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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL THOMAS M. COOLEY LECTURES BEGIN NEXT WEEK

Otto Kahn-Freund, Professor of Comparative Law at Oxford University, England, will deliver the series of five Thomas M. Cooley lectures next week beginning Monday, September 25 and running through September 29. The lectures will be held in Room 100 Hutchins Hall at 3:30 pm.

Professor Kahn-Freund has a first-hand knowledge of three legal systems. He studied in Germany until 1933 at the Universities of Frankfurt, Heidelberg and Leipzig, at which time he left for England. His long connection with the London School of Economics enabled him to continue his work with the social and economic aspects of law, especially labor and family law. He was recently appointed to the chair of comparative law at Oxford University. Finally, he has lectured and traveled extensively in the States and about fifteen years ago lectured and shared a seminar with Professor Russell A. Smith on labor law during a semester at Michigan. Also during his stay here, Professor Kahn-Freund prepared a supplement to Professor Smith's text on labor law dealing with foreign solutions.

Professor Kahn-Freund will concentrate on contract law during his lecture series because it is probably the area in which comparison of English and American law will be most readily understood. His emphasis on contracts, though, will be primarily a means for Professor Kahn-Freund to delineate the movement in relation to each other of the English and the American legal systems.

JOURNAL OF LEGAL REFORM

This year will see the introduction of a second legal periodical from the University of Michigan Law School, tentatively titled the Journal of Legal Reform.

As the name indicates, its articles will deal with areas in which the existing state of the law produces either an inequitable or an ineffective result. Topics, around which articles are already being constructed, are fair housing legislation, a revised criminal code, Good Samaritan statutes, air and water pollution controls, and court reorganization. It is anticipated that articles will be written both by students and by outside contributors, the latter category including not only members of law school faculty, but also justices and prominent practicing members of state and municipal bars.

During this, its initial year, the Journal is under the direction of a joint faculty and student committee headed by Dean Francis Allen. Current faculty members are Professors A. F. Conard, Frank E. Cooper, R. J. Harris, Carl S. Hawkins, William J. Pierce and James J. White. The current members of the Student Editorial Board are: Ronald Berlin, David L. Callies [Managing Editor], Thomas H. Chamberlin, Michael W. Cotter, Richard J. Egger, Richard L. Herrmann, Elizabeth A. Kinney [Staff Editor], Malachy R. Murphy [Articles Editor], George Preonas, Daniel F. Ross [Research Editor], Michael D. Saphier and Gary F. Wyner.

It is anticipated that a 2nd-year staff of between 15 and 20 students will be selected about the middle of October from students submitting

CIVIL RIGHTS RESEARCH COUNCIL

Law Students Civil Rights Research Council will meet at noon in room 138 of Hutchins Hall on Friday, September 22. There will be elections for a chairman, vice-chairman, and internship chairman. Several of the summer interns will report on their experiences in the South. Anyone interested in civil liberties and civil rights is invited to attend.

STUDENT FILES

It has been decided by the Faculty that student files maintained in the Law School Recorder's Office hereafter will not be made available to prospective employers who come here to interview.

Separate placement files have been established for each student using the Placement Office's services. In each folder will appear 1) the resume prepared by the student--or his data sheet if a junior, 2) a copy of the Law School transcript--unless the student requests in writing that it not be included, and 3) any faculty appraisal letters or other letters of recommendation the student may have obtained.

The placement file for each student interviewed will be made available to the interviewer at the conclusion of each day's interviews.

It will be assumed that each student, by signing up for an interview, agrees to the foregoing. Additional appropriate material provided by a student will be placed in the placement file at the student's request.

AMERICAN LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION BECOMES STUDENT DIVISION OF ABA

At the August annual meeting of the American Bar Association in Honolulu, Hawaii, the American Law Student Association (ALSA) was absorbed by the ABA as the ABA's Law Student Division.

The move means automatic free membership in the ABA for LSD members upon graduation from Law School. It also results in the creation of two new seats in the ABA's House of Delegates for members elected from the LSD.

The LSD's own annual meeting was held concurrently with the ABA's. Its primary function, the election of new officers, resulted in the election of Wayne Corley, a smooth, attractive southerner, as President. The 28-year-old Corley, one of South Carolina Governor Robert McNair's top aides, bested two other extremely able competitors for the top spot.

In addition to the politicking, LSD members from over 100 schools assembled in seminar sessions of approximately 15 people each to discuss 10 different topics including: law school newspapers, speakers programs, legal aid clinics, advocacy training and finances. The information gained in such opportunities to discuss common problems with those of other schools is perhaps the most useful commodity which convention participants bring back to their law schools.

In considering a number of resolutions, the LSD tabled perhaps its most controversial one, i.e., that the U.S. unconditionally halt the bombing of NVN and cease all offensive military action, but adopted a number of others. Those passed included establishment of a committee to look into the feasibility of granting diploma privileges to graduates of ABA-approved law schools, thus alleviating the necessity of taking and passing a state bar exam (two states already permit this); encouragement of student participation in the process of state constitutional reform and formation of a committee to serve as a clearing house for all information relating to constitutional revisions as it is progressing in the several states; recommendation to State Bar Associations that they include one or more students from each law school in that state as ex-officio members of certain standing committees of the State Bar; and creation of a committee to investigate opportunities for law school graduates in the armed forces and to recommend a possible course of action to members of Congress.

Membership in the LSD costs \$3 a year. Benefits which the individual member derives include, besides free ABA membership upon graduation: access to a nationwide ABA placement service, a subscription to the Student Lawyer Journal and an attractive life insurance plan.

Further information on the LSD can be obtained by contacting Sam Tsoutsanis in D-15, 764-8914.

--Sam Tsoutsanis

REPORT FROM THE BOARD

The highlight of this week's Board meeting was the report of Sam Tsoutsanis concerning his summer trip to Honolulu to represent the Law School at the American Law Student Association convention. ALSA is the student arm of the ABA. Tsoutsanis, Greek Hula-King, described the workshop sessions in which the various law schools' delegates discussed ways in which their schools dealt with common problems.

Mr. Yourd spoke to the Board concerning the new Law School policy to establish placement files separate from each student's general file (for details of this innovation, see separate RES GESTAE article). He also mentioned that as many as six elms in the courtyard may have to be taken down this year due to their infection with Dutch Elm disease, and the Board decided to look into the feasibility of purchasing some replacements.

Jim Schwab, Board treasurer, discussed the possibility of the Board's using the University's Office of Student Accounts to handle some of the disbursing and accounting functions that are necessary for sound financial management. This matter will be looked into further in the near future. Jim announced that this year's budget would be hammered out at next Monday's meeting--as always any interested parties may attend.

It has been called to the Board's attention by Mr. Ryan that a sizeable number of persons are in effect bringing guests into the dining room without paying for their meals. This is being accomplished by Law Club residents who take huge lunches or dinners or get seconds and then give their surplus food to dates or non-paying friends (e.g. "brown baggers" who want salads, desserts, and drinks to supplement their wives' skimpy fare). Mr. Ryan wants it known that such practices are strictly prohibited and the prohibition will be enforced.

WEEKLY PUZZLE

Answer to last week's puzzle:

The first speaker is obviously a Perrin, for if all four were Perrins, then none could say so.

Hence, there is at least one Lea.

The second speaker must also be a Perrin; for if he is a Lea, then the third speaker is a Lea too; and the third contradicts the second.

The third speaker may be a Lea, in which case the fourth speaker is a Lea too; or he (the third speaker) may be a Perrin, in which case the fourth speaker is the only Lea.

Therefore: the fourth speaker was a Lea.

This week's puzzle (explicated answer next week):

You may recall that there is a small law school 50 miles north of Rogers City, Michigan, in which the freshmen, juniors and seniors are indistinguishable save with respect to their attitudes toward the truth. A freshman always answers a question truthfully; a junior always lies; a senior, answering two or more questions, tells the truth and lies alternately; his first answer, however, may be either truthful or otherwise.

A visiting professor at this law school approached a group of three students whose surnames were (as luck would have it) Mr. Freshman, Mr. Junior, and Mr. Senior. One was known to be a freshman student, one was known to be a junior student, and one was known to be a senior student.

Taking Mr. Senior aside, the visiting professor put some questions to him.

"Mr. Senior," he said, "are you the senior, the junior, or the freshman?"

"I am the senior, sir."

"And Mr. Junior?"

"He is the junior."

"So Mr. Freshman is the freshman?"

"Obviously!"

Question: Is Mr. Freshman the freshman? If not, what is he? Why?

N.B.: Notwithstanding previous indications to the contrary, this week's puzzle is not as difficult as was last week's. Such is not a trend; rather it is a chance occurrence which will rarely be repeated.

WEEKENDER

"We have all the colours in the world, all the space and all the noises in the world at our disposal. Let us attack!"

This weekend is a red-letter one for entertainment in Ann Arbor, including Peter Nero, a new APA production, and some good flicks. For as Yale Kamisar says, "Many can tarry at such a revel five or six hours, whenas [sic] they will not abide one hour at a lecture."

Bonnie and Clyde, starring Warren Beatty and Faye Dunaway, was the U.S. entry in this year's Montreal Film Festival--a dubious honor, indeed. It's the story of a 1930-type gang which its ads call "the strangest damned gang you ever heard of"--devil-may-care Clyde Barrow, the leader; cigar-smoking, poetry-writing Bonnie Parker; and their cohorts. Time says the film's full of "sheer, tasteless aimlessness...aiming at irony and missing by a mile." I'm with Time this time. At the State.

The Family Way: "Sensitive" is the word everybody uses to describe this English comedy. The story's about young newlyweds with no privacy; the husband's inability to consummate his marriage leads to problems for them both. This theme is treated with tenderness and a combination of humor and pathos. Hayley Mills and Hywell Bennett are very good as the new couple and John Mills is terrific as her father-in-law. This is the best in Ann Arbor this weekend so put your bod in gear and go. At the Michigan.

Hawaii is a big fat epic about the attempt of missionaries in the 1820's to convert and civilize the uncouth natives of the islands. As usual, they blow the job, but here it takes three slow-moving hours. Even Julie Andrews, who can usually be depended upon to lure any red-blooded Anglo-Saxon lawyer, is not her usual vibrant self. The film is a poor adaptation of Michener's volume and even the photography has been over-rated. Generally, Hawaii is a little less than exciting, and is recommended for the theater goer who doesn't care what he sees. At the Fox Village.

Night Games is a continuation of the Vth Forum's exploration of the "Vice is nice but incest is best" theme with the addition of the "Candy is dandy but liquor is quicker" theme. Actually, this flick is much better. In a series of flashbacks, you see a young man who is sexually impotent because of his relationship with his mother. His girlfriend administers the therapy and he climbs from the depths of depression to a snowy triumph at the end. The film's symbolism is very well done, its photography is great, and its skin content is 50%-60%. Highly recommended for the artsy film goer. At the Vth Forum.

Janus New Film Program, Part II, is a continuation of the short, arty, experimental films directed by a number of the brilliant young directors of this decade and the next. I wanted to go to the program last week, but it was all sold out, so the flicks should be either damn good or recommended by a lot of profs. From all appearances, however, they would seem to be excellent works of "dazzling virtuosity and imagination." Go if you have any interest in the film medium as a language of our times. At the Cinema Guild.

King of Hearts is another one of those antiwar movies that should be put away with the rest of them. The movie tried to counter the madness of war with the madness of men. Alan Bates in his role of mock munitions expert releases all the nuts in an asylum who become mad townspeople. They crown Bates their king, match him with their loveliest virgin, and eventually win him over to their madness. There's much better in town, so forget about the mad people for now. At the Campus.

Pantagleize is a play written by Michel del Ghelderode, and it will be presented this weekend and next in an APA production (usually very good). The L.A. Times calls this one "superb, flamboyant, exuberant." I'll let you know next week. At the Lydia Mendelssohn Theater.

Peter Nero will be wailing on the piano in Hill Auditorium this Saturday. He was great last year.

On the Tube

The Pink Panther: Sat., 9:00: Peter Sellers--Hilarious.

Mutiny on the Bounty: Sun., 8:00: Marlon Brando--Romantic.

The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance: Fri., 9:00: John Wayne et alii--

Somebody Up There Likes Me: Sat., 11:30: Paul Bang, Bang.

Newman--WOW.

--Jim Bieke and Bob Graham

SPORTS: Big Ten Fans: Football Buffs or Bluffs

Most midwesterners who claim a working knowledge of the intricacies of football hold the belief that the Big Ten is the center of gridiron power in the country and that the midwest is the heart of good solid football. Are these bravados supported by the facts of recent years or are they merely the remnant of a tradition that has faded out of sight?

Although I, too, am a Big Ten fan, I tend to believe that the latter analysis is correct and that today the Big Ten is no longer mighty. It is just another football conference. The inter-conference play of the past five years bears this out. The reasons for this decline are three-fold. In the first place, all major schools now have a much wider recruiting base. With high school athletes being drawn to all sections of the country, the raw talent is far more diversified. Secondly, the Big Ten does not grant as many scholarships as the other conferences. Thirdly, the style of football played in the Big Ten is not suited to college players' abilities and size.

There is still an emphasis upon huge size. Unfortunately, speed has been sacrificed. Georgia showed this to Michigan two years ago and Alabama proves annually that speed will beat size at the college level. It is time for a re-evaluation of what produces winning football, or an admission and acceptance of the mediocrity of the Big Ten.

The Conference is again suffering from an off year. Fortunately, with the exception of Michigan State, all teams are suffering. As a result conference play should be balanced and exciting. This, however, makes pre-season predictions a treacherous task that is sure to haunt all sports analysts throughout the year. But I'll give it a stab.

MSU is still tops and should become the first Big Ten team to win three successive titles. Give the nod to Michigan for second, partly from prejudicial sentiment and partly because I think Vidmer will blossom into a great quarterback and field leader. After that I refuse to explain my reasons: Purdue, Minnesota, Ohio State, Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Northwestern.

This Week's Picks (Winners in Caps)

Duke at MICHIGAN	Houston at MSU	Purdue at TEXAS A&M
Arizona at OHIO STATE	ILLINOIS at Fla.	Wisconsin at WASHINGTON
TCU at IOWA	KENTUCKY at Ind.	MIAMI at Northwestern
Calif. at NOTRE DAME	ALABAMA at Fla. St.	Texas at SOUTHERN CAL
WESTERN MICH. at Ark. St.	Emporia St. at WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE	

--Chuck Tobias

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