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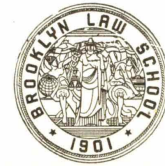
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Dean of Queens University of Belfast Lectures Here

By EDWARD FLEISCHER

Professor James L. Montrose, Dean of the Law Faculty of Queens University of Belfast, Northern Ireland, addressed the students and faculty of the Law School on Friday, March 14. In this, the first of a series of three lectures, he compared legal education in Great Britain with that in the United States.

Dean Montrose urged that there is no such thing as a "legal" mind, but rather an "educated" mind, and that the purpose of legal education in both countries is to get law students to think like educated men and talk like lawyers at the same time. He noted that there is an intimate relationship between law and history. Legal education has evolved from its beginnings at the first great university, Bologna, Italy, and in Paris. At that time, the work of law professors was highly regarded as authority, and what judges did was little regarded as law. The outgrowth from the University was European civil law, which was based upon Roman law, but adapted to the needs of the day. While the American student is concerned mainly with the American legal system, the English student learns both English law and Roman law. The purpose of this dual education is to make the student aware of the fact that all systems of law are produced by human beings; that although the rules applicable to each system might differ, the basic foundation of all democratic systems is the same—that law is governed and created for and by the people.

Dean Montrose then spoke about the common law of England, and mentioned that both English and American common law are judge-made. A great unifying force in the legal field of the United States, he said, was the law professor who, by means of such activities as the American Law Institute Restatements, satisfy the social need to explain and elucidate the law.

In England, the passing of a bar examination is a basic requirement for qualification to practice law just as in the United States. It is still not a requirement for one to graduate from law school in England however, although most aspiring lawyers do. Apprenticeship for a certain period of time is mandatory. The amount of time that one must serve depends upon the extent of his prior education.



L. to R.—PROFESSOR GILBRIDE, DEAN MONTROSE, DEAN PRINCE

The Dean distinguished between the two agents concerned in the actual practice of the law in England. There are the solicitors, who deal with clients and prepare for litigation, and barristers, who actually plead cases in court. The barrister tries to handle the case as objectively as possible, and very rarely deals with the client intimately. The barrister is expected to conduct himself in gentlemanly fashion at all times, and uphold the highest ideals of public service. Remuneration is secondary. The solicitor however, has a business-like aspect in that while bound by similar rules, he may even sue for his fees if necessary.

In closing, Dean Montrose emphasized that although the methods in the two countries might differ in certain respects, the basic purpose of legal education in both is the same: to give a liberal education through the medium of law, which is, as he expressed it, "the first and noblest of the sciences." He pointed out that the United States is "the physical and cultural heir of European common law and civil law," and reminded that both nations are faced with similar problems with respect to legal education.

A question period followed. The second lecture on April 17 dealt primarily with the procedural Reform Act of 1875 and its present-day effects in such matters as jury trials, forms of pleading, fusion of law and equity, and the appellate system. A question period similarly followed. The final lecture is scheduled for May 9.

Editors of April BROOKLYN LAW REVIEW Are Announced

The editors of the April, 1958, *Brooklyn Law Review* have recently been announced by Prof. Milton G. Gershenson, Faculty Adviser. They are Peter C. Bennett, Editor-in-Chief; Martin J. Senel, Associate Editor; Stephen R. Lang, Notes Editor; Zachary Levy and Edward V. Sparer, Co-Decisions Editors; and Herbert J. Adlerberg, Book Review Editor.

The April issue of *Law Review* will appear shortly after the publication of this newspaper. It will contain leading articles by Professor Morris D. Forkosh, entitled "American Democracy and Procedural Due Process"; James L. Purcell, of the firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton and Garrison, entitled "A Consideration of the No-Sale Theory Under the Securities Act of 1933"; Professor Samuel Hoffman, entitled "The Plastic

Frontiers of State Judicial Process Over Non-Residents: McGee v. International Life Insurance Company"; and a comment by Professor John J. Meehan, entitled "The Assault Upon the Citadel of Privacy: A Recent Communique."

The student sections will contain, in addition to a discussion of various recent cases, an analysis of the recent legislation which changes an aspect of the New York Rule Against Perpetuities.

The Student Notes will contain two articles, one written by Stephen R. Lang, whose topic is "A Cooling-Off Period—New York Divorce Law," originally prepared for the N. Y. State Legislative Committee on Matrimonial Procedure, and the other written by Irvin Fendel, entitled "Corroboration in the New York Criminal Law."

Brooklyn Law School Alumni Association Honors Justice Wenzel

Law School Remodels 5th and 6th Floors

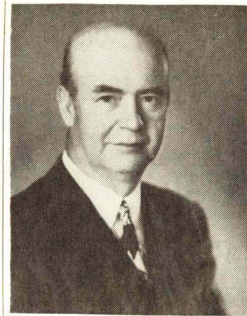
Dean Jerome Prince has announced that the Law School has almost completed extensive alterations to the fifth and sixth floors of the Law School building. These alterations have been designed to increase facilities both for the faculty and the student body.

The entire two floors have been completely redecorated. Among the new student facilities will be a substantial student cafeteria which, besides providing recreational space, will include food facilities. There will be automatic machines which will make available a snack type of luncheon. In addition there will be a new women's lounge, an enlarged Law Review office and an extra library room, including a new librarian's office.

There will also be a new and enlarged faculty room and library as well as additional private faculty offices. It is planned also to have three additional medium-sized classrooms and two conference or seminar rooms.

The entire fifth and sixth floors have been completely rewired and there will be provided the very latest type of fluorescent lighting.

These facilities along with the furnishings should be completed by the beginning of the Fall Semester.



JUSTICE HENRY G. WENZEL, JR.

Moot Court Finalists Chosen

The committee for Brooklyn Law School's Moot Court Program have announced the finalists in this year's competition.

The following have been retained as finalists:

DAY: Mr. M. Brody, Mr. C. Snow, Mr. E. Sparer and Mr. M. Standard.

EVENING: Mr. N. Deoul and Miss B. Izett.

Student Bar Association Announces Awards For '57-'58

The Student Bar Association announces that Mr. Fredrick Demarest, first Vice-President of Student Bar Association 1957-58 has been voted to receive the Outstanding Student Bar member plaque awarded to that member of the senior class who has been outstanding in service to the Student Bar Association.

The Student Bar Key which may be awarded to members of all classes is given for outstanding service during the past year. Those elected to receive the keys are:

Edwin J. Lasner	President, S.B.A., 1957-1958
Robert Schwartz	Chairman, Student Aid Fund
Daniel Dreisman	Chairman, Intra-Moot Court Committee
Ira Block	Chairman, A.L.S.A. Committee
Sigmund Geronimo	2nd Vice President S.B.A., 1957-58
Michael J. Yorke	Editor-in-Chief, Justinian

Certificates for those Senior class members who have actively participated in S.B.A. House of Delegates are awarded to:

Daniel Fiore	Alexander P. Gillen
Frederick Feder	Robert B. Schwartz
Cecile Steinberger	Arthur J. Simon
Frederick Demarest	Allen J. Sanders
Allan L. Schulman	Mark S. Charwat
Noel Zimman	Robert Burns
Melvin Knyper	Vivian Rousoo
Robert M. Schwartzbart	Jules Okin

Richard Morgenstern

Mr. George Sommerfeld has been appointed by the Student Bar President, Edwin Lasner, to the position of 2nd Vice-President, to fill the vacancy for 1957-1958. Miss Eileen Maroschick has also been appointed by the president to the office of Recording Secretary, 1957-1958.

The following have been elected as class officers for the Feb. 1958 entering classes:

President	404 D	202 E
Albert D. Koch	President	Irving B. Speilman
N. H. Schaumberger	Vice President	William Horan
Jean L. Hewlette	Secretary	James M. Quinn
Helen E. Dempsey	Treasurer	Charles F. Zucker

On Saturday April 26, 1958, a luncheon in honor of Appellate Division Justice Henry G. Wenzel Jr., '11, of the Second Department will be given by the Alumni Association at the Roosevelt Hotel in Manhattan. The Alumni Association Award for 1958 will be presented to Justice Wenzel at the luncheon. Justice Bernard Botwin '24, Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division, First Department, Appellate Division Justice George J. Beldock '24, of the Second Department and Justice Wenzel's fellow members of the Second Department Appellate Division will be special guests.

Justice Wenzel has had a long, active and distinguished legal career. He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1911 and began his private practice in New York City specializing in corporate law, until 1925 when he became Justice of Municipal Court, Borough of Brooklyn. In 1932, Justice Wenzel was elevated to the post of Justice of the Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department, 10th Judicial District, and in 1944 he was appointed Justice, Appellate Division, Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department. Justice Wenzel is a member of the American Bar Association, New York State Bar Association and the Queens County Bar Association. He is active in many civic and fraternal organizations.

The citation presented to Justice Wenzel reads:

Brooklyn Law School Alumni Association: Distinguished Alumnus Award presented to Henry G. Wenzel, Jr., '11, in recognition of his outstanding service to the legal profession as a practicing lawyer, trial judge and appellate justice.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names this twenty-sixth day of April, 1958.

John J. McCloskey, President.
Grace R. Bader, Secretary.

Judicial Administration Series Completed

Thomas F. McCoy, Counsel to the State Administrator of the Judicial Conference of the State of New York, has just completed a series of lectures on Thursdays, dealing with Problems of Judicial Administration. The course was tuition free, and was offered to the senior class.

Mr. McCoy covered a wide range of subjects since most practicing lawyers, and especially students of the law, are not conversant with the problems inherent in judicial administration. The course included a study, analysis and discussion of matters affecting the administration of justice, including the structure of court systems; standards and qualifications of judicial and non-judicial personnel; practice and procedure; standards of legal education; relationship of courts and lawyers; problems and duties of judges and lawyers and the function of the administrative office.

The course proved very informative and was well received by those in attendance and generally broadened the senior law students' scope of understanding of the problems which confront the practicing lawyers and jurists of today.

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President's Message...

Each preceding president has pleaded with the student body to become more active in student affairs. For the past year this administration, instead of pleading has offered the students the opportunity to actively participate in many and varied programs. In this annual message I would like to reevaluate and appraise the programs offered and the benefit brought by them to the students.

Members of the Executive Board and the House of Delegates are given the honor of being ushers at our school graduations where the opportunity to meet many dignitaries such as Mayor Wagner and Sir Leslie Munroe are always present. The S.B.A.'s first activity in conjunction with the Board of Health and Kings County Medical Society made it possible for the students to be inoculated with Salk vaccine at a considerable financial saving. The Salk Vaccine Program was administered to more than 500 members of the student body, the faculty and administration.

This council then inaugurated the Intra-School Moot Court Program under the chairmanship of Daniel Dreisman. Problems were devised and distributed to interested students. One hundred and four students requested the rules and problems which were made available to them. However, due to some unexplainable cause the actual participation in the arguments dwindled to a negligible few. The program, which was initiated for the purpose of enabling students to gain experience in preparing and delivering oral argument on the appellate level, was only taken advantage of by these few fortunate students.

Our first social function was the Student Faculty Basketball Game and Dance which resulted in an enjoyable evening's entertainment. The affair aside from being a social success and attended by well over 150 couples enhanced the capital of the Student Aid Fund to the extent of \$250. Just before Christmas recess R.O.T.A. Legal Sorority under the direction of Miss Eileen Maroshick staged a surprise Christmas Party for the Faculty and students which was a huge success. The girls who have very recently organized, contributed funds and cooked and prepared a beautiful banquet which deserves the very highest commendation. Miss Carol Feinman a member of R.O.T.A. Legal Sorority attended the national A.L.S.A. convention in Albany and is presently seeking to expand R.O.T.A. and keep in close contact with the other law schools' Wives' Club programs.

The Spring Prom which was scheduled for April 18, 1958 was under the direction of Mr. Fred Demarest, 1st Vice President of S.B.A. and the winner of the Outstanding Student Bar Association award. Mr. Demarest had the details of the Prom completely prepared and a poll by each class president was taken. Out of a total of 1044 students 66 had affirmatively agreed to attend. Due to lack of interest the House of Delegates upon recommendation of the Executive Council voted to suspend the Spring Prom.

In establishing a committee consisting of the fraternities in the school the S.B.A. has been able to help the Administration in publicizing Dean Montrose's lectures and the Insurance Forum.

The Education Committee under the chairmanship of Sigmund Geronimo has completed the Freshman Quiz Review program and has given needed advice on selective service, placement information and the freshmen orientation program.

On May 1, 1958 the S.B.A. will hold "Law Day" which is sponsored by the A.B.A. and National Legal Aid under a proclamation by President Eisenhower. R.O.T.A. Legal Sorority will host the program which will run from 1-5 P.M., and will serve refreshments and act as guides to the visiting dignitaries and public. A detailed program of the event will be made public shortly by the local newspapers on T.V. and Radio.

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The article below is reprinted from the April 18, 1957 edition of THE NEW YORK TIMES. The editorial staff of THE JUSTINIAN thanks the TIMES for permission to reprint in full this interesting and informative article.

Oldsters Thrive on Teaching Law

Hastings Places Prominent Retired Professors, 65 to 82, on Its Faculty
SAN FRANCISCO, April 5 (AP)—At most colleges and universities, professors approaching their mid-sixties are headed for imminent retirement.

This is not so at the University of California's Hastings College of Law, where 65 is the minimum age for the faculty of twelve full-time professors. The oldest is 82.

The 65 Club, as it is known, started under the pressure of circumstance in 1940 but blossomed into an established institution that pleases faculty and students alike.

The elderly professors, forced into retirement at other schools, welcome the opportunity to prolong their academic careers. The students can learn from instructors laden with experience, wisdom and authority.

FEW COMPLAINTS MADE

"We seldom get complaints about the faculty," Dean David E. Snodgrass says. "The students take their authority for granted and seem to think they know what they're doing."

The dean, at 63, is Hastings' youngest.

The faculty attitude is reflected by Dr. Everett Fraser, 78, former dean of law at the University of Minnesota where he taught an extra year without pay before joining Hastings.

"That's where I get my fun in life," he explains. "Teaching isn't labor, it's fun."

"I always advise my students to choose law as a profession only if they enjoy it, and not for social prestige. That's the only way they can get any fun out of it."

Hastings, which celebrated its eightieth birthday March 26, is the oldest law school in the Far West. The man teaching a class usually has written both the text and case books being used in it.

The professors carry a work load comparable to or greater than that of the average law professor. Many are revising or editing law books in addition to teaching chores. The average annual salary is \$12,000, which mounts when added to retirement benefits.

Dean Snodgrass says the oldsters teach classes of 120 students in the five large classrooms or courtroom of the modern, five-story Hastings Building.

BORN BY ACCIDENT

The 65 Club was born largely by accident in 1940 when Dr. Snodgrass became dean after the death of William M. Simmons. It was too late to hire another professor through regular channels. So he turned to 70-year-old Orrin K. McMurray. He had retired the previous June as dean of Boalt Hall, another U. of C. law school.

The same year Professor McMurray accepted, Arthur M. Cathcart, retired Stanford professor, came to Hastings at 67.

After World War II, Hastings' enrollment rose from thirty-seven to 915 in four years. Dean Snodgrass turned again to retired professors. Their response and work convinced the Hastings directors, who have deliberately hired elderly teachers since.

The faculty's response is summed up by Dr. George W. Goble, 69, who says: "I love to teach and I'm certainly grateful for this opportunity to continue."

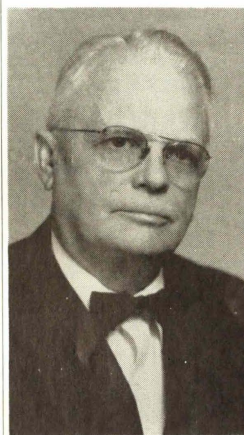
George G. Bogert, 73-year-old former Cornell University law dean, says Hastings offers him a chance to pursue his main interest—teaching and writing. He adds that he enjoys freedom from administrative duties.

Dr. Bogert, busy updating four law texts he wrote earlier, says he could not be content to sit back "and live on what I learned thirty years ago."

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FACULTY PROFILE

Prof. Orvill C. Snyder



Bobbs Merrill came out with his *Preface to Jurisprudence*. A sequel to the latter-named work entitled *Justice, State Law, and Natural Rights* is in process of preparation. This work, which is a theory and analysis of justice, is expected to be ready for publication in about two years.

When Professor Snyder was admitted to the bar in 1928 he entered into practice with a well known firm in Columbus, Ohio. During these years, his *alma mater* recalled him as a substitute teacher and to conduct a bar review course. Gradually the demands on his teaching abilities forced his private practice into the background. When the then Dean of Columbus College of Law accepted a new position at Tulane, Professor Snyder was appointed Acting Dean, and shortly thereafter to the position of Dean. In 1935 he was appointed a Raymond fellow at Northwestern University School of Law, obtaining his LL.M. in 1937.

It was interesting as well as very unusual to witness the professor answering questions for a change. For we believe that Professor Snyder has often irked the minds of succeeding classes of freshmen students in his course on contracts by carefully leading them to the nub of a legal problem and then, when answers and solutions were being eagerly awaited, posing a series of questions which in turn annoyed, frustrated, confounded—and perhaps stimulated. In wondering out loud as to the rationale behind this adaptation of the Socratic method, we were prepared to be answered by further questions, but Professor's weakness for a story manifested itself at this point, and the story provides the answer to what has troubled many hundreds of students at Brooklyn Law School.

The best talk that Professor Snyder says that he ever listened to occurred when he was Dean of the Columbus College of Law (now The College of Law of Franklin University) in the early thirties.

The Attorney General of Ohio was the man who delivered the address before an assembly of the student body. He spoke on the function of a law school, and what he said was more appropriate for a freshman orientation than for a graduating class, but all may profit from a truth that does not change. The speaker had noted that in more than thirty years of practice in the law those who had not learned how to study in law school never became sound students of the law in later years. Those who did learn *how* to study learned the secret in law school, and therein lay the criterion for the student to judge whether he was a failure or a success on his graduation day. These comments in the address by the Attorney General of Ohio delivered twenty-five years ago have been proven time and again in Professor Snyder's own experience. "It takes a lot of drudgery to do it," he reflected, but it is the only way. And therein lies the reason for the professor's flair for asking questions, not answering them. For learning to study consists in asking yourself millions of questions concerning legal problems, and trying to answer them. Then one's energies are turned to attempting to knock to pieces the answers arrived at. No answer that is accepted until a defense has been erected which is thought impregnable.

This type of thinking has led Professor Snyder to devote his "off-duty" hours to studies in which his primary concern has been legal analysis. In 1953 his *Introduction to Criminal Justice* was published by Prentice-Hall, and in the next year

With the post-war increase in student enrollment a second invitation reached Professor Snyder to return to BLS. This time it was the then Asst. Dean Jerome Prince who issued the call, and once more the professor was back in familiar surroundings. Contracts was the course which primarily occupied him in the undergraduate school, but Jurisprudence and Legal History became post-graduate responsibilities. Time was also provided for the research and analysis which had always been so dear to him. The professor has an abiding gratitude to Dean Prince for having made the time available to him so that he could work in those areas in which his books now give mute but cogent testimony of fruitful endeavor.

Since his return to BLS following World War II, Professor Snyder has lived in Merrick, Long Island with his wife. Around the holidays, particularly, the ordinarily quiet Snyder household resounds with the sounds emitted by healthy grandchildren—eight of them. The professor's three daughters live with their families in Albany and Philadelphia.

Professor Snyder's hobbies are his life: the law and his family. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the American Society for Legal History, Order of the Curia (an honorary legal society), and the legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi.

If one hears the refrain again: "I'm here to ask questions, not to answer them" no student at BLS should raise his eyes in puzzlement. In view of the way in which Professor Snyder asks the questions, we think it's a pedagogic method worthy of emulation.

BLS Celebrates Law Day

Brooklyn Law School, in line with President Eisenhower's proclamation designating May 1, 1958, as LAW DAY, USA, has arranged a stimulating and interesting program in observance of this day. The Student Bar Association in conjunction with the faculty of the Law School will conduct an open house and has scheduled the following events. Professor Gilbride, Assistant to the Dean will welcome guests. Justice Louis Peck, of the Municipal Court, Bronx County, Second District, will speak on the subject "What Our Courts Do For You". There will be an interesting film dealing with a subject of popular and vital importance, "The Story Of Legal Aid". This film is being shown as part of a Student Bar Association program for the students. It should be of greater interest perhaps to law students than the public at large since some of us will one day be among those choosing Legal Aid as our future careers in the field of law. The finalists of the Law School Moot Court Competition will present an appellate moot argument. Those students unable to attend the Metropolitan and National competition of Brooklyn Law School's Moot Court team should take this opportunity to acquaint themselves with the procedural aspects of the activity so as to have a further incentive to try out in next year's Moot Court trials. A tour of the school will be conducted and refreshments will be served by the Roto-Legal Sorority. All members of the public have been invited to attend and participate in this celebration of Law Day, USA. The Student Bar Association has sent invitations to many High Schools and Colleges whose students are interested in seeing at first hand the facilities and operation of the Law School. The program will continue to receive wide coverage from radio, TV and newspapers. The program will run from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on May 1, 1958. The film and the speakers may be heard and seen in the auditorium during that time.

Oldsters

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Dr. Rollin M. Perkins, 68, taught previously for thirty years at the University of Iowa, three at Vanderbilt and eight at U.C.L.A.

TAKES 5-MILE WALK

Lawrence Vold claims to be the club's most active member. Twice a week he walks the five miles from the downtown campus to his Golden Gate Heights home.

He tackled the tough State bar examination and passed it, the only non-California faculty member to attempt it.

"It's no wonder many lawyers who retire to California and want to continue a limited law practice can't pass the bar," he says. "If they prepared a case way they prepare for the bar examination they wouldn't win it, either."

Other club members are Judson Adams Crane, 73, retired dean of the University of Pittsburgh; Albert Brooks Cox, 71, from Tulane University; William E. Britton, 71, Illinois; Harold Gregg Pickering, 68, one of two retired attorneys; and John U. Calkins, 69, the other lawyer, who served thirty-two years as counsel for the University of California Regents.

At Hastings, students knuckle down to hard work for their distinguished teachers, or leave.

"Only about 40 per cent of the first year students are graduated," Dean Snodgrass explains. "They either do the work or they have to leave. Everything depends on the examination."

Third Annual Insurance Forum Stresses Youth's Role in Insurance



Front row (l. to r.)—Roger Downey, Esq.; Professor William S. Herrmann, Jr.; Dean Jerome Prince; Charles N. Segal, Esq.; Morris Roth, Esq.; Raymond T. Greene, Esq.; Bert Cotton, Esq.
Back row (l. to r.)—Professor John J. Meehan; Joseph F. Follman, Jr., Esq.; Professor Gerard A. Gilbride; Professor Russell Perry; M. D. Griffith, Esq.

The Third Annual Insurance Forum was held at Richardson Hall of the Law School on March 20 and 21. The Forum was dedicated to the memory of Dr. Martin H. Weyrauch, the founder, and as in past years proved to be of great interest to the student body. Professor William S. Herrmann, Jr. was the chairman and Dean Jerome Prince welcomed the forum members and guests.

One of the speeches directed to the undergraduates was "Youth and Its Place in the Insurance Business," given by Edward H. Schroeder, Esq. In the speech, Mr. Schroeder compared the advantages and disadvantages which were to be had in the insurance industry, private practice and government service for the law school graduate.

Another of the talks of general interest was given by Hon. Paul Kelly who discussed the appalling

number of automobile accidents and their relation to rates charged for automobile insurance. Mr. Kelly suggested some methods of easing the problem, two of which were uniform statewide traffic laws and uniform statewide traffic courts.

Charles N. Segal, Esq. discussed methods of moulding insurance law to fit present and future needs. Among his suggestions was that the insurance companies should attempt to settle as many cases before trial as is possible so as not to tie up the courts.

A question period followed each speaker and the number and variety of questions asked indicated a lively interest on the part of the audience. This year's Forum, as did the preceding ones, added a valuable dimension to the knowledge and information available to both students and members of the bar in the audience.

Fraternity News

IOTA THETA

The Iota Theta Law Fraternity held its annual Spring Dance at the Statler-Hilton Hotel on April 17, 1958. The affair, which was attended by graduate and undergraduate students, was the highlight of an extremely successful season for the fraternity.

In December of last year, Iota Theta admitted 45 new members at its induction dinner. Among the new initiates was District Attorney Edward S. Silver of Brooklyn and Professor William S. Herrmann, Jr. of the Brooklyn Law School faculty.

The fraternity's fine record is a tribute to its present Praetor, Robert L. Cohen. Iota Theta will again contribute \$500 to the David Still Memorial Fund. This fund was established two years ago in honor of a past member. The fraternity will continue to make an annual contribution of \$500 until such time as the interest on the fund will provide a full scholarship for a deserving student. Dean Jerome Prince and Brooklyn Law School will act as trustees of the fund and the recipient of the scholarship will be selected by a committee of the faculty of the school.

Iota Theta has also created a working scholarship committee within its own organization. Chairman Hank Kalow and Bart Nachamie will give advice to incoming freshmen and upper classmen on the problem of legal analysis. The purpose is to accustom the students to the type of questions to be expected on final examinations and how to best answer the problems.

On May 3, 1958, Iota Theta will sponsor a moonlight boat ride which will be open to the student body. Tickets will be available at \$4.00 per couple.

DELTA THETA PHI

During the past year, renovations were completed in the fraternity by the efforts of all the members. Additional plans include purchase of new furniture and expansion of our library facilities.

Two smokers were held last semester, culminating in the initiation of our newest pledge class. Elections were held recently, and our new officers for next year will be:

Frank D'Elia—Dean.
Bernie Greco—Vice-Dean.
Ralph Nappi—Exchequer.
Hank Gargano—Tribune.
Nick DeMartino—Clerk of the Rolls.
Peter Domias—Master of the Ritual.
Hal Maneri—Bailliff.

Within the next few weeks, our annual spring dance will be held in one of the city's leading hotels. A spring outing has been planned, combining an all-day picnic and an evening party. We are looking forward to being host chapter at the next national convention, which is to be held next year in New York City.

PHI DELTA PHI

The Phi Delta Phi Annual Dinner will be held at Foffe's Restaurant, 155 Montague St. at 8:00 P.M. on May 3rd. At this affair Professors Meehan and Hauser will be tendered honorary memberships by the fraternity. The occasion will also celebrate the admission to the privileges of the fraternity of pledges now become full members. The initiates will be inducted according to the fraternity ritual at ceremonies to be held at Ewart's Inn beginning at 3:00 P.M. Alumni members attending the dinner are invited to participate in the ceremonies at the school preceding the dinner.

JAGC Offers Law Careers To Graduating Students

The Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army, is currently seeking high grade candidates for active duty. All Seniors are invited to inquire about the 153 vacancies which are immediately available in the Regular Army and the 79 vacancies for appointment in the Organized Reserve Corps with concurrent call to active duty.

Both programs lead initially to appointments as First Lieutenant, JAGC, USAR. Later, candidates accepted for the Regular Army will be commissioned in the Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. The others will return to civilian life after a three-year tour of duty but will retain commissions in the U.S. Army Reserve. Pre-requisites include graduation from law school and admission to the bar; however the applications of third-year law students will be accepted, with appointment contingent upon later attainment of these qualifications. Selective Service Boards will usually grant temporary deferment to a potential draftee who has applied for a commission with concurrent call to active duty, and is awaiting action on his application.

Frequent reference is made to The Judge Advocate General's Corps of the Army as the largest law firm in the world. Membership in this firm brings a spirit of professional association to the legal duties which judge advocates all over the world are called upon to perform. For while a judge advocate is an Army officer as well as a lawyer, his legal responsibilities are fundamentally the same as those of members of the legal profession everywhere.

Illustrative of this are the functions of the judge advocate with regard to the Army's procurement activities. The service furnished by The Judge Advocate General in the field of procurement and contract law is well illustrated by the number of legal advices rendered by the Contract Law Branch of the Procurement Law Division, JA. In addition to taking formal action in 1,456 matters, this branch rendered legal advices on an informal basis in response to approximately 3,000

other inquiries during the past year. Included in the formal actions was the review of diversified contract instruments requiring Secretarial action in procurement of a value of more than \$3,000,000,000.

Service as a Judge Advocate in the United States Army offers opportunities that cannot be equalled by the practice of law in any other capacity.

As an Army judge advocate one can reasonably expect to enter a new and challenging field of law every three or four years. The first duty assignment may very well be to a unit where one's primary duties are in connection with administering the system of military justice under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Thereafter, the new judge advocate may be assigned to an installation where he will be instrumental in preparing, negotiating, and administering procurement contracts that involve millions of dollars.

Another possibility is a tour of duty in the Office of the Judge Advocate General where he may be practicing in the field of patents, or as an appellate counsel before the Court of Military Appeals or one of the boards of review, as counsel for the government before the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals, or the Contract Adjustment Board. He might also be a member of one of the divisions of the Office of The Judge Advocate General in the Pentagon researching and rendering opinions in various fields of law concerning questions arising out of the varied and far-flung operations of The Department of the Army.

At the present time, the Corps is staffed by approximately 1200 lawyers, all at various stages of professional development. More are needed now to replace those who have reached retirement age or who leave the regular army for other reasons. If you are interested in engaging in the practice of law with the nation's largest law firm, the United States Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, complete information is available from The Judge Advocate, First United States Army, Governors Island, N.Y., or from Prof. Milton G. Gershenson.

President's Message...

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Thus, the Student Bar Association this year has strived to make available to the student body numerous and various programs as evidenced by some of the above mentioned activities. The Intra-Moot Court program will help a student gain experience and be better qualified to compete for a position in the National Inter-Moot Court Competition. I strongly urge students to participate in the program next year. The benefits which will be derived promise to be well worth the time and efforts expended.

In conclusion, I note with personal satisfaction that by offering more and varied programs to meet the needs and desires of the students the student body is beginning to take a real interest in student affairs. An active student body is the first step toward developing the pride we have in Brooklyn Law School. In the forthcoming year I honestly hope ALL students will continue to take the active interest which they have initiated this year. It is conceivable that our student body is seeking more in the way of educational programs and less social functions. Therefore, the Student Council sensing this trend has revised its policy by constitutional amendment and committee reorganization.

Our goal and purpose has been to further and continue activities along the paths of student interest. Your interest and support in the programs that will be presented by S.B.A. shall be responsible for the success or failure of future programs for your benefit.

I would like to thank the delegates and officers of S.B.A. whose advice and assistance proved most helpful. I ask you to remember that the S.B.A. can do no more than you, its members, are willing to work for and support.

Take pride in your law school and support your S.B.A.

EDWIN J. LASNER, PRESIDENT
Student Bar Association

ALUMNI IN CURRENT NEWS

MISS AMY WREN, 85,
U. S. Commissioner

Miss Amy Wren of 80 Cranberry Street, Brooklyn, a former United States Commissioner in the Eastern District of New York, passed away recently. Miss Wren, whose office was at 215 Montague Street, Brooklyn, was said to have been the oldest practicing lawyer in the borough. When she was named a United States Commissioner in 1928, she was believed by Federal officials to have been the first woman to receive such an appointment.

Miss Wren, graduated from Brooklyn Law School in 1908, was honorary president of the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association and a past president of the New York Women's Press Club. She had been a Republican leader in Brooklyn Heights and an active worker for women's rights.

1921

MAURICE H. MATZKIN, deputy commissioner of hospitals, has been promoted from lecturer to adjunct associate professor at the Long Island University Graduate School.

1925

ARCHIE WELTMAN, presently holds the position of Secretary and General Counsel of the Loew's Theatres, Inc.

1926

Gov. Averil W. Harriman has recently appointed JUSTICE MILTON WECHT, a Municipal Court jurist for the past 28 years, to the City Court. His appointment is for a "short term" expiring Dec. 31. He will be a candidate for election this November to a term expiring in 1965.

1930
ABRAHAM M. LINDENBAUM, is a Commissioner of the New York City Housing Authority.

1931

HERMAN KANER, is presently employed as a Naturalization Examiner with the U. S. Dept. of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Newark N.J.

1935

HERBERT R. SILVERMAN was recently elected as president of James Talcott, Inc., 105-year-old commercial financing and factoring concern. Mr. Silverman is chairman of the National Commercial Finance Conference, trade association of commercial finance and factoring companies, and a director of the Eastern Life Insurance Company of New York and S. Klein Department Stores, Inc.

1946

MICHAEL J. MURPHY, is an Inspector of Police of the New York City Police Dept. and Executive Director of the Bi-State Waterfront Commission of the New York Harbor.

1950

PHILIP WILENS, is presently employed by the Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Organized Crime and Racketeering Section.

1951

HAROLD RICHMAN, is a member of the New York County Lawyers Ass'n, the Bronx County Bar Ass'n, and is an Interstate Commerce Commission practitioner. He has been admitted to practice in the Southern District Federal Court.

1957

CHARLES F. X. PERROTTA has recently opened an office at 32 Court Street, Brooklyn where he will be engaged in the general practice of law.

HARRIS SCHOENFELD, past Editor-in-Chief of *The Justinian*, announces that he is now engaged in the general practice of law at 15 Park Row, New York 38, New York.

THOMAS T. HECHT is now engaged in the general practice of law at 121 Greenpoint Avenue, Brooklyn 22, New York.

HOWARD BERLEHAS recently opened an office for the general practice of law at District Court Building, 5 Sunrise Plaza Valley Stream, L.I. N.Y.

GERALD COHN has recently opened a law office in association with Robert Schrader, also a Brooklyn Law School graduate, at 82 Beaver Street, New York 5, N.Y.

Student Aid Fund Criteria

The Student Bar Association in conjunction with the faculty advisor of the Student Aid Fund have announced the criteria which must be met before a student is eligible to receive aid from this fund. The Student Aid Fund is separate and apart from school scholarships offered by the administration in any form. The monies which go into the fund are contributed by students through the student-faculty basketball game usually held in December and by personal contributions by the faculty. Until the present, there have been few independent contributions and Student Bar Association

policy has been not to solicit funds for this activity. It is hoped that in the future, graduate members who have received help while in the Law School will see fit to contribute to the fund which has helped them attain their goal as a member of the legal profession.

The Law School administers the fund, but as has been pointed out, the money is not the property of the Law School. There must be financial need. Distinct rules govern the administration of the fund. No loans will be made to students who are on probation or who have poor academic standings. It is suggested that the applicant have an average above the minimum "C" required for satisfactory student standing. A student who has a "B" or better average is naturally on stronger ground and his application will carry greater weight. However, this statement of financial policy does not automatically preclude students who feel that they are eligible for student aid to apply.

It should be noted here that the administrators of the fund are in no position to make "gifts" to students of a dubious scholastic standing, since the administrators of the fund are fiduciaries of the fund assets. Above all, a sense of responsibility in addition to satisfactory scholarship is a weighty moral factor considered in making the loan; of course, the applicant must show bona fide need for financial aid. *The Burden of Proof is on the applicant.*

Attorney General Selects Two Seniors

Attorney General William P. Rogers recently announced the selection of Messrs. Mark Charwat

and Stephen R. Lang under the Attorney General's 1958 Recruitment Program for Honor Law Graduates.

Mr. Charwat graduated with highest honors from the College of Business Administration of Lehigh University in June, 1954. He was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and Beta Gamma Sigma honor societies. Upon graduation from Lehigh University, Mr. Charwat joined the accounting firm of Ernst & Ernst, with whom he was associated until July, 1957. As a student, he is a member of the *Late Review*. At present Mr. Charwat is a delegate to the Student Council and is Chairman of the Constitutional Revision Committee of the Student Council. Mr. Charwat has been assigned to the Tax Division of the Department of Justice at Washington, D. C. He resides with his parents at 734 Berry Court, West Hempstead, New York.

Mr. Lang has been Decisions Editor and is presently the Notes Editor of the *Brooklyn Law Review*. He was a member of the 1957 Moot Court team which placed second in the New York regional competition. He is a graduate of Brooklyn College holding a B.A. degree in Public Administration.

Mr. Lang will be assigned to the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice in Washington, D. C. He resides with his parents at 180 Lenox Road in Brooklyn.

The Honor Program was initiated by the Attorney General in 1953, and has proven to be mutually successful to both the Department of Justice and to the young law graduates. It is estimated that over seventy-five per cent of the graduates selected are in the top five per cent of their graduating classes.

Congratulations and Best Wishes

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to the members of the

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