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ANN ARBOR - Do poor persons facing criminal charges get the best possible legal counsel? Not always, and one way to alleviate the situation would be draft deferment for capable young lawyers graduating from law school who wish to assist indigent defendants, suggests Prof. Joiner.

The proper defense of persons charged with crime, particularly indigents, is more than a moral issue, he pointed out. The criminal defendants have the "constitutional right" to seek and get legal aid, as the Supreme Court unanimously ruled in the Gideon case; and states must supply legal counsel to indigent defendants facing serious criminal charges.

The current practices of supplying legal help to poor defendants, however, raise some serious problems. The quality of legal representation is one. The number of available lawyers is another. If the 60 to 75 per cent of all those charged with crimes who do not have enough money for a lawyer "are to have their defense adequately presented, they need lawyers and that means the Bar and the society in general must provide them with legal counsel," Joiner stated.

"I have taken the position that the protection of individual rights of a persons--who happens to be charged with crime but not yet proven guilty--is as important as the protection of his health." In the health area, he pointed out, draft deferment has been used to get well-qualified doctors for the health care of various people in need of assistance. For example, a young doctor is excused from being drafted by joining the Public Health Service to do health investigations or work at maritime hospitals and other places.

"This makes sense," Joiner said, "because it puts the doctors of quality out to where they can best be used. I do not see why we should not take the same position for the lawyers and provide by regulation or by law that capable young lawyers, who graduate from law school and wish to help, can get draft deferment to assist in the defense of indigents. The quality of service they would bring to this branch of profession would be far superior to the quality of service these indigents are getting at the present time."

Making good legal aid more accessible to the poor defendants would greatly help the profession and the society not only in meeting the moral problems involved, but also in carrying out the constitutional principles under which we live, Joiner concluded.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR PROFESSOR AIGLER HELD: This morning (Friday) a memorial service for the late Professor Emeritus Ralph Aigler was held in Judge Breaney's courtroom in the Washtenaw County Building. The Law School joined with the Washtenaw County Bar Association to hold the services. Prof. Aigler was a member of the faculty here for 46 years; and, since 1954, a member of the faculty of Hastings College of Law and then of the University of Arizona Law School. He has also been honored by the establishment of a memorial loan fund.

INTERNATIONAL LAW SOCIETY BEGINS SEMESTER'S SPEAKER SERIES: The Student International Law Society has called our attention to the first of this semester's series of talks on international legal topics. The talk: "Problems of American Companies under German and Common Market Antitrust Law," will be given by Mr. Arved Deringer (see below) next Monday at 6:30 in the lounge. The Society encourages all to attend.

The International Law Society was formed in the spring of 1963 to promote student activities in international law and to bring authorities in this field to the campus for informal talks. The establishment of such societies is becoming more wide-spread every year. The National Association of Student International Law Societies, an adjunct of the American Society of International Law, sponsors the annual International Moot Court Competition, in which Michigan students participate, and periodic conferences.

The Society plans to present talks on international business, international relations and foreign law and international organizational affairs. Suggestions and requests for programs are welcome. Students interested in its activities should contact William J. Brogard, Hutchins Hall (carrell 36).
DISTINGUISHED VISITORS FROM GERMANY TO BE ON CAMPUS: Professor Stein has announced the expected arrival this coming week, of two distinguished visitors from Germany. Mr. Arved Deringer will be the guest of the Law School Sunday through Wednesday. He will be staying in the Club and participating in classes. On Monday, he is scheduled to dine with students, and to speak at 6:30 in the Club lounge. Mr. Deringer is a Member of the German Federal Parliament and of the European Parliament where he has been chairman of the committee on antitrust. A Bonn attorney who specializes in antitrust problems, he has appeared for his government before the Court of Justice in Luxembourg and has been rather influential in German and European politics.

Professor Konrad Zweigert will be on campus Wednesday and Thursday. Director of the Max-Planck Institute in Hamburg, he is a specialist in private law and conflicts of law. He is expected to be available for discussions with faculty members.

EDITORS' WASTERBASKET: We are proud to announce the spectacular victory of the Law Club softball team in its recent game against Sigma Delta Epsilon. Under the leadership of Bill Gall, the team's errorless play resulted in a 27-0 no-hit conquest.

LIBEL AND SLANDER: Two matters have come to our attention which, it is felt, deserve comment. The first is the Law Quad's flagpole. Normally, upon seeing a flagpole, one could reasonably assume that, at the top of the pole, a flag was flying. Not so with this flagpole. Day after day, the flag flyeth not. Our question is merely "Why?" Could it be that the University of Michigan Law School is in such dire financial straits that it cannot afford the cost of a flag? Could it be that none of the little men who run around the quad replacing light bulbs have time, between coffee-breaks, to raise the flag? Have subversive elements seized control of the law school? Is this really not a flagpole at all? It's time the flag flew again.

Our attention is also called to the clocks in Hutchins Hall. Up until recently, those in charge of such equipment operated under an established policy of uniformity. Every clock in the place was five minutes slow. Today, however, their goal has become accuracy and their product, diversity. I walked into Hutchins this morning, only to discover that I was three minutes late for class. Upon rounding a corner, I found that I was now only a minute late. I rushed up the stairs to learn that I had a minute to go. When I got there, the professor was only half way through the lecture to the class meeting the previous hour (Contrary to what you may think, continuous traveling of the route I used will not bring eternal youth.) It is humbly requested that the school return to its long established policy of uniform inaccuracy.

- H.V. Baxendale

MISCELLANEOUS: The Res Gestae continues its fruitless search for a cartoonist. A free subscription will be given to the first ten persons to apply for the honor of graphically expressing themselves on our distinguished pages. The women of the Law School are having a coffee on Sunday, Sept. 13, at 2:00, at 316 E. Madison (Apt. 23). For any further information call Sheila Gallagher at 5-2712. Mr. Nathan Goodnow, President of the Michigan State Bar Ass'n, will speak at the Law Club next Tues., Sept. 15, at 6:30.

AT THE FLICKS:
Campus: "Love and Larceny" and "In the Doghouse"
Michigan: "The Night of Iguana"
State: "A Hard Day's Night"
Cinema Guild: Fri.: "A Nous La Liberte"; Sat.: "Alexander Nevsky"

QUADSVILLE QUOTES:
Sometimes when the public good is pretended, a private benefit is intended.
-Coke

The Lord High Chancellor ought to be sitting here- as here he is- with a foggy glory round his head, softly fenced in with crimson cloth and curtains, addressed by a large advocate with great whiskers, a little voice, and an interminable brife, and outwardly directing his contemplation to the lantern in the roof, where he can see nothing but fog.
-Dickens