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The 2,000-volume law library of the late A. S. Ainsworth has been given to the Montana State University Law School by his widow, who lives in Thompson Falls, and his son, A. L. Ainsworth, Missoula, Dean Robert E. Sullivan announced.

The Ainsworth collection, valued at \$4,000, will form the nucleus of a law library in a living facility for single law students in the event such a facility is established in the future, the dean said. In the meantime, it will be maintained as a separate collection in the Law School.

Ainsworth practiced law in Thompson Falls for many years and at the time of his death in 1961 shared with E. C. Mulroney of Missoula the distinction of being longer in practice than any other western Montana lawyer. He was born in 1879, attended the University of Iowa, and was admitted to practice in 1900.

"This is a meaningful gift not only for its value as a study resource but also because Mr. Ainsworth was one of the illustrious lawyers of the state," Dean Sullivan commented.

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