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CHAIRMAN'S FOREWORD

The Annual Survey of South Carolina Law which appears in the pages which follow is the fourth of such surveys. Much the same thing may be said of this survey as has been said in the forewords to previous surveys, and hardly anything new needs to be added. It is worth repeating, however, that the survey is an activity of the South Carolina Bar Association and all contributors to the survey are Association members selected as a committee for the purpose by the President of the Association.

In submitting material for the survey all members of the committee have been left more or less to their own devices as to style and method. It will be noticed that the articles range from the extremely brief to the extremely long — the last being evident in the Law School contributions, whose prolixity represents a sort of professorial privilege, plus a bonus to the Chairman. As usual the views of the writers are their own and do not represent any collective or official attitude of the Association or its members.

The present survey covers the period from April 1, 1956, to April 1, 1957, and embraces the opinions of the South Carolina Supreme Court, the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court, the last two so far only as to cases dealing with litigation originating in South Carolina and involving the law of the State. In addition there is treatment of major legislation enacted by the General Assembly in the 1957 session. This legislation has already been included in the list of Acts noted in the Summer issue of the Quarterly, but is dealt with in the survey for purposes of comment.

The subject of Criminal Law, which has regularly been treated in previous surveys is, unfortunately, missing from this one. The omission has been due — with good reason, it may be assumed — to the inability of the committee member to whom the subject was assigned to prepare and forward the material in time for publication.
Speaking for the South Carolina Bar Association and for himself the Chairman wishes to thank the members of the Committee for their devotion and effort in this enterprise, and also to thank the staff of the SOUTHERN LAW QUARTERLY for its service in the editing and publication of the survey. Particular thanks are due to Mr. Heyward E. McDonald, Associate Editor, who has had overall charge of the survey for the staff. And again, as in years past, the Chairman, to use the words of his last foreword, "wishes to add his personal expression of thanks to Dean Samuel L. Prince of the School of Law of the University of South Carolina, to whom the survey owes its existence in the first place and who ever since has watched over it and given encouragement to all those concerned in its production." The quoted words are as apt now as they were then.

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of South Carolina Law.