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REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE WYOMING STATE BAR

The undersigned members of the Legislative Committee of the Wyoming State Bar report their activities for the year immediately last past as follows:

Pursuant to recommendation of the Legislative Committee made at the last annual meeting of the State Bar in Buffalo, and on September 30, 1950, the Committee met with representatives of the Wyoming Youth Council to attempt to formulate a practical, workable Juvenile Court Bill. As a result of that meeting, and pursuant to the suggestions of the Legislative Committee, a considerably revamped Juvenile Court Bill was ultimately submitted to the Legislature.

During the legislative session, those members of the Legislative Committee who were present in Cheyenne, in conjunction with the Judiciary Committees of both the House and Senate and with representatives of the Youth Council, collaborated to formulate the ultimately enacted Juvenile Court Bill. It will be recalled that the Bill, as ultimately enacted, affords to the county attorneys and district courts an alternative procedure for the handling of juvenile matters. It was the sense of the Legislative Committee that affording such alternative procedure would enable the courts and enforcement officers to test such procedure without the risk attendant on substituting such procedure for our present criminal code, in so far as juveniles are concerned.

At the legislative meeting of the State Bar held in Cheyenne in January of this year, seven bills were approved by the Wyoming State Bar and recommended to the legislature for passage. Your Committee is pleased to report that all seven bills, as so recommended, were ultimately enacted into law at the 1951 legislative session.

Your Committee wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the members of the Judiciary Committee of the House, headed by Ted Daniels of Douglas, and to Senators Kurtz and Hitchcock. It was through the efforts of those members of the Bar serving in the legislature that the aforementioned batting average of 1000 was obtained.

Of the members of the Legislative Committee, James Wilson and Arthur Kline reside in Cheyenne, and Reuel Armstrong, Senate Attorney, and C. M. Crowell, were in attendance at the whole of the session of the Legislature. As a result, the legislative program as suggested by immediate Past President Al Pence in his 1950 annual report was acted upon by your Legislative Committee and although the members of the Judiciary Committees of the House and Senate were not formally entertained at dinner by the Legislative Committee, it would appear that such recommendation would prove beneficial and it is recommended by the Committee that immediately pursuant to the next legislative meeting of the Wyoming State

Bar the Legislative Committee use that means to become better acquainted with the Judiciary Committees of the House and Senate and then tender the assistance of such Legislative Committee and acquaint the Judiciary Committees with the legislative problems of the Bar as adopted at the legislative meeting.

Dated at Laramie, Wyoming, this 30th day of August, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

James O. Wilson Sam Corson J. R. Armstrong Jerry Housel Arthur Kline R. Lauren Moran C. M. Crowell

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

During the past year the Wyoming State Bar has lost some of its most prominent and outstanding members, who were leaders in their community and profession. They had long careers in the legal profession and contributed to the development and progress of that profession in Wyoming. The Wyoming State Bar feels keenly the loss of Alex B. King, Albert D. Walton, Oscar O. Natwick, Lloyd C. Sampson, James T. McGuckin and G. B. Hockett.

ALEX B. KING

Alex B. King, for over 37 years a member of the Bar of the State of Wyoming, and for all but a little less than three months of this time, an active practitioner of his profession at Casper, Wyoming, and throughout this period an active and interested member of the Natrona County Bar Association, the Wyoming Bar Association and a member of the Wyoming Bar during the entire time since its "integration", died at his home in Casper on May 5th, 1951.

Born at Troy, New York, in 1869, he was graduated from the high school in that city and thereafter attended and was graduated from college at Albany, New York.

He was admitted to the practice of law in the states of New York, Illinois, Tennessee and Wyoming. He came to Wyoming late in the year 1913 and in March, 1914, entered the practice of law at Casper, Wyoming. His practice was notable both for the number and variety of the items of professional employment which he handled, but was even more notable by reason of the fact that an unsually large proportion of his work was