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It has been said that historically the public and private consciences of lawyers have borne a direct relation to the degree of bar organization achieved by legal associations (Charles E. Lane, Annual Proceedings of the Wyoming State Bar Association, 1930-1934, page 28). If this be true, the situation in Colorado and Denver is truly encouraging. This Association, by a l m o s t unanimous vote, has recommended that the State Association be integrated. Similar a c t i o n subsequently taken by other local associations makes it probable that a "unified state bar" will soon exist. Our local Association, too, has steadily moved forward. Being a local Association it cannot formally integrate. But during the past decade the monthly meetings have been better attended, and the

committees on programs have furnished stimulating subjects of discussion. At the same time the members have realized that prompt payment of dues is a *sine qua non* of effective committee investigation and accomplishment in such vital matters as the curbing of the unlawful practice of the law, disciplinary measures, the selection of judges, fixing of judicial salaries, etc., as well as in the social gathering of members at banquets, outings, smokers and monthly meetings. The utility of a voluntary local association depends upon the cooperation and enthusiasm of its members, and the unselfish giving of time by committees. The past administration has been unusually fortunate in both of these respects, and grateful acknowledgment is hereby made. The Association is happy indeed in its choice of Ernest B. Fowler as President for the ensuing year. The Association pledges to him its loyal support.