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Legal Space Invaders

By Staff Writer

Plans are underway to go totally computerized in the library for this fall. The first-year program is adding a two credit course in computerized legal research and word processing. A noted attorney who was instrumental in the sale and modifications of the computers (they will also do personal income taxes, utility bills, cash account deposits and withdrawals, and deliver a handy guide to the movies) noted that BLS will be the first all-computer law school in the area.

In order to make space for the forty consoles, the student/faculty cafeteria will be moving to the roof, adding a lovely restaurant and bar, with a view of the harbor and complete international menu. The Xerox machine is moving to the basement to make space for the 25,000 bottle wine cellar which is now being acquired. The new cafeteria, called "The Gavel-Pit" will be all old oak, constructed under the auspices of the Authentic City Guidelines, Landmark Restoration Code 409, under which BLS has been declared a constructive landmark building.

Sources have it that the modernization will place the school's facilities smack in the center of the vortex of courts and government agencies in district.

The computer consoles will be open all night, but they will be coin operated in unfortunate contrast to the older system of allowing students to search for the startrek game without cost. Convenient new change machines capable of accepting five and ten dollar bills are also being installed in the old cafeteria. By inserting the new BLS computer coded I.D. card into the various machines at the library, the student will be able to charge her Xerox and computer expenses directly to an account maintained with the school. A special handbook is available called *How To Write the Moot Court Brief for Under \$200.00 From Cassearch to Typing*.

In less fortunate news from the computer center, the main memory bank and communicator room was recently attacked by

vandals who programmed the computer to printout nothing but promotional copies of *My Favorite Prejudicial Jury Charges* by a J.P. in Hemlock Lake, New York. Quick thinking on the part of the security staff averted what could have been a major crisis wiping out the entire West Reporter system.

As Captain Hagen tells it: "When the electric heaters we use to keep warm over the weekends started browning out we knew something was going on. The eleven o'clock reading showed the empty building was drawing twice its normal load of electric power and an investigation was immediately commenced. The perpetrators were found in the room where the main computer, "Lenny Lightning," is housed. The assailants were plugged into the Federal Reserve Bank at the time they were apprehended."

The security chief noted that a number of cases including *Palsgraf* and *In re Japanese Electronic Products Antitrust Litigation* were unfortunately wiped out completely and are irretrievably gone. Also, some 1550 no-fault cases were lost.

Tampering with the computer is a crime punishable by 3 years imprisonment in the state prison. It can also lead to unfortunate mismatches in mates if the "student singles" ads are tampered with. In a law school in the third circuit, when the computer dating service mode of their computer was tampered with, there were punk rock students being matched with opera lovers and the results were said to be worse than three days of reading the *Congressional Record*.

"In a few months we'll have the kinks worked out of the system" according to the new BLS Computer Services Director (See *Justinian*, Oct. 22). Mr. Boardman reports that the installation is about 75 percent completed but that the need for additional air conditioning capacity to protect the new machines is slowing the installation considerably.

Faculty Hirings At Brooklyn Law School



B.L.S.'s new faculty. From l to r. John Rudd, Gene Simmons, Moo Goo Gai Pan, and Lon Chaney.

In response to demands for more diversified faculty, Dean I. Leo Glasser has announced the addition of four new professors to the Brooklyn Law School teaching staff.

"We have tried to become a national law school, but a law school is only as good as the faculty who teach there," Glasser explained recently.

The new professors, who will begin teaching in the fall, come from varied backgrounds. Due to the vacancies left by visiting Professors Schenk, Hoffman, and Berger, the new faculty have their work cut out for them.

Professor Gene Simmons will be the new Director of the Entertainment Law Program, a new intensified curriculum for those hundreds of students who came to Brooklyn only to learn about entertainment. Professor Simmons will oversee the new program, not do any teaching, as he will be also maintaining another position in

Hollywood, California.

Some of the exciting new courses include:

Makeup and the Law, a seminar to be taught by Professor John Rudd. Professor Rudd is a staff attorney for the ASPCA. He is presently embroiled in a suit against Revlon Inc. alleging cruelty to rabbits.

A lecture series entitled "Finetuned: Law and the Music Industry" will feature a variety of guest lecturers. Professor Lon Chaney will introduce and coordinate the bi-monthly meetings.

With the theme "Litigation is theatre," Professor Moo Goo Gai Pan, an ex-Geisha girl, will teach a course in conjunction with Professor Jerome Leitner on Trial Advocacy. Both professors believe that the courtroom is a stage, the lawyers merely starring players on it.

Justinian extends its best wishes to our new faculty and hopes for success with their new programs.

Ambulance Chasers



In an unusual joint program, students in the Legal Profession and Law and Medicine courses took a field trip to the scene of an accident this week.

The accident, which occurred on the corner of Fulton and Joralemon Streets, was caused when several evening students began fighting over the last spot in the judges parking lot across from the law school.

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the scene, a traffic jam was quickly created. A spokesman for the police department attributed the increase in traffic to the rush of law students after the ambulances.

Professors Gilbride, Palomino and Schlissel could not be reached for comment, however, the *Justinian* has learned that the student who arrived at the hospital first will receive an "A" in Legal Profession.

New Exam Rules

By Staff Writer

Plans have been announced to change the examination format and personalize the taking of exams to the individual style of the student. Along with the tailored exams comes a new set of regulations.

Exams will be given through a video-game screen programmed to present the student with an issue and conflicting rules of law which move through a maze of legal arguments. The student will usually have one hour to destroy all the wrong arguments for his position by shooting tiny electronic darts at them. If the wrong arguments, however, succeed in clinging to his theories he will be wiped out and the second question will appear immediately on the screen.

These video-exams can be taken alone or with a partner in which case they will shoot at each other's arguments, the sides being chosen and assigned by the machine. Students will be able to adjust the speed at which the arguments attack, and by speeding up the attack will be able to gain a higher grade. In this way a student will be able to finish the Civil Procedure exam in the following time:

First Question — 3 minutes
Second Question — 4 minutes
Third Question — 2½ minutes

Of course these are estimated times and you may find that your actual examination time may vary depending on your reflexes.

Practice machines are being installed in the new electronic game room which is going to be located next door to "The Gavel-Pit" rooftop restaurant. (See article this issue).

Additionally the Student Safety Director has informed us that a pot of very strong, inexpensive coffee will be provided for students driving home from exams. A special seminar is going to be held by a leading manufacturer of video games since their coming on the scene in the 70's. He will lecture in the 3rd floor lounge on "Strategies of Defense & Attack in The NY State Video Law Exam".

The following new rules have been promulgated concerning exams.

- 1) No electronic devices of any kind, including "black boxes", tape recorders, patch cords, regulators, wa-wa pedals, tweeter/woofer combinations or similar devices of any kind will be allowed in the exam room.
- 2) The student will be prepared with five dollars worth of quarters for each exam.
- 3) Tilting the machine will result in a five point penalty.

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Lisa Printz, Elliot Schaktman, and Julian Singer.

In the spirit of fun, we wish all those mentioned in this April Fools' issue, to take it in the manner in which it was intended.

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Law Students' Lament

Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered weak and weary,
Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten law.
While I nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a tapping,
As of someone gently rapping, rapping at my office door.
"Tis some student," I muttered, "tapping at my office door."
Only this and nothing more.

Deep into the darkness peering, long he stood there, wondering, fearing,
Doubting, dreaming dreams no student ever dared to dream before;
Finally the silence broken, fumbling with a subway token,
And the words there spoken, were the whispered words, "What for?"
This he whispered and I murmured back the words, "What for?"
"Money," said I, "and nothing more."

Quietly he sat before me, telling me his woes forlornly,
His failing search for employment quite a painful chore.
Rejection letters filled his mail, tear filled eyes as he told his tale,
Of how, disgustingly he'd wail, "A job, please, is all I implore."
Sighing, I nodded sagely, this too is what I implore
Just a job, and nothing more.

Detailed resumes he'd written, hoping some law firm would be smitten
By his Am Jur and his law review note without a flaw.
But hardly did he get a nibble, even tho' thousands did he scribble
Try he did, no one will quibble; queried I "what are you looking for?"
"What job for you," I cried in vain, "what would you settle for?"
"Mudge Rose," he said, "and nothing more."

Letters To The Editor

Get Serious

Who's Wasted

Dear Editor:

Why is it that every time I open the *Justinian* I have to find out about which office has changed over to fluorescent lights? Why don't you guys quit fooling around up there and get into some serious concert reviews?

—Jack Bruce

Dear Editor:

When does the *Justinian* come out? I never know when to expect it. I've heard its every 3rd Thursday after the 2nd Tuesday, but I'm never sure. Also, is there anything that can be done with all the unread *Justinians* that litter the lobby? Perhaps they can be given to charity for recycling.

—Ellen Weiss

Chinese Law

Dear Editor:

When are the Chinese lawyers coming back to BLS? Is it true that a special Chinese law division is being established in the Moot Court? I think more foreign lawyers should be invited to speak out.

—Dr. & Mrs. Jerry Corbit

PRESS BOX

New York, N. Y.—The Court of Special Sessions in Queens decided that Anna Narizamo has skin sufficiently sensitive to know the difference between the feel of a fist and the feel of a wooden door.

Moot Courtroom Goes Co-Op

Citing the rising costs of running the law school, Dean Glasser announced today that the Jerome Prince Moot Courtroom will be converted to cooperative one bedroom and studio apartments over the summer. By winning out over the jail cell conversion suggested by one faculty member, the plan takes full advantage of a market described by Dean Glasser as "simply incredible."

"There is no room in this school for wasted space," the Dean observed, "and

the idea of making classrooms into time share coops is being given serious consideration." The Dean was pleased to note that "conversion will bring in enough money to hire the entire Harvard Law Review editorial board."

Compensation has been mentioned, with the Moot Court Honor Society receiving one of the apartments, and the International Journal getting a closet. Dean Prince was not available for comment.

BLS Women File Suit

The Committee for Better Looking Students (The CBLS at BLS) has filed a class action suit in State Supreme Court alleging deceptive advertising practices. Sherry Hollis, CBLS president, accused the admissions office of hiring male agency models to pose for the school catalogue. Sherry stated that many BLS women feel they were duped into coming to Brooklyn, relying especially on the foldout in the March mailing.

The Admissions Committee flatly denied these accusations, pointing out that a student is clearly visible in the catalogue. Ms. Hollis maintains that "they know that's not the one we're talking about."

CBLS says they are willing to take this to the U.S. Supreme Court. They claim their future prospects are severely limited by having to, as they put it, "commune with these scrawny turkeys."

Razorman Slips Up

After some quick thinking security work by our men in blue, first year student Tommy Fahey, a summa cum laude graduate of Mt. Holyoke, was caught razoring a Benjamin Cardozo opinion from a library volume. Shortly after conceding that while the Wilkinson was his (but he simply hadn't had time to shave), he had no intention of causing any damage, Fahey broke under the exhaustive prodding of Prof. Yonge.

When asked about the opinion missing

from the volume, Fahey replied "oh that one, don't worry, it was reversed in 1972." Fahey has been barred from the library for the duration of the term, but seems surprisingly unrepentant.

"I think the average student is unaware of this guy," Fahey said, "I'd like to keep it that way. No offense, but the guy is crazy. Could you imagine a whole generation of lawyers who believed that stuff? Thank God for Mr. Rehnquist."

Essay Contest

A two year scholarship for post-graduate study in American rights to Mexican natural resources is being offered by the Southern Texas school of economics and law.

The successful candidate will write a 5000 word article on the rights of the various parties to a surrogate mother for hire contract. Jurisdiction will be found in Abbott's. Res Ipsa Loquitur will apply as usual.

Send notes by April 15th return receipt.

Another Essay Contest

A coalition of civil rights organizations is offering five hundred dollars to the author of the winning essay in this year's school integration essay contest.

The subject, unchanged from past years' contests is still: *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka: Fact or Fiction*. Past winners in this contest have gone on to be federal implementation administrators in major cities. No deadline.

Subway Entrance

The recent collapse of a major portion of the library's basement has brought at least one silver lining. Richard Ravitch, head of the MTA, disclosed that an entrance to the Lexington Avenue subway will be constructed over the ruins of the Lexis machine. A combination opening/memorial service is planned for September 2.

Land Rights Pow Wow

The alternative lawyer's forum presents a brief discussion of American Indian Land Rights, Thursday in the lounge from 3 to 3:15.

West Kingston, R. I.—Francesco Mastrostefano who lost the ends of his turned-up mustache in a barber shop was awarded \$25 in Superior Court as the victim of "technical trespass on the face."

San Francisco, Cal.—When Herman Berger had his hair marcelled and then got a permanent, it was the last straw. Mrs. Hannah Berger said in asking for an interlocutory divorce.

Mrs. Berger told the court she left home avowing she was "going out to San Francisco, where men are men."

Happy April Fool's Day!

Inquiring Photographer

Students weren't asked anything in particular.



"Has anyone seen Professor Schenk? I found her little deduction."



"As soon as they lowered the age for admissions to law school, I rushed right out to get my application."

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"What a great summer job! \$450 a week and all I can eat."

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"I just can't keep my eyes open for these 9:00 classes."



"You mean all I have to do to get on law review is show you my briefs?"

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Rollover Cardozo

and

DON VITO CORLEONE

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to discuss

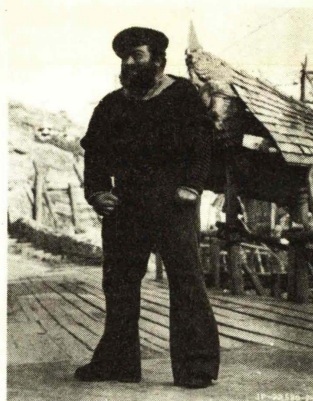
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