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## THE WEST VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION

## PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The West Virginia Bar Association, now in its seventy-fourth year, enjoys for the third successive year the largest membership in its history.

The last annual meeting of the Association at White Sulphur Springs on September 3, 4 and 5, 1959, proved highly successful and was well attended. Outstanding among the reports and remarks to members of the Association were those of Thomas J. Whyte, Student Editor-in-Chief of the West Virginia Law Review, and Clyde Colson, Dean of the College of Law. Among the most informative and helpful addresses was that of Senator Clarence E. Martin, Jr., of Martinsburg, on the subject of "Laws Enacted by the 1959 Legislature," and the stimulating and wholly delightful address made by the Honorable Simon I. Sobeloff at the banquet.

The Association established an Administrative Law Section, which was organized with the election of officers at a special meeting thereof at the Greenbrier on Saturday, September 5, 1959. Mr. John C. White of Charleston, West Virginia, is the chairman. This section will embrace all facets of practice before administrative agencies, both state and federal, and should prove of singular value to any lawyer in the State of West Virginia dealing in administrative law. The lawyers of this state who engage in any administrative law practice are urged to forward their applications for membership either to Mr. White or to the secretary-treasurer of the Association.

The president and the executive council are pleased to announce that Mr. F. Witcher McCullough, a graduate of the College of Law, West Virginia University, and a member of the law firm of McCabe and McCullough, was appointed executive secretary-treasurer of the Association, succeeding Mr. Joe C. Hereford, who served exceptionally well in that capacity for the last two years. The new secretary-treasurer has commenced his duties enthusiastically and efficiently, and we are sure that he will be a great asset to this Association. Communications may be addressed to him at his office in the Security Building, Charleston, West Virginia.

The president and the executive council wish to pay special tribute to the Association's Committee on Code Correction, of which Mr. Ronald F. Moist of Clarksburg was chairman, and to the Association's Committee on Constitutional Revision, of which Mr.

Stanley C. Higgins, Jr. of Fayetteville was the chairman during the past year. Both of these committees have done conspicuous work during the past two years.

We also wish to pay special tribute to Past President Walter F. Ball, whose untimely death this past summer was a great loss to this Association. Mr. Ball and his special committee presented to the Executive Council their final draft of The West Virginia Bar Association's Proposed Revised Constitution and By-Laws, which was later adopted at the annual meeting. The new constitution and by-laws will be published in the Year Book of this Association, which its members will receive shortly after the first of the year.

W. Paul McWhorter.