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1928-29 John H. Lewis, Minot
 1929-30 Horace Bagley, Towner (*)
 1929-30 A. M. Kvello, Lisbon (**)

(*) Deceased October 1929.

(**) Vice President, served remainder of Judge Bagley's term.

SIMULATION OF COURT PROCESS

More and more frequently the Secretary's office receives copies of "collection agency" process papers simulating legal court documents. These are sent in by lawyers and laymen, and usually with the question, "What are you doing to prevent this sort of thing?"

There isn't anything that we are able to do about it at this time, except to direct attention to the subject with the view of obtaining legislative action to stop the practice.

In a recent publication of one of the bar associations we noticed an article which suggested proceedings for contempt of court against the users of these "fake" legal court documents. We doubt the wisdom of attempting that method of attacking the evil. We believe that better and more permanent results would be achieved through a legislative enactment that would provide a definite and rather "stiff" penalty for indulging in the practice; and, in the judgment of many, the passage of a bill defining the practice of law would adequately protect the profession and the public from these "fakers".

AMERICAN BAR APPOINTMENTS

The following North Dakota lawyers were selected to represent the American Bar Association in this State:

General Council: Clyde L. Young, Bismarck; Vice President: Fred J. Traynor, Devils Lake; Members of Local Council: A. M. Kvello, Lisbon; A. W. Cupler, Fargo; S. E. Ellsworth, Jamestown; John H. Lewis, Minot.

BAR BOARD REFERENDUM

The Executive Committee has made its selection of nominations for the Bar Board referendum, (see report of Executive Committee action elsewhere) the names being: L. J. Palda, Jr., Minot; Torger Sinnes, Devils Lake; C. J. Murphy, Grand Forks; J. J. Weeks, Bottineau; H. C. DePuy, Grafton; F. F. Wyckoff, Stanley.

Petition nominations for place on this ballot may be made. Each such petition must carry the signatures of ten licensed attorneys, and must be filed with the secretary on or before November 1st.

The official ballot will then be mailed out, with printed return envelope, to all attorneys licensed for 1930, as shown by the records of the Bar Board.

On that ballot each will be entitled to vote for three names.