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### Fraternity Hears DA

Dist. Atty. William B. McKesson addressed a luncheon meet of Phi Delta Phi on Dec. 4 and was presented a plaque to commemorate his first anniversary in office. Speaking on "Counsel for the People" he commented on the Chessman and Scott cases.

#### AN EYE TO CHANGE

## Long Range Development Program Charted for School by Faculty

Under way is a full-scale reappraisal of many of the aspects of the law school by the faculty with an eye to change, according to Dean Albert J. Harno.

"Within the next 10 years and as soon as possible the law school contemplates various substantive improvements in its educational offerings," he says.

One target is a complete sectioning of all classes in the first and second years, and perhaps even in some third year classes, the dean reports. Not yet determined is the question as to what size class is most desirable, he says.

Dean Harno noted another goal as curriculum expansion. In addition to legal aid, scheduled to be absorbed into the program next semester, the faculty is working towards regularly offering Comparative Law, Jurisprudence and In-

ternational Law, as well as a substantial number of seminar courses.

The dean referred to the predictions as to increases in law school enrollment. "Our law school is lo-

Commenting on physical growth Dean Harno stresses that it is not the size of the school that is of primary importance. "The important task is to improve the educational processes of the school—to make it ever a better vehicle for furthering the professional education of the students.

cated in an area that is growing rapidly," he observed. The tentative forecast is that enrollment by 1964 will be 800 students, nearly double the present number.

All of this will require enlargement of our staff, he noted. "And these developments will require substantial readjustments in our building needs which might involve additions to the present building or perhaps a complete new building."

In Dean Harno's thinking this would be additional to the dormitory and eating facilities for law students, which he has also advocated.

As to the if and when of these things Dean Harno remarked that "It is in the lap of the Gods." It will have to be worked out in the total picture of the University's development and will be presented by the faculty to the University for that purpose, he explained.

### Professor Stresses Need to Improve 'Poorly Financed' Law Scholarships

BY LEE STARKEY

Alumni, future alumni and friends of the School of Law can aid it by contributing to badly needed scholarship funds and helping to improve the "poorly financed assistance program," according to James D. Sumner Jr., chairman of the faculty-student relations committee.

"At the present time UCLA Law School probably has less award funds than any other accredited law school in the country, which is not unusual in light of the newness of the school," he says.

Currently only five scholarships are available, limited to a few hundred dollars. These funds, according to Sumner, merely scratch the surface for the school's needs in five major areas: Awards for outstanding enrolled students, loan funds for needy enrollees, scholarships for outstanding enrolled students, loan funds for needy enrolled students, and awards for outstanding achievements like the Pound Competition, Moot Court, Law Review, etc.

Having scholarships attracts top students, Summer feels. This raises the quality of the school, he explains, because "as outstanding scholars are attracted to our Law School the quality of student performance and class interest is raised."

He notes that the two top men in a recent first year class at Harvard were UCLA grads who received entering scholarships from Harvard. He cites the case of a top UCLA man who, informed that no scholarships were available for him here, entered an Eastern law school where he topped his freshman class. Fortunately, relates Sumner, personal reasons caused him to transfer back to UCLA where he

### Law Faculty Participate In New Dean Selection

Names of the three law school faculty members participating in the selection of a new dean for the School of Law were revealed recently by Acting Dean Albert J. Harno.

Professors James H. Chadbourn and James D. Sumner Jr. represent the law faculty, in addition to Dean Harno. The committee, comprised of several members, is chaired by Dean Vern O. Knudsen, vice-chancellor of the University.

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## The Library Matures

From an initial collection of 21,000 volumes when the School of Law opened in 1949 the Law Library has grown to 110,000 volumes today "and we're still growing," says Law Librarian Louis Piacenza. "In less than 7 years we've become approximately the 15th largest law school library in the country."

Future growth and what directions it takes depends on curriculum policies formulated by the faculty, since the collection is geared to instruction in the common law, according to Piacenza.

"For example," he explains, "if the faculty should ever decide to go in for graduate instruction that would probably mean acquiring a

lot of additional materials, 1 i k e jurisprudence and comparative law which areas are now only represented in the collection with basic materials.

materials.

For the way a new course makes

an impression on the Library, Piacenza cites the International Law course offered for the first time in Summer School.

Piacenza

"We don't have a significant number of books on international law, or other legal systems other than common law," he says, however, the Main Library has about 20,000 volumes in international law and foreign law. We purchased some of the basic texts in international law, borrowed others from the University's Main Library and made arrangements for our Summer School students to use the facilities there for additional research, he indicated.

Right now although "we have a good working collection," our "basic collection for work in the common law" is still not complete, according to Piacenza. Stressing the difficulty of estimating the exact number of books needed to round out this basic collection, he suggested

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another 15,000 volumes might do it, "perhaps 10,000 if finely selected, classics."

The trouble here, the librarian relates, is that "you just can't get the stuff even with money." Much of it is out of print, he says, and hard to acquire.

"We're always checking the market, going over the secondhand catalogs and placing directives with dealers and book scouts to watch out for certain materials at not more than certain prices.

"This means that when the material is found we must have the money to buy the books, or other libraries who also need the material will do so. Gradually we've been making some progress, but despite the relative small number of books involved it may be some time before we acquire substantially all of them."

One of the tests as to how good a library is, is its subscription contracts—its annual purchases in periodicals. Here we stand up very well, Piacenza says, with over 1500 such contracts annually.

"We've also been fortunate in respect to gifts," he added. "We always accept books even if we have them—and sight unseen." Duplicates can always be utilized for trading and exchanging with other libraries, he explains, even when we have copies for our own needs.

Piacenza came to the Law Library before the school opened in 1949 when the books were still housed in a sub-basement of the Main Library.

A year prior to the School's opening, an initial collection had been decided upon by a committee that included representatives from the Main Library, the Berkeley Law Librarian and Dr. J. A. C. Grant of the UCLA political science dept.

This initial collection included the state and federal reports, and some English reports, the "needed periodicals" like Harvard, California and Southern California law reviews, as well as the basic textbooks like Wigmore on Evidence and Williston on Contracts. Many of these were transferred from the Main Library.

One important decision made then, recalls Piacenza, was to acquire the original state reports and keep them up to date as well as the National Reporter System, where they are duplicated.

Many schools get only the National Reporter System, he explains, but even though it meant spending more money it was felt that with the large contemplated enrollment "one copy would be inadequate." Now, the students can find a reported modern case in at least two places.

Although the Library had enough books to satisfy accreditation requirements when the school opened its growth has still been rapid. By 1951 we had 39,000 books and growth has accelerated since then, he says, mainly in the areas of textbooks, legal periodicals, and English and British Colonial Reports.

He expects book-buying to level off at about 5000 a year once the basic collection in the common law is acquired. This figure is variable and will depend on the size of the faculty, enrollment and curriculum.

Piacenza predicts that the physical space the library now has should be adequate perhaps for several years. "We could handle 160,000 volumes with the area we now have," he says, "and if you add in the empty shelves in the seminar rooms it might be stretched another 10,000 volumes. "We have no qualms about adequate room," he says, "for the present or immediate future."

### Law Scholarships . .

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graduated at the head of his class, became a clerk to Supreme Court Justice Douglas and is now a faculty member at the University of Minnesota.

Sumner urges law alumni to keep the Law School in mind when clients inquire as to gifts. He urges students and alumni to mention the law school's needs to friends, relatives, organizations and inquiring individuals.

Those who want to donate may do so in one of three ways, explains Sumner:

"First, by giving to the UCLA Alumni Progress Fund, being sure to earmark the funds for the UCLA School of Law, also stating the specific way in which the fund donated is to be used by the law school.

"A second way to contribute is to donate gifts to the Regents of the University of California, again earmarked for the Law School and the particular use to which it is to be put.

"Last, individuals or organizations may announce and make presentation directly to recipients at the Law School."

#### STILL IN DOUBT

### Construction of Wording May Bar Law Students From Scholarships

Whether law students will be eligible to compete for several thousand dollars of University scholarships depends on the legal-like interpretation of such words as "academic" department and "research."

University Fellowships, 12 of which are awarded this year at UCLA at \$1650 each, are currently open to graduate students in professional schools if they engage in research.

Are law students engaged in research? Dean Gustave O. Arlt of the Graduate Division thinks they are. But until a law student makes an application for this scholarship and a test case goes through we can't be certain, he says.

A staff member in the graduate division reported that one theory for excluding law students from this scholarship is that law students are studying the past while research is work that is directed towards the future, as in the Medical School. Dean Arlt takes a more liberal view of the word. The matter will, be decided ultimately by the Graduate Council on campus.

Another obstacle word for the law student is "academic" department. At present the School of Law is defined as a professional school as contrasted to an adademic department. This definition excludes prospective lawyers from the Flint Scholarship (one \$1950 award annually) and the Heller Scholarship (one \$500 award annually). The definition appears on page 26 of the graduate bulletin in regards to tuition fees where it forbids remission of fees to students in professional schools, listing the Law School as one.

Dean Arlt favors dropping this distinction. He feels that both professional and academic departments should be eligible for fellowships, provided they meet the same high scholastic standards. In fact, the dean reports, two years ago the Graduate Council on campus instructed Deans Knudsen and Arlt to recommend to President Sproul the elimination of the distinction. But to date there has been no action on the recommendation.

Abolition of the distinction in regard to tuition fees, the dean feels, would permit law students to compete for the academic department scholarships also.

## UCLA Law Builds Possible Traditions In SC Football Tilt, Xmas Libel Show

UCLA Law School is a School too new for tradition. It has yet to celebrate its tenth birthday.

But when the present crop of students return as old grads to waddle through the building's then memory-filled corridors perhaps they will recall the origins of tomorrow's traditions in some things done today.

One footstep likely to be followed was the first football game last month between the UCLA and SC Law Schools. The fitting score for a first game: A 6-6 tie.

Another candidate for tradition is this month's Libel Show on Dec. 18, the last day of school before Christmas, when the classes engage in friendly rivalry to spoof law school life and poke fun at the faculty.

Last year the television show

"This Is Your Life" was parodied at Prof. Chadbourn's expense. Highlight: When "Prof. Atkinson" (who co-authored with Chadbourn a casebook on civil procedure) was brought in he failed to recognize "Prof. Chadbourn." Also the UCLA prof. was introduced to one of his former pupils, now Public Enemy No. 1.

Actors commonly seize on one of a professor's characteristics. One teacher may be ribbed for a South ern accent, another for drawing intricate diagrams, a third for a sleepy appearance or a fourth for a booming voice.

But we don't regard the show as a vehicle for taking out dislikes, explains Marv Part, one of the show's producers. We want to stay away from anything bitter or dirty, he explains.

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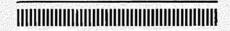
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#### THE AMATEUR OUTLOOK

### First Year Man Compares Notes, Legal Approach With Finn Twins

BY PATRICK F. FLYNN

As a first year law student I don't know much law as yet. But half a year of legal training has given me an idea of how much there is to know. I would not recommend that an amateur conduct a complex piece of litigation.

Yet that's exactly what the Finn Twins-George and Charles-have

They study at the County Law Library. So do I. I caught them once as they prepared to enter the library, burdened with bulging files, heavy brief cases and volumes of reporters.

"We study all the time," according to George Finn. "At times it has taken almost superhuman effort to prepare for court but we have been doing satisfactorily.

The twins have been struggling to recover a World War II airplane, a fight that has won them widespread newspaper publicity throughout Southern California.

They don't use a lawyer. "The only time you need an attorney is when you are wrong," comments Charles. "We have been in all the courts of California except the Supreme Court. We have been in all the federal courts, and have only had an attorney once."

The twins were not impressed with their one use of an attorney. "We could have done better our-

selves," asserts George.
Some of the tactics they use are not recommended in the law schools. After all what professor

#### LSA Seminar Lectures Feature 'Outside' Profs

A program of seminars featuring the abilities and knowledge of professors in other departments of the University who teach related courses has been launched in the School of Law.

Sponsored by the Curriculum-Academic Affairs Committee of the Law Students Assn., a program of about five such seminars is planned.

n Wednesday, Dec. 4 Dr. Herbert Morris of the Philosophy Dept., who holds a law degree from Yale and a doctorate from Oxford, spoke on "The Nature of Law."

The remaining four lectures are planned for next term. It is expected that one will be conducted by a sociologist, another a political scientist and a third, a psychologist.

tells his students to clamp a citizen's arrest on the judge if he isn't going your way? Or on the prosecuting attorney?

The twins have done exactly that. They were however convicted for their arrest of Laughlin Waters, the U. S. Attorney locally. More recently in a second celebrated act they arrested Judge Chantry of the Superior Court.

The Finns' opinion of their years of litigation seems to boil down to "much law and little justice." But I found them still cheerful and enthusiastic, personable and pleasant to talk to. Both graduated from the University of California at Berke-

They are as serious about their case as a law review editor is about his work. Charles puts it this way: "We are not fighting for anybody else, but for our own property and rights-all that we have."

His advice to law students: "You know, it would be valuable experience to fight a case proper while you are in school-and you would probably win!"

### Faculty Abdicates Right To Use Student's No. To Discover His Name

Faculty members can no longer look up a student's number to determine his name, according to a decision at a recent faculty meet-

Previously, according to Mrs. Frances E. McQuade, the faculty

could look up the student's number, though this was not done in practice. Now a faculty

member loses even this theoretcal right, thus assuring the student of complete Mrs. McQuade anonymity.

Mrs. McQuade stressed the administrative difficulties that might arise if students lose numbers. She urged students to put them in a safe place. "Having to supply their numbers to a host of students before an exam disrupts our office routine," explains the administrative assistant.

She also advised students to mark the correct number on the examination, recounting the administrative detective work needed to sleuth down who really had X number and who was the missing person.

### alumni notes

Stanley M. Lourimore, '53, is now deputy-in-charge of the Legislative Counsel's office in Los Angeles.

Eight alums are serving as deputies in the office of the State Attorney General. They include Lester Ziffren, '50; Mrs. Joan D. Gross; Mrs. Bonnie Lee Hansen, and Carl Boronkay, all '54, and Manly D. Calof; Tom King; Morris Schacter and Hershel T. Elkins, all

Ziffren, Gross, Hansen, Calof and King are each engaged in government or civil law work, while Boronkay, Schacter and Elkins are serving in the criminal section.

Dennis D. Hayden, '54, is combining a private practice in Santa Ana with his duties as City Attorney for Tustin.

Paul Posner, '55, works with A. L. Wirin as counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union, and has recently argued several civil rights cases before the State Supreme Court. He also has just stepped down after serving as president of the Hollywood Young Dem-

Among the deputies employed in the District Attorney's ofice here

are Robert Johnson, '55, and George Taylor, Marvin Rowen and Sheldon H. Brown, all '56.

On the legal staff of E. Broox Randall & Sons is Herbert A. Garabedian, '54, who formerly was with the U. S. Army in Germany.

### Parking Group Plans Student Body Survey

A parking survey will be conducted in the near future, according to Zad Leavy, parking committee chairman.

Each law student will be asked to submit a brief report on his transportation and parking situation. He may also apply for a parking permit if he doesn't have one. According to Leavy "it is contemplated that a limited number of permits will be available next semester."

The survey is part of an evaluation the parking committee is making of its past operations. Purpose of the evaluation is to guide other graduate schools who are expected to follow the law school next year in "home rule" of its parking administration.