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BENCH AND BAR

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

THE Oil and Gas Institute held in Bismarck on March 28 and 29 was most timely and served to prepare more than one hundred of our practitioners in the fundamentals of oil and gas law. Those who were unable to attend may be comforted by the decision of the Committee on Continuing Legal Education to make available at reasonable cost an annotated transcript of these practical and instructive lectures by Prof. Wilmer D. Masterson of Southern Methodist University. The demand for copies will be heavy. You are urged to place your orders early with our Executive Director.

The North Dakota Law Review was designed primarily as an aid to legal education through editorial writing and legal research. While this vehicle serves to carry the tyro on the paths of knowledge, its utility is not limited to this purpose nor to its function as the journal of our Association. As the practice and teaching of the law is a never ending process, this stimulating publication may well serve as the media for distributing the fruits of legal writing and research of the practitioner. So often does the thorough and painstaking lawyer prepare a masterful brief for the aid of the trial court, only to find that his case is settled or that his brief was effective to enable his client to prevail without an appeal being taken. The points of law, thus extracted from the depths of legal research, are for the most part "born to blush unseen and waste their sweetness on the desert air."

All of us could profit from the many gems of legal analysis which are fashioned daily for the benefit of the trial court in litigated cases. Whether the composition be merely a "recent case comment," a "case note," or an "article," original papers submitted by lawyers will serve to broaden and expand the utility of this excellent law review. While all manuscripts must pass certain standards of excellence, the helpful suggestions of the editorial staff will be readily available.

It is my sincere hope that we may soon demonstrate that the "country lawyer" of North Dakota is capable of making contributions of legal writing of unexcelled quality and thus enlarge the scope and value of this publication as an instrument of legal education and research in our common effort to improve the administration of justice under law.

EUGENE A. BURDICK

NOTICE OF STATE BAR BOARD NOMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting held in Bismarck, N. D., on March 27, 1952, the Executive Committee of the State Bar Association of North Dakota considered the matter of nominations to the vacancy on the State Bar Board caused by the expiration of the term of office of Mr. Herbert G. Nilles of Fargo.

The nominees for the State Bar Board selected by the Executive Committee at the aforesaid meeting are:

Mr. Herbert G. Nilles, of Fargo, N.D.

Mr. Harold Shaft, of Grand Forks, N.D.

Mr. C. A. Waldron, of Minot, N.D.

The By-Laws of the State Bar Association of North Dakota provide as follows with respect to such nominations:

"For each appointment to be made to the State Bar Board the Executive Committee shall select three members of the Association in good standing to be submitted to the Supreme Court. Members of the Association may make additional nominations by a petition signed by 10 members which shall be timely filed with the Secretary. Reasonable notice shall be given in the North Dakota Law Review of the time within which such petition must be filed. If additional nominations are made, the Secretary shall then prepare a ballot, which shall contain the statement 'nominated by petition' after all names so nominated. The ballot shall be mailed to each member of the Association thirty days before the day when it must be returned, of which date notice shall be given by the Secretary when sending out the ballot. The President shall appoint a canvassing committee to canvass the ballots. Those receiving the highest number of votes, up to the number of nominees to be chosen, shall be presented to the Supreme Court as nominees of this Association for members of the State Bar Board." Article VIII, By-Laws, State Bar Association.

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the By-Laws as hereinabove set forth, additional nominations may be submitted until May 25, 1952. Nominating petitions should be addressed to Mr. Robert A. Alphson, Secretary, State Bar Association of North Dakota, Grand Forks City Hall, Grand Forks, N. D.

NATIONAL TRAINING LABORATORY IN GROUP DEVELOPMENT

AFTER five years of pioneering research and experience in the relatively new field of training leaders in the skills and understanding necessary for developing effective groups, the National Training Laboratory in Group Development will hold an expended four-week summer laboratory session at Gould Academy, Bethel, Maine. The dates will be from June 22 thru July 18.

During the past five years three-week laboratory sessions were held. The four-week laboratory plan results from increased knowledge of group development and additional knowledge about methods of training in human relations.

Approximately 100 applicants will be accepted for this session. Persons involved in problems of working with groups in a training, consultant, or leadership capacity in any field are invited to apply.

The purpose of the training program is to sensitize leaders in all fields to the existence and nature of the dynamic forces operating in the small group. This is organized so that each trainee group of 15-20 persons is enabled to use its own experience as a laboratory example of group development. Group skills of analysis and leadership are practiced thru the use of role-playing and observer techniques. Concentrated clinics give training in the skills of the consultant and the trainer in human relations skills. There is also opportunity to explore the role of the group in the larger social environment in which it exists.

The Laboratory research program in group behavior and training methods is an important part of the training, and the use of research tools which are within the range of the Laboratory training program is incorporated into the curriculum.

The NTLGD is sponsored by the Division of Adult Education Service of the NEA and the Research Center for Group Dynamics of the University of Michigan, with the cooperation of the faculty of the Universities of Chicago, Illinois, California, Ohio State, Antioch College, Teachers College, Columbia University, and other educational institutions. Its year-round research and consultation program is supported by a grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York. For further information, write to NTLGD at 1201 Sixteenth Street, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

F. B. I. APPLICATIONS

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is now accepting applications for the positions of Special Agent and Special Agent (Accountant) from qualified candidates who possess an LL.B. degree or accounting degree from resident schools. For a temporary indefinite period applications are also being accepted for the position of Special Agent Employees from men who possess a four year degree (such as A.B., B.S., or other) from accredited resident colleges.

Applicants must:

- 1. Be male citizens of the United States.
- 2. Be at least five feet seven inches in height without shoes.
- 3. Have reached their twenty-fifth but not their forty-first birthday.
- 4. Possess vision of not less than 20/40 and 20/50 (Snellen) corrected to 20/20.
- 5. Possess normal hearing and color vision and be able to pass a rigid physical examination. They must be capable of performing strenuous physical exertion and have no physical defects which would interfere with their use of firearms or participation in raids, dangerous assignments, or defensive tactics.

The above positions entail the investigation of: (1) violations of those laws of the United States over which the Federal Bureau of Investigation has jurisdiction, (2) subversive activities endangering the internal security of the United States.

The entrance salary is \$5500 per annum.

An agent may retire after 20 years service, at the minimum age of 50. His pension is based upon the average of his highest five years salary. He receives 2% of this amount for each year of service up to a maximum of 60%.

Applicants will be afforded an interview and must pass a written examination. Appointments are subject to a complete character and fitness investigation. Application forms and further information may be secured from the nearest field office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, whose address is: 419 North American Life & Casualty Building, 1750 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis 3, Minnesota.

MEMORIALS

RICHARD F. GALLAGHER

Richard F. Gallagher, County Judge of Morton County, died unexpectedly at his home on February 12, 1952 at the age of 72. Born at Oak Grove, Minnesota, October 29, 1889, Judge Gallagher attended the University of Minnesota, receiving his B.A. Degree in 1905 and his Law Degree in 1906. He practiced law for a short time at Staples, Minnesota, and then came to Beach, North Dakota. He was admitted to the Bar of North Dakota on December 8, 1906. During his residence at Beach he served as State's Attorney for Golden Valley County and City Attorney for the City of Beach. He removed to Mandan in 1923 and became associated with the firm of Sullivan & Hanley, handling a large volume of trial and appellate practice for that firm. That association continued until 1933 when he entered practice for himself. In 1940 he was elected State's Attorney of Morton County and held that position for three terms. Judge Gallagher also served for a time as Police Magistrate for the City of Mandan. He was appointed County Judge but a few months prior to his passing, to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge S. E. Halpern.

Active in local and state politics, Judge Gallagher was at one time Democratic candidate for the office of Attorney General.

Judge Gallagher was married to Lillian Brownfield on October 30, 1912. In addition to Mrs.Gallagher, there survives a son, Richard P. Gallagher, City Attorney of Mandan, and five daughters: Mrs. Fred Moen, Mrs. Joseph Eckroth and Mrs. Robert Guthrie, Mandan, Mrs. Joseph Ryan, Neenah, Wisconsin, and Mrs. Virgil Walfe, Carroll, Iowa.

Judge Gallagher was a member of the Catholic Church and the Mandan Elks Lodge. Wherever his residence, he was active in civic matters and gave generously of his time to foster those things for the betterment of his community. Highly regarded as both a trial lawyer and student of the law, his passing is a distinct loss to the legal profession.

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GUNNAR OLGEIRSON

Gunnar Olgeirson, an early graduate of the Law Department of the University of North Dakota, and at the time of his death, Police Magistrate of the City of Bismarck, died at Bismarck on February 10, 1952.

Judge Olgeirson was born in Iceland on August 18, 1870, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Biarni Olgeirson. He came to America in 1879. his family settling in Manitoba, Canada. In 1881 they removed to Pembina, Dakota Territory. After attending the local schools Judge Olgeirson attended the University of North Dakota, receiving his B.A. degree in 1900 and graduating from the Law School in 1904, and was admitted to the North Dakota Bar on June 15, 1906. After his graduation from Law School Judge Olgeirson practiced law in Underwood, and in 1906 was elected County Judge of McLean County, a position he held for six years. Upon leaving McLean County he served as cashier in a bank at Wing, North Dakota, for a period of ten years. He was later associated with the Real Estate Division of the Bank of North Dakota and later was attorney for the Federal Land Bank in St. Paul. In 1936 he was appointed to the position of Police Magistrate of the City of Bismarck to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge E. S. Allen. He was reelected for each term since that time.

In 1910 Judge Olgeirson was married to Isabel L. Hagen of Painted Woods Township, McLean County. She died September 14, 1950. Two sons, Robert Olgeirson, Bismarck, and John Webb Olgeirson, Cocoa Beach, Florida, survive. Two other sons preceded him in death.

Judge Olgeirson was an unassuming lawyer of the old school. He was never active as a trial lawyer, but in his chosen field of real estate law, was highly regarded by all who had occasion to come in contact with him.

Funeral services were held at Bismarck on February 13, 1952, with burial at Fairview Cemetery.

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