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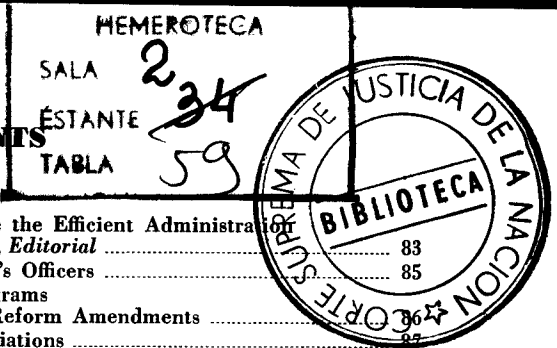
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To Promote the Efficient Administration of Justice

IN 1912, a young man left Manistee, Michigan, to explore an uncharted land. At that time only a few persons had heard and understood the challenge which Roscoe Pound had thrown out to the legal profession in 1906 when he confronted the American Bar Association with "The Popular Causes of Dissatisfaction with the Administration of Justice," and Herbert Harley, who was to become the leader of the American Judicature Society and the editor of its Journal, began his nationwide search for those men.

His first stop was the University of Michigan Law School where the Dean Henry M. Bates affirmed the search and sent him with a letter to Dean John H. Wigmore of Northwestern University Law School. While waiting in the anteroom to see Wigmore, he read an article by Albert Kales advocating reorganization of Illinois courts. It fascinated and excited him, and "in twenty minutes," he said, "I felt that I was half prepared for my proposed work."

Dean Wigmore was greatly impressed and sent him to Chief Justice Harry Olson of the Chicago Municipal Court, who seized upon the idea with his characteristic enthusiasm and later helped to found the Society.

Leaving Chicago, Harley ranged the nation searching out leaders of the bench and bar and confronting them with his dream of a national organiza-

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