar Associations, the recipient of an honorary LLD from the University of Wyoming. Since 1901 Mr. Deming identified himself as an individual of outstanding intellectual ability, a standard bearer of the representative form of government, the philosophy of which he ably expounded through his books and newspapers, the most prominent of which was the Wyoming Tribune. Few citizens of Wyoming ever served the state and country as fully as did Mr. Deming. Probably the most outstanding example was his Presidency of the United States Civil Service Commission, which position he held from 1923 to 1930. He died April 9, 1949 at the age of seventy-nine years and is survived by his sister, Mrs. Ada D. Morrison, and a brother, Thomas H. Deming.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Wyoming State Bar at its annual meeting held at Rawlins, Wyoming September 2 and 3, 1949, pay its respects to Judge Bryant S. Cromer, Alvin T. Clark, Mark Ewing, Charles F. Mallin, C. R. Ingle and William C. Deming, and recognize their contribution to the legal profession of the State of Wyoming, and that their memory be perpetuated by spreading this resolution upon the minutes of the Association.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the members of the families of each.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold M. Johnson

Gerald A. Stack

Sam Corson