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which revision should be submitted to the Bar Association for their consideration at the next annual meeting. This proposal was in line with the idea of the Law School that it could act as a clearing house for the legal ideas of the Bar Association and could do research upon matters of practical importance which could not be done by any other agency because of lack of time and opportunity. The Law School, therefore, gladly accepted the opportunity offered by this resolution as a part of their research program and it is contemplated that research work will be done by the Law Faculty on Rules of Pleading in West Virginia which may be submitted to the Bar Association at its next meeting. This resolution is sufficiently significant to be worthy of particular comment. It represents an attempt to make the Law School an active unit of the Bar Association. It will represent an attempt on the part of the State Bar Association to perform a similar task for West Virginia to that undertaken by the American Bar Association in its re-statement of law. The Law School may then take its place in the development of the legal system of West Virginia in the same way that national law schools have taken their place in the development of the re-statement of laws in co-operation with the American Bar Association.

—T. W. A.

WEST VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION PRIZE.—The State Bar Association has generously offered a prize of three hundred dollars to the student obtaining the highest grade in each class at the end of his second year in school. The class graduating in 1931 will be the first class which will have the opportunity to compete for this prize. It will be first awarded in the Fall of 1930. The faculty of the Law School wishes to express publicly their appreciation of this generous donation.

WEST VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION—ADDRESS OF RETIRING PRESIDENT.—Particular attention should be directed to the exceptional address of Mr. Ambler, the retiring president. It will not be published in the *QUARTERLY* only because it will be available to the members of the Bar Association in the published reports of the proceedings of the Bar.

In this address, ex-President Ambler expresses in a clear and convincing manner the opportunities which lie before the State Bar Association. It is not a document filled with vague generali-

zations but one dealing with concrete proposals. The QUARTERLY particularly wishes to comment and call attention to the ex-President's ideas on the possibilities which co-operation between the Law School and the Bar Association offers in developing legal problems and the legal aspects of industrial problems in West Virginia.

WEST VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION—THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL EDUCATION.—The Committee on Legal Education is to be congratulated on their comprehensive report which shows that they have diagnosed the needs of the law school with considerable care. The administration of the College of Law is in full accord with the recommendations reached by this Committee. The report was adopted by the Bar Association as its policy toward the law school.

Space forbids the publication of the entire report but we believe that the sections dealing with research by the law school are of sufficient general interest to be published in the LAW QUARTERLY.

This part of the report reads as follows:

“4. *Annual Appropriations to Keep up Library:* This is the minimum amount believed to be necessary to keep up the various reporter systems, law journals, digests, standard texts, books, statutes, etc.

“5. *Research Work:* When Mr. Turner assumed the presidency of the University on July 1st of this year, he immediately formulated the plan of having extensive research work done by qualified members of the faculty in all departments of the University. This plan included research work in chemistry, geology, coal, oil and gas, legal problems, etc.

“At the suggestion of Dean Arnold, with the approval of President Turner, the Board of Governors of the University authorized the employment, during the past summer, of two professors of the College of Law, making special investigation of assigned subjects. This particular research work consisted of the annotation of the re-statement of the Law of Agency by the American Law Institute as applied to West Virginia, by Mr. Thomas P. Hardman, and a similar annotation of the Conflict of Laws by Mr. E. C. Dickinson, both members of the law faculty.

“President Turner, Dean Arnold and the members of the law faculty feel that the most useful function of the College of Law at West Virginia can perform is to make available the work of