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LSA Launches Law School Paper

Pound Competition Honorary Planned

Plans are under way for the creation of an honorary Moot Court Board, according to Mike Lanning, chairman of the LSA special committee on the Moot Court. Moot court activities at UCLA are more familiarly known to the students as the "Dean Roscoe Pound Competition." LSA is currently organizing this honorary board and is working out details as to its membership and its functions, through the special committee.

The Moot Court Board will serve two functions, Lanning reported. It will attempt to attain more realistic

Alumni interested in serving as judges for the Law School second year moot court competition in the spring are asked to contact Gerald Roth of the faculty at the Law School.

standards for grading the efforts of the students. Grading uniformity is considered difficult to obtain under the present system, and the committee feels that a permanent board will make definite progress toward achieving the desired goals in grading, with particular emphasis on completeness, uniformity and impartiality.

The second function of the honorary board will be to provide recognition for students who demonstrate proficiency in oral argument.

Curriculum Committee Scans Academic Area

Functioning little more than a month, the Curriculum Committee of the LSA under the chairmanship of Stanley Cohen has undertaken preliminary investigation of five areas related to the educational program offered by the law school in which the students, as members of LSA, have expressed concern.

Subcommittees and their chairmen are as follows: Legal Aid, Robert Remer; Scheduling, Adley Schulman; Honor System, Nan Goodman; Grading, Arthur Soll, and General Curriculum, Stanley Cohen.

"We felt both the student body and the alumni of the Law School could benefit from publication of an LSA newspaper. That's why LSA Executive Council authorized spending a sizeable portion of our budget for The Docket." Thus explained Lee Wenzel, LSA President, the basic policy reason for publication of The Docket.

"How often we will publish the paper is uncertain," Wenzel said. "We do know for a fact that The Docket will appear once next semester, probably for Law Day" he continued.

"The Docket will attempt to give reasonably up-to-date coverage to happenings around the Law School and alumni news and plans as they are made known," promised Irving Shimer, editor and chairman of the LSA Publications Committee, which

is responsible for The Docket. Shimer is assisted by Bob White and Hank Niles, assistant editors. Other members of the committee act as staff members and reporters.

Wenzel proposed the idea of a student newspaper, when following a term as representative of the LSA to the national student organization, he discovered that several schools across the country were using the newspaper as a device to keep students informed and effect closer ties with their alumni.

Plans for the present call for free distribution of The Docket to the entire student body and mailing of copies to all alumni of the Law School, whether members of the UCLA Law Association or not. "We may change our distribution plans in the future, if our financial situation requires it," Wenzel concluded.

Docket Chosen Name Over Forty Entries

Forty-one suggested names were entered in the recent contest conducted by the LSA Publications Committee to find a name for the LSA newspaper. The winning entry, The UCLA Docket, appearing above as the flag of the paper was submitted by second-year student Anthony Galpern.

Members of the committee who chose the name were Mrs. Evelyn Hanson, dean's secretary; Lee Wenzel, LSA President; Irving Shimer, Docket editor; Charles Rickershauser, Law Review editor, and Prof. Ralph Rice.

Poll Shows Students Reject Honor System

Further investigation of the possibility of establishing an honor system has been dropped by the Curriculum Committee following tabulation of the results of a questionnaire circulated among the students. According to Stanley Cohen, chairman, insufficient student interest was indicated.

To the question, "Would you prefer an honor code system at this school?" Results were No 155; Yes 119; Abstain 32.

Law Review Features Successive Prosecution, India, Taxation Articles

Articles by Professor J. A. C. Grant, Harvey M. Grossman '54 and Arthur Willis will be featured in the first issue of Volume 4 of the UCLA Law Review scheduled for publication December 15.

Dr. Grant's article is entitled "Successive Prosecution by State and Nation: Common Law and British Empire Comparisons." The author is dean of the division of social sciences of the College of Letters and Science and professor of political science at UCLA. He has written extensively in the area of constitutional law.

"Freedom of Expression in India" is the title of the article written by Harvey Grossman, clerk to United States Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas during the 1954 term.

Arthur Willis, a partner in the Los Angeles firm of Willis and MacCracken, has contributed an article dealing with the taxability of gains from the sale of partnership interests under the 1954 Internal Revenue Code.

In addition to the articles and several student comments, 14 case notes written by members of the review will be published in the first issue.

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The Upward Struggle

The Law Students Association has undertaken sponsorship of a broad and impressive list of activities this year. It was felt, and we believe reasonably, that there was much that the student body could do in the way of self-help and self-education. We hope we are not mistaken. We hope, too, that the alumni observing the effort the students are making to bring the Law School closer to what they believe it should be, will seek to apprise themselves of the burgeoning plans and will offer their advice and aid when they can.

It must be noted at the outset that these activities and examinations are not unilaterally operated. The faculty of the Law School has wholeheartedly encouraged, advised, and hearkened to such suggestions as have come forth thus far, and has promised to consider worthwhile suggestions as they are advanced in the future.

Things are moving slowly, as they must. The Curriculum Committee is looking into scheduling and curriculum matters carefully. The Moot Court Committee has formulated a comprehensive plan of operation for future Pound Competitions which at this writing has not yet been submitted to the faculty for consideration. Two Legal Forum presentations have been made and others are planned.

The Placement Committee of necessity, is feeling its way through substantially unexplored area. And with the distribution of The Docket, the Publications Committee makes its first contribution to the activities arena.

The most important consideration to be kept in mind throughout any examination of activities is that we are interested not so much in merely making the student's lot a happier one, but in seeking to lift the Law School to a new eminence. This can only be done if all, that is faculty, alumni and students, join in the common effort towards the commonly beneficial goal.

There are those who believe a law school exists solely for the purpose of producing legal scholars and has no valid excuse for permitting its students to indulge in any extra-curricular activities other than the

law review. This belief is well-founded in view of the undergraduate experience, where all too often activities become dominant and class work is neglected.

The solution to this problem and the answer to these critics is an intelligently balanced set of activities which do not consume an excessive amount of time yet operate towards the desired goals.

We have set our goal—a better Law School. It is now up to all of us to join in the upward struggle.

Irving Shimer.

The Honor System

In the questionnaire recently submitted to the student body, the students determined, by a majority vote, not to institute an Honor System. The decision was ours to make, of course, but in so deciding we may have overlooked a unique opportunity.

In the three years we spend in Law School our minds and energies are largely directed toward gaining a technical proficiency in a difficult and demanding profession. But the practice of law will ask much more of us than legal know-how. For those who hope to honor the profession, it will demand a personal integrity and an ethical conscience immune to compromise.

An Honor System would afford us an opportunity to combine with our scholastic endeavors the sort of responsibility we will be called upon to accept as members of the Bar. Inherent in its operations is a willingness to exercise an unfettered personal integrity. It also demands an uncompromising moral sense with regard to the actions of our fellow students. These are not small responsibilities. Their acceptance is a mark of maturity.

Our school is young, its reputation largely unbuilt, its traditions few. In rejecting the Honor System we may well have declined an opportunity to enhance the school's reputation and prestige, and to establish a worthy tradition. In addition, the voluntary undertaking of such a system, requiring as it does mutual trust and respect among the students, might serve to promote spirit not notably abundant heretofore.

Our student activity program has only recently been initiated. It is likely that the question of an Honor System will be raised again. It deserves further consideration.

Nan Goodman.

Forum Sponsors Water Speech, Prop. 4 Debate

Speakers of interest to the student body of the Law School are the goal of the Legal Forum committee of LSA, as it moves into the second phase of its organization, states Chairman Bob Kirkpatrick. "We know the first two events we sponsored were well-received and we hope to invite other speakers of equal appeal in the future," Kirkpatrick explained.

Charles Corker, deputy attorney general of California and former professor of law at Stanford was the most recent Forum speaker. A member of the Colorado River Litigation Staff of the attorney general's office, Corker discussed the current United States Supreme Court action between Arizona and California over rights to 1,000,000 acre feet of Colorado River water.

He reviewed the historical background of the controversy and some of the matters confronting California's attorneys in the trial itself now under way before a special Supreme Court master in San Francisco.

As their initial effort, the Forum presented a debate on the controversial Proposition 4 shortly before the November 6th general election when the measure was defeated.

Over 300 students, faculty and members of the administration heard Attorney Mortimer A. Kline moderate the debate between Richard C. Bergen of O'Melveny and Myers speaking for the measure and Frank Belcher, former president of the State Bar, in opposition.

Tape Recorder Aids In Directory Preparation

Edited by Zad Leavy, this year's LSA Directory was distributed to all members of the student body recently. Designed primarily as a handy reference list, Leavy commented that with the increased enrollment it is coming to resemble a city telephone directory.

The one-man job of editing was performed by Leavy with the aid of a tape recorder. Data from the record cards was put on tape, then transcribed. The transcribed copy was sent to the printer who sent back galley proofs for proofreading. Distribution was delayed when over 500 errors were detected in the galleys, necessitating a re-proofing of the corrected type.

Law Wives Association Plans Bridge, Speakers

Plans for the Spring meetings of the Law Wives Association include speakers on interior decorating and law, and a March fashion show.

Wives of all law students are urged by President Barbara Wenzel to join the association and attend the meetings. This year's Bridge Chairman, Ann Riccardi, has arranged a number of groups which meet once a month for bridge in the homes of members.

Other officers of the association include Roz Memel, first vice president; Peggy Noland, second vice president; Dorothy Sawtelle, corresponding secretary; Doris Ross, recording secretary; Clair Doctrow, treasurer, and Sherrill Boller, publicity chairman. Adele Currey and Corkey Miller assist Ann Riccardi in the Bridge-Group program.

TORTS INSTRUCTOR SEES LAW 'IN TERMS OF PUBLIC SERVICE'

By Jack Weber

"An individual can make a greater impact—in terms of public service—in teaching law than in general practice," believes Gerald I. Roth, Associate in Law who joined the faculty this fall to give the first year torts course. "That's why I chose teaching," says the 25-year-old graduate of Northwestern Law School.

"A teacher can deal with thousands of students in the course of a lifetime compared to the few hundred cases the ordinary practitioner handles."

Buttressing Roth's choice is his concept of the function of a law school as "not just to get men past the bar exams." In a major law

school like UCLA, he explains, enough of the "Black Letter rules" ought to rub off for that.

But a lawyer helps to make the law, he says. "A student should be prepared for a life of public service." Not that everyone should work for the government but even in his "face-to-face relationship with his client" a lawyer should be trained to act with a sense of the public interest.

This level of ethical experience, he asserts, is "created in an atmosphere in law school, and is primarily a matter of association." In daily contacts with instructors their character inadvertently and unintentionally unfolds, and this affects the student.

The subject matter of the law itself contributes to ethical character development, Roth thinks. "The student comes to analyze it instead of just to learn it and there is usually wisdom behind stare decisis and legislation."

Public law courses especially lend themselves to this kind of thing, because there you talk more "of what the law ought to be." Roth's legal interests, apart from torts, are in such public law courses as labor law and trade regulation.

Law school helps a man to become a more moral person, in Roth's opinion. Throughout law school the student learns to read cases "looking for the underlying reason or need out of which the law grew," he said.

By constant exposure to such public policy arguments, and debating what is right and wrong, he says, what is right becomes important and meaningful to the student.

And if the lawyer is obliged to help "lift the law to a plane where it is respected," Roth asks, "where should the student learn this if not in law school?"

A school has other ethical functions, apart from giving a course in legal ethics, he argues. By publishing a law review and holding institutes, he believes the law school "has an immediate impact on bar and community."

Roth is married "to a pretty girl and we have a handsome son, 15 months old." A sports enthusiast, he played frosh basketball and was a baseball pitcher in high school, as well as in his first two college years.

He was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, and attended school there, but took his last two undergraduate years at UCLA, as well as a graduate year in political science.

Alumni Annotations

By Bonnie Lee Hansen

An LL.B. degree from the Law School has proven a key to varied opportunities in the legal field. Witness the accomplishments of a few of our recent graduates.

The Law School and UCLA Law Association are proud of Richard T. Hanna '52 who was elected State Assemblyman from the 75th district at the Nov. 6th general election. Dick was the first president of the Law Students Association and largely responsible for its organization.

William B. Keene '52 is a Deputy District Attorney for Los Angeles County in charge of the South Bay area office and is president of the South Bay Bar Association.

Roger Pettitt '54 is in practice with the firm of Hartke and Brant and serving as president of the alumni association. While in school he was president of the Law Students Association, Law Review, winner of the Pound Competition and Order of the Coif.

Following a year as clerk for United States Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, Harvey M. Grossman '54, returned to Los Angeles and associated with Pacht, Ross, Warne and Bernhard. Harvey was editor of the Law Review and Order of the Coif during his school days.

Speaking of Supreme Court clerks, William Cohen '56, also a former editor of the Law Review, is currently in Washington serving

Justice Douglas as his clerk for the present term.

Robert Carter '54, clerked for Judge James Carter of the United States District Court and is now in the United States Attorney's office.

Some of our alumni have evidenced a bent for teaching. Leon Angvire '54, now associated with Hill, Farrer and Burrill, lectured at the SC Tax Institute of 1956. Gerry Krupp, '54, with the firm of Most & Hayden, teaches "Law for the Layman" at SC night school.

Joan and Marv Gross '54, husband-and-wife team, were appointed to the State Attorney General's office following graduation. Marv is now practicing in Beverly Hills. Joan is in charge of the automobile forfeiture section of the Attorney General's office. She was recently selected Woman Attorney of Tomorrow by the Community Chest Organization which honored prominent women in professional fields. Joan is also president of the UCLA Women's Legal Association.

Dorothy Nelson '53 and Bonnie Lee Hansen '54 took LL.M.'s at SC. Both were awarded scholarships by the Haynes Foundation and collaborated on a book entitled "Survey of Metropolitan Trial Courts: Los Angeles Area." The book will be published in the near future and deals with problems of judicial administration. Dorothy is now a lecturer in law at SC and Bonnie is with the State Attorney General's office.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SLATES DANCE, LUNCHEONS, ACTIVITIES

News of the activities and plans for the UCLA Law Association has been disclosed by Roger C. Pettitt '54, president of the organization.

Activities for the year will include the second annual alumni dance, scheduled for January or February, 1957, to which all third-year students are invited. The second regular luncheon of the year will be held in Beverly Hills early in December.

The third regular luncheon is to be held in February, and the annual Governor's luncheon, sponsored by alumni groups from UCLA, SC, Loyola, and Southwestern law schools, is planned for April or May.

Pettitt outlined several plans which have been developed by the alumni association, designed to assist and support the Law School and its students. These projects include a book drive for the library; a scholarship fund; an annual gift to the school; an effective placement committee to work with the administration; regular contributions to the Law Review; and evening classes at school, instructed by members of the association.

The alumni association has grown each year, and now has 75 members. Pettitt declared that he hopes

Law School Footballers Miss Intramural Title

UCLA's Independent League Football title eluded the Greenbag Packers this season when the field judges "over-ruled" the law school gridders for 90 yards in penalties, allowing the Nisei Bruin Club to win a 7 to 6 verdict in the Independent League championship play-off.

That one slim point also undid a previously undefeated and near perfect season record. The Packers roared through their regular season play unscored upon, chalking up some 95 points in their six victories.

Downing the Engineers 26 to 19 in the championship semi-final, the Packers displayed real power with two TD's by Matt Kurlich, one by Ed Miller, and the fourth by Gus Noland.

Against NBC for the title, penalties stopped two scoring drives, but did not prevent Kurlich and Noland from ripping off several long runs.

"Throughout the season the team played steady ball," explained Noland, player-coach. "Toward the end our passing attack picked up with Chris Markey and Bob Robinson throwing to Chuck Vogel."

this number will be increased to 100 before the end of the year.

A reunion luncheon was held on September 20 at the Ambassador Hotel in conjunction with the State Bar Convention. Pettitt disclosed that attendance and interest in this luncheon were so favorable that it will probably become an annual event.

Officers of the association, in addition to Pettitt are James H. Leeds, '53, first vice president; John U. Gall, '53, second vice president; Samuel H. Halper, '55, third vice president; Bruce I. Hochman, '52, treasurer; Mrs. Bonnie Hansen, '54, recording secretary, and Mrs. Corinne Shulman, '56, corresponding secretary.

TOOTH FUND NETS GRIDDER INCISORS

By Sandy Bothman

Every time he smiles, second-year student Ralph Shapiro flashes his first Christmas gift of the season.

All he wanted was his two front teeth. He got them recently as a present from virtually every one of his fellow law students.

During an intramural football game this season, Greenbag Packer guard Shapiro collided with the opposing quarterback, shattering and shoving his two choppers backward. They had to be removed.

"Aside from bruised vanity, it didn't hurt too much. I had it all chalked up to experience," Shapiro related good-naturedly. "When he donated the money, I sure did appreciate the help," he added.

A total of \$175 was raised by individual voluntary donations by the student body. It almost covered the bill.

One good result of his accident, Shapiro related, is that the University is now working on a plan to provide dental insurance for intramural athletes. Any other injuries can be treated at the University hospital.

Shapiro, who is an accounting instructor in his spare time, says his students appreciated the Law School gift too. "They got tired of listening to me whistle and wheeze through my lectures," he explained, and as a token of mutual sympathy gave him the record "All I Want for Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth."

Fraternities Schedule Cahan Debate, Dances

Nu Beta Epsilon

New members will be initiated at 11 a.m., Thursday, December 13, in the Law School courtroom. After the initiation, Paul Ziffren, Democratic National Committeeman and local attorney, and William H. Parker, Chief of Police, will discuss "The Effects of the Cahan Decision on Law Enforcement," at a luncheon.

A dinner dance in honor of the new members will be held at 8 p.m. Friday evening, December 14, at The Bar of Music.

Chancellor of the fraternity is Don Drew.

Phi Alpha Delta

Highlighting the month's activities, a holiday party will be held in the Garden Room of the Bel-Air Hotel at 9 p.m., Wednesday, December 19. Dress will be semi-formal—coats and cocktail dresses. All Phi Alpha Delta alumni are invited, and are asked to call Jerry Rudelson, social chairman, at CR 5-6247 or Bob Yeakel, Justice, at PO 5-1589 for reservations.

Phi Delta Phi

Phi Delta Phi's Christmas Party will be held December 18, at Carolina Pines beginning around 9 p.m.

Planning for the Second Annual Alumni Reunion to be held in May is already under way under the direction of Wells Wohlwend, Magister of the chapter.

Phi Delta Delta

The women's legal sorority has pledged five women law students to Beta Theta chapter. Plans for the forthcoming year will include several luncheons at which guest speakers will discuss legal topics. Fund-raising projects to provide a scholarship for women law students at UCLA are currently being planned.

Personal Data

Recent Parents

Leo Molitor '59: twin boys, Michael, 5 lbs. 2 oz., and Steven, 4 lbs. 9 oz., born Oct. 7.

Robert Hefner '58: girl, Coral Elisabeth, 7 lbs. 5 oz., born Oct. 23.

Robert Knox '57: boy, Robert Alan, 9 lbs., born Nov. 14.

Russell Schooling '59: boy, Brian Vincent, 7 lbs. 7 oz., born Oct. 10.

Engagements

Jack Peters '57 to Janet Fenner; wedding Dec. 15.

Frank Lowry '57 to Sandy Kuttin; wedding Sept. 1957.

Harmon Ballin '58 to Jan Fields; wedding June, 1957.

Charles Fonarow '57 to Barbara Goldstone; wedding June, 1957.

Warren Abbott '58 to Joyce Bane; wedding late January, 1957.