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Being a first offender, so far as meetings of this Association were concerned, I wandered around trying to find out what it was all about. I didn't succeed. I was reminded of a three ring circus multiplied about six times. I did locate the sessions of the assembly (members of the Association), the sessions of the House of delegates after the reorganization had been effected, meetings of Bar Board representatives, and one or two other sections such as Criminal Law, Judiciary, Legal Education, and Admissions to the Bar. I came away convinced that, among other things, there is a greater need today than ever before for work by lawyers, individually and collectively, aiming to correct various shortcomings of members of our profession that need not here be mentioned, to combat the methods of law departments of the government, state and municipality, in connection with law enforcement, civil and criminal, and to cultivate a better relationship between the public and the lawyers. The American Bar association is working intensively along these lines, as are many state associations. We should do more in North Dakota, and I think valuable work can be done in conjunction with the Junior Bar. I invite suggestions from our membership.

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