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### W. Scott Carroll

W. Scott Carroll died of a heart attack at Pagosa Springs, Colorado, on Sunday morning, September 17, 1939, the day after his 58th birthday.

Mr. Carroll was born on September 16, 1881, and received his early education in the Salida, Colorado, schools.

He was graduated from the Colorado University Law School in 1906 and was an associate for three years with the Denver law firm of Goudy, Twitchell and Burkhardt.

He came to the San Luis Valley in 1912 and practiced at Del Norte, Colorado, until his death. He was County Attorney of Rio Grande County for many years and was known and respected as one of the great trial lawyers of his community.

He was kind hearted to a degree, a great lover of children and an earnest advocate of their interests in the juvenile courts. He was always kindly and courteous to his fellow lawyers and especially to his adversaries in the court room.

The San Luis Valley and Colorado Bars have lost one of their outstanding members. At the time of his death he was president of the San Luis Valley Bar Association.

Surviving him are his widow of Del Norte, Colorado; his son, John, an instructor at the New Mexico Military Institute, and his daughter, Betty, of Meeker, Colorado, who is county nurse for Garfield County.

—*Frank Burris.*

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### The Committee on Placements of the Colorado Junior Bar Conference

*By* MARK H. HARRINGTON, *Chairman*

**A**T the annual meeting of the Colorado Junior Bar Conference held on September 22 and 23, 1939, in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Colorado Bar Association, it was recommended by the Conference's Committee on Program Suggestions that a new function be

added to the program of the Conference by the establishment of a Committee on Placements.

Since the birth of the Conference a year ago, numerous requests were received from the younger attorneys of the state for aid in obtaining suitable office connections, and for advice with respect to locations where conditions would be favorable to the commencement of an independent law practice. This was not surprising in view of the status of the Conference as the state's first organization composed of younger attorneys and its announced purpose to assist the younger lawyers of the state, while at the same time giving attention to those problems of the bar associations which peculiarly affected the careers of their younger members. Peculiarly enough, following the organization of the Conference, and probably because of that fact, requests were soon received from both individual attorneys and established law firms for information with respect to the identities, training, character, ability, and experience of men available for positions.

The conclusion was finally reached that there is a need among the bar of this state for the services of a placement bureau inasmuch as it appears that neither the newly admitted members of the bar seeking their first positions nor the young attorneys of a few years' practice seeking new connections know where to go to seek positions, and the established firms do not know what men are available when vacancies occur.

This committee has been created to fill this need. It will function as a central clearing house for those interested in finding new positions and for those interested in finding the right men to fill them. All persons in the former category are invited to list their qualifications with the committee with the assurance that all information disclosed, including the initial fact of listing, will be treated in the strictest confidence. It will be disclosed only to those attorneys seeking new associates, and even then only on the understanding that information so obtained is not to be divulged to other persons. In

turn, these attorneys, or law firms, may seek the assistance of the committee with the knowledge that the committee will not disclose the fact that a vacancy exists in that particular office. This is essential to a successful operation by the committee inasmuch as most law offices prefer to keep this fact secret in order to avoid an avalanche of applicants.

Every effort will be made to make the work of the Committee on Placements of real value. It is believed that the committee will assist not only the lawyer just admitted to the bar, but also the young lawyer who has practiced a few years and desires to make a change, and, more particularly, established offices which frequently find difficulty in obtaining men who satisfactorily meet their needs because of the impossibility of knowing the names and qualifications of the men available.

The success of the Committee's efforts will depend in large degree upon the use made of its facilities. Consequently, members of the bar are urged to avail themselves of the Committee's services. No charges of any kind will be made, and the records of the Committee will be kept at the office of the Chairman at 1020 First National Bank Building, Denver.

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### LAW LIBRARIES FOR SALE

*NOTE: This column is open to members of the Association without charge for listings. Please communicate with the Secretary if you desire a listing.*

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Clifford W. Mills of 524 Kittredge Building, Denver, is offering for sale the J. Warner Mills Law Library of some seven to eight thousand volumes. This library includes the Colorado Reports, the complete reporter system, American Digest, L. R. A., American and English Reports, Corpus Juris, A. L. R., and numerous text books. It is his desire to sell the library intact, but he will welcome inquiries.

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Mrs. Fred Y. Holland of 2609 Bellaire Street, Denver, has a large number of miscellaneous law books which she desires to sell. She owns several volumes of rare books.

Wilbur F. Denious, past president of the Colorado Bar Association, was married to Mrs. Sherman P. Saunders on September 25, 1939. The marriage occurred the Monday following the state bar meeting. The newly-weds will return to Denver about the middle of December.

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### San Luis Valley Bar Meets

The San Luis Valley Bar Association met at Alamosa on October 7. Claude W. Corlett, who succeeded to the presidency upon the death of W. Scott Carroll, the former president, presided. John Ira Green of Antonito was elected vice-president to succeed Corlett.

Robert R. Tarbell of Saguache, newly elected vice-president of the State Bar Association reported on the recent State Bar meeting at Colorado Springs, as did several other members of the local association.

Quite a heated discussion was had as to the advisability of asking the court to enter a final decree of divorce. It was decided that the practice of obtaining a certificate from the clerk to the effect that no motion or petition was filed, is the better practice and that this should be the procedure in the future here in the San Luis Valley, in order that the practice be uniform.

—J. E. Pound, Correspondent.

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Wm. R. Kelly has been appointed by the American Bar Association on its Committee to Develop Legal Institutes. He is assigned to the states of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico and Nebraska. On October 19th, he appeared before the meeting of the Wyoming Bar Association at Cheyenne and urged the establishment of legal institutes within the state. Interest is being shown by the Wyoming Bar in legal institutes and it is expected that institutes will be developed there sometime this winter.