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EDITORIAL

UT POENA AD PAUCOS, METUS AD OMNES PERVENIAT*

Once upon a time, there lived a king. This king was the strongest, smartest, best king in the entire world. One day, he cut his finger. He went to the royal doctors, who decided that the only sure cure would be to cut off the king's head. They did, and sure enough, soon the blood stopped dripping from the king's finger.

But the king died.

The Johnson administration has ended blanket deferments for graduate students.

The gist of his decision is that each graduate student must carry a 1-A in his pocket, with his draft board deciding his fate without any guidelines but their own feeling of the importance of his studies. (A life-estate subject to partial or total defeasance by his local board and the Viet Cong?)

Three interesting observations can be made from Johnson's act. One is that his anti-intellectualism has reached a new high, in that he is seemingly ignoring all of the lessons of history as he tries to thrust a Pax Americana on the world.

Secondly, although the entire educational, intellectual and cultural community united in opposing this move, Johnson made it anyway. It shows where the power in our system really lies. (N.Y. Times, Sun. 2/18, E7, said, "The universities have now been told by the Government that the manpower at the highest level of training is being dealt with entirely according to economic and military needs -- in the fashion in which totalitarian states regard and channel manpower.")

Lastly, several years ago, Mister Johnson said, "I'm not smart enough to be president." We cannot argue with that incisive statement. But it shows that Johnson does see the inherent truth in a situation, that when he acts, he acts through seeing the situation clearly. He is adding 600,000 men to the pool of available manpower for a reason. He may be trying to put the fear-of-Johnson into China, or, more likely, he may be putting the fear-of-Johnson into the students of America. At any rate, he is threatening the educational structure of our nation, so that we feel that his action is not merely stupid, but reprehensible.

(* that the punishment may reach a few, but the fear of it affect all)

- Joel Cooper

LEGAL AID ELECTIONS

Elections to the 9-member Legal Aid Student Board will be held in Hutchins Hall on Monday, March 4, all day. All legal aid members who are presently active will be eligible to vote. Any member excepting May graduates may run. Nominations must be made by Monday, February 26, to Jean King or in the dropbox of Clerk of Courts Office, 234C Hutchins. See the Legal Aid Bulletin Board near 220 Hutchins and at the Clinic.

LEGAL AID MEMBERSHIP

Second-semester participation by law students in the Legal Aid Society has continued at the high level of last semester. There are currently 85 active members in the Legal Aid Society. These members are handling cases and either serving two-hour shifts at the Ann Arbor Clinic or three-hour shifts at the Ypsilanti Clinic. Seventy-five of the current members were also

active in the fall semester. New members of the Legal Aid Society are Robert Adler, Marilyn Cason, Steve Draheim, Walter Hamilton, Steve Kimbell, Robert Sher, Mel Shotten, John Siegmund, Thomas Smithson and Dick Weil.

MINORITY GROUP REPRESENTATION AND THE BAR

New statistics reveal that the proportion of minority group members as attorneys is far less than would be expected. The number of Indian attorneys outside of Oklahoma is fewer than 25, of a reservation population of 300,000, outside Oklahoma; thus allowing our country to boast of only one Indian lawyer per 12,000 Indians, as opposed to one lawyer for every 754 people as the national average. Similarly, there are only an estimated 250 Negro lawyers to serve the 13 million Negroes in the entire south and southwestern United States, one for each 37,000 people.

The problem for Indians, southern Negroes and for many many poor whites is that even where there is a very strong will, there often is no way whatsoever.

Helping to find a "way" for poor people with a "will" is really what the poverty program should be all about.

\$15,000 FOR STARTING LAWYERS

A major Wall Street law firm has decided to raise salaries for starting lawyers from \$10,000 to \$15,000. A spokesman for Cravath, Swaine and Moore declined to elaborate, but confirmed the story. The last increase in the going rate was from about \$9600 to about \$10,500 last June, for starting lawyers.

A number of the largest, most important Wall Street firms have countered with similar increases in starting salaries.

NEWARK COMMISSION CHARGES BRUTALITY

A special commission on racial disorders charged last week, that state and local police and National Guardsmen used "excessive and unjustified force" against Negroes in seeking to quell rioting in Newark, New Jersey, last July. The blue ribbon commission strongly condemned the role of the police and city administration in handling the riots. The study was authorized by Governor Richard Hughes, a former county judge.

The commission called for additional federal and state funds, and proposed a series of reforms including a civilian police review board, and elimination of bail except in unusual cases. The commission said it was very "disturbed" that seven months after the riots there had been no report of any disciplinary action against police and Guardsmen who were charged with using excessive force.

Editor's Comment: We were in Newark during the rioting. We saw the broken glass, and the stores burning, and a city paralyzed by fright. We read of the rapine and death, and spoke to the shotgun-carrying policemen on the corners. We wonder what excessive force this "blue ribbon" panel is criticizing, the "excessive force" used to protect the property of the business community, or the "excessive force" the police used to protect themselves. We wonder how many members of this panel live, work or own property in Newark, instead of the rich suburbs of Newark and New York, where police may be exerting "excessive force" if they knock on the door too hard at three a.m. to tell someone to hold down the noise of his party.

ELECTION MESSAGE

With the election less than two weeks away, I would like to take an opportunity to re-acquaint the student body and potential candidates with some of the activities that the Board of Directors has provided for the student body over the course of the year.

The President in addition to his functions as Board of Directors' chairman was this year made a voting member of the Board of Governors and a member of the now four-man Executive Committee of that Board. The President must also appoint with the Dean, and the approval of the Board, members of

the Joint Judiciary Committee and the Faculty-Student Liaison Committee. As chairman of the Board of Directors, the President makes and follows through on committee assignments to see that all duties and responsibilities are carried out.

The Vice-President this year, Chuck Barnhill, has acted as Chairman of the Board's three-man Disciplinary Committee, which fortunately had to function but once to investigate violations of club rules. Chuck has also done considerable work for the Board in setting out judicial guidelines to be followed in accordance with the newly created Joint Judiciary Committee. He has served as representative of the Board on the Faculty-Student Liaison Committee.

The Secretary, Mike Cole, has faithfully recorded the weekly minutes of the Board and has published his "Report from the Board" in the Res Gestae. Mike is also a member of the club Disciplinary Committee.

Jim Schwab, as Treasurer, has battled year-long to prevent committee members from overspending their \$8000 plus budget, and has seen that the money has been distributed as equitably as possible, sponsoring as many student groups as possible.

The Board of Governors' members, Tim Baetz and Mike Mason, in addition to other committee duties have regularly attended Board of Governors' meetings to argue against rate increases. They requested and got appropriations for the renovation of the Cook Room Lounge and the Lawyers Club Main Lounge.

The Members-at-Large of the Board along with the officers have all held several standing committee assignments. Our Social Committee of Tim Baetz, Milt Wright, and Jeff Wohlstadter has planned and held the Freshman-Faculty Smoker, the two Susterka Lake Parties, the Fall and Spring Dinner Dances, and the Fall Mixer for the merriment of the members of the Lawyers Club. They also purchased and distributed block tickets for concerts last fall.

The Publications Committee members, Sam Tsoutsanis and Doug Jones, have actively recruited managers for the Res Gestae, the Senior Book and the Student Directory. It has been their duty to advise and minimize problems arising during the year from these publications.

Clem Dinsmore and Sam Tsoutsanis as Speakers' Committee Chairmen have this year presented Programs with the head of the National ACLU, a representative of the U.S. Patent Office, panel members on the Detroit riots, speakers for three legal opportunities symposiums in cooperation with the Placement Committee, panel members on poverty law, and others. They hope yet to present films on life in city ghettos, a panel on draft regulations, and an address by Ralph Nader.

The Stores Committee with Jim Schwab and Mike Mason has spent long hours selecting candidates to manage the student book store and the student supply store, writing contracts for the managers, and generally supervising the contract performance.

Working with the Library staff, Chuck Michod, Mike Mason, Jeff Wohlstadter, and Sam Tsoutsanis have held lengthy discussions resulting in hornbooks being placed behind the desk with check-out being by ID card only. The critical shortage of materials during exam time has been eliminated. The Committee has also attempted to affectuate other changes in Library procedure aimed at eliminating the theft of books.

This year on an experimental basis, the Board sent two of its members, Bill Bavinger and Jeff Wohlstadter, as Law School representatives to the Graduate Assembly. It was their job to express Law School opinion to the Graduate body on issues relevant to our students. Bill has also worked on the Disciplinary Committee.

ELECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS AS PRESCRIBED BY THE LAWYERS CLUB BY-LAWS AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

POSITIONS: Four Officers will be elected - President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer.

One member of the Board of Governors (serves as a regular member of the Board of Directors, in addition)

Seven members At Large

TERMS: All members of the Board of Directors shall be elected to one year terms except the Board of Governors' member who shall be elected to a two year term.

NOMINATIONS: Nominations for each of the 12 positions shall be made by submitting a petition indicating a specific position to the Nominating Committee. Petitions may be picked up Thursday, February 22, at the Lawyers Club Office. Petitions must be completed and returned to the Lawyers Club Office, with an accompanying campaign statement which will appear in the Res Gestae, no later than 12:00 noon on Tuesday, February 27, 1968.

The Nominating Committee consisting of the Student President of the Board of Directors, the Secretary of the Board of Governors, and the Assistant Dean of the Law School shall review all petitions and may disapprove any nomination for cause. All petitions will be reviewed to see that the twenty-five nominating signatures are authentic.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

All student body members shall be eligible to run for and hold any position on the Board of Directors subject only to the following requirements:

- 1) Only students who intend to and in fact reside in the Lawyers Club during their term of office shall be eligible to hold Office of President.
- 2) Only students who have completed no more than two full terms of class work shall be eligible to run for the position of Student Member of the Board of Governors;
- 3) Nominating petitions must have been submitted and approved by the Nominating Committee as provided above;
- 4) Elections are governed by the rules set forth in "Election Procedures", see below.

ELECTION PROCEDURES:

- 1) The election shall be conducted March 5, 1968 by secret ballot. The polls will open at 8 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. The results of the election will be announced in the Lawyers Club Lounge at 8 p.m. the evening of the election.
- 2) No ballots will be opened or counted until after the polls are closed at 5 p.m.
- *3) In addition to the President, four additional members of the entire Board of Directors shall reside in the Lawyers Club during their term of Office.
- *4) In addition to the Board of Governors' Member, at least three other members of the Board of Directors, at the time of the election, shall have completed no more than two full terms of class work.
- *5) In the balloting for President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board of Governors' Member, the candidates for each position receiving the highest number of votes cast shall be declared elected. All unsuccessful candidates for these positions shall then be deemed candidates for Members at Large, in addition to those who specifically filed therefor. The Candidates receiving the highest number of votes (subject to 3 and 4 above) shall be deemed elected to the Board of Directors as Members at Large.

*** EXPLANATORY NOTES

Paragraphs 3 and 4 - To insure a balanced representation on the Board of Directors, the By-Laws require that five members of the Board, including the President, live in the Club; they also

require that four members of the Board, including the Board of Governors' Member, be first year students or summer starters. It is conceivable, then, that someone could receive enough votes to win a seat on the Board of Directors, but fail to qualify because the requisite number of positions for first year students or in-club residents had not been filled. In that case the next highest vote total meeting the requirements would receive the position.

Paragraph 5 - Since a candidate could conceivably receive a higher vote total running for an office than some of the Members at Large, the By-Laws have provided for a drop-down provision, so that a candidate's overall voter appeal may be measured against all other Members at Large. This means that if you run for the position of any of the four officers or Board of Governors and fail to win that seat that you will then be deemed a candidate for Member at Large. Your vote total will then be compared to that of all the Member at Large Candidates and the seven persons with the highest vote total (subject to par. 3 and 4 above) will receive the Member at Large seats.

VACANCIES: Any vacancies occurring during the year will be filled by the candidates receiving the next highest vote total for the Member at Large seats.

PUBLICITY AND CAMPAIGNING:

- 1) All candidates may submit with their petitions, by noon, February 27, 1968, a 100 word statement which will be published by Res Gestae no later than March 1, 1968. These statements will be again be circulated by Res Gestae on election day, March 5, 1968.
- 2) Pictures of candidates will be taken February 28, 1968. These pictures will be posted before and during the election period.
- 3) Campaign posters and flyers are allowed but may be placed only on regularly designated bulletin boards and places of notice. Any posters, etc., placed on the walls of Hutchins Hall, the Library, or the Lawyers Club will be considered as a violation of election rules and will be removed.

ANNUAL ADVOCACY INSTITUTE HERE SOON

The Annual Advocacy Institute at the University of Michigan will take place on March 1-2. In the last two years, over 5000 lawyers from 49 states, Canada and Mexico have attended this, the nation's foremost trial institute.

The subject of this year's institute is Cross-Examination of the Medical Expert. The medical expert more often than not tips the balance one way or the other in determining the jury's verdict. It is essential that any lawyer dealing in personal injury litigation understand what the medical specialist can contribute, how he can be most effectively used, and the best manner in which to present his testimony as well as to cross-examine and neutralize him. The Advocacy Institute has chosen four key areas on which to focus its attention--the physical medicine specialist, the psychiatrist, the pathologist, and the pharmacologist.

Dean Joiner founded the Annual Advocacy Institute in 1948. Director Donald Shapiro assumed leadership in 1960. Since this is Director Shapiro's last Advocacy Institute, the Institute of Continuing Legal Education is making a special effort to present the finest program in the series.

DIRECTOR NAMED

John W. Reed, Dean of the University of Colorado Law School, has been named director of the Institute of Continuing Legal Education, cosponsored by The University of Michigan, Wayne State University, and the State Bar of Michigan. The appointment is effective July 1.

Reed will succeed E. Donald Shapiro, who has resigned to become

director of the Practising Law Institute of New York City.

Reed has been dean at Colorado since 1964, having previously served on the U-M law faculty from 1949-1963. In 1963-64 he was a visiting professor at the Yale University Law School. Prior to his appointment at Michigan, he taught at the University of Oklahoma. He is a 1942 graduate of the Cornell University Law School and also holds the degree of doctor of the science of laws from Columbia University. From 1942 to 1946 he practiced law in Kansas City.

Professor Reed is a specialist in the field of evidence and he will do some teaching in the regular programs of the U-M and WSU law schools in addition to his work as director of the institute.

ATTENTION FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

The Journal of Law Reform which will publish its first issue in April will be selecting its second year staff for next year early this summer. Interested students will be asked to submit their Case Club briefs or other samples of their writing ability. In addition to writing ability, grades will be a substantial but not controlling factor in the staff selection. A meeting will be held later this spring to answer questions about the application process.

Staff members write short articles under editorial board supervision and have the opportunity to have their work published. For example, the first edition will have two articles written by present staff members. In addition to writing articles, staff members assist with the various jobs involved in getting an issue published, such as cite checking and proof reading. The editorial board for the following year will be chosen from next year's staff.

FOREIGN STUDY-RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS MEETING

A meeting will be held on Thursday, February 29 in Hutchins Hall 132 at 5 p.m., for approximately 30 minutes, at which Professor Whitmore Gray and Mrs. Mary Gomes will speak on foreign study-research fellowship opportunities, sources and possible pitfalls. This meeting is particularly aimed at second year students who would be eligible to apply for such fellowships as Fulbrights, etc., early in the fall semester of the third year, to permit them to go abroad following graduation.

It has become evident that considerable prior preparation is necessary to firm up the project involved, to show evidence of helpful correspondence with overseas experts, and the like; and many hopeful applicants who might otherwise have had a better chance have not done themselves justice in leaving such preparatory work until the fall semester of their final law school year. Frankly, that is too late, and in the rush to complete these applications in the fall, vital points are often omitted. It is to your advantage, as well as to those who can help you, to attend this meeting before summer and make your preparations over the summer vacation.

This year, and last year to a great extent, has brought us an unprecedented success in this difficult field; earlier and more comprehensive preparation may well be responsible. Please attend if you are interested.

- Mrs. Mary Gomes

THE INTERNATIONAL LAW SOCIETY

The International Law Society will be holding a dinner meeting on Monday, February 26, with Professor Giorgio Bernini of Italy. The meeting will take place at 5:45 in the Faculty Dining Room. Professor Bernini teaches Anglo-American and Commercial Law in Italy. He is currently serving as Italy's representative to the first session of the United Nations Commission on World Trade Law. Professor Bernini's discussion will cover legal problems connected with international trade along with a description of the work of the U.N. Commission on World Trade Law. A sign up sheet for dinner is posted on the first floor of Hutchins Hall. Those not attending dinner may join the meeting at 6:30 p.m. to hear Professor Bernini's remarks.

Letter to the Editor

There are but a few law students in this law school that are committed to anything other than a prestigious, high-paying position in a respectable law firm. Most of this year's graduates will spend the rest of their lives helping to make more money for those who are about the least in need of their talents of any group in the society. The recent raise to a \$15,000 salary will only help continue this prostitution of the law student.

Where does the fault lie? The usual argument is that Michigan turns out the "Firm" lawyer because that is what society demands. The problem starts right at the beginning. What counts with the admissions committee is largely grades and law board scores. The applicant who shows particular concern with the injustices and problems in American society is not given any special consideration. And then once in the school the student is confronted almost exclusively with courses oriented toward the "Firm" lawyer.

Michigan is a good law school -- one of the top in the country one could say. But there is nothing particularly distinctive about it. It is submitted that criminal, civil liberties, "Poor", and urban law are the most rapidly developing areas of the law. It is in these fields that lawyers are really needed. One more tax or corporation lawyer is making no great contribution to society. We have relatively too many of them already.

If Michigan would orient its policy toward turning out this "new" type of attorney, it would not only be a commitment but would be making the real contribution to society that it is not making now.

Sincerely,
Stephen Hrones '68

Editor's Comment: It has never failed to amaze us that the very people who feel the most sympathy for the underdog are also the first to cast stones at anyone who does not agree with their views. They seem to feel that unless John Doe is in the picket lines, or behind the barricades, or in the ghettos, that he has no social conscience and will do no social good. Mr. Hrones does not merely say more of us should consider working in the fields of civil liberties, "poor" law, etc., but he states that if we do not, we will only be working for "those who are about the least in need of (our) talents..."; that we will be performing services which are not "really needed," that we will be prostituting ourselves.

We do not believe in Mr. Lenin's maxim, "From each according to his ability, to each according to his need." We believe that ability and productivity should always be rewarded. We see no problem in the admissions committee counting largely grades and law board scores, for these are proven indicators of future success in law school. We see no value in giving special consideration to those who want to cure injustices -- Mr. Hrones, we all want to cure injustice -- that is why we are here, and though we resent being told we are prostitutes making no contribution to society, each of us in his own way shall continue to further the ends of justice, without degrading the way you may choose to do so.

(MAGICAL MYSTERY) TOUR OF A.A.'s INCORRIGIBLE CELL

A tour of the Washtenaw County Jail Facilities, including the noted "Incorrigible Cell" has been added to the list of prison tours already planned by the Board of Directors. The dates are Thursday, February 29, and Thursday, March 7. Students should sign up outside of 100 Hutchins Hall, and show up at the Jail, opposite The County Building at 119 W. Ann Street in Ann Arbor, at 2 p.m. sharp on the date chosen.

REMEMBER PRISON TRIPS!!Jackson Prison

Thursday, February 22
Wednesday, February 28
Friday, March 1
Monday, March 4
Thursday, March 7

Waterloo (Cassidy Lake)

Friday, February 23
Friday, March 1

County Jail

Thursday, February
29
Thursday, March 7

Call Don Clark at 764-2011 if you've forgotten your trip.

Jackson and Waterloo trips meet at bus in Law Club Parking Lot at 1:00 p.m.

County Jail trips meet at Jail at 119 W. Ann at 2:00 p.m. sharp.

WEEKENDER

One of this decade's greatest, BONNIE AND CLYDE, returns to the State this Thursday. Nominated for some ten Academy Awards this year, BONNIE AND CLYDE is made up of no less than three great performances, with several more nearly so. Faye Dunaway is excitingly convincing as the careless, adventure-starved young Bonnie, who meets up with an equally-convincing Clyde, bank robber-to-be, and forms between them a strange sexless bond which ties them closer than any formal ceremony ever could. Warren Beatty puts out, without a doubt, his greatest performance as an actor. Although the film somewhat clouds over the truly menacing, ruthless character of Clyde Barrow, nevertheless, the audience gets the feeling that this has to be Clyde, that Clyde could have been no different. (Unfortunately he was, considerably so.) Actually, C. W. Moss, played by Michael J. Pollard, is a partially fictionalized composite of several persons, including Henry Methvin and Ray Hamilton (Clyde's original partner in crime), both of whom were freed in 1934 from the Eastham Prison Farm in Texas, by a daring daylight break engineered by (of course) Bonnie and Clyde. (The truth was that, after Buck Barrow had been killed and his wife Blanche captured outside Platte City, Missouri, in July of the previous year, Clyde needed the two men to revitalize his gang.) Pollard plays the part as a snivelling, squirming, giggly goof-ball who quickly turns into a hardened criminal. The scene which depicts his recruiting as a member of the gang is truly one of the classics of this film. For those very few of you who may not have seen this film, it's a must. We can't say enough about it. This film has a lot of everything, all the way from very humorous humor to very bloody death.

Two of the theatres around town aren't changing: THE GRADUATE is still at the Fox Village and the Vth Forum is keeping HOW I WON THE WAR for a bit longer. As we said before, this is really a timely film, very unrealistic in so many ways that it truly brings out the absurdity of war films and, if we didn't think so already, of wars themselves.

Friday, the Michigan Theatre starts FAR FROM THE MADDENING CROWD. Joseph Morgenstern said that this John Schlesinger version of the Thomas Hardy novel is full of "peopleless faces"; rugged faces, ravishing faces, forsy, chiseled or chipped faces, faces of farmers, bailiffs, shepherds, soldiers, maids and clowns, every face with a tale to tell and almost everyone telling it badly. Such are the risks of casting nonprofessionals for atmosphere or authenticity--and Schlesinger is supposed to have used 723 residents of Dorset in bit parts. But most of the professionals in this film are equally unable to put feelings where their mouths are, and they get very little help from the unnervingly disjointed script. The most conspicuous failure is Julie Christie's Bathsheba. In this film, she is merely a creature of pouts, poses and smiles with little relation to Hardy's heroine: Bathsheba was inconsistent, and so is Miss Christie, but Bathsheba was not a psychopath. Two of the other three leads are similarly photogenic and similarly unfortunate casting: Terence Stamp and Alan Bates. Only Peter Finch develops a leading character completely, as he plays the fatefully love-struck Farmer Boldwood. It should be noted finally that the only successful scenes are essentially silent thanks to the films' master cinematographer.

Rather than that Friday night, you might like to see the last 1/2 of THE GREAT ESCAPE on Friday Night at the Movies. The first 1/2 is on Thursday night, at nine o'clock also. This screen adaptation of a great book is highly commendable. All the major characters do their jobs with finesse and polish, and everything about the film is starkly believable. It is not a remake of STALAG 17. There is humor, furor, fear, wrath,

guile, guts in the performances of almost all the characters. One very novel idea this film puts forward, is that the entire German Army was not, contrary to popular belief, made up of fat, bumbling Sergeant Schultz's. The Germans are portrayed as subtle, clever, and, of course, ruthless. The performances, combined with the very well-adapted screenplay, serve to develop a convincing whole. Unfortunately, ads will get in the way to a large degree. But if you can fight your way through them, this film is really worthwhile.

SENDARIAN

I may be wrong but ----- the Boston Celtics are ripe to get knocked off in the first round of the NBA playoffs for the first time in twelve years. Starters Bailey Howell, Bill Russell, and Sam Jones are all over thirty and with an injury to Larry Siegfried having reduced his effectiveness and the Army having called up improving rookie Mal Graham, the Celts' legs are creaking, as evidenced by three successive losses on national television. Newcomer Johnny Jones has provided an unexpected lift but the Bostons seem to lack the capacity for the big hit with which they demoralized so many opponents in the past. A certain second-place finisher in the East, Boston will probably play either Detroit or Cincinnati in the quarter-final round. The younger and quicker Pistons would be capable of an upset.

Jim Lonborg, star pitcher of the pennant-winning Boston Red Sox and the Cy Young award winner in the American League, will be the major factor in a BoSox letdown which will see them tumble to fourth place. Having undergone a knee operation as the result of a skiing accident last fall, Lonborg will not be ready to pitch until the middle of May. Even then it is doubtful that his arm will round into shape. Boston may have helped itself considerably with the off-season acquisitions of Ray Culp and Dick Ellsworth, a former 20-game winner, and slugger Tony Canigliaro will be available for a full season; but there are still gaping holes at catcher and at the mound. And last year's rookie stars, Reggie Smith and Mike Andrews will be hard-pressed to do it again.

Buster Mathis will upset Joe Frazier for the New York State-Massachusetts version of the heavyweight championship March 4 in Madison Square Garden. Frazier, of course, is considered the best of the heavyweights while the untested Mathis has beaten a slew of nameless opponents. But the former fat boy Buster has skimmed off 60 pounds to a mere 240 and he decisioned Frazier twice in the amateurs. At his new weight and with the same quickness of hands, Mathis should prove too fast for the fireplug-like Frazier. On the same card, Middleweight Champion Emile Griffith defends his title against Nino Benevenuti.

Dave Strack, the Michigan basketball coach, may soon feel the noose tightening around his neck. About to finish last in the Big Ten for the second consecutive season, Strack is getting close to no mileage from a team whose personnel is at least as good as five other teams in the conference. Furthermore, several members of the team have been known to be outspoken about their lack of confidence in his tactics -- Rudy Tomjanovich and Dennis Stewart in particular. Look for Strack to get the proverbial 'boot upstairs' to an administrative position.

With Ohio State closing in on the Big Ten basketball title, at least one Easterner tends to take a dim view of the caliber of play in the conference. The Big Ten plays an unimaginative, uninspired brand of ball which would make it easy prey for the quicker, more aggressive teams of the east. For example, Cornell, an also-ran in the Ivy League, trounced Ohio State 76-64 at Columbus and then lost to Princeton by 20 points on its own court. The five north-eastern quintets selected for the NCAA tournament last Monday -- St. Johns, Boston College, St. Bonaventure, Columbia, and Princeton -- and others such as Temple, Army, Fordham, LaSalle, and Duquesne could all beat the best in the Big Ten.

ELECTION MESSAGE (Continued)

In addition to the regular committee assignments outlined above, members of the Board have also worked on ad hoc committees concerning such things as food improvement, renovation of the Cook room and the Main Lounge, prison trips, elections, composites, athletics, American Law Student Association, and many others.

As you can see, the members of this year's Board have spent long hours on behalf of their student body. Their efforts have been considerable, and their reward is only the personal gratification of feeling the job was well done. The Board members at times have not pleased all of the student body, a task impossible for anyone. But they have done a good job, and I congratulate them individually.

To those of you who are now thinking of a place on next year's Board I ask you to realize fully what your responsibilities will be before running for office. The Board does not need those who will not share in its work load. For the work must be done and others must do what you will not or cannot do. Should you decide to run, you have an opportunity now more than ever before to have your voices heard as representatives of your Student Body. If you have ideas that should be heard, be heard by Deans, Administrators, Faculty Members, and fellow Students, the Board is the place from which you can be heard most effectively.

I encourage all students who are willing to work to make the University of Michigan Law School a better place to run for and win an office on the Board of Directors.

Allen D. Field
President of Board of Directors

LEGAL AID COURT ACTION

February 15: Michael Levy, before Judge Breakey in an action to enforce the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, on behalf of his plaintiff client.

Ken Colburn, before the Honorable Judge Breakey in a receivership action.

Andy Stone, sought temporary orders in conjunction with a divorce.

Liz Roediger, featured in a pre-trial conference and summary in an auto negligence suit.

February 19: Barry Fischer appeared before Judge Breakey representing the Respondent in a petition to eliminate alimony and forgive arrears.

February 20: Chuck Miller handled a juvenile case involving truancy and alleged assault and extortion.

February 26: Jack Davis presenting motions for temporary orders in a divorce case.

February 27: Lou Beer in juvenile court arguing against waiver to circuit court of a client charged with three armed robberies.

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