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The REVIEW publishes, with pleasure, this word of greeting from the president of the State Bar Association:

The object of the State Bar Association of Wisconsin, as set out in its Constitution, is "the honor and dignity..., the usefulness and influence of the profession of the law". One method of advance toward the stated objective is the provision in the Constitution for an annual meeting of the membership. This annual meeting for 1926 will be held at Kenosha, June 24, 25 and 26.

Large numbers of lawyers should attend these yearly gatherings, drawn by a spirit of fraternal interest in their brother lawyers, young and old. As a class, we have less influence upon social and political life, than our numbers, education, character and mental endowment naturally entitle us to. A large, efficient organization, in which each member is loyal to the interests of all, is a most useful agency for securing to our profession the recognition it so well deserves.

The officers of the State Bar Association of Wisconsin believe that young lawyers, especially, should begin early to cultivate their professional brethren. With this in view, the program being arranged for the 1926 meeting will stress helpful suggestion and discussion on subjects of particular interest to younger members of the Bar, in the hope of assisting them to advance ethically and materially in their profession. A hearty invitation is extended to all young lawyers to attend the Kenosha meeting and profit by the program prepared. If you are not a member, we invite you to join, and share the benefits of our association.

To the older lawyers, members or not, we extend the hand of fellowship and urge your presence. You, also, will find much to enjoy in the splendid program being prepared by the association and by the local Bar of Kenosha for the three days, June 24, 25 and 26. Lay aside professional cares and exchange experiences with your brother members of the Bar.

ROY P. WILCOX,
President, State Bar Association of Wisconsin

An Index-Digest of all Reviews to date

This issue completes volume ten of the REVIEW, and brings to a close the tenth year of its existence. During that time the editorial staffs have sought to publish matter of interest to both the law student and the practicing attorney, and by the increasing circulation and favorable comments which have been received it would seem that some measure of success has been attained. A most diversified range of in-
volved and fundamental subjects has been treated by able attorneys and professors; Wisconsin Supreme Court decisions of particular interest have been reviewed and contrasted with the rulings of the courts in sister states; and books of the numerous publishers have been reviewed.

There is much of reference value in these ten volumes of the Review, and for the purpose of making the material (particularly the more fundamental articles and outlines) more accessible, an index-digest of the entire works has been compiled. It represents weeks of laborious effort of Lubin A. Pelkey, senior law, and his assistant, Lawrence W. Ihrig, both members of the staff of the Review. This index-digest appears in the present issue, a logical location in relation to the whole, being at the end of the tenth volume, and falling at the back of the fifth bound volume. It is hoped that the addition may be of value to the possessor of bound volumes, and to students in their library research work.

Few students fully realize the wealth of valuable material contained in the better law reviews, and many of those who are aware of its existence are hampered in their search by inadequate indexes. The index-digest printed here is complete and exact, and will make the five bound volumes of the Review a valuable asset to both the student's and attorney's library.

Law School summer session

The summer session for the scholastic year 1925-1926 will begin June 14, 1926, and extend to July 24. The subjects—Evidence-a, Insurance and Municipal Corporations will be offered. A student may take any one or all of these subjects, two credits being given for each. Evidence is a required subject in the Law School curriculum, and both Insurance and Municipal Corporations are examined upon by the bar examiners.

It is quite possible, if there are sufficient students desiring to take an additional term at the completion of the above, that the subjects of Evidence-b, Damages and Administrative Law (the law of public officers) will be offered. The purpose of the summer session is two-fold: to give students an opportunity to enrich their curriculum by taking subjects which they would not have time to take in the regular session, and to afford an opportunity for others to make up necessary credits.

Milwaukee Lawyers' Club banquet

The Marquette Law Review offers its gratitude to the Milwaukee Lawyers' Club for the splendid dinner tendered by that body to the members of the senior class, at the Elks' club, March 27, 1926. Oc-
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occasions of this kind offer an unusual opportunity to the younger men to meet and associate with successful practitioners, and to hear from their lips, words of advice and encouragement. A splendid program was provided by the Lawyers' club including music and speeches. We think that it would be very satisfactory if this program could be repeated every year, thereby establishing a valuable tradition. Space does not permit of a recapitulation of the speeches; suffice to say that they were excellent, and Mr. Edward Yockey was a most efficient presiding officer.

Judge Gregory presides at Moot Court

On Thursday afternoon, the twenty-ninth of April, the Hon. John J. Gregory, Circuit Court Judge, Branch No. 3, and his entire staff of court assistants, visited the law school and assumed control of Moot Court for the day. Two firms of senior students had prepared their cases upon the statement of facts previously given them by Judge Gregory, which facts conformed with those of a recent personal injury case tried before the Judge, and upon the arrival of the visitors they proceeded immediately with the trial. Counsel showed, by their conduct, a great deal of preparation, and the trial was marked by excellent adverse examination, and heated arguments concerning the admissibility of evidence (particularly the admissability, and right to display before the jury, of certain parts of the human skeleton).

All during the trial the Court made suggestions and corrections which will prove invaluable to the men just about to start practice, and it is no more than reasonable to say that all those who attended the trial found it to be the most valuable three hours they had yet spent in their study of the law.

Upon leaving, Judge Gregory commended the seniors who were counsel in the action, and assured them that their conduct was quite becoming of men practicing in the circuit courts.

The experience instilled in many who had hitherto not felt it, the lure of personal participation in the activities of the court room. It is urged that more such trials be arranged, for the benefit of both the participating seniors and the underclassmen.

Murphy dedicates Roosevelt tablet

The Spanish-American War veterans, seeking to commemorate the occasion of the attempted assassination of ex-President Roosevelt, unveiled on Saturday, May 1, a bronze tablet, which they had erected at the Gilpatrick Hotel, on the spot where the shot was fired.
Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., was forced to decline an invitation to speak at the exercises, and in his absence James Maxwell Murphy was asked to deliver the principal address. Mr. Murphy is a veteran of the World War, and a student and great admirer of the man about whom he spoke. The address consisted of an interesting résumé of the life of Roosevelt, and a dramatic recounting of the events which occurred on the evening when he was shot.

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