

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 1935

I came into the office as usual about 9:00 and began opening the mail with a song in my heart - but it did not last long. Well, well - a letter from the Nevada Bar Assoc. When I read it, the "song" melted away and there came a little wave of anxiety followed by anger. Some small cheap, jealous rat has filed a complaint against me over the article I wrote for the P.A.D. Reporter. The Administrative Committee has decided it is a violation of the canons - they consider it advertising and I will later be notified to appear before the committee. I wrote a letter in reply - to Ross Schindler and said I shall be pleased to appear when notified. I am in the clear in this. I have a perfect right to write such an article and send it in when requested to do so. I did not solicit. If that is a violation of the canons of legal ethics, then the President of the American Bar Assoc is a violator too because he has written several articles for the American Bar Journal. I'll fight these rats to the last ditch - clear to the Supreme Court before I'll submit to even a \$5 fine. I'll bet McKernon filed the complaint. That is why he and Ross Schindler were so cool last Tuesday. George was in Reno 2 years before I ~~ame~~ and I have stepped out on lead of him. He is jealous and envious. Well - it is a shame they cannot stand to see a fellow make strides - but Clel is going right on and on. I lost no time and today wrote to the American Bar Assoc and asked that this question be presented to the National Adm Committee for an opinion.

TUESDAY, JULY 2, 1935

Last evening from 8:30 to 9:15 was a grand spell of time for me. The extensive brief I had prepared on the question of whether or not the writing of my article on divorce was in violation of legal ethics was well put together and backed up by many authorities. The final blow was the fact that the American Bar Assoc. had passed on my article and exonerated me. I had a copy of the official opinion. In closing, I said gently but firmly - Gentlemen - in view of the facts stated, I am willing to stand squarely upon the article and I have no apologies to make whatever. Furthermore, it is my intention to write as many articles as I see fit on various subjects of the law and send them to any publisher I care to. When I had finished, Cap Rowsen opened the discussion with a statement that the American Bar Assoc. had already ruled and he thought correctly. The discussion was very brief. Chairman Cook himself stated the chair would entertain a motion to dismiss the matter and retain no official record of it, so it can never be said that I was ever hauled up on the carpet - later a formal apology was extended to me. Lord God! What a victory! When you have to fight -- fight hard.