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AMICAS CHRIAE

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BAR HOPPING TO D.C. MAY END

By Rod Heard Amicus Staff

There are three basic needs for most Marshall-Wythe students: a brunette scholarship, Gilbert's on Constitutional Law, and invidious rumors to pass along.

We at the <u>Amicus</u> don't have any extra brunettes (not that we're talking about anyway), and you'll never know how much we need Gilbert's, so here's a pernicious rumor.

According to Howard Rosenthal of the <u>Advocate</u> (the newspaper of the National Law Center), the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia is expected to announce soon that this spring the six-month reciprocity law for bar admittance <u>will be replaced</u> by a five-year law. Rosenthal says that law school placement offices and law firms have been foreshowing the change and a source close to the government described it as "well beyond the rumor stage."

week of oct. 31,1971

What this means is that those who plan to take a state bar exam, practice for six months in that state and then be admitted to the District of Columbia bar without taking an exam, might find themselves arriving in their mahogany-panelled D.C. offices four and one-half years prematurely.

The alleged change in requirements is a result of the Court Reorganization Act which in April will shift jurisdiction over the District bar from the Committee on Admissions and Grievances of the United States Court of (continued page 3)

ENVIRONMENT GROUP TESTIFIES

By Morgan Scott Amicus Curiae

Approximately sixty persons gathered at the October 20th meeting of the Virginia Wetlands Commission at 10:30 in the morning in the York County Courthouse, Yorktown, Virginia, to hear testimony devoted to the problem of wetlands protection and control. Among interested persons offering testimony were members of the Marshall-Wythe Environmental Law Group.

Two law students, Woody Turner and David Favre, offered testimony in conjunction with the introduction of a proposed wetlands protection bill drafted by the Environmental Group.

Woody Turner, first of the law students to

speak, pointed out the need for state regulation and control over the wetlands as opposed to local control by such means as zoning. His main points were the lack of localities to offer uniform legislation concerning the wetlands and the difficulty of enforcement on a local level.

David Favre's testimony explained the proposed statute and the policy under which it was drafted (fairness to all parties involved). Favre also urged the need for protection, pointing out the fact that the wethands were a vital link in the water ecosystem. Favre also spoke of the problem of definition of the wetlands, a problem which directly affects the question of state control of the areas and the limits of such control. Favre noted that the Group proposed a permit

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EDITORIAL

SEPARATE GRADUATION: The current message coming forth from our illustrious President, Alan Enderle, is that we will not see a separate graduation ceremony at the college for the law school this year. The general indication, as stated by Mr. Enderle, is that members of the faculty of <u>THE COLLEGE</u> seem to have some misgivings over such a program. Such profound reasoning as statements to the effect of, "if we let the law school have it, all of the other graduate departments will want to have their own private graduation," seem to be the basis of the denial to our request.

This writer would like to know who those academic wizards think they are kidding. This law school is no longer the lone "chair" of law that it used to be. We are not the William and Mary Law School, but rather the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. We do not purport to equate ourselves with other so-called graduate programs.

We are, in point of fact, a separate entity. A viable and energetic community of professors and students. We are not a "mere department," and we resist being placed in an ever waiting pigeonhole by our liberal arts friends. We boast of a higher passage rate on the Virginia Bar Examination, than our U.Va. counterparts are able to point to. We have an active Environmental Group which is DOING something about the Wetlands crisis, rather than making show-stopping headlines in the local college tabloid.

To my colleagues in the law school, I would simply suggest that no matter how loud we shout we will continue to be ruled by a bureaucracy of education. It is <u>predicted</u> they will continue their policy of nonrecognition of this school as an entity, until such time as the legislature may indicate that it is the proper thing to do. A further suggestion, to those of you who will graduate from this school in the near and distant future, would be that when we receive those "handy-dandy" little envelopes soliciting our support monetarily for the "college" in our status as alumni, we ought to give a second thought to contributing. Whether some individuals begin a concerted program of deferring all alumni contributions until we do get a separate graduation ceremony, is, of course, up to the students of Marshall-Wythe.

A FAIR and IMPARTIAL consideration of the separate graduation idea by the "powers that be" is all we ask. A negative decision ought to be supported by VALID reasons.



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October 20, 1971

Dear Dean Donaldson:

It had been my understanding that no firm or organization which discriminated in hiring on the basis of sex or race was to be permitted the use of the placement facilities of this law school. I had been informed that letters to potential employer's inviting their appearances contained a statement of this policy.

I wish to draw to your attention the attached brochure, presented by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which on its face describes a policy of hiring in violation of the school's announced policy.

I respectfully request that the school take steps clearly to inform the Federal Bureau of Investigation of its placement service policy, and to prohibit further interviews of this agency here until the discriminatory hiring standards of the agency are eliminated.

> Sincerely, /s/ Ms. Elsie Powell

cc: The <u>Amicus Curiae</u> The Federal Bureau of Investigation

(The brochure referred to by Mrs. Powell specifically limited job opportunities in the areas of SPECIAL AGENT and RADIO MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN to MALES ONLY. As of press time, Mrs. Powell advised this writer that the school will take action to prohibit the F.B.I. from further interviewing unless its discriminatory policies cease. Ed.)

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BAR HOPPING (continued from page one) Appeals for the District of Columbia to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. The District Court will not be required to follow the practices of the Committee and changes in admission requirements can be expected at

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that time.

This change, if effected, would greatly deter the immigration of new lawyers to the District, an effect it was no doubt designed to accomplish. In lieu of the importance of Washington as a legal center, the effects may be profound.

Moot Court Team

Administrative Clerk Moot Court Board

The National Moot Court Team will present oral arguments on the recent and controversial war crime trial today, November 4, 1971. Arguments are set to begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Moot Court Room.

To Argue

The team, composed of Vince Conway, Bob Monahan, and Lee Arzt, have put in a considerable amount of time in researching the problem and believe their arguments can take them all the way to the national title.

Everyone is encouraged to attend and show the team some support. The problem has definite social relevancy to this particular period in time and should be of interest to us all, regardless of the positions each of us hold individually. A particular invitation goes to all first-year students. Come and take a look at what Moot Court is all about!

Arguments for a position on the Intercollegiate Moot Court Team are scheduled to begin during the second week of November. A complete schedule and the topic of the problem will be published at a later date.

ENVIRONMENT (continued from page 1)

rather than an ordinance system of control, whereby state control would be exercised through the issuance or non-issuance of permits to those who wish to use the wetlands areas. Favre charged the Commission by noting that there was no reason why the Commission should not come out with a proposed bill for wetlands protection rather than merely issuing policy guidelines.

The Wetlands Commission is a joint House of Delegates-Senate Committee organized under the House Resolution Number Sixty of 1970. Local legislators sitting on the Commission are Delegate Russell M. Carneal of Williamsburg, who is the Chairman, and State Senator William E. Fears of Accomack.

Future action by the Environmental Law Group on the wetlands includes a November 6th presentation of the proposed bill to the Virginia Conservation Council in Richmond (a council composed of members from major conservation groups in the state). The Council may either adopt the legislation as proposed or amend it as it sees fit. 3

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CAR AND CYCLE RALLYE: November 6, begins at 9:30 a.m. at Common Glory parking lot. Ends with beer bust, and trophies afterwards, at Matoaka. Entry: \$3. per car. Do not discount it until you have tried it--ask a second- or third-year student what it is all about. One of the best social events of the year. See Pete Desler in Fraternity Office (third floor), Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, for information, rules, and payment. Order of payment controls starting times. Sponsored by P.A.D.

A.B.A.-L.S.D. FALL WORKSHOP: The Fourth Circuit A.B.A.-L.S.D. Fall Workshop for S.B.A. Presidents, Moot Court Board members, L.S.D. representatives, and law school newspaper staffs will be hosted by the T. C. Williams School of Law in Richmond, Virginia, on the weekend of November 5 and 6. Last year the workshop, then known as the S.B.A. Presidents' Round Table, proved to be a very beneficial activity.

The primary purpose of the Workshop is to bring leaders of various law school organizations together, providing them an opportunity to exchange ideas and experiences of their work.

There is <u>no</u> restriction as to the number of participants in the Workshop. If interested, contact Bob Petersen at 229-5106. Cost: \$5.

POT-LUCK SUPPER: On Saturday evening, November 13, the Barristers' Brides will sponsor a Pot-Luck Supper in the Little Theatre of the Campus Center. The cost is \$0.25 per person for members and \$0.50 for non-members. Each couple must bring one dish. Law students, wives, husbands, and/or dates are invited to attend. Detailed information is available from officers of the Barristers' Brides.

BARRISTERS' BRIDES MEETING: Today, Thursday, November 4, at 7:30 in the evening, there will be a meeting of the Barristers' Brides in the Little Theatre at the Campus Center. The guest speaker will be Dr. Vermeulen of the Biology Department who will discuss ecology. Following the talk, refreshments will be served and a business meeting will be held. All wives and female law students are encouraged to attend.

STUDENT-FACULTY FOOTBALL. To all those who were hoping to participate in the Faculty vs. Students football game: the organizers of that event extend their apologies. The details of that event just could not be refined past the planning stages.

"MARTY Z" TOURNAMENT EXTENDED: The S.B.A.'s Miniature Golf Tournament, the Marty Z Open, has been extended to November 7. The reason for this being that the inclement weather we have been experiencing as of late prevented many from playing their games. Scores will be posted shortly after the 7th, therefore, everyone is requested to please play their match on or before that date.

BARRISTERS' BRIDES

Behind every great man stands a woman!

. . . sometimes telling him he is wrong, perhaps, but whether she agrees or disagrees with his politics, his sporting pursuits, or the fact that he likes to eat potato chips in bed, she will nevertheless always want the very best for the particular "great man" in her life. And we law wives are no exception. What is more, we now have a unique way to prove it.

In an earlier edition of Amicus, Earle Lees -a third-year student and S.B.A. class representative -- reported on a survey he had taken of the senior class concerning the possibility of a separate graduation for the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. Of forty-six students polled, forty-four voted yes and two, no. The results of this published survey and the ensuing wave of interest caused the subject to be raised at the October meeting of the Barristers' Brides. While a poll of every member was not taken at the time, it was apparent that the general tenor of the meeting was one of enthusiasm and support for any endeavor made in pursuit of this idea -- this desire, if you will -- to a successful conclusion.

If you see in this bid for independence an opportunity to stand behind your husband as (continued page 6)



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S.B.A. REPORT

By Alan Enderle President, S.B.A.

There have been a number of developments in areas of S.B.A. concern with which you should be apprised. Although many of these matters have been reported in meetings of the Board of Directors, I realize that most students cannot attend these meetings. You should be aware, however, that the minutes of all meetings are posted as soon as practicable so that you can keep abreast of what has been done and what is under consideration.

ELECTIONS: The first-year class has chosen John Miri, Jim Murray, and Lamont Newsome as their representatives. It was gratifying to see sixteen well-qualified students campaign for these positions. The election went smoothly except for some disgruntlement regarding alleged violations of the election rules in respect of campaign materials being affixed to walls and doors. Those involved were informed of the situation and cooperated in removing most of the material. Undeniably, some violations went undetected by S.B.A. officers and it was this that caused concern. As S.B.A. President, I had the authority to take strong action but felt that since the rules are new this year, the students involved are new, and that the most important objective was strong first-year representation, I would take only such action as would minimize any unfairness that might result. Anyone who points to the letter of the rules as having been violated should also know that the rules provide for protest to the Judicial Council. Apparently, no one felt sufficiently aggrieved to have filed a protest as per the letter of the rules.

PARKING: Mr. W. P. Batchelder, Chairman of the Parish Board at the Williamsburg Baptist Church, has informed the S.B.A. that its request for use of the church parking lot has been denied by the Board. Mr. Batchelder cited use of church facilities for the Head Start Program and increased church activity during the week as the Board's reason. He said that there is no possibility of reconsideration. Dean Whyte, a member of the church and of a committee which considered our request, has confirmed that there is considerable opposition to permitting our use of the lot. My personal thanks go to Dean Whyte for championing our cause.

LIBRARY NOTES: In accordance with inquiries from several students, I have asked Dean Whyte to change the library hours so that it opens earlier on Sunday. He refused, saying only that "it is not unreasonable to keep the library closed one-half day a week and the students should use that time to take a break from their books."

Dorathea Peters, student member of the Library Committee, has been informed by Mr. Whitehead that for study purposes students may use the Wren Annex on Sunday mornings. The janitor there will let them in.

COFFEE BAR: Jim Murray, first-year representative, is undertaking a study of the coffee bar operation. You may contact him with your suggestions or leave them in the S.B.A. office.

DIRECTORY: The school directory should have arrived by the time this reaches print. There are two reasons for its late appearance. First, there was an error made by the printer. Secondly, it took the S.B.A. longer than planned to collect the data. We met unexpected and unjustified opposition from the Law School secretarial staff to our plan of including the data sheets in the registration materials and having them collected at that Consequently, we had to assemble the time. It is planned to data on a piecemeal basis. publish a supplement next semester to cover address changes.

ALUMNI RELATIONS: Dean Whyte has received more than \$500. for the Woodbridge Loan Fund as a result of S.B.A. solicitation in a letter to alumni. That is still a paltry showing. Keep it in mind when your affluent days arrive!

SEPARATE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES: The College Board of Student Affairs, to which I am a delegate, along with Mr. Williamson of the faculty, has been directed by College President Graves to submit a proposal for Commencement Exercises. I am on the committee and will represent the law students' desire for their own ceremony. Dean Whyte has reminded me that the Law School faculty must also approve of such a plan. I trust that they will take no action without hearing directly from student representatives. Tentative readings indicate opposition among members of the college community to a separate Law School graduation, primarily from the faculty.

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he strives for appropriate recognition of his accomplishment, you are by no means alone. This should be equally important to those of us with husbands in the first and second years, if we wish to see a precedent set by the third-year "pioneers."

For those of you who are not entirely clear as to the current procedure for graduation at this College, I am told that the hard-earned degree of Juris Doctor is conferred upon the class en masse with all the climax of a wet firecracker, the recipients merely rising as one from their seats on cue. Hardly an auspicious or worthy reward for three hard years in the study of law and a total of nineteen years of education.

The fact that only nine students from the Law School attended their graduation exercises last year would seem to indicate that the consternation shown by our senior class is not new, and that the wind of change needs to blow through the halls of Marshall-Wythe in this respect.

Men and women of the third-year class, we applaud your efforts to secure individual recognition of your great achievement. We look forward to a ceremony in which we may all join to extend our congratulations at the end of these three years at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law.

Curriculum Note

By John R. Stevens Chairman, Curriculum Committee

The Faculty Curriculum Committee is accepting proposals from professors and students on recommendations for changes in course and new courses for next year. Due to the nature of such planning, most major proposals will have to be made in the next few weeks. Students wishing to make recommendations should draw up a brief resume of the nature of the course and submit it to the Committee. Sufficient interest may be exhibited by twenty signatures.

Faculty members of the Committee are Mr. Phelps, Mr. Brown, Mr. Fischer, Mr. Bromberger, and Mr. Collins.

For your consideration and opinion, the Committee would like you to discuss the following proposed change in Constitutional Law. At present, one four-hour Constitutional Law class is required along with one four-hour Criminal Law class. It is recommended that Constitutional Law be divided into five sections of two-hour courses including:

- 1. Basic Constitutional Law (Articles).
- 2. Individual Liberties (Bill of Rights).
- 3. Criminal Justice Administration.
- 4. Seminar -- Individual Liberties.
- 5. Seminar -- Criminal Law Problems.

In addition, Criminal Law would be cut to three hours and focus on crimes with procedure being included in Criminal Justice Administration. Some or all of the above may be required. Please discuss all the possibilities and combinations and express your favor or disfavor to one of the above faculty members or to this writer.

S.B.A. REPORT (continued from page 5)

BY-LAWS: The By-Laws of the S.B.A. are being revised by a committee chaired by Pete McIntosh, a second-year student. We are, in effect, presently operating without by-laws since they were not revised in 1970 to comport with the new constitution.

Although the door to the S.B.A. office is generally closed, it is always open in the figurative sense, in that we encourage you to ask questions and voice opinions whenever and wherever you see us. I will not permit "the tail to wag the dog" and conduct S.B.A. meetings through the medium of the S.B.A. newsletter. I will report periodically on questions that arise in meetings and personal confrontations.







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TIME OUT FOR SPORTS

DUE RECOGNITION By Walt Stowe

With one game remaining on their nine-game schedule, the first-year football team (the Bandits), have enjoyed considerable success. The upstarts of the independent league and undisputed (by everyone but the Bench--second- and third-year team) Law School champs have posted a 7-1 record.

The Bandits' only loss came at the hands of the Jags, a longtime power of the Independent League. To date, the Jags are 8-0, but play a vital game with the Bench. Should our upper-class brethren defeat them--the Bandits and the Jags would be tied for first place and a play-off game would result.

Featuring a powerful offense, led by the passing of Curt Coward and the running of Greg Giordano, the Bandits averaged twentyfive points per game. The pass-receiving corps was paced by Julian Raney, Bob Schultz, Dan Shipley, Bob Halkowich, and Giordano. Walt Stowe, Tom Smith, and George Campbell provided more than adequate protection for the quarterbacks, led the Bandits' vicious sweeps, and even managed to haul in a few passes in the meantime.

On the defensive side, opponents averaged only ten points per game against the hard-nosed crew. Dick Hackman led the team in interceptions, Jim Murray was the other cornerback, and Larry King was the safety. The pass rush was led by big Charles Allen and Lamont Newsome, until the latter abandoned the football field for politics.

In retrospect, it was an excellent season. Hopefully, next year--with more experience and togetherness--the Bandits will bring the Intramural Football crown to the Law School.

Current Rumors: Rumor has it that John Hooker was told that "Gretchen" was not an eligible member of his basketball team, and that Rick (The Pistol) Anderson will wear his U.S. Marine gym shorts during the upcoming basketball season.

Someone had fraudulently inserted Tom Maxwell's name as winner of the Fall Tennis Tournament. Rumor has it that when Pete Motti, possibly Maxwell's next opponent, saw



Bob Marks intercepting Jag pass in the Bench's losing effort last week.



Curzi in action against the Jag

this he chuckled and claimed, "That's the only way Maxwell could win it." And, finally, rumor has it that the best sport of all is occurring every Friday afternoon as a group of first-year budding--or boozing--barristers polish off a keg.

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FIRST SEMESTER:

NOVEMBER	4	NATIONAL MOOT COURT TEAM PRACTICE ARGUMENT (THURSDAY)	
NOVEMBER	6	PAD CAR RALLYE (SATURDAY)	
NOVEMBER	17	PDP SPEAKERS FORUM (WEDNESDAY)	
NOVEMBER	20	PDP POST-GAME PARTY (SATURDAY)	
DECEMBER	4	PDP WINE & CHEESE PARTY (SATURDAY)	
DECEMBER	8	PDP SPEAKERS FORUM (WEDNESDAY)	
DECEMBER	16	CHRISTMAS DANCE (THURSDAY)	
JANUARY 2	5-26	PDP WASHINGTON TRIP	

SECOND SEMESTER:

MARCH 4	MOOT COURTREGIONAL COMPETITION (SATURDAY)
MARCH 11	PDP PRESENTATIONLIBEL NIGHT (SATURDAY)
APRIL 7	SBA ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SEMINAR (FRIDAY)
	(SEN. PROXMIRE, ET AL.)
APRIL 22	BARRISTER'S BALL (SATURDAY)
APRIL 24	SBA PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION (MONDAY)
APRIL 27	SBA ELECTIONS (THURSDAY)
APRIL 29	LAW REVIEW BANQUET (SATURDAY)
MAY 3	INAUGURATIONSBA LUNCHEON (WEDNESDAY)











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