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HENRY CRAIG JONES

When one sees in operation a modern law school he is not apt to give much thought to the many problems met and overcome by the organizers. The death of Henry Craig Jones who for seven years was dean of the College of Law at West Virginia University causes one to pause, take account and give credit where it is due.

On Dean Jones’ arrival in Morgantown from George Washington University he found a law school inadequately housed with the College of Arts and Sciences in Woodburn Hall. The faculty, for a time without the leadership of a dean, was striving to give by lecture and casebook method to a small body of students, more work than should have been undertaken by a faculty twice its size. Dean Jones knew the standards a law school should attain to bring it to the plane of his ideal of a state law school. In a quiet, most effective, yet not objectionably aggressive manner, he began his labor. He reorganized the school. He procured new members of the faculty in sympathy with his aims. He then began a campaign of educating the students, not in law only, but also in the needs and requirements of a modern pro-