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THE WEST VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION
PRESIDENT'S PAGE

It is a distinct pleasure to note again, in this, the fourth issue of the current year, that the revitalization of the *Law Review* is progressing nicely. Its prompt and timely publication undoubtedly will provide the student editors with a real incentive, which at times in the past has been lacking, to attack their research assignments with the vigor and enthusiasm which are essential to a meticulous and intelligent analysis of any legal question.

It is with pleasure also, and some measure of pride, that mention is made of the completion, after several years of abortive effort, of a cumulative index covering all issues of the *Law Review* except those of the current year. It is believed that the publication of the index, barring unanticipated delays, will coincide generally with the publication of this issue of the *Law Review*. This is good news, of course, to those members of the Bar whose libraries include the back issues of the *Law Review*. The index, which has been carefully detailed with respect to both accuracy and facility of use, will make immediately available for reference and research purposes a vast amount of well prepared and thoroughly documented material which, in the past, has been more or less inaccessible.

Since this is the last issue of the *Law Review* that will be published until Fall, it is appropriate that something more than perfunctory reference be made to the Annual Meeting of the Association. In keeping with what has now become an established custom, the meeting will be held at the Greenbrier Hotel, in White Sulphur Springs. The final session of the Executive Council and the Past President's Dinner will be held on Thursday, August 30th, and the first plenary session of the Association will convene at 10:00 o'clock A. M. on Friday, August 31st.

As has been the practice during the past several years, the business sessions will be confined to the mornings, one on Friday and one on Saturday. The afternoons will be free of formal commitments in order to afford ample opportunity to those in attendance to take full advantage of the incomparable facilities of the Greenbrier for recreation, relaxation and the diversions of their choice.

The Annual Meetings of the Association always are enjoyable and worthwhile affairs, and it is hoped that this year's meeting will be one of the best, if not the best, in a memorable series of

happy occasions. An attractive and appealing program, designed for the edification and entertainment of those present, has been worked out by the Executive Council, and it is hoped that the attendance will be both large and enthusiastic—because the success of the meeting, as always, will be in direct proportion to the number of members present. It goes without saying, of course, that a very special invitation is extended to the wives of all members of the Association. No meeting would be complete without the varied refinements which only their presence can provide.

It is the practice of many members of the Association to plan their summer vacations so as to coincide with the Annual Meeting—a practice to which the membership, as a whole, could very well give serious consideration. There is not a resort hotel in the country which, dollar for dollar, offers more to its guests than the Greenbrier. The accommodations are spacious and luxuriously comfortable, the food is both delicious and abundant, and the facilities for sport, relaxation and entertainment leave absolutely nothing to be desired. The tariff, contrary to prevailing thought in many parts of the state, is not exorbitant. On the contrary, it is believed that those lawyers who have absented themselves from the Annual Meetings because of the anticipated cost, will find that the rate schedule at the Greenbrier compares very favorably with that of many less desirable vacation resorts which they doubtless have frequented during the past few years. It is to be borne in mind also that the White Sulphur Springs—Lewisburg area has an abundance of delightful small hotels and motor courts, all within a few minutes driving time of the Greenbrier, which provide pleasant, comfortable and inexpensive accommodations. Those members who, for reasons best known to themselves, whether financial or otherwise, prefer not to stay at the Greenbrier, are urged to make reservations at one of these nearby establishments. Those who prefer to do so will be able to attend the business sessions of the Annual Meeting, and, to the extent that they desire, to avail themselves of the recreational facilities of the Greenbrier, without any inconvenience whatsoever.

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