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EDITOR'S NOTES

This issue of the Law Review inaugurates the use of the “symposium” technique of bringing together in one issue a group of articles dealing with a single area of Washington law. The choice of Washington administrative law as the topic of our first symposium is appropriate. Little has been written about the Washington administrative system or about the body of case law that has developed around that system. Hence, Attorney General O'Connell's article, pointing out the variances in procedures that exist among state agencies, is particularly valuable. Professor Trautman's article on delegation problems and Professor Peck's article on judicial review of administrative proceedings provide a much-needed discussion of Washington case law. Indicative of the lack of consistency displayed by the state legislature in passing legislation dealing with the administrative process is Professor Peck's valuable compilation of statutory provisions related to review proceedings.

Comments on the Model State Administrative Act by Professor Schwartz and by Mr. O'Connell are particularly timely, in view of the attempt by the Legislative Council to secure passage of part of the Model Act at the 1957 legislative session. The source of the text of the Model Act, appearing at the end of the issue, is the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

Professor Wollett, writing on the Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals, gives a critical evaluation of the use of two de novo appeals in workmen's compensation cases.

It is our hope that the symposium issue of the Law Review will be as well received by our readers as the annual Washington case law survey issue and the biennial Washington legislation issue. We would welcome the comments of our readers, both as to the use of the symposium technique, and as to possible topics for future symposium coverage in the Law Review.

A reminder: the annual Law Review banquet will be held at the Sorrento Hotel, Seattle, on April 26. The principal speaker will be Judge Frederick G. Hamley, formerly Chief Justice of the Washington Supreme Court, and presently Circuit Court Judge for the Ninth Circuit. All former members of the Washington Law Review are invited to attend. Inquiries may be addressed to 205 Condon Hall, University of Washington, Seattle 5, Washington.

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