RULES FOR NEW COURT IN JERSEY ANALYZED

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NEWARK, N. J., March 13—Twelve hundred lawyers, the largest number ever assembled in New Jersey, warmly applauded today an analysis and discussion of a preliminary draft of the rules of the new Supreme Court of New Jersey by Chief Justice-designate Arthur T. Vanderbilt.

Based largely on Federal criminal and civil court procedure, the proposed rules, which are likely to be in final form by July 20, are designed, Justice Vanderbilt said, "to produce swift justice at a minimum expense to litigants."

The new Supreme Court will begin functioning Sept. 15 under the newly adopted Constitution of New Jersey. Judges and lawyers will therefore have a minimum period of a month and a half in which to familiarize themselves with procedure.

The assemblage also witnessed a series of pre-trial conferences at which Belita Lewis, Chief Justice of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, presided. The pre-trial practice, which may be introduced in the new system in New Jersey, demonstrated the ease with which legal issues can be simplified before the actual trial, and great savings in time and expense.

Formulated by the seven members of the new Supreme Court, the preliminary draft of rules eliminates the necessity of submitting complete printed records of proceedings in lower courts in cases on appeal. The proposed rules require only the record vital to each side. Printed briefs would be limited to fifty pages and oral argument to one hour for each side.

Under the tentative rules five judges will constitute a quorum of the new court, which replaces the sixteen-man Court of Errors and Appeals.