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#### FIFTH SERIES OF THOMAS M. COOLEY LECTURES

The fifth series of Thomas M. Cooley Lectures will be given on April 15, 16, and 17 at 4:15 p.m. in Room 120, Hutchins Hall, University of Michigan Law School. The lecturer will be Professor Hessel E. Yntema of the University of Michigan Law School faculty. He will

speak on the general subject, "Perspectives in Conflicts Law." The individual lectures are entitled:

- I. Postulates: Evolution of Basic Conceptions Concerning Conflicts of Laws
- II. Policies: Considerations Controlling Choice of Law
- III. Basic Factors: Survey of Conflicts Rules in Specific Fields of Law

The first series of Cooley lectures was given by Professor Henry Rottschaefer of the University of Minnesota Law School in 1947 on "The Constitution and Socio-Economic Change"; the second, by Professor Burke Shartel of the University of Michigan Law School in 1948 on "Our Legal System and How it Operates"; the third, by Professor Zechariah Chafee, Jr., of the Harvard Law School in 1949, on "Some Problems of Equity"; and the fourth, by Dean E. Blythe Stason of the University of Michigan Law School in 1950, on "Administrative Discretion and Its Control."

Professor Yntema became professor of law at the University of Michigan in 1933 and has held that position to the present time except for the academic year 1947-48 when he was professor of law at Yale University. He has been the general editor of the Michigan Legal Studies and has recently been made the editor-in-chief of the *American Journal of Comparative Law*, sponsored by leading law schools of the United States, the first number of which is to come off the press in the near future.

At the present time Professor Yntema is a member of the International Academy of Comparative Law, the only other American members being Roscoe Pound, Dean Emeritus of Harvard Law School, and Edwin D. Dickinson, Professor of Law at the University of Pennsylvania. Professor Yntema is also corresponding member of the Institute of Comparative Law of the National University of Mexico, corresponding member of the Institute of Comparative Law of the University of Cordoba, Argentina; member of the executive council of the International Institute for Unification of Private Law at Rome; and member of the committee on practice of the U. S. Treasury Department.

Professor Yntema has written numerous articles on Conflict of Laws, Comparative Law and Jurisprudence, in each of which fields he is a recognized authority. His lectures on Conflict of Laws will be regarded with particular interest by legal scholars and by experts in that branch of the law. As every lawyer knows, that branch of law is concerned with problems arising when it must be determined what law is to be

applied and there is a possibility of applying the law of either of two or more states or countries. For many years there has been a controversy among experts in Conflict of Laws as to the basic principles of this subject. Professor Yntema is one of the leading exponents of one of the most widely accepted viewpoints. In his lectures he proposes to present a statement of principles of Conflicts Law. Up to the present time this has never been adequately done by members of the school of thought which Professor Yntema represents. For this reason, these lectures should be of major significance to the lawyer, the scholar, and the law student.

The lectures are open to the public without charge. A special invitation is extended to members of the bar.