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Back To The Old Grind

The past summer has seen the addition of two new faces to Cleveland Marshall. One is that of James K. Weeks, a replacement for Professor Samore who left last week. Mr. Samore has accepted a new position at the Albany Law School of Union University. Professor Weeks comes to us from Colorado State Univ., where he was Assistant Professor in the School of Business. He was the recipient of a Ford Fellowship at New York University where he just completed work for his Master of Laws degree. Professor Weeks will teach Contracts, Personal Property, and Administrative Law.

The other new face is the one gracing the front of the school. Notice the new window treatment; the school no longer looks like a factory — at least not from the front. Some classroom remodeling has also been completed.

Interesting bits... Assistant Dean Oleck has a new book out, Cases on Damages, published by Bobbs Merrill. Dean Stapleton recently resigned his position as Mayor of Shaker Heights. What’s he going to do with all that free time? . . . W.R.U.’s Law School tuition is now $44 per credit hour. Makes Cleveland Marshall’s seem like a steal at $28 per hour . . . Entering freshmen number about 150 — “Very good quality,” says Assistant Dean Oleck. All reports indicate that the summer seminars were a complete success. They’re going to be a permanent fixture. A Torts Seminar is planned for the ensuing school year. All of the seminars were a lot of work, according to the students canvassed, but they agreed that their time was well-spent . . . Cleveland Marshall is now fully and officially accredited by the American Bar Association. An early August convention held in San Francisco led to unanimous approval of C-M after a very favorable report. Both Dean Stapleton and Assistant Dean Oleck attended.

Bar Exam And The Outcome

by Allen L. Perry

This past March a group of six Cleveland Marshall graduates went to the state capital to take the bar examination. This was not a repeat performance for this group; it was the first try at the “big one.”

Despite the fact that each one of these alumni was fortified with four years of the finest guidance in his legal training, it must have been a tense and anxious moment for them. They must be thankful now, if not before, for those rigorous and seemingly needless details impressed upon them by the professors of “Dear Ole Cleveland Marshall.”

But due credit must be given to each of these newly made Attorneys at Law. A hearty and most deserving congratulation is extended to Leo Collins, Quindo Crosi, Bruce Fedor, Donald Marse, T.C. Jones, and Maurice Prendergast.

Student Congress In Review

Many students are unaware of the functions of the Student Congress, but the Congress, under the leadership of Adelbert Seiple, member of the Senior class, has been busily making plans for a very active year.

A Faculty and School Relations Committee was formed to act as a liaison between the faculty and the student body. Students are urged to present any problems they feel are important to their class representatives. More co-operation and awareness of school problems is necessary among our student body.

One problem facing each student is the tuition increase from $25 to $28 a credit hour effective this semester. Council sent a letter of protest, drafted by Leo DeGidio, junior, to Dean Stapleton. At a conference held March 31, 1962, Dean Stapleton indicated that constant growth and added cost have necessitated this increase.

Plans for the fall Open House are under way. Also in the wind is the idea for a student bookstore — Council is hoping to save our school members some “cold cash.” Another suggested project discussed was a Columbus registry which would enable those taking the Bar Exam to have information concerning accommodations and restaurants available in Columbus during exam week.

The school curriculum changes for this fall were also discussed. With so many upperclassmen’s complaints on scheduling, perhaps this is a good project for the new Faculty Relations Committee.

Mr. George Livio, junior, drafted a “bon voyage” letter to Mr. William Samore, active faculty member who left Cleveland-Marshall to teach at Albany Law School. The Student Congress wishes him good fortune in his new position.
ELECTION RETURNS

The returns of the primary election for the state of Ohio, held May 8, were tabulated, posted, and seemingly a settled matter, except for those victorious candidates who await the general election in November.

As is commonly done, a list comprised of the candidate's name, office sought, and votes received was labeled "Election Results.

However, there are many questions which arise during and after these political hassels. How will the nominated candidates fare in the general election? How will those elected perform their duties? Are those elected better qualified than those defeated? None of these questions can be answered immediately. Some will be answered by the mere lapse of time, whereas others will be answered by examination of future records.

Still other questions can be asked of the losing candidates. How were the losing candidates affected? Did the defeated candidate lose interest in becoming a public servant?

Three Cleveland Marshall Law School students answered these questions by stating with undaunted determination that they will again be candidates in the 1964 primary election.

William J. O'Brien, a graduated senior, polled more than 11,000 votes as a candidate for State Representative. Mr. O'Brien believes that vigorous preparation is a prerequisite for any candidate running for office. Consequently, while studying for the July Bar Examination, Mr. O'Brien was planning his campaign for the coming primary.

Leo DiEgidio, last semester's sophomore class representative to the Student Congress, received more than 8,000 votes for the office of State Representative. Mr. DiEgidio feels that better representation is needed for the average citizen.

Lewis Lanza, a sophomore who polled more than 9,000 votes for the office of State Representative, feels that a public servant should meet the needs of the people regardless of social or economic environment.

These young men have won the right to be congratulated for their effort to become our public servants.

Good luck to you all!

DEAN HERVEY SPEAKS AT GRADUATION — The 63rd graduation of Cleveland-Marshall Law School was held Friday evening, June 15, at the Cleveland Music Hall. Sixty-five students received their degrees.

Phi Alpha Delta Open House
A "Smashing" Success

Stouffer's Country Kitchen was the setting for the convivial photograph at the right. It was the occasion of the PAD first Annual Autumn Open House.

All Cleveland-Marshall Sophomores and Juniors were invited to join PAD members and Cleveland-Marshall faculty members for cocktails.

PAD President Marvin Silver spoke of the aims of this professional legal fraternity. He explained that the purpose of Meck Chapter of PAD is "to form a strong bond among the members of the different classes and to expose the members to professional programs not otherwise available to evening law students."

COMING FEATURES IN THE GAVEL . . .

Starting with the next issue of THE GAVEL we'll be featuring a column by Dean Stapleton . . . a column by consulting editor Tom Shaughnessy . . . and Letters to the Editor column (if we get any letters).

Another feature being considered is a classified advertising section (strictly for the students) for the sale of law books, notes, etc.

If you have any comments, suggestions, criticisms, or complaints . . . write a note and leave it at the second floor desk, marked to the attention of THE GAVEL.
Fraternity News

PHI ALPHA DELTA
by Julian Allen

On April 29, 1962 at 5:30, David C. Meck Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity was installed in an impressive ceremony in the Cuyahoga County Court of Appeals. The 44 charter members included five faculty members, five alumni, and 34 students. The installation was conducted by Brothers from Grant Chapter at the University of Akron. After the ceremony the new brothers were presented with red carnations, the official flower of Phi Alpha Delta, and group pictures were taken.

At 6:30 the charter members joined their wives and sweethearts at a banquet given by the Cleveland Alumni Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta in the Oak Room of the Carter Hotel. Principal speakers at the banquet included Bro. Justice Marvin Silver who was master of ceremonies, Dean Wilson G. Stapleton, Bro. Anthony Digrazia, Supreme Justice of Phi Alpha Delta, Bro. James Broz, District Justice and President of the Cleveland Alumni Chapter, and Bro. Frank P. Celeste, Mayor of Lakewood.

Guest of honor at the banquet was Mrs. David C. Meck, our Registrar, after whose late husband, Judge David C. Meck, the chapter was named. The festivities were ended after Bro. Justice Digrazia presented the chapter with the beautiful banner, a personal gift from him and Mrs. Digrazia.

This past summer has been fruitful. In June the toastmaster series of dinner meetings was inaugurated at “Harry Mamolen’s,” Bro. Howard Oleck, Assistant Dean at Cleveland Marshall, read a paper on new standards of medical care. The paper was presented later in the summer at the Belli Tort Seminar in California.

In July and August dinner meetings were held at the “Hickory Grille.” During these meetings the constitution and by-laws were adopted as well as an intensive plan for our first full year on campus. Bro. Mike Thal was selected to attend the national convention in Denver in August, and Bro. Portner revealed detailed plans for rushing in the coming year.

Letters to SHIA (or The Wives Always Write)

HI HUBBY!

Since I know I won’t be seeing you often now that school has started I’ve decided to write you a little note to keep you informed of my activities. As you know, the wives of C-M students have formed a club, aptly called ‘Law Wives’. We like to get together to discuss our mutual problems and interests and to learn as much as we can about law. I’m sure you recall how much I enjoyed hearing Professor Fiorette talk about domestic relations last year... a most practical subject!

While you were studying for finals last June, we held an election for officers. They are: Mary Ann Hisnay (VI 3-8844), President; Marilyn Leary (SH 1-3084), Vice-President, who has since found it necessary to resign; LaVerne Reddy (LU 1-1762), Secretary; Joyce Balazs (932-9351), Treasurer; Shirley Gygli (IV 1-2925), Membership Chairman; and I’m Publicity Chairman. Incidentally, love, the phone numbers are for the other wives. They’re not for you!!!

Remember how upset you used to get when I went to Law Wives meetings on Sunday, our only day together? Last year a survey was taken and we decided to hold some meetings on weekdays this year.

The Exec Board met this summer to plan for the coming year, and to try to find a place downtown for meetings. We’ll have our annual get acquainted meeting in mid-October. Please, please tell the guys at school to remind their wives to call the Exec Board (any member) if there is some particular program or speaker they would like to have.

Please ask your colleagues to remind their wives about the special election. I’m sure they wouldn’t want to miss that.

Well, dear, that’s all for now. When I write you next month I’ll tell you definite days when I will be away from home to go to Law Wives meetings. Good luck to you and your friends in the forthcoming school year.

Love,

RHODA (Shapiro, that is, YE 2-9131)

Smith Satisfied With Moot Court

by Peter Kinney

Professor Jack Smith was very pleased with the results of the past year’s Moot Court competition.

There were thirty-two participants appealing eight fictitious cases not heretofore heard by the Ohio courts.

A typical case was one in which a Mr. Williams hated a Mr. Rogers. Williams accused Rogers of committing an atrocious crime which had occurred in the community. Circumstantial evidence illustrated that it was possible for Rogers to have committed the crime.

Rogers was indicted, tried, and convicted and executed. Subsequently, the real criminal, Williams, confessed, and was indinced for murder and found guilty. He appealed.

Professor Smith said that the briefs submitted were better than the average attorney’s brief.

The competition was held in the Cleveland Court of Appeals, Professors Gardner and Smith presiding as judges. Each side was permitted twenty minutes to present its case and was held to appeal procedure.

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