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## WEST VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION NOTES:

### NEWS OF THE PROFESSION

**NEXT ANNUAL MEETING OF WEST VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION.**—The next annual meeting of the ASSOCIATION will be held at Wheeling on July 28 and 29, 1920. The Hon. Charles A. Woods of Marion, S. C., United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, will be the guest of the ASSOCIATION and, at the invitation of the Executive Council, will deliver an address on the evening of the first day. The full program will be printed in the June number of the QUARTERLY.

**PROMPT DISPOSAL OF CASES BY SUPREME COURTS OF WEST VIRGINIA AND OF COLORADO.**—When officials of the Supreme Court of Appeals of this State were shown an associated press dispatch from Denver, Colorado, to the effect that the appellate court of last resort of that State had set a "precedent" in being fully up with its work, they announced that the West Virginia court of last resort practically had cleared its docket of all pending business at the close of the Fall Term of 1914 and has fully completed all its work promptly at the end of each term since that date. What the Colorado court has just succeeded in accomplishing has been the normal condition of the West Virginia court for more than five years past.

Considering the fact that there are seven supreme court judges in Colorado and only five in West Virginia and the further fact that the population of the latter State is nearly sixty per cent larger than the former, the record of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals is all the more remarkable.

As pointed out by Judge Poffenbarger of the West Virginia Supreme Court at a recent session of the West Virginia Bar Association, this is due to changes in procedure and a modification of the statutes giving the Court absolute control of its docket.

Prior to 1914, the court was from one to two years behind in its work.

**ACTIVITIES OF THE BAR ASSOCIATIONS OF CHARLESTON AND OF CABELL COUNTY.**—The Bar Association of the City of Charleston after a period of "suspended animation" on account of war work