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Net income 1962-63	-\$ 2,908.84
Total cash on hand 7/31/63	\$ 5,029.54
Time deposits 8/1/62 - 7/31/63	\$10,000.00
Total cash on hand and time deposits 7/31/63	\$15,029.54

Respectfully submitted 8/1/63
John T. Dixon
Secretary-Treasurer

**REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE
WYOMING STATE BAR**

Cody, Wyoming
August 20, 1963

The duly appointed members of the Auditing Committee of the Wyoming State Bar report that they have examined the books and records of the Treasurer of the Wyoming State Bar for the twelve month period ending July 31, 1963 and report as follows:

All receipts for money were verified, checked against bank deposits and found to be correct. All disbursements have been made by checks signed by both the President and Secretary-Treasurer. Bank balances were verified and the bank account reconciled.

The members of the committee are each satisfied that the Treasurer's Report for the Fiscal Year ending July 31, 1963 correctly reflects receipts and disbursements for the Fiscal Year and the financial condition of the Fiscal Year and the financial condition of the Wyoming State Bar as of the close of the Fiscal Year.

We recommend that the Treasurer's Report for the Fiscal Year ending July 31, 1963 be approved.

Charles C. Kepler, Chairman
Melvin M. Fillerup
James L. Simonton

**REPORT OF ALFRED M. PENCE WYOMING STATE BAR
DELEGATE TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF THE
AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION**

September 27, 1963

Already today you have heard considerably from Edward L. Wright

and Ed Murane about American Bar activities. I think it would be presumptive if I extended my remarks to any great length concerning the same subject matter. There has, however, been business before the House of Delegates during the past year which I consider to be of extreme importance, and it is about that which I should like to be heard.

During the past year the House of Delegates of the A.B.A., with slight modification, has voted to retain Canon 35 of the Code of Judicial Ethics. This action resulted from a near unanimous vote.

I am not going to usurp your time with any lengthy dissertation on the merits of the canon.

I do want to say that the A.B.A., through special committees and the American Bar Foundation, gave this matter six years of study during which all segments of the public information media were given every opportunity to be heard and present evidence.

Any substantial persuasive demonstrations during the six years for deleting or watering down the canon were wholly unconvincing.

During that period when the media was put to a real test such as the Sol Estes hearing, it failed miserably.

Those of us who are within the range of Denver T.V. channels know that the Colorado "guinea-pigging" of the media philosophy has been a failure. Yet advocates of the philosophy persist.

Why am I talking about this now?

Because our Supreme Court has never adopted the Code of Judicial Ethics.

Our Court has adopted the Code of Professional Ethics. I cannot believe that the Court is unreceptive to adopting the Judicial Code. It is my guess that the matter has not been the subject of direct attention.

So—I should like to recommend that this Bar take affirmative action at this convention, urging immediate consideration by the Supreme Court of the adoption of the Code of Judicial Ethics.

There are many worthwhile canons in the Code besides 35, but we need this canon in Wyoming now. The matter is presently uncontrolled. I know pressure is building up in the media for the privileges withheld by Canon 35 and I believe we should act now before a major controversy develops.

DELEGATE TO AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

EDWARD E. MURANE

This report will be very brief. You heard quite a bit this noon on the activities of the American Bar and I would like to call to your attention just two or three items that are of direct personal interest to each one of you, financially.