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COOK LECTURE NO. 2 - The Federal government has accepted responsibility for the functioning of the American economy.

This is "the essential fact" of the American economic republic today, Adolf A. Berle (pronounced Berley) declared February 12 in the second of four William W. Cook Lectures at Rackham Auditorium. Assumption of this responsibility for the national economy, said the Columbia University law professor, will always be associated with the name of Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal. But, he added, "a similar assumption of responsibility would probably have been forced on any President, irrespective of party, under the circumstances prevailing in January, 1933. "The previous administration had made a wholly sincere and honorable attempt to rely on the theory that the open market would eventually balance the situation, recover and reconstitute a viable system. Far from having done so," he continued, "it plunged into an ever-deepening abyss of stagnation and decline."

The nation frequently finds itself in a position where its productive capacity is not being fully used. This is not due to lack of need or want, but to lack of effective purchasing power. This is true today, Prof. Berle said. There is not a municipality in the United States today which does not need repair, improvement or expansion of its public services. Needs for education will treble in the next six to eight years. We know, Prof. Berle continued, that somehow these problems will be met. But, he added, "Our productive capacity is at present working only at about 80 per cent and can be readily increased. We know that physical materials are available. But we have only the most tentative knowledge of how to connect plan and legitimate wants and needs with plan and obvious capacity to provide the goods and services."

Asserting that he knew that his statement would "inspire tremors in the spines of all bankers and most economists," Prof. Berle advanced the idea that "the connection can be made through use of the currency-credit power." Thirty years ago, he pointed out, consumer credit "was considered unthinkable and perhaps immoral. Today with \$44 billion outstanding, we have through the currency-credit system connected that much demand with that much goods and services."

This problem should engage the best research and best economic minds in the country, he asserted. "The break-through, when made, will be comparable in economics to the great conquest scored by science in the fields of atomic fission and fusion."

MUDVILLE REVISITED: THE MAN WHO WAS "ATACTED AND ET BY A BARE"*

Kind and respected Cir:

I see in a paper that a man named John Sipes was atacted and et up by a bare' whose cubs he was trying to get when the she bare come up and stopt him by eating him up in the mountaines near your town. What I want to know is did it kill him or was he only partly et up and is he from this place and all about the bare. I don't know but what he is a distant husband of mine. My first husband was of that name and I supposed he was killed in the war but the name of the man the bare et being the same I thought it might be him after all and I ought to know if he wasn't killed either in the war or by the bare for I have been married twice since and there ought to be divorce papers got out by him or me if the bare did not eat him all up. If it is him you will know it by him having sex toes on the left foot. He also sings base and has a spread eagle tattoed on his front chest and a anker on his right arm which you will know him by if the bare did not eat up these signs of it being him. If alive don't tell him I am married to Joe White for he never liked Joe. Mabbe you better let on as if I am dead but find out all you can about him without his knowing anything what it is for. That is if the bare did not eat him all up. War the bare killed? Also was he married again and did he leave any property worth me laying claim to? Please ancer back.

Yours,
Jennie White

*Taken from the Big Bend Bulletin

You are the lawyer addressed in this letter. (an authentic letter in every way, incidentally,) Assuming that it was indeed Jennie's distant husband who was et by the bare, write a client correspondence discussing (a) domestic relations, (b) bigamy (c) scienter, (d) estates, (e) ferrae naturae, (f) assault, and (g) elementary education. What results under (a) the Cyprus Penal Code, (b) the Michigan Constitution, (c) the U.C.C.? Prior to Erie v. Tomkins?

PLACEMENT MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 18: An estimated 110 members of the second year class heard Professor Wellman, Placement Counselor, urged them to take immediate steps to prepare themselves for the business of locating a satisfactory job in law at Monday's Placement Meeting in Room 100, Hutchins Hall.

Prof. Wellman urged all students graduating in December 1963 and May and August 1964 to take the following steps now: (1) Obtain and read the 11-page Placement Office mimeo which describes the business of finding jobs in law and the Placement Office procedures. These mimeos were distributed at the meeting. Additional copies are available in the Placement Office, Room 312, Hutchins Hall.

(2) Fill out a Placement Office Registration card. (This card asks registrants to indicate the kind of work they are interested in and the area and city where they want to locate. This card is punched so that persons having particular interests may be located quickly to meet inquiries as they are received.)

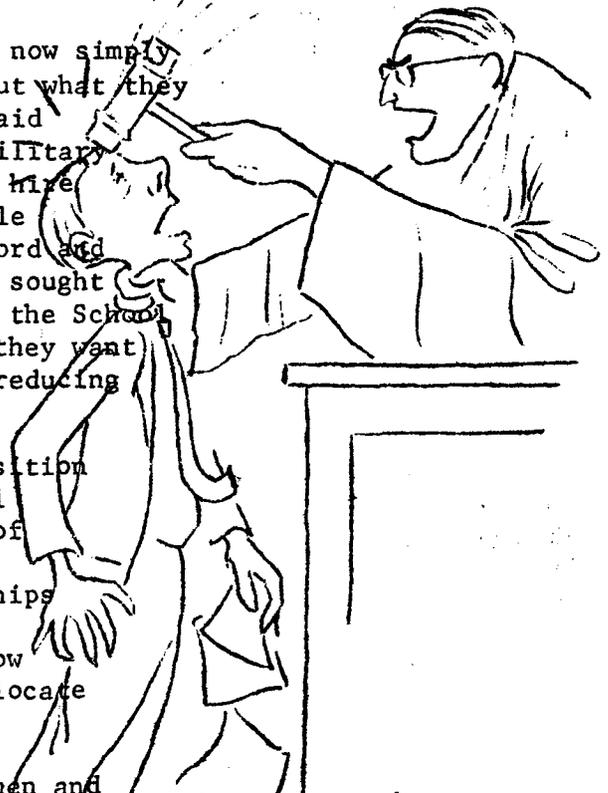
(3) Begin the process of building a placement file. The backbone of the placement file is the student's resume which he is expected to prepare and furnish to the Placement Office. It was suggested that students make a rough draft of a resume following the suggestions as to content set forth in the mimeo. Next, they are urged to discuss their drafts with Miss Bliss and get the benefit of her suggestions on form and content. As soon as a rough draft (or a finished copy) of the resume is available, each student is invited to schedule an interview with Prof. Wellman. Prof. Wellman's memorandum of this interview becomes a part of the placement file and serves to aid him in writing about or discussing the interests and qualifications of each person. Finally, students are invited to get recommendations of other Faculty members with whom they have had enough contact to provide a basis for an appraisal. The routine with these is that each student should give Miss Bliss the names of the Faculty members who have agreed to write an appraisal. The Placement office takes it from there.

Prof. Wellman said that all students should begin to seek out people with legal backgrounds and to talk to them about various careers in law. There are so many kinds of jobs and positions for which people trained in law are qualified, that the difficult question facing most students is to decide what they want to do. Talking to practicing lawyers, corporate lawyers, government lawyers, judges and business men is a helpful way of gaining a feel for the possibilities and of establishing a personal order of preference, he said.

The principal reason for getting at the job of preparing placement files this spring is to prepare for the fall rush of interviewers. The heavy fall interviewing will begin on September 23. Prof. Wellman emphasized that the Placement Office would not aid in the preparation of placement files after the heavy interviewing season starts. The size of the expected rush can be suggested by the fact that 125 employers sent representatives to Ann Arbor during October, November and December 1962, several of them having had more than one interview schedule.

Prof. Wellman urged that people get started now simply because the earlier they start thinking about what they want to do, the better their chances. He said that that advice applied to people facing military service as well because: (a) many employers hire draft eligible people, (b) the placement file becomes a part of a student's permanent record and is useful for recommendations when jobs are sought after military service, (c) interviewing at the School and elsewhere helps students focus on what they want and what they can do, thus saving time and reducing the possibility of an unhappy experience.

Dean Smith spoke briefly of the School's position vis a vis clerkships. He pointed to several considerations which tend to make the idea of starting as a judge's clerk a good one. He indicated that persons interested in clerkships would be notified of a future meeting where more specific attention could be given to how the School could help clerkship candidates locate a position.



FRATERNITY RUSH NEXT WEEK : Next week freshmen and juniors in the Law School will have an opportunity to attend the rush open-houses of two of Michigan's legal fraternities. These organizations have little in common with undergraduate Greek-letter groups. Dues are lower than you think. Membership is made up entirely of law students, and activities are designed to promote both the professional development and the social interests of law students. The fraternity houses are open to members every hour of the day, providing what are essentially "clubs away from the Club." In addition, both fraternities have alumni organizations which offer contacts with members of the legal profession continuing beyond graduation. The fraternities cordially invite first and second year men to participate in rush and become better acquainted with the professional fraternity system of the law school.

"The only check upon our own exercise of power is our own sense of self restraint." - Mr. Justice Stone, dissenting, in United States v. Butler

AT THE FRAT:

Delt Doings:

Saturday night is Mardi Gras at Casa Delta, featuring the Basin Street Five from 9 p.m. till 7 A.M. Rush Open House Tues. night 9 - 11.

Phid Phrolics:

Rush Feb. 28, Thursday 9 - 11 P.M.

MISCELLANEOUS MORSELS:

Some dates to keep in mind: Campbell Competition finals will be held April 3. The banquet is on the same day. On April 16 the honors banquet takes place... It was "Michigan Day" at the Tacoma - Pierce County Bar Association (Oregon) two weeks ago. Two former roommates of this law school exchanged the president's gavel. Furthermore the incoming vice-president also graduated from Michigan. (Oh to be a lawyer.)

AT THE FLICKS:

Campus: "Divorce Italian Style"

State: "Sodom and Gomorrah"

Cinema Guild: "Red Badge of Courage," Sat. & Sun., "From Here to Eternity"

Michigan: "Son of Flubber"

QUADSVILLE QUOTES by Meyer Sniffen

He saw a lawyer killing a viper

On a dunghill hard by his own stable;

And the Devil smiled, for it put him in mind

Of Cain and his brother, Abel.

- Samuel Taylor Coleridge.

THE SCHOLARLY APPROACH

Sixty Michigan State Troopers will hang up their guns temporarily to go to school February 25 for a five-day "institute" at The University of Michigan Medical Center. Faculty members will outline modern social and psychiatric concepts affecting police work to give the officers a deeper understanding of human behavior.

Lectures, discussions and films will be presented on topics such as drug addiction, suicide, runaway children, communication with social agencies and the problems of migrant workers and a generally mobile population. Dr. Watson of the law and medical faculties will be among the speakers.