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WILLIAM WILSON COOK, twice a graduate of the University of Michigan, A.B., 1880; LL.B., 1882, and until his death in 1930 a distinguished member of the New York bar, was exceedingly generous to his Alma Mater. He built the William W. Cook Law Quadrangle, dedicated to legal education and research. He gave the University the Martha Cook Building—a residence hall for women. Mr. Cook had many interests outside his profession but none was more intense than his devotion to American institutions. Indeed, so earnest was his belief in the value of those institutions that in 1927 he wrote and published a two-volume work entitled "American Institutions and Their Preservation." Motivated by the desire that his Alma Mater should make a major contribution to study, teaching, and dissemination of sound precepts concerning the American way of life, Mr. Cook established at the University the William W. Cook Foundation for lectures on American Institutions, handsomely endowed to achieve the ends he had in view.

THIS PROGRAM announces the ninth series of lectures to be held under the auspices of the Foundation. The lecturer is Eugene Victor Rostow, Dean of Yale University School of Law. Born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1913, Mr. Rostow obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale in 1933, his LL.B. degree in 1937, and his Master of Arts degree in 1944. For a period of one year, 1933–34, he was a student at King's College, Cambridge, England. Admitted to the bar in the state of New York in 1938, he practiced in New York City for one year prior to joining the faculty of Yale University Law School. In 1944 he became professor of law, and in 1955 he was appointed dean. During World War II, from 1942–44, he was a legal adviser in the Department of State in Washington. Thereafter, in 1949–50, he served as assistant secretary for the Economic Commission for Europe. In a busy career he has found time for many and varied types of public service. He served as vice chairman of the New Haven Charter Revision Commission, 1950–55, as a member of the Connecticut Judicial Council, from 1955 to the present time. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a member of the Board of the Walter E. Meyer Institute of Legal Research, and on the Council of the American Law Institute. He has been a member of the Connecticut Governor's Prison Study Committee, and the Connecticut Bar Association Committee on Tenure and Appointment of Judges. He has made valuable literary contributions in his professional fields, including A National Policy for the Oil Industry (1948), and the 4th edition of Sturges' Cases on Debtors' Estates (1949).

Mr. Rostow's published work has been largely concerned with the law and economics of public regulation of business, which has also been his principal field of teaching. His written works also deal with foreign policy and with problems of the theory of law. The present series of lectures represents all three of these interests. They will, in an inter-disciplinary manner, review extensive recent developments in the law controlling the economy, in their international context, and in terms of the criteria by which we compare the law that is with the law that ought to be.

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