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# What Good IS This Organization?

## A Member of the Board of Governors Has a Constructive Suggestion To Offer

This is your Bar Association—your Convention. It offers you an opportunity to meet your brother lawyers, discuss your problems, and show your Board of Governors what policies you wish them to follow.

A few weeks ago, one of our members wrote a letter in which he stated, in part: "I want to know what the hell good is this organization, what good has it done for the lawyers, etc., etc.?"

Let this questioning brother come to Paradise on July 29th and 30th and repeat his query. You, Mr. Lawyer, may feel that your Board is "asleep at the switch" on the matter of curbing unauthorized practice of the law. Very well. Come to the section on unauthorized practice and "make your squawk".

You, Mr. Barrister, may feel that definite legislative action should be taken to make the world safer for lawyers. You complain that you are losing your business to governmental agencies—that you are unable to collect fees or costs in inheritance tax litigation—that you are required to have cash appraised in the probate of your estates. Very well, make your complaint in the section meeting on legislation. Tell your Legislative Committee what changes you feel would better your condition.

Perhaps you feel that the Bar should conduct a campaign of education or publicity to better its relations with the public—to secure a better understanding by the public of the lawyer's place in the community. O. K., brother. Attend the meeting of the section on public relations and shout your suggestions and your criticisms.

What good is this organization if its members do not meet, discuss, and solve the many interesting, if vexatious problems which confront it? Discipline, fees, unauthorized practice, legislation, public relations, the economic condition of the Bar, "ambulance chasing"—all are living issues.

Remember that this Association is alive only as you give it life. If you want to be affiliated with a dead organization, stay at home, and who wants to hold hands with a corpse? We point out as your duty, and recommend for your pleasure, attendance at the Annual Convention.

Our meeting will be held at one of the most glorious of our National Parks—Paradise Valley, Rainier National Park. It does not follow, however, that the cost of your stay will be prohibitive. Of course, if you require a de luxe suite in the Inn, you will have to pay first class hotel rates. If, however, you do as the writer expects to, you can rent a cabin, furnished or unfurnished,\* and therein you may cook your own hot cakes (the writer can do just that), entertain your own gang, stay up as late as you

<sup>\*</sup>See schedule of reasonable rates on opposite page.

wish, and make all the "whoopee" you want—all at a very nominal cost.

Adversity is a great teacher, and we venture the assertion that there is not a man in the Bar Association but who is capable of acting as his own cook, housekeeper and bar-tender. Sounds reasonable, doesn't it?

These section meetings will be organized on Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock, and will be devoted to the most interesting current questions now before the Bar. The conclusions reached in these sections will be reported on to the floor of the Convention to be acted upon by the members. Do you feel that the policies of the Association should be determined by 10 or 15 per cent of its members? If you do, stay at home. If, however, you would like the majority of the lawyers to direct the actions of the Bar for the coming year, come prepared to express your views on the questions you are concerned about.

One last word to the unfortunate brother who is prevented by circumstances beyond his control from attending the convention. Send your "proxy"; that is to say, contact the Bar Governor of your district or send your message by your neighbor who is attending the Convention. Write a letter or send a wire with your suggestions, instructions and demands.

Finally, brother, if you must stay at home, don't find fault and complain about what the Bar is doing or is not doing. You are one of the stockholders in this corporation. Herewith you have due notice of its annual meeting. Come to that meeting in person or by proxy and express yourself or forever hold your peace!

JOSEPH A. BARTO.

## Convention Expenses Are Modest If You Double Up in Cars and Cabins

Cabins						
Unfurnished, two in a cabin\$1.00	per	person	per	day		
Unfurnished, one in a cabin 2.00	per	person	per	day		
Furnished, two in a cabin 1.50	per	person	per	day		
Furnished, one in a cabin	per	person	per	day		
Lodge						
Room without bath, two in a room\$2,25	per	person	per	dav		
Room without bath—one in a room 3.00	per	person	per	day		
Room with bath, two in a room 3.00						
Room with bath, one in a room 4.00	per	person	per	day		
Inn (Three Meals Included)						
Room without bath, two in a room\$6.50	per	person	per	day		
Room without bath, one in a room 8.00	per	person	per	day		
Room with bath, two in a room 8.00	per	person	per	day		
Room with bath, one in a room 9.00	per	person	per	day		
Meals may be purchased at the Lodge at popular prices (cafeteria style) or at the Inn. Individual meals at the Inn are as follows:						
Breakfast	\$1	.25				
Luncheon	1	.50				
Dinner						
Banquet (same rate as dinner)						