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Changes in the Staff of the College of Law.—Since the publication of the last Quarterly Dean Joseph Warren Madden has resigned to accept a position as professor of law in the University of Pittsburgh. Dean Madden came here from Ohio State University in 1921 and has been here ever since. It was under his jurisdiction that the law building was completed. During his residence in Morgantown the attendance in the College of Law increased from eighty-two to one hundred fifty-five.

Few deans in the College of Law achieved greater popularity than Mr. Madden and his departure was regarded by all the friends of the College of Law and also by the West Virginia Bar Association with great regret. He won himself an enviable place on the faculty and as a member of the bar of the state. Dean Madden was intensely interested in research problems and was engaged in writing a casebook. The comparatively heavy teaching load necessitated at West Virginia by its smaller faculty did not give him the same opportunities along these lines which the University of Pittsburgh was able to offer, and for that rea-
son West Virginia was unable to keep him. It is to be hoped that sometime in the future the College of Law will be able to afford additional assistance to its teaching staff so that a scholar engaged in research may find greater opportunity for such work.

Dean Madden's place has been taken by Thurman W. Arnold who comes from Laramie, Wyoming. Mr. Arnold is a graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Law School. Prior to the war he practiced law in Chicago, which practice he left for service in the army. After the war he was an active member of the bar of the State of Wyoming and a lecturer in law at the University of Wyoming.

Last May Mr. Kenneth E. Michael, the Librarian of the College of Law, resigned to go into practice. The editorial staff desires to express its appreciation of Mr. Michael's competent work as Librarian and wish him the success to which he is entitled in the practice. Mr. Michael's place was filled in the summer by Mr. Charles P. Wilhelm, who has entered the practice of law at Kingwood.

In August Mr. Clyde H. Hall was appointed Librarian of the College of Law. Mr. Hall has an A.B. degree from West Virginia University and has completed the course offered by this law school. He has had experience in library work at the University Library. The College of Law is fortunate in obtaining his services.

COLLEGE OF LAW.—The opening registration of the College of Law was one hundred fifty-eight, an increase of two over the year 1926-27. This increase is actually greater than appears on the face. Under Dean Madden's administration two additional requirements had been voted by the faculty, both of which went into effect for the first time this year. The first one required an average of "C" for all pre-legal students who had only two years of college training. The second additional requirement was to the effect that each pre-legal student must have sixty-four hours without conditions. Previous to this year a student could enter with sixty hours of college credit provided he made up the additional four hours in the first year of school. Judging from the statistics of last year there were about twenty-two stu-