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Annual Meeting

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termission of an hour for lunch, leaving a period free in the afternoon for golf and other relaxation. Mimeographed outlines on each of the subjects will be furnished in advance to those who register and there will be an opportunity for questions and discussions following each lecture.

ANNUAL MEETING

July 28th and 29th are Annual Meeting days at Jamestown. Make your plans now to be there and don't forget.

UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE NEWS BRIEFS

MINNESOTA PASSES SIMULATION OF PROCESS STATUTE

A Bill similar to that passed by the New York Legislature two years ago, was passed by the Minnesota Legislature and became a law by the signature of the Governor on March 18, 1939, making it a misdemeanor for any person not authorized by law to draft, prepare or print and offer for sale gifts or by distribution in any manner any paper, document or blank form of paper or document which, when filled out, would simulate or be intended to simulate a summons, complaint, writ or other court process.

The Bill was sponsored by the Unauthorized Practice Committee of the Hennepin County Bar Association.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES BEING APPROVED

Seven Associations of Insurance companies, including the International Claim Association, and the National Association of Independent Insurance Adjusters, have approved the preliminary statement of principles recently adopted by the Conference Committee on Adjusters of the American Bar Association.

COLLECTION AGENT FOUND GUILTY OF CONTEMPT

On March 22, 1939, in the case of "In Re Samuel Eckstein, doing business as the Industrial Credit Association, Respondent No. 125478" Municipal Court of the City and County of San Francisco, California.

The respondent was found guilty of contempt of court on charges of illegally practicing law without a license, and was ordered to pay a fine of \$300.00 or in default thereof, by imprisonment in the County Jail of San Francisco, for a period not exceeding sixty days.

COMMENTS ON PARKER VS. KIRKLAND

The case of Parker vs. Kirkland, 293 Ill. App. 340, decided February 15, 1938, is of interest to the profession, wherein the

court in a civil action for slander, wherein Kirkland appearing for the Tribune Company before the Board of Appeals in a tax matter, was alleged to have made derogatory references about Parker. Parker instituted an action against Kirkland for slander, claiming that the Board of Appeals, being an administrative body, was not a quasi judicial body or a judicial body and that the remarks were not privileged.

The trial court dismissed the petition and the same was affirmed by the Appellate Court, holding that the appearance of a layman before the Board of Appeals, unless the layman appears pro-se or as a witness, constituted the practice of the law, and that the action of the Board of Appeals was judicial in character.

NEWS COMPANY ENJOINED IN PENNSYLVANIA

In the recent action of Kountz, et al, vs. Forum Publishing Company and the Pittsburg News Company, cause No. 193 in Equity, April term, 1939, the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, the Pittsburg News Company was enjoined from distributing issues of the Forum Magazine containing items calculated to solicit legal business or practice of the law.

BAR ATTACKED IN UNIQUE ACTION

An unique action has been filed in Los Angeles, California, by one A. A. Golden, arising over the institution of a legal aid bureau set up by the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

Golden alleges that the action of the Los Angeles County Bar Association in setting up the legal aid bureau is violatory of the laws against ambulance chasing and capping.

A demurrer was recently sustained to Golden's petition, and an amended petition has been filed.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE TIGHTENING UP

The Interstate Commerce Committee recently made the statement that the bonafide officer or traffic manager of a concern may appear on its behalf any number of times without special admission, but he may not appear for others unless he has been admitted to practice.

AMERICANISM

If we reject socialism, communism, individualism, and monarchism, as plans for the bettering of the condition of society, what have we left? I can answer you: We have something better than communism as it has been practised; better than socialism as today taught; better than individualism as it is urged by the class; better than monarchism, always a failure. What we have is so powerful that it will overcome existing evils and cure discon-