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ALL STUDENTS TO GRADUATE J.D.

Dean Allen has announced that beginning with the graduating class of 1967 the basic degree for all graduates of the University of Michigan Law School will be the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree instead of Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), with appropriate indication for those who achieve academic excellence.

The LL.B. degree has been awarded by the Law School since its first graduating class in 1960. At that time the requirements for admission were that the candidate be at least 18 years of age, and that he furnish "certificates giving satisfactory evidence of good moral character." To earn the degree the student was required to be 21 years old, to have "pursued the full course of two years in the Department" (10 lectures a week), passed an approved examination, and written "a dissertation not less than forty folios in length, on some legal subject selected by himself."

Since then there have been many changes in the requirements for both admission and the LL.B. In addition, new degrees were made available: LL.M. (Master of Laws) for post-graduate work in law, 1890; J.D. (Juris Doctor), 1909; S.J.D. (Doctor of the Science of Law), 1927; and the M.C.L. (Master of Comparative Law), 1957. The latter two degrees are also awarded for post-graduate work in law.

When the J.D. degree was first awarded in 1909, it was to distinguish between the candidates for the law degrees who were graduates of approved universities and colleges and those who were not. Within a few years it was also used as a mark of distinction for the students who maintained superior academic records. Since 1952 this has meant that to receive the J.D. degree the student had to maintain an average grade of B or better in all work carried after entering the Law School.

With the J.D. for all students, distinction for academic excellence will be denoted by the additional and traditional phrases "cum laude," "magna cum laude" and "summa cum laude." The last will be awarded only in individual cases, on recommendation of the Faculty. The degree "magna cum laude" will be awarded to those graduating at the end of the winter term in the top 5% of their class; "cum laude" to those graduating in the next 20% of their class. Those graduating in August or December will receive the degree and mark of distinction, if any, awarded to those who had the same grade point average at the end of the winter term.

REPORT FROM THE BOARD

At its meeting Tuesday night, the Board of Directors passed and sent to the Board of Governors a motion that would end the ban on privately owned refrigerators in the Club in favor of regulating their presence. The motion as passed permits students to install their own refrigerators provided 1) they do not exceed the size of those currently owned by the Club ("half-size"); 2) a \$10.00 deposit is paid to the Board; and 3) the refrigerators are inspected by the University Plant Dept. to insure that they are in proper working condition. The deposit is to be returned, minus the cost of inspection, if and when the refrigerators are removed at the end of the school year. All applications for approval are to be made to Eric Reif at 764-8940.

Report from the Board, cont.

The Board is investigating recent obstacles to student use of the kitchen ice machine and is endeavoring to obtain its use for students. A meeting is scheduled between member Bob Flaherty and the kitchen supervisor to iron out various student complaints on the meals.

A proposal to make available to students illustrative answers to the final exam questions was heard and efforts in that direction are under way. The first of the monthly Faculty dinners in the Club is scheduled for THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 at 5:30 p.m. All the faculty members will be invited to dine with the students at the regular evening meal. It is an exceedingly good opportunity for students to meet and get to know members of the Law School's distinguished faculty. Everyone is urged to attend.

--Wm. H. Conner

LOWDOWN ON THE NEW PROFS: Layman Allen

LAYMAN ALLEN brings a wide variety of interests to the University this year after spending many years in the Ivy League. Prof. Allen received his law degree from Yale in 1956 and did his undergraduate work at Princeton. His reason for coming to Michigan--"There's a lot of interesting stuff going on at this campus."

Prof. Allen teaches the seminar Symbolic Logic and Legal Communication. Having first become interested in logic while a law student, Prof. Allen remained at Yale after his graduation, first as a special student and later as a member of the faculty, to continue his study of math logic. His teaching at Yale was in the same area as his present seminar.

The bridge between logic and law is their common concern with communication. Prof. Allen feels that logic can be a valuable tool for lawyers in overcoming problems of syntax in drafting and interpreting statutes and other legal instruments. "The seminar," he says, "focuses on communication problems and examines the tools for controlling them."

Prof. Allen's appointment at the University is not limited to the Law School. Among other places on campus, he has an office at the Mental Health Research Institute where he describes himself as a "research political scientist." His work there is an outgrowth of his interest in logic. Noting that a large number of people have what might be termed an apprehensive attitude toward mathematics, a subject which is closely related in its concepts to symbolic logic, Prof. Allen wants to determine methods for developing favorable attitudes towards math and learning in general.

As a part of this project, he has already invented a series of games which he has named (aptly enough for a Yale man) the Wff'N Proof games (Wff in logic meaning well-formed formula). The games are designed so that the players enjoy themselves and learn at the same time. His long-range project is to develop a judicial decision-making game. "I've been working on it for five years and it's still not off the ground," he quips. Prof. Allen compares games to the case method of teaching in that both strive to place the student in an actual situation as an aid to learning.

Prof. Allen is the author of numerous articles, among them Symbolic Logic and Judicial Decision Making: A Sketch of One View, 28 LAW & CONTEMP. PROB. 213 (1963); Some Uses of Symbolic Logic in Law Practice, 8 PRACTICAL LAWYER 51 (1962), 62 M.U.L.L. 119 (1962); Toward Autotelic Learning of Mathematical Logic by Means of the WFF'N PROOF Games, 30 MONOGRAPHS OF THE SOCIETY FOR RESEARCH IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT 29 (1965).

--Richard Sawdey

FLASH: Girls, GIRLS, girls

150 GORGEOUS, INTELLIGENT, WITTY YOUNG LADIES await at Martha Cook. Can this be true say you. Ah yes. The Cookies invite all law students to a mixer this evening, Sept. 9, from 8:00-11:30 PM.

This traditional meeting between neighbors promises interesting results similar to last year.

NOTE to the unknowing FROSH: the upperclassmen will laugh now--but they'll all be there.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Organizations or individuals desiring publication of significant items in the Res Gestae should type up same (double-spaced) and drop them in the Res Gestae mailbox on the third floor of Hutchins.

The Office of the Co-Directors of International Legal Studies and the Student International Law Society announce that the annual meeting detailing the Foreign Research/Study Fellowship Program will be held Monday, Sept. 12, at 7 PM in Room 150 H.H. Prof. Whit Gray and Mrs. Mary B. Gomes will speak on the purposes and aims of the program and the resources and counseling available.

It is considered essential for students interested in this program to attend this meeting if they are to investigate thoroughly the plan of research or study they wish to follow abroad and to explore all official sources of available financial support. The meeting is open to all who are interested, but is especially directed at second-year men.

All those who wish to join the International Law Society but who missed the meeting Tuesday evening may do so by:

- 1) Sending their name, address, telephone number and \$3.00 membership dues to Secretary-Treasurer Mike Bixby, Huber Hall, South Quad; or
- 2) Depositing the same in the Society's mailbox on the third floor of Hutchins Hall.

Openings--BOOKSTORE MGR and QUAD BUSINESS MGR. Those interested should submit letters of application to Chris Cohen or Ed Bittle stating their qualifications, with those applying for the former including mention of any accounting or selling experience. These positions are open to any except fall 1966 starters.

The Bookstore is currently open at posted hours and will be buying and selling only hornbooks and similar texts for the duration of the semester.

The Supply Store in the basement of the Lawyers Club is open for business during the lunch and dinner hours. Its smiling new manager Ken Dresner invites you to stop in and chat.

ENROLLMENT TOTALS

Dean Proffitt notes that 1104 students are presently enrolled in the Law School, nine fewer than at this time last year. Of the total, 362 are freshmen including summer starters.

REVIEW CANDIDATES: 1966-67

For entering freshmen, an explanation is in order. You must be wondering--in your occasional sojourns to the library--why some people are there all the time. Why some are eschewing all else for that dark, noisy reading room. These people--and they're all listed below--are there because they had higher grades than the rest of us and are being penalized for it. Truly this is only equitable--you takes the bad with the good.

Following are the 45 junior and senior candidates as of 6 Sept.:

ANTHONY, Cushman D.--Amherst	DAUSCH, William F.--Connecticut
BARNHILL, Charles J., Jr.--Penn	FINNEY, Kenneth H.--Michigan
BAVINGER, William F., III--Yale	FISCHER, Frederick E.--Pittsburgh
BERG, Richard Paul--Michigan	FRIEDMAN, Robert L.--Michigan
BERNSTEIN, Herbert L.--Univ. of Ham-	FROST, Edmund B.--Dartmouth
burg, Germany	GLANCZ, Ronald R.--Michigan
BICKNER, Bruce P.--DePauw	GREENFIELD, Charlotte--Michigan
BLACK, Stephen F.--Harvard	GRIMES, Warren S.--Stanford
BRODSKY, Steven R.--Cal (Davis)	GROSS, William N.--St. Louis
BROUS, Thomas R.--Northwestern	HARMON, Robert W.--Oberlin
CROZER, George K., IV--Princeton	HEISER, Edward J.--Michigan

HILDER, Frazer C.--Carleton	PRING, George W.--Harvard
HILDRETH, Richard G.--Michigan	RANSMEIER, John C.--Amherst
HUBACH, Francis P.--John Carroll	RILEY, Daniel H.--Michigan State
JOHNSTON, James H.--Kansas	ROBERTS, Jerome J.--Michigan
LESLIE, Douglas L.--State Univ. of Iowa	SAPIENZA, Anthony J.--Northwestern
McCARTHY, John M.--Mich. Coll. of Mining and Technology	SHOTTEN Melvin S.--Michigan
McCORMICK, Charles E.--Michigan	SILBERMAN, Linda J.--Michigan
MOONEY, Ralph J.--Harvard	TELLEEN, David R.--Lawrence
NELSON, Bruce A.--Michigan	TRESSELT, Thomas F.--Yale
NICELY, Philip A.--Northwestern	WEINBERG, Robert M.--Michigan
PALMER, Michael W.--Harvard	WOODS, Richard H.--Williams
PEPE, Steven D.--Notre Dame	WEISBERG, Frederick H.--Cornell

WEEKENDER

Two films on this weekend's cinema agenda deserve notice for high degrees of excellency.

The first, "A Shop on Main Street," is one of the most extraordinary movies to come to Ann Arbor in quite a while. Winner of the N.Y. Film Festival Award as Best Foreign Film, it is a highly sensitive and symbolic study of the effect of Nazism and World War II on both the Christian and Jewish communities in a small Czechoslovakian village (the picture is in Czechoslovakian with English subtitles). More particularly, it is the story of very ordinary people, namely a poor, ingratiating, and rather lazy Czech carpenter and an old, religious Jewish widow for whose business he becomes "Aryan controller." The directors Jan Kadar and Elmer Klos have indeed taken an unusual look at their country's war, for none of the people involved are heroes or protagonists in any fashion. What's more, they have gotten outstanding performances from Josef Kroner and Ida Kaminska, as well as from the rest of the cast. If you have not seen the picture as yet, may I strongly recommend getting over to the Campus between now and Sept. 14.

For those who have already seen "Shop," the Cinema Guild, on Saturday and Sunday, will present "Loneliness of the Long Distance Runner," a 1962 British drama directed by Tony Richardson ("Tom Jones," "Luthor," and "The Loved One"). The film is a bitter, highly moving commentary on the clash between the lower and upper classes in Britain, conveyed through the tale of a young Briton sent to a reform school for committing a robbery. The cast is headed by the fine young English actor Tom Courtenay ("King Rat," "King and Country," and "Dr. Zhivago"), with fine support from veteran Michael Redgrave.

Other films for the weekend:

--The Michigan will have "A Fine Madness," which, according to critical consensus, is neither fine nor mad. It stars Sean "James Bond" Connery as an unconventional poet and Joanne Woodward as his suffering wife.

--The State will have "The Last of the Secret Agents," which "stars" the "comedy" team of Allen and Rossi; it also leads one to ask "Isn't it about time?" with the secrecy bit. On the other half of the bill will be "Donovan's Reef," which is sub-standard John Wayne.

--The Cinema II will have something, but as of press time the word is not out. Check the Daily.

--Jay Witkin

A MUST ON THE TUBE: Green Hornet

Who can ever forget the hours spent glued to that old radio cabinet listening to Britt Reid as the Green Hornet and his trusty valet Kato.

Nostalgia says the premier performance of the Green Hornet on the tube must be seen tonight at 7:30 PM on Channel 7. The show might turn out to be a tremendous bomb but a look at the first offering is a must--just hearing the theme again should be compensation enough for the time invested.

SPORTS: The Big Ten

The snickers of a few discontented readers ("Bukich not that good? Indeed!") cannot stop a truly dedicated sports editor. Our policy is to "print all the news that is fit to print" and since there isn't any this week, the sports department took advantage of the holiday weekend to take a quick tour around the Big Ten. The biased conclusions are as follows:

MICHIGAN--Who else? The lack of depth should not be a factor as long as injuries stay scarce. There is no reason why they can't take it all. Nunley, Clancy, Ward, Detwiler, and Volk are potential All-Americans (would you believe all-Regional?). However, a few linemen must be replaced and the defensive ends must do a better job.

MICHIGAN STATE--Our friends from the north have lost that "Rose Bowl Feeling." Despite the return of at least five super players, Duffy's coaching is a factor. He's inept.

PURDUE--In Griese, Purdue has the top quarterback in college football, and he has some fine receivers to work with. Unfortunately, Purdue has a history of inconsistency and tends to choke (remember 1964?) when the going gets rough.

OHIO STATE--Woody has the best collection of sophomore talent in his years in Columbus, but they must play on a team that lost too many players through graduation. Gentlemen like Ike Kelley, Don Unverforth, and Tom Barrington will not be easily replaced.

ILLINOIS--Could rise higher but an inexperienced quarterback will have to come through. John Wright ranks with Clancy and Gene Washington as a receiver and Cyril Pinder may force Illini fans to forget Jim Grabowski.

NORTHWESTERN, INDIANA, IOWA, and MINNESOTA are all weak and would end in a four-way tie for last place if it were not for an incompetent troop of Badgers out of Madison. Unless there are some sophomore surprises Northwestern's Caz Banaszek and Minnesota's Ken Last should be the only first-rate Big Ten football players in the second division.

For those with sports info, the number is 663-3022.

--Saul Schultz

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