Gov. McMath to Address Graduates

Arkansas Native. “All we need in this State is more Vain and a little better society.”

Visitor: “That’s all Heil needs.”


A member of the New York Bar since 1920, Hyman Cohen received his LL.B. and L.M.M. from New York University. Mr. Cohen received his L.L.M. in International Law, in January, 1925.

Over the years, Mr. Cohen has held various positions in the legal and educational fields. He has been a member of the faculty of Pace University and has served as a legal advisor to various government agencies. He has also been involved in various legal proceedings and has written several articles on legal matters.

Four years later, Mr. McMath volunteered for service with the U.S. Marine Corps (from 1940 to 1946) as a Second Lieutenant. Today, after a meteoric rise, he holds the rank of Major General in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, and is President of the Third Marine Expeditionary Force.

Since 1938, Mr. McMath has been active in the legal profession, specializing in real estate and corporate law, and has served as an officer in several legal organizations.

Mr. McMath is a member of the Pulaski County, Arkansas and American Bar Associations, and has been admitted to the United States Supreme Court. He has received his J.D. from Indiana University in 1950; and his LL.M. and J.S.D. degrees from George Washington University in 1957, respectively.

Presently, Mr. Gaynor is an Army Staff Judge Advocate for the First US Army in Europe, and he serves in charge of the legal office for the U.S. Army forces in fifteen eastern European states.

In 1943, Mr. Gaynor served one year as an infantry company commander and then as a combat intelligence officer for the remainder of World War II. He participated in the invasion of Normandy and five major campaigns in Europe, including the Battle of the Bulge.

Upon demobilization in 1945, Col. Gaynor returned to Indiana University and also became city editor of the Star-Courier, a weekly newspaper in Bloomington. He later re-enlisted in the Army and finished his law school and an army officer. From 1945-1948, Col. Gaynor served as legal advisor, United States European Command, in Paris. In this position, he was in charge of the legal office of the joint headquarters for all U.S. forces in western Europe, Africa, Asia Minor.

Col. Gaynor’s teaching experience includes instructing in the Far East Program at the University of California and the University of Maryland, and in the European Program at the University of Marburg.

Col. Gaynor has had several articles published, many of which are on military law.

John A. Winters, presently a third-year student at the University of California, Berkeley, is presently serving in the Army.

The topic of Mr. McMath’s commencement address will be “Advo
cate.”

Cleveland Marshall President Alfred S. Bond will address the assembly.

The Star-Courier, a weekly newspaper in Bloomington, is a week-old publication.

Ford Grants Announced for Criminal Studies

Research on questions of criminal law and public policy and the training of critically needed teachers and attorneys in criminal law will be supported by grants totaling nearly $2 million announced recently by the Ford Foundation. Grants have been given to the University of California (Berkeley); Stanford University School of Law for sociologic studies, including scholars in law, psychology, sociology, and political science; the University of Chicago, Law School; the University of Wisconsin, Law School; and to the University of Texas School of Law for criminal law training, including internships and fellowships.

The University of California at Berkeley will use its grant for studies of the sociological aspects of criminal law by the Earl Warren Legal Center and the Center for Law and Society. The research will concentrate mainly on three areas: sentencing and excution, punishment outside the criminal law, and law and morals.

The Berkeley program reflects the new direction in legal research, which used to rely mostly on research on searches through law books for precedents previously decided by judicial and legislative authorities. Judges and lawyers, however, are finding increasing use for empirical research techniques in resolving social issues in the law. For the first time, the program is viewing groups of citizens, hiring opinion-polling firms, and sifting through mountains of statistical data.

In some instances the result may be to strengthen a defendant’s case, in others to shed new light on the effectiveness and fairness of law enforcement and criminal justice administration. By means of such socio-legal research, questions that may lead to new developments in public policy are being raised.

The studies at Stanford University will include an examination of criminal cases in Northern California to determine to what extent confessions have been essential for convictions and law enforcement; an opinion sampling of public attitudes toward punishment and treatment of criminals; an analysis of after-careers and psychic and social effects on persons imprisoned for crimes.

The grant to Northwestern University provides for student train
ing and experience in criminal law including summer clerkships for about 115 undergraduates and twenty-five two-year graduate fel
ows. Both will include work with prosecutors and public def
edents; the undergraduates will also have clinical assignments with police agencies.

For the new program, Northwestern plans to add a series of new criminal law seminars to its curric
um. One for senior law stu
dents who will be in apprenticeship and will involve work on criminal cases or appeals in Federal and state courts. The graduate fellows will spend one year in criminal law studies and part-time clinical work, and then devote most of their second year to work on actual cases. The grant will be used over the next five years and will also cover expenses for lectures and special conferences.

At the university of Texas, the grant will be used for a new Criminal Justice Studies Program at both the bachelor’s and master’s degree levels. Over a four-year period, several summer internships will be given to under

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Big Days Coming Up for Alumni

Franklin Polk ('39) Wins Frats Man of Year Award

The Cleveland Alumni Senate of Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity has chosen Attorney Franklin A. Polk for its 1967 "Man of Year" award.

This award is given annually in recognition of outstanding service to the fraternity, to the legal profession and to the community. Mr. Polk has served the fraternity as its Cleveland Alumni Senate dean, national convention manager, Founder's Day banquet chairmen, publicity and awards chairman. As its life membership chairman during the past 30 years, he has as­signed in building a large life mem­bership affiliation among Ohioans with Delta Theta Phi which is now the largest legal fraternity in the world.

The group was founded at Cleveland Law School in 1901 and has since established 124 chapters at law schools throughout 48 states.

The award plaque will be pre­sented to Polk by past national chancellor, William H. Thomas at the fraternity's 66th annual Founder's Day banquet to be held Wednesday evening, May 10, at the Edgewater Yacht Club, 6700 Memorial Shoreway, N.W.

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Legal Aid Director Burt Griffin Lauds Evening Law School Grads

Evening law school graduates were the recipients of words of praise from Burt W. Griffin, Di­rector of the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. In a speech delivered at the Harvards Law School Confer­ence on Law and Poverty, Griffin discussed the demands for Legal Services lawyers. Said Grif­fin,

"Special attention must be di­rected toward the night law schools which normally graduate more than 50% of the nation's lawyers, the overwhelming number of whom far out-stripped most day students in maturity, negotiating skill, and career interest in legal services to the poor. So far, OEO has tended to look upon graduates of night law schools as amiable persons of lesser competence, who might supply steady workaday service but who surely could not provide the zest and imagination necessary to sustain a dynamic, aggressive pro­gram. This is an amazing irony in the April edition of the Michi­gan Law Review."

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"The professional success of these night school graduates is also impressive. How many of us are the sons and daughters of night school graduates? How many of the top criminal, personal in­jury, and civil rights lawyers have been night school graduates? And tell me, when did Hubert Humph­rey, Arthur Goldberg, Lyndon Johnson, Walter Reuther, and Harry Truman graduate from Har­ vard, Yale or Columbia? And were they first in their classes?"

The top picture will be re-created as a host of the friends of Probate Judge Frank J. Merrick honor him as Outstanding Alumnus of the Year on May 19 at a luncheon at the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

The lower scene will be duplicated on June 8 as alumni from around the nation meet at their convivial Annual Open House in the law school.

Alumni Luncheon May 19, Annual Open House June 8

Preparations are underway for the Alumni Association's "big days" coming up in the next few weeks. A committee, headed by past president Aaron Jacobson, has already mailed out tickets to more than a thousand alumni and friends, who will honor Probate Judge Frank J. Merrick as the Outstand­ing Alumnus of the Year on Fri­day, May 19, at a luncheon at the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

The affair is ideal for those alumni who want to meet their former classmates. By using the ticket order blank below, alumni can indicate the class "reunion" table at which they would like to be seated.

"These luncheons have done much to spur the growth of the alumni association, to make the community graphically aware of the law-school's impact on the profession, the courts, in government, and in business and industry," said Alumni Association President Pat­rick Lazzaro.

June 8 will mark the first time a full day is being set aside for Alumni Association activities. Starting off the day is a two-ses­sion seminar on Shepardizing (see article, this page), followed by the Association's annual meeting at 3:30 p.m., at which the association elects its officers and trustees for the coming year and makes amend­ments to the alumni constitution.

Then, at 4:30 comes the affair many alumni look forward to all year—the Annual Oper. House, with its unlimited bar and buffet, So Bossmann, chairman of the event complains good-naturedly that some alumni manage to con­sume enough to account for their dues for the entire year. Mr. Bos­mann's planning and work has made this event one of the out­standing affairs of the alumni as­sociation's "social season," and at­tracts alumni from hundreds of miles across the country.

Admission to the Open House is free to members of the associa­tion whose dues are paid up for the coming year, which dues can be paid at the door.

Prof. Arthur Austin Writes Lead Articles

Arthur D. Austin, Assistant Professor of Law at Cleveland Marshall Law School of Baldwin-Wallace College reports the publica­tion of two timely law review articles and one lengthy book re­view, all in the area of big busi­ness.


Legal Aid Programs Provided by Other Law Schools Explored

Even though Cleveland Marshall is the first night law school to seek federal funding for a legal aid program, several other law schools have fully developed legal aid programs. Here’s a look at what some other schools are offering to students and their communities in the way of legal services. The programs have been developed by, among others, Professor Finherty as a member of the CM Legal Aid committee.

Harvard

Harvard has a legal services program sponsored by the title of the Community Legal Assistance Office under the direction of John J. Broderick, O.P. The program involves student volunteers, for no credit or pay, except that their work is ex-tolling Check the bulletin board for further information.

Boston University

NLADA is sponsoring a "de-fender program," and the Justicelaw is sponsoring a "prosecutor" program to complement. All students participate in a seminar during the school year, entitled "Advocacy in the Legal Aid Clinic: Procedure." In addition to receiving academic grading in the seminar, students are also given a grade by the local court judges when law graduates have appeared in behalf of a client. The grades are combined to determine the student's 2 credit hours for the seminar and combined practicums of about 120 hours a year. The entire program is run by Prof. William Gibbons.

Toledo

AALSI and the Ford Foundation have a program using students, where in combination with a seminar, the students volunteer at the local Legal Aid Clinic and use the actual cases assigned to students for discussion in class as to legal issues, factual analysis, and solution of actual problems. In addition the students must do some outside reading of books, articles, and other related publications. There is some leeway in selection as on the reading, but each student must submit a learned paper in one of the areas of his reading or practicum, or both. The School grants 2 credit hours for the seminar and 4 hours for the practicum. A new course will be introduced into the regular curriculum as an additional elective. The title is as yet undetermined, but it will be a substantive law course substantially similar to other such legal aid courses at other Law Schools. This is to be a 3 credit hour course.

The student who takes the course, seminar, and practicums will be granted a total of 5 credit hours. The program is run by Prof. Lester Brickman.

Marquette

Under the direction of Prof. Raymond Klitzke, the project has three aspects. The "Poverty Law Seminar" is basically a discussion, lecture, and guest speaker approach, to be given for the first time in Sept., 1967, for 2 credit hours. The content is a typical poverty law approach. Students must spend 2 days in the local legal aid office, and give a report on the happenings. Since it is a 4 man office, business is sometimes very slow. There is also a program involving students under the direction of the staff Attorney. Student Attorneys who continues in the Seminar, and conduct supervision, will receive a total of 8 quarter hours credit, equivalent roughly to 6 semester hours. At this time, 21 students out of a total student body of 580 are in the program.

University of Wisconsin

Under the direction of Prof. A. J. Broderick, O.P., there is a program mostly academic in nature, where students are involved in a legal aid seminar, for 2 semester credit hours. Two Faculty members correlate the academic work as a portion of the course, but two practicing Attorneys have been added to the program as part-time and part-time. Students do research, reading, and write a paper. There is no examination as such.

Ohio State University

Under direction of Prof. Gerald Mescunian, a first year elective is offered entitled "Legal Aid," giving 2 quarter hours credit for each term, for a total of 6 quarter hours (4 semester hours). Two faculty members, in charge of the course appearance. Students work in the local legal aid office, and at the University Legal Aid Clinic. They have appeared in local State and Federal Courts, have 6th Circuit cases pending, and have 8 cases currently assigned by the Ohio Supreme Court. Class discussions involve the actual cases, centering on the relevant facts, applicable law, specific remedy, and strategy. Students are asked to act as student supervisors of 8 each undergraduate student, assigned a case under the direction of the staff Attorney. Senior students who continue in the Seminar, and conduct supervision, will receive a total of 8 quarter hours credit, equivalent roughly to 6 semester hours. At this time, 21 students out of a total student body of 580 are in the program.

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Georgetown

Under OEO funding, a "substantial" grant was given for the purpose of developing and organizing a "law and poverty" program at the GRADUATE level. Attorneys in the program, under the direction of the school legal service, develop and engage in legal and practical work. Both are given academic credit for their work.

Western Reserve

Recently, Western Reserve University, in Cleveland, Ohio, has been the site of a number of legal aid programs. There are no students in the programs, but those involved are all members of the local bar, while the students involved are members of the law school staff. The programs have been developed by, among others, Professor Finherty as a member of the CM Legal Aid committee.

Law Schools are Switching Preference to J.D. to LL.B. Degree

Nearly 15,000 young men and women are eligible for admission to the law schools approved by the American Bar Association this June. However, the same law degree will not be awarded by the local court judges when law graduates although they have been engaged in the same basic study for the past three years of four years, a recent ALSA publication points out.

At 70 of the ABA-approved law schools, the personal Juris-Decuriae J.D. degree (comparable to the M.D. for medical students) will be awarded to nearly 3,500 candidates. At the remaining 90 law schools baccalaureate (J.L.B. degrees comparable to the Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree) will be handed out.

Why the distinction? No reason, really. Back in the dark ages of American legal education—the early 1800's—there was no formalized course of study for aspiring would-be lawyers. They learned their profession through home study methods, a few formal classes, and mostly by clerking for the office of a practicing attorney. No previous educational attainment or background was required. It was not until the turn of the century that the American Bar Association began to standardize the curriculum. The American Law School began to demand tighter educational standards for bar examination. Thus, referendum voting was required on the association with the university complex.

The stigma of the early "law school rootlessness" remained associated with the legal profession for many years. Graduates who hold the J.D. degree are better accepted by the bar; in fact, the legal profession requires the J.D. degree for admission to the bar. Therefore, the graduating law student who wishes to practice law in this country, must have the J.D. degree.

But, the stigma of the early "law school rootlessness" is being removed. This past June, 21 students at the University of Wisconsin were initiated into the ranks of Mecklenburg, North Carolina, and the University of Wisconsin. The students are in the program.

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granted for participation in special programs which are in a criminal justice agency, and research and written reports. About ten graduates are awarded for fourteen and one-half months of study and field work. The university prohibits placement of the program to related non-criminal legal problems of the poor.

Semester System

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going to school 44 out of 48 months. The fatigue factor involved would of necessity interest in a certain area if it meant a heavy or extended load after.

Also, the semester system will allow less freedom for the faculty to do research and to obtain advanced degrees, the committee asserted. Aided, publication and advanced degrees of the faculty add much to the academic reputation of any school.

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