ORGANIZATION OF SECTION OF CRIMINAL LAW.

A special meeting is called for the purpose of organizing a Section of Criminal Law of the American Bar Association on Tuesday, August 24, 1920, at 10 A. M., in the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals Room, Federal Building, 9th and Oliver Streets, St. Louis, Mo. A second meeting will be held at 3 P. M. on the same day. Edwin M. Abbott, Philadelphia, Pa., is the Chairman of the Committee on Organization. The other members of the committee are as follows:

Eugene A. Gilmore, Madison, Wis.
Thomas J. Parkinson, New York, N. Y.
Wm. E. Mikell, Philadelphia, Pa.
John B. Sanborn, Madison, Wis.
Wm. W. Smithers, Philadelphia, Pa.
W. O. Hart, New Orleans, La.
Thomas J. O'Donnell, Denver, Colo.
John P. Briscoe, Prince Frederick, Md.
Orin N. Carter, Chicago, Ill.
Charles A. DeCourcy, Boston, Mass.
Edward Lindsey, Warren, Pa.

UNIFORM JUDICIAL PROCEDURE.

Attention is directed, at the request of Chairman Thomas W. Shelton, to the report of the Committee on Uniform Judicial Procedure. The organized cooperation of State Bar Associations is desired as well as the militant aid and sympathy of individual judges and lawyers. The report presents the arguments in favor of the bill designed to set the Supreme Court of the United States free to make rules for the law side of the federal courts just as it now does for the equity side and the bankruptcy and admiralty courts.

The committee also requests that the members communicate with their Senators and Representatives urging an immediate report and hearing on S. 1814 now pending in the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate and which was introduced by Senator Kellogg. At this writing, the bill is in charge of a sub-committee of three of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate composed of Senators Colt, Dillingham and Thos. J.
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A meeting for the organization of the Criminal Law Section of the American Bar Association was held on Tuesday, August 24, in the Circuit Court of Appeals room in the Federal Building.

Edwin M. Abbott, Esq., of Philadelphia, Chairman of the Special Committee on Organization, presided and read a paper on "Modern Penology."

(For address of Mr. Abbott, see page 425.)

Circuit Attorney Lawrence McDaniel, of St. Louis, welcomed the members and in an extended talk made a recommendation that in all criminal cases the verdict of a jury should be rendered in accordance with the vote of nine or more of its members. This matter was referred to the Council for further consideration next year. He also said that something should be done relative to delays in trial. No delays should be allowed for more than thirty days, he urged, unless for illness of indispensable parties.

Another paper was presented by Judge A. H. Reid, of Wausau, Wis., on "Interstate Extradition for Extra-Territorial Crimes."

(For address of Judge Reid, see page 432.)

A complete set of by-laws was adopted which was submitted to the Executive Committee of the American Bar Association for their approval.

Dean Wigmore, of the Northwestern University Law School, Chicago, Ill., made a motion that two committees be appointed to report next year, one on Criminal Law and the other on Criminal Procedure. This was authorized.

At the election which followed, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Chairman, Ira E. Robinson, of Charlestown, W. Va.; Vice-Chairman, William O. Hart, of New Orleans, La.; Secretary and Treasurer, Edwin M. Abbott, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Council, Roscoe Pound, Dean of the Harvard
University Law School; John G. Buchanan, of Pittsburgh, Pa.;
Frank G. Drenning, of Topeka, Kan.; W. H. Clifton, Aberdeen,
Miss.; F. B. Crosley, of Chicago, Ill.; Lawrence McDaniel, of
St. Louis, Mo.; Earl C. Arnold, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Thomas
J. O'Donnell, of Denver, Colo.

After the meeting adjourned the Council organized and elected
Roscoe Pound as Chairman. The Secretary outlined a plan of
securing the interest of lawyers generally in this Section, which
was approved.

EDWIN M. ABBOTT, Secretary.