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EDITORIALS

In keeping with the precedent heretofore established, the editorial staff of the Kentucky Law Journal wishes to here set out a prospectus of the Journal and College of Law for the scholastic year 1923-24. It shall continue to be the policy of the staff to devote its energy to the editing of a publication that may prove interesting and instructive to the members of the Kentucky State Bar Association and to the students of law throughout the State. And it again extends an invitation to those interested in the legal profession to use the columns of the journal for the discussion of any subject of common interest to those engaged in the study of the law.

The editors feel that the bar of Kentucky is interested in the College of Law and should be kept informed of the work and activities of the school. The College of Law at the University of Kentucky is a member of the Association of American Law Schools and is conducted along the rules prescribed by that organization. The requirements for admission to the college are an accredited high school education, and in addition the student must have completed the equivalent of one full year's work in the College of Arts and Science. He is encouraged to devote that year to the study of history, economics and English composition. However, beginning with the scholastic year 1925-26

the student must have completed a course of study equivalent to two years' work in the College of Arts and Science before he will be permitted to matriculate in the Law College. The prescribed course in law covers a period of three years. The first two years consist entirely of required work and include the fundamental or foundation subjects necessary in the general practice of law. In his third or senior year the student is permitted to elect a certain amount of his work.

The method of instruction is by the case system, using case books in the various subjects compiled by leading authorities. This affords the student the opportunity of reading the opinions of the courts with reference to the particular topic he is studying, and furnishes him with concrete examples for his class room discussions. In addition he is cited to text books and given examples to work out that will familiarize him with the use of the library and finding the law.

There are at present seventy-one regularly enrolled students in the college of law besides a number of students enrolled in other colleges of the university who are taking special courses in the Law College. There has been no change in the personnel of the faculty of the school within the past year. For some years there has been conducted a summer session of the school and some twenty-five or thirty students availed themselves during the past summer of this opportunity to do extra work.

The Law Journal has the support of the student body of the College of Law, and with the assistance of the Bar of Kentucky, the present editorial staff trusts that it may be able to keep up the standard of the journal to continue the progressive steps taken by its predecessors within the past few years. R. M. C.