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RES GESTAE

September 15, 1967

The Weekly Newspaper of the U-M Lawyers Club

NOW WE BEGIN: Welcome freshmen and a mutual purpose

This year's staff begins the fall term with much the same combination of fear and bravado as is felt by most of you. The work load for both groups as yet is minimal compared to the legendary stories of the spring push.

The fear of entering any new situation must inevitably be increased by an unawareness of the rules that govern the play. This is especially true in law school for not only is the subject matter strange but so also is the method by which these subjects must be examined. When this strangeness is combined with the intense competition that is engendered by the many superior students here, the result can be disorienting. But this is only one side of the coin. The work load and competition anticipate great rewards, for eventually we will acquire a disciplined, rational thought process of invaluable worth in dealing with practical, daily problems. Res Gestae this year will follow the same general format as in past years. As the primary news source of the Law Quad, it will report not only on what has happened but anticipate events of special interest to law students. The Report from the Board of Directors of the Lawyers Club will continue to keep students current on the action taken by the Board in its weekly meetings. The Weekender column speaks for itself. Chuck Tobias will reign as the new czar of the sports section. However, in order to make Res Gestae more adequately reflect the student body as a whole, we very much want letters, comments and articles (by any student) on any subject of concern to the Law School. These can be addressed to Res Gestae, Hutchins Hall, or simply contact one of the staff members whose names appear in the staff box.

--John Laughlin, Editor

NEW FACULTY

The Res Gestae would like to join the faculty and students of the Law School in welcoming four new instructors and a visiting assistant professor to the campus.

Professor Victor H. Li, LL.B., Columbia University, LL.M., Harvard University, is teaching "Communist Law" with Professor Gray this term and in the winter term will teach a course on "Chinese Communist Law."

The four instructors, all of whom will be working in the Problems and Research program, are: Edward P. Archer, Georgetown University; Howard C. Eglit, Chicago University; Michael S. Josephson, U.C.L.A.; and John R. Light, Kansas University.

No new permanent faculty members were added this year, to the relief of the University of Minnesota.

CASE CLUBS

As a prescription of Deweyian "experimental learning," the Law School Case Club program is mandatory for the first time this year. Reflection upon the 90% participation under the erstwhile voluntary procedure leads one to the conclusion that the only substantive change forthcoming will be the allowance of speculation as to the content of the heretofore possibly reluctant 10%.

It would be, indeed, premature at this point to undertake evaluation of a program that is yet to run its course. This notwithstanding, it may be observed that the first phase of the program (viz., library orientation) is now complete. Hence, evaluation of this aspect of Case Club is possible as well as desirable.

The staff of Res Gestae solicits your responses to the following questions with the hope of thereby gaining, and then publishing, a fair appraisal of this year's library orientation. Drop the answers at the Res Gestae mailbox on the third floor of Hutchins Hall.

1. Do you feel that the presentations of your Senior Judge were articulate?
2. Do you feel that your judge's presentation reflected (inadequate, adequate, more than adequate) preparation?
3. Do you feel that the time costs of the venture were justified?
4. Do you feel that anything should have been touched upon that was not within the scope of this year's program?
5. Other comments not covered by the above?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE TOTAL ENROLLMENT of the Law School for the 1967-68 academic year is 1059 students. The first-year class numbers 355. Further vital statistics show 41 women in the Law School this year, of which 18 are in the freshman class; this figure represents a net increase of 6 women over last year, or nearly 18%.

STUDENTS using Room 200 in Hutchins for studying are reminded that interviewing will begin this Monday, and the carrels in Room 200 are reserved expressly for these interviews. Thus students are requested not to use this room for study until further notice, as the interviews will continue all fall.

SENIORS: Deadlines for applications for foreign student fellowships to work overseas are near. Fulbright applications are due on October 2 and Michigan-Ford's on October 6. Those interested should see Mrs. Gomes immediately, in 973 Legal Research. A meeting will be held later this fall to explain all the fellowship programs to first and second year students.

A LAST WARNING is given seniors to complete their resumes in preparation for the interviewing sessions beginning September 18. The Placement Office emphatically states that it will not write these documents for you.

LAW REVIEW

The Michigan Law Review is pleased to announce that the following seniors and juniors have been added to the editorial staff of volume 66:

Abrahams, Benjamin J.	Harter, Philip J.	Pyle, James W.
Abram, Sam L.	Hay, Howard C.	Recchuite, Martin C.
Blaske, E. Robert	Hoops, William D.	Rich, Joseph D.
Boyer, Barry B.	Johnstone, Robert P.	Rose, Robert L.
Briscoe, Mary L.	Josten, Roy J.	Sayler, Richard H.
Burns, William	Kalo, Joseph J.	Scoblionko, Mark H.
Carroll, Joseph	Lander, Louise I.	Shopoff, Jeffrey W.
Childress, William A.	Ludtke, David A.	Siske, Roger C.
Connaughton, Thomas	Martin, James A.	Tague, Peter W.
Crane, James L., III	Moore, William S.	van Westrum, Anthony
Duback, Steven R.	Murphy, James P.	Weaver, John W.
Fichtner, Ralph P.	O'Hare, Thomas C.	Willis, Franklin K.
Frye, George R.	Pfizenmayer, Rickard F.	Zimmer, Richard W.
Gooding, Robert E.	Platto, Charles	
Grode, Lance	Preonas, George	

LEGAL AID

The Legal Aid Society of the Law School has announced the election of its new Board of Directors.

Dennis Shafer has been elected chairman, and other members of the board are: Steve Page, office manager; Bob Francis, secretary-treasurer and director of the criminal area; Pat Muldoon, case coordinator; John Osborne, community action director and co-director of the civil area; Clark Harvey, area director for domestic relations; Frank Munger, co-director of the civil area; Cush Anthony, in charge of the Ypsilanti branch; and Jean King, publicity.

The Legal Aid Society is the staffing agency of the Washtenaw County Legal Aid Society, which is funded by the Office of Economic Opportunity. The Clinic supplies free legal counsel to indigents in Washtenaw County. This counseling takes three forms: advising clients on everything from how to obtain a driver's license to how to apply for welfare benefits; referring the client to social and welfare agencies for help if his problem is not of a legal nature; and representing the client in negotiation, arbitration, or litigation. So far during 1967 the Clinic has handled 647 cases. These cases are divided into three categories--domestic relations (the largest proportion), civil litigation, and criminal cases (limited to low misdemeanors, since Michigan Court Rules provide for court-appointed counsel in high misdemeanor and felony cases).

The Clinic is open all weekdays from 9 to 5, also Tuesday and Wednesday nights from 7 to 9, and Saturday mornings from 10 to 12. There are still positions available for people who are willing to work one two-hour shift a week. Students are especially needed to fill the following time slots: Tuesday night 7-9; Saturday morning 10-12; Monday and Tuesday 11-1; Wednesday 9-11 and 3-5. Michigan Supreme Court General Court Rule 921 allows students to represent clients in court under the supervision of a practicing attorney. Eligibility for membership in the Society is limited to students who have completed 28 hours or more of law school work with a 2.0 average or better.

Those interested in joining should contact Phil Rowan (665-2473) or sign up on the Legal Aid bulletin board next to 220 Hutchins and attend the next meeting of the Legal Aid Society, which will be announced in this paper.

REPORT FROM THE BOARD

Monday night's Board of Directors meeting was concerned almost exclusively with a lengthy discussion of the problems of the Law Library.

Professor Pooley, director of the library, joined the Board for dinner and then fielded the barrage of questions the Board put to him concerning the operation of the library. Among the items which came out in the discussion were the following: a statement of basic library rules has recently been posted; the first and second levels of the library stacks (which will, respectively, house all the library's English language periodicals and U.S. Government publications) will soon be opened up for student use; library policy will henceforth be that students should reshelve the books they use in the reading room or the first or second level of the stacks; a new type of lighting system will be installed in a limited portion of the library as an experiment which is hoped will eventually lead library users out of the Dark Ages of legal study; consideration will be given to a Board recommendation that student ID's be left at the desk while reserve books are being used.

Co-chairmen of the Social Committee, Tim Baetz and Milt Wright, announced that there will be an all-sorority mixer at the Law Club, probably during the first week of October. Quite a bit farther into the future, on November 18, there will be a Law School dinner-dance.

Regarding the annoying problem of students cutting in line for meals, it was decided that the only measure which can be taken--and should be taken--is for people to speak up and remind those who barge in line that their place is at the end of the line. Such reminders if frequently voiced should prove enough to eliminate the problem.

--Mike Cole

WEEKLY PUZZLE

The staff of Res Gestae, in accord with the procedural rule of long standing which dictates the marriage of entertainment and edification, introduces its weekly logical puzzle. This initial offering is tendered with the following assurances: (i) You are given sufficient information to answer the question(s) posed; (ii) the explicated answer will be printed in the next issue along with a new puzzle; and (iii) the difficulty of the puzzles will increase with each issue of Res Gestae (although their sauciness will tend to remain constant).

THE PROBLEM:

You may recall that in the Shire of Worcester, everyone's surname is either Lea or Perrins. The Leas always tell the truth; the Perrins always lie.

A traveler, meeting four men of said shire on the road, questioned each as to the composition of the group with respect to being either Leas or Perrins. The first replied: "We are all Perrins." The second: "Only one of us is a Perrin." The third: "No, two of us are Perrins." The fourth: "I'm a Lea."

THE QUESTION:

Was the fourth speaker a Lea? Why or why not?

WEEKENDER

"Ah ne'er so dire a thirst of glory boast
Nor in the critic let the man be lost."

Greetings from your friendly Weekender column. This year's racy reviews of the various movies, plays, and other happenings will, for the most part, be personal and arbitrary; but they are based on vast experience in the fields of film criticism and production. Your comments, agreements, or disagreements are welcome.

Lest you become bored with repeats of the same reviews, we hope to provide various and perhaps contradictory opinions of the same event. You will see, at times, some similarities between the various goings-on in town and those of our institution. Notice, for example, the parallel between Harry A. Kagan, the pompous defense attorney in a mock trial in Up the Down Staircase, and "Cream-Puff" Miller, the scourge of the legal profession and a legend in his own time. Or that between the film's dance and Martha C's mixer where every girl was A Woman Times Seven (???)

Because of all this introductory palaver, the reviews this week will necessarily be ultra-capsulized. But just wait till next week!

Up the Down Staircase is a meaningful look into a New York inner city high school. Although sometimes too slick à la Hollywood and unrealistic, it is very moving and well worth seeing. Sandy Dennis is superb as the young school teacher who carries the film up the down staircase. At the Michigan.

Woman Times Seven: This film features seven delightful episodes in a woman's life, events that are more often talked about by women than experienced. Shirley MacLaine does an excellent job adapting to each of the subtly and characteristically different roles. It's a funny movie with a touch of tenderness, and is recommended for an evening of light entertainment. At the Fox Village.

Janus New Film Program, Part I: A series of short films directed by Francois Truffaut, Roman Polanski, and Richard Lester. Polanski directed Knife in the Water and Repulsion; and Lester, both Beatle films, The Knack, and A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum. These shorts ought to be a very interesting look at the techniques of three fine directors. Recommended especially for film buffs. At the Cinema Guild.

The Bobo is basically a tale of an elaborate scheme of seduction. Peter Sellers, as the Bobo, adds humor to an old plot, and Britt Ekland, as the object of his attentions, supplies the spice. More bull throwing than bull fighting. Typical Peter Sellers. At the State.

Made in Italy: A series of "humorous" vignettes about Italian life today, with one or two laughs, poor photography, not even three square inches of skin; don't waste your money. At the Campus.

My Sister, My Love is a Swedish import which looks frankly (read, crassly) at the relationship between a brother and sister and examines the maxim, Vice is nice, but incest is best. Lots of skin à la Sweden. At the Vth Forum.

ON THE TUBE

The Great Escape is on Thursday and Friday at 9:00 pm on Channel 2 (in two parts).

--Jim Bieke
Bob Graham

SPORTS: Pro Football Predictions

September is by far the most difficult month for the average sports fan. For while his heart is still throbbing over the conclusion of the ever-exciting baseball season, his mind is contemplating the arrival of the Sunday afternoon gridiron clashes of professional football.

This season twenty-four teams will spend the next four months trying to prove that the twenty-fifth, Green Bay, really isn't as invincible as everyone says, and that they're just another team. And so the chase is on. It has become customary for all reputable sports authorities to present their preseason picks to the public. The Res Gestae will be no exception.

The following opinions are the results of a well-calculated analysis by a staff of experts who thoroughly analyzed the strengths and weaknesses of every team and have come as close as humanly possible to a computerized evaluation.

National Football League

Western Division

1. Green Bay Not invincible as some seem to think but strong enough to win in a weak division.
2. Detroit Same old problems--too little of everything, but look for improvement and a second place finish.
3. Chicago Defense is old and rotten, Halas is senile and there isn't a quarterback in sight; Sayers can't do it alone.
4. Minnesota Possibly the worst team in pro football.

Coastal Division

1. Los Angeles Plenty of everything, this is their year, Roman Gabriel for MVP.
2. San Francisco A well-balanced offense, no defense, look for high-scoring games.
3. Baltimore Johnny U. is still the best but the team is getting old and there is no running game.
4. Atlanta A respectable team that will surprise some, but they picked a tough division.

Century Division

1. Cleveland Tradition and Leroy Kelly will carry Browns to the top of Century which is comparable to the bottom of Capitol.
2. New York If they can fight injuries and develop a line that scrambles as well as their QB--could surprise.
3. St. Louis Hope for fourteen scoreless ties.
4. Pittsburgh They may not have a good defense, but they don't have an offense either.

Capitol Division

1. Washington Great speed, good QB, strong defense and a sensational coach (Otto Graham).
2. Dallas Put everything together last year, will have a hard time repeating.
3. New Orleans An experienced expansion club that will jolt quite a few teams.
4. Philadelphia Finished strong, but played over their heads on momentum alone--should revert to normal.

American Football League

Western Division

1. Kansas City By far the class of the West.
2. Oakland A well-balanced club that should finish a strong second.
3. Denver Improving, and if Tensi is good, the club could jell.
4. San Diego Terrible defense will hamper team all year.

Eastern Division

1. Buffalo An awesome defense spells trouble for other AFL teams.
2. Houston Should be much improved; Webster for Rookie of the Year.
3. New York The season depends upon Namath; he might just be overrated.
4. Miami Great climate, beautiful city.
5. Boston Weakest team in either division.

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--Chuck Tobias

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