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BALSA To Sponsor Speech By Judge Higginbotham

The Honorable A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr., Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit will be speaking at the law school at 7 PM, Friday, February 20, 1981, in room 119.

A graduate of Yale Law School, 1952, LLB, Judge Higginbotham was appointed to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in 1964 where he presided until 1977 when he was

appointed by President Jimmy Carter to the Court of Appeals. His Honor also currently lectures at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and is an adjunct professor in the Department of Sociology at the Wharton Graduate School of the University of Pennsylvania. At one time the judge was a lecturer at Yale and a visiting lecturer at the University of Michigan Law School.

Judge Higginbotham has served on boards of trustees or has been a member of more than thirty national organizations and has published more than forty articles in major scholarly journals. His recent book, **IN THE MATTER OF COLOR: Race and the American Legal Process; The Colonial Period**, has received several national awards including: Silver Gavel Award of the American Bar Association, National Bar Association Literary Award, Frederick Douglass Award of the National Association of Black Lawyers. This book is available in the college bookstore. His Honor is writing two additional books in his **Race and the American Legal Process** series, and an anthology of **Documents on Race and the American Legal Process**.

The Marshall-Wythe Chapter of BALSA will host a reception for Judge Higginbotham at the National Center for State Courts immediately following the lecture. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.



The Honorable A. Leon Higginbotham

Law Day Plans Announced

By Acie Allen

Law Day is a national observance sponsored by the ABA to recognize the importance of law in America. This year's theme is Law: Language of Liberty (nice amorphous topic, eh?). The ABA sponsors nationwide competition among municipalities, local bar associations, and law schools; awards are given for the best program in each circuit as well as national awards in all categories. Nationally, Law Day is celebrated on May 1, but since that catches Marshall-Wythe in the midst of exams, tentative

dates are March 30 through April 5 with various programs planned throughout the week.

At Marshall-Wythe the first year SBA representatives are in charge of program planning. Thus far committees have been formed and some tentative plans made but help is needed from more students and faculty, particularly in the areas of publicity (fun things like TV appearances, radio spots and newspaper articles) and community involvement (working with groups such as

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Sullivan to U.Va. for Year; Walck Named Interim Dean

by Beth Holmstrup

Beginning in August of this year, Marshall-Wythe will loan its Associate Dean for Administration to the University of Virginia. Timothy J. Sullivan will be a Visiting Professor of Law at the University of Virginia School of Law until May of 1982. Sullivan replaces Stan

Henderson who will be working on a revision of Dawson and Harvey's contracts casebook. Sullivan's duties will be to teach both contracts and Uniform Commercial Code (UCC). He will have no committee or administrative responsibilities, and hopes to devote time to research and writing. His first effort, to be started in April and finished in the fall (hopefully), is an article examining the right to cure, section 2-508 of the UCC. This sojourn at Virginia is

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Willis Wins Election In Three-Way Contest

by David B. Kirby

Second year representative Larry Willis last Friday was elected president of the Student Bar Association for the 1981-82 school year. Willis cleanly swept the slate of three candidates to win the election without the need of a run-off, the first time in at least the past three elections that a president has been elected on the first ballot.

Elections for other SBA officers will be held tomorrow. Willis and the other officers will not take office until later this spring.

The SBA Board of Directors decided to hold elections for next year's officers this early in the academic year after the Board of Student Affairs — a university-wide body that allocates funds to all campus organizations — required all budgets for next year by Feb. 4.

With the early election, next year's officers — the people who will be working with next year's budget — will be able to formulate that budget. The newly-elected officers will have no official status, however, until after they take office.

In order to elect next year's officers so early, changes were needed in the SBA Constitution and By-laws. Constitutional amendments require a vote by the student body. Consequently, the Board late last semester called for a referendum early this semester that would allow officers to be elected without necessarily taking office immediately after the election.

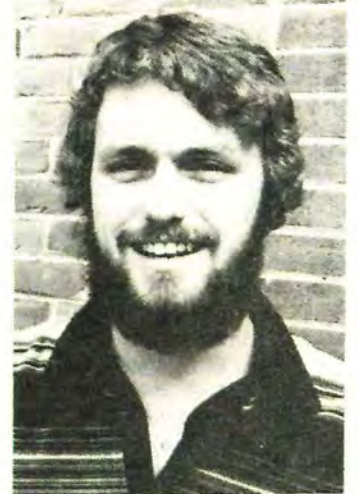
The SBA Constitution clearly states that a majority of students must vote in any referendum election for the referendum to be binding.

The Board itself has changed the SBA By-laws and set the term of office for next year's officers to begin sometime later in the semester.

The Board also has added a requirement to the By-laws that Board members make themselves available in the SBA

office during the day to answer the telephone and resupply the coffee bar. Willis reported to the full Board at a meeting Tuesday that this By-laws change had passed the Rules Committee — a group appointed late last semester by SBA president Rich Marone and composed exclusively of Board members — by a narrow margin.

In other SBA news, first year representative Acie Allen reported to the Board that at last Monday's faculty meeting the faculty decided to vote during its February meeting on an open or flexible exam schedule. In the



Larry Willis, the newly elected president of the SBA.

meantime, a faculty committee is looking at the proposal created by Judicial Council Chief Justice Mike Holm, endorsed by the Board, and submitted to the faculty early last semester.

Allen said his impression was that the faculty, even if it approves some form of flexible exam scheduling, would not permit the new schedule to become effective this semester.

Allen also reported that the faculty was informed by the campus police that the police are considering locking the law school building every night at 12:30 a.m. in order to cut down on trespassing.

Moot Court Team Advances To Quarterfinals in New York



Paul Frampton, Rich Marone and Scott Harbottle closely scrutinize Rick Mann during a practice in anticipation of The New York tournament.

New York — The Marshall-Wythe Moot Court Team advanced to the quarter finals of the National Moot Court Competition on Wednesday afternoon by defeating Cumberland Law School.

Earlier the team had suffered a narrow defeat in the first argument of the double elimination round at the hands of Indiana University Law School.

Scott Harbottle, Rick Mann, and Rich Marone are

representing the school in New York. On Thursday afternoon at 4 p.m. they will face Cincinnati University Law School in the first round of the quarterfinals. Sixteen teams have survived to

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Vote Tomorrow!

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VIEWPOINT An Election of Consequence?

Perhaps a new beginning. The landslide election of Larry Willis as president of the Student Bar Association may signal a revival for the organization. Its sagging fortunes of late have occurred primarily because the SBA has become the students' favorite whipping boy.

Rich Marone's SBA suffered from early disorganization and communication breakdowns between the president, the executive board and the representatives. The fact that Marone had another major commitment did not make things easier. By the time most of the problems were straightened out, the organization had developed a negative image among students.

The size of the electoral victory gives Willis the opportunity to unite many of the school's factions, something Marone had difficulty doing after his

tightly-contested election over Mike Holm. Willis' landslide will give him a freer hand in making appointments and added leverage before the board itself.

The margin of victory may even indicate that the students are ready to work with Willis and the SBA, rather than at odds with it, to achieve changes at the school. This union could only strengthen the influence of students as a whole, something that only frightens certain professors.

Willis has acknowledged a strong desire to encourage this union. On Tuesday he submitted, and the Board passed, an amendment to the SBA by-laws that would make representatives more available to the students. We applaud Mr. Willis' election and this early effort. We only hope it continues.

P.J.K.

Letters to the Editor

I Will Not Run

Ed Note: This letter was sent to President Rich Marone of the SBA just before last week's election.

Insofar as this concerns the SBA, let me first express my appreciation to you for your efforts this year. You have been hindered, I feel, by an alarming lack of cooperation, if not outright opposition, all of it unnecessary and unfortunate. You have given much time and thought to your duties and I want to thank you.

As you know Aundria Foster nominated me for SBA president yesterday. I feel very flattered, especially because I respect Aundria so much. In considering this matter I have had to weigh the demands of a new position against those which I already have. Of course, I could obtain a release from my Judicial Council and Student Legal Service duties. However, I enjoy both of those positions and want very much to continue working with them. Moreover, as you know I am a Mormon and have shared fairly responsible ecclesiastical duties in the LDS community here in Williamsburg. I feel my first obligation, at any time, is to respond affirmatively to any calls for service from that source. I feel accepting this nomination and the subsequent prospects of election would take much of the time that my church might ask of me, and force my resignation from my current duties. Because of the obligations that I feel I have to my church and the organizations which I now serve I feel I could not honestly hold myself out as a viable candidate ready to commit the time necessary for this important job.

Please then know that I am not a candidate for any SBA position.

If a statement of candidates is published please make this available so people will know why I have withdrawn, certainly not out of lack of willingness to serve.

My best wishes,
Brad Bruton

No Thanks!

Ed Note: This is a letter sent to Rich Marone, SBA President and Kevin Williams, SBA Treasurer.

Upon careful consideration of our operational needs and present Federal funding, we would like to notify you of our intention not to submit a budget request for the 1981-1982 Fiscal year. Furthermore, we are returning all the remaining funds from our 1980-1981 allocation. We are aware that SBA funds are limited and feel

that other organizations may have a greater need for these funds than we have.

Please be aware that although we will not be submitting a budget request this year, we may, depending on our needs and available alternative funding, make further requests.

We would also like to notify you of actions of three other student organizations: Student Legal Forum, ATLA, and the International Law Society. After evaluating their own needs, these organizations generously sacrificed assigned office space in Room 237 to give P-CAP additional operating room. Their consideration and honest evaluation should be commended.

Sincerely,
Thomas E. Scarr
Administrative Director
Alfred L. White, Jr.
Program Director
Loren C. Meyers
Assistant Program Director

Law Day Planning

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AARP, civic organizations, local government, etc.). Though volunteers for these committees have been particularly sparse, help also is needed in all aspects of the proposed program.

Among the plans for Law Day is the usual program for high schools in the area to answer student questions and tell students a little about their rights, etc. In addition to taking the law school to the high schools, it is hoped that some high school groups will be able to come to the law school for a mock trial presentation in the moot court room. A mock trial is also planned for presentation in Colonial Williamsburg, possibly in the Captial building.

One of the main goals of Law Day is community information and involvement; so, in addition to Colonial Williamsburg and local high schools, the Law Day Committee hopes to involve William and Mary undergraduates and people from the community. Current plans include talks on legal issues facing the elderly for retired groups and presentations on topics such as Sports Law, Medical and Mental Health Law, and Education Law. Also, it is hoped that some sort of cooperative program can be worked out with the National Center for State Courts.

Community professionals from the various topical areas will be invited to participate. Proclamations by the City Council, the Mayor, the local county board of supervisors also will be requested.

Help is needed and requested on any of the programs suggested or on any new ideas anyone might have. At present, there is no chairperson for the Community Involvement committee. For more information, please contact Patti Pritchard, Arthur Gary, or Acie Allen.

N.Y. Tournament

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this point, but only four will remain after two rounds on Thursday.

Jeannie Estes, chief justice of the Moot Court Board, spoke to the team on Wednesday night. All three praised the stiff competition and the splendid organization by tournament officials. In addition, the team members were extremely optimistic about their chances in the upcoming round.

Estes also announced that the finals of the Appellate Advocacy oral argument competition would be held on Monday, February 2, at 7:30 p.m.

Students Offer Free Tax Help to Poor Through VITA

Volunteer Income Tax Advisors (VITA) is looking for law students to help the needy file their 1980 income tax returns. Because of the language used in and organization of the current federal income tax forms, many low income and elderly residents have difficulty filing their annual income tax returns. To aid these groups of people, the IRS establishes VITA organizations each year. These organizations, comprised of students from colleges and universities throughout the nation, aid the aged and poor by helping them complete their personal income tax forms.

In Williamsburg, the VITA program traditionally has been operated and staffed by Marshall-Wythe students. This year's program is being headed by second-year law student Jo Ann Blair. Operating out of room 234A, the VITA staff will provide assistance every Wednesday night between the hours of 6 and 10 p.m. until the April 15 filing

deadline. Such assistance will include both interpreting the language used in Form 1040 and 1040A and the giving of basic tax advice.

A lecture on the proper method of completing Form 1040 and on standard inclusions, exemptions, and deductions used in determining federal taxable income will be given by Ms. Blair on Wednesday, February 4, at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in acting as a volunteer should attend this lecture. No previous tax experience is required.

Assuming the usual number of student volunteers, most VITA staffpersons will be asked to work only two or three Wednesdays during the semester. An experienced tax preparer will be available for consultation every evening and no individual will be personally liable for advice given as a VITA volunteer. For more information, contact Jo Ann Blair at 220-0493 or John Libby at 229-8535.

NCSC Essay Contest

The National Center for State Courts has announced Lawrence W. Fanson Essay Prizes in Judicial Administration for 1981.

1. **Prize Amounts.** 1st Prize: \$600. 2nd Prize: \$400. 3rd Prize: \$200.

2. **Eligibility.** Any regularly enrolled student of the College of William and Mary Marshall-Wythe School of Law is eligible.

3. **Deadline for Submissions.** Entries must be postmarked or received at the National Center for State Courts, 300 Newport Avenue, Williamsburg, Virginia 23185, no later than March 31, 1981.

4. **Date of Awards.** Prize winner will be announced and prizes awarded at or before the Marshall-Wythe School of Law graduation exercises in May, 1981.

5. **Procedures.**
a. Essays may be on any topic in the field of judicial administration. Students may ascertain in advance if the topic selected qualifies by contacting the office of the Executive Director of the National Center for State Courts.

b. Essays must be typed, double spaced, on 8 1/2 x 11 bond

paper and may not exceed 40 pages in length, including footnotes. All submissions should have a signed cover page indicating that the essay is not subject to any other copyright or ownership and has not been published and is not under consideration for publication elsewhere.

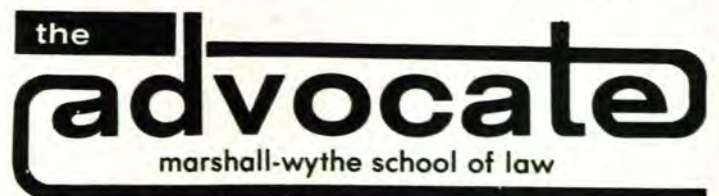
c. Footnotes may be included in the text or placed at the end of the essay. They should be in a form in accordance with the M.L.A. style manual.

d. Essays must be the exclusive and original work of the student author. While an essay may be the subject of a grant of academic credit, it may not be the product of a federal, state, or private grant or have been prepared while the author was a fulltime regular employee of any organization.

e. All essays will be judged by a committee appointed by the Executive Director of the National Center for State Courts. The National Center reserves the right not to award a prize if a submission is of unacceptable quality.

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New Moot Court Team

The Advocate extends congratulations to the following new members of the Marshall-Wythe National Moot Court Team:

- Scott Caulkins
- Robbie Colton
- John Nevin
- Kevin O'Mahony
- Karen Russell
- Jack Sharpe

Congratulations also to Randy Frostick and Kathy Shaw for their outstanding performances in the Appellate Advocacy Tournament.

Willis Speaks on the Issues He Will Face

Last Friday the student body overwhelmingly elected Larry Willis as the next President of the Student Bar Association. To acquire some insight into Willis' opinions of Marshall-Wythe and his plans for the upcoming year, *The Advocate* interviewed the President-elect on the Monday and Tuesday following his victory. An edited version of those interviews follows:

The Advocate: To what do you attribute your easy win?

Willis: I think the fact that Brad Bruton and Drew Hutchison dropped out of the race, probably kept us from having to go to a run-off; each of them being qualified would have drawn a lot of support; the fact that Dave Fulton didn't mount much of a campaign; and Mark Ferguson the day before was still trying to let people know who he was. I had the voter recognition as class representative and as Chairman of Orientation a lot of first years knew me. For a lot of people it was a choice between somebody they knew and two people they didn't know.

The Advocate: Now that you're elected, what do you view as the purpose of the SBA?

Willis: The purpose of the SBA is to run the law school from the student standpoint as efficiently as possible. At the same time, the SBA must provide student input and contribution and not just sit back and rely on the Dean's office to take care of everything. The SBA must provide ideas. It would be to our benefit for the students to work with the SBA to try to generate these ideas and innovations.

The Advocate: Do you view the student body as united, or do you see three separate classes or an even greater division?

Willis: That's a tough question. Probably in my naivete, I view the student body as one homogeneous group, but I think even if it is one homogeneous group, there is a subset or a group of subsets in there. There are people who just want to come here and get a law degree and go home. There are people who would like to have a good time while they are here. Some people want to be part of the grad school, and others want to be part of a greater university

community. But I don't think any of these groups are really in opposition.

The Advocate: Do you have any choice in the Vice-Presidential race?

Willis: I think that both of them could do a good job; I encouraged both of them to run. I've been explaining the strengths of both of them to people who ask. I hesitate to endorse either one of them.

The Advocate: What areas of the school need the most improvement?

Willis: I'd like to see a strengthening of the honor code and honor system, so that people know what constitutes as honor violation and what standards to use when writing for Appellate Advocacy or any of the situations where research has to be done. There are a limited number of resource materials and it's questionable to what extent you can work with another person. The person who sacrifices and does it all by himself doesn't have the brain trust that the others have, and I don't think you should penalize people for being honest and doing their own work. At the same time, you can't fault the ones who are working together and don't know what the standard is.

The Advocate: How do you view your relationship with the administration?

Willis: I think that we have a good working relationship. This summer all the refrigerators were moved from the student lounge to the other lounges. I was the only SBA representative here, and I went to talk to Dean Sullivan and Mrs. Forbes and it ended up with Sullivan refusing to take action. I went so far as to say, "Well, we're getting screwed over, what's the point in this?" and at that point, Spang came over and told Sullivan to work something out.

I think that if we can let the administration know that we will be flexible on a lot of issues and we are not going to draw a hard line everywhere, we can work together. But there comes a point where you have to draw the line and say, "We deserve at least this; we demand that we get this." We will not ask for

everything, but the things that we draw the hard line on are the things that we consider necessities.

The Advocate: What is your opinion of the placement program?

Willis: I think the placement program could be, should be, must be expanded. There's no reason why any student, whether first in the class or last in the class, should not have at least one in-school interview before leaving here. The placement office doesn't have the manpower to bring enough firms into the school, we should set up some kind of student cooperative — a committee or something like that — where if you want an interview, you do something in return. Then there would be no reason why people should get out of here without having interviews.

The Advocate: Do you think students should have a greater say in hiring decisions?

Willis: Yes and no. I think students should have greater input, but I'm not sure to what extent. At present I know there are students on the Faculty Hiring Committee, but I don't know how far their opinions go. Students certainly must have some say as to the teaching techniques that their professors are going to use in class.

The Advocate: What features of the school are you most proud of?

Willis: The potential of the student body is enormous. But at the same time, it's one of the things that needs the most improvement. I think a lot of people aren't working up to their potential or else they don't have any idea what they can do or what they should do to help the school. I'm not saying that everyone needs to be a philanthropist, but I see that the better the school is, the better it is for each student. If Marshall-Wythe is the best that it can be, it helps everyone. Everybody here is bright, creative, articulate and talented, and to see those talents go to waste shouldn't be allowed. But it's unfortunate that you can't force somebody to use their talents because if there were a way to force people to use them, I would gladly do it.

The Advocate: To what extent do you plan on using the SBA board members?

Willis: I plan to introduce a change in the bylaws that every elected member of the Board spend certain hours in the office each week so that the office will be an office. There will be a period of time each day when anybody can go into the office and there will be somebody there. Students won't face a locked door and lights out when the change machine is empty, or if there is no coffee.

you run for office, you do it to benefit the students.

The Advocate: How do you evaluate the job of the outgoing president?

Willis: I think Rich did as good a job as he could have with the limitations that he faced. I don't mean anything derogatory, but being on a moot court team that did as well as it did, did not help as far as the time he was able to spend with SBA. I don't fault him for it, but I have to wonder if he could have done a great job if



Is this the man we elected president?

I will expect more from our representatives, perhaps, than what was expected this year. I'll expect the people elected for next year to be really concerned and aware of the representative factor — that they are supposed to represent; and I want them to not just say what they think, but to say what they think the majority of the people in their class feel. Representatives can't do that by sitting off by themselves or studying all the time or playing all the time. There's got to be meaningful interaction between the representatives and the student body. I think that everyone has to see that when

he didn't have the time constraints of moot court.

The Advocate: The biggest complaint last year was that the SBA didn't represent the students. How do you plan to alleviate the problem?

Willis: I think requiring SBA members to spend time in the office and outside the office talking to students about such things as grading policy will help. In addition, representatives must tell students what's going on, what we're in the process of evaluating this or we're in the process of organizing a committee to look at that and we would like some input.

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SLS Program Has Been Substantially Upgraded

The Student Legal Services (SLS) program is about to take another step in what has been a dramatic and substantial reorganization process. With the start of the 1981 spring semester, Tom Jackson, class of 1982, will take over the administration of Marshall-Wythe's largest clinical program. Tom is presently serving as an Associate Director of the Students Rights Branch of the SLS program. He has been

Under the supervision of the out-going Director, Allen Grossman, SLS has been going through extensive change and reorganization. When Grossman assumed the directorship in November of 1979, SLS was a small, somewhat unknown, and detached segment of the Marshall-Wythe community. Although the theory behind the founding of an SLS program was sound, little had been done in its first three years to develop the

Board, a total reorganization was begun. Under the guidance of the Brad Bruton and his staff, an extensive publicity campaign was undertaken to make the undergraduates aware of the services offered by Marshall-Wythe through the SLS Program. The results were extremely successful, and SLS staff members handled more cases in the Spring semester of 1980 than had been handled in the three previous years of the program's existence. With the help of Kitty Wetterer, SLS became involved in several aspects of student rights within the college environment. SLS staff members began representing undergraduate students in disciplinary hearings, honor council proceedings and policy complaints against faculty members and administration. It is now accepted procedure for the Dean of Students to freely recommend SLS representation in such matters.

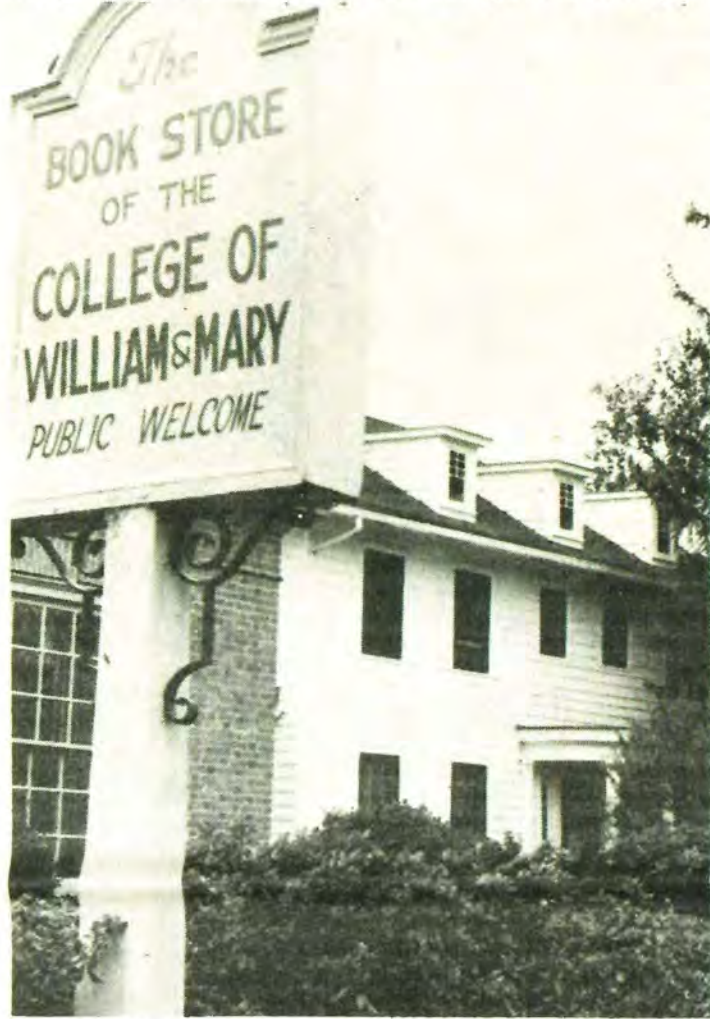
procure a sizeable budget increase from the Board of Student Affairs; therefore SLS, for the first time in its history, received sufficient funding from the college and was not compelled to seek funds from restrictive outside sources.

As the fall 1980 semester began, SLS continued to change and expand. Continued interest by second-year students, and a new influx of first-year students interested in the program, caused the SLS staff to grow to over eighty participants. New projects have been developed and new people have been involved in the administration of the program. Bill Bell assumed an Associate Directorship and has worked closely with Audria Foster and their staff to organize a regional network of Student Legal Service programs and to organize a conference to be hosted at Marshall-Wythe this semester.

Eddie Bourdon and Tom Jackson of the Student Rights Branch, and their staff have been involved in numerous activities with the college administration including grade appeals, attendance policies, disciplinary hearings and honor proceedings. Jeff Matthews has been extremely active in compiling information on local leasing practices and problems and in developing SLS procedures for handling landlord-tenant disputes.

One of the most significant developments of this semester is the obtaining of legal counsel for the SLS program. Due to the efforts of Dan Gecker SLS has obtained the services of Stephen Harris, a local attorney with the firm of McGuire, Woods and Battle. Mr. Harris maintains weekly hours at the SLS office during which time he reviews cases and procedures with the SLS Executive Board and individual staff members. This service has greatly enhanced the capabilities of the SLS staff and should prove to be a very important aspect in the continued growth of the SLS

The reorganization and restructuring of the SLS program has been significant and effective. As Grossman relinquishes his directorship to Jackson, it is quite apparent that SLS has the potential to continue providing an extremely beneficial service to the undergraduate student body and an equally beneficial service, as a clinical program, to the students of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. The undergraduate college has recognized and supported the SLS program. If the law school, students, faculty and administration will recognize and support SLS in the fashion that such a program deserves, its benefit to students and the law school will be immeasurable.



The new residence of Student Legal Services

active in setting up procedures and guidelines for the handling of disciplinary and honor offenses by students at the College of William and Mary. Jackson will be taking over the SLS program pursuant to an appointment by the present director and confirmation by the SLS Executive Board.

program into a viable and useful student activity. Grossman's initial efforts were geared toward installing widespread interest in the program. Numerous first year students were recruited to supplement the predominantly third-year staff and the program grew from a small handful of participants to almost sixty volunteers. With the help of a new Executive

Through the efforts of Eddie Francis, channels of communication were opened to the local members of the Bar and SLS was able to process and maintain voluntary assistance from several private attorneys in the Williamsburg community. Their service became the backbone of the assistance SLS was able to provide to students.

SLS also became involved in activities aimed at providing students with information that would enable them to avoid legal problems. One major effort in this area was the printing of a landlord-tenant information pamphlet. The pamphlet, researched and written by the staff of the SLS Special Projects Branch under the guidance of Audria Foster, impressed the college administration so favorably that the Dean of Students offered to publish and distribute the pamphlet.

All of this activity and publicity allowed the SLS program to extend into numerous areas of service to the student body of the College of William and Mary, and one of the most significant results was the widespread recognition given to the program by the undergraduate students. As a result Doug Wright was able to

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Vice President

Arthur Gary

My name is Arthur Gary, and I am eager, ready, and able to be elected Vice President of the Student Bar Association. As for the first two adjectives, you'll have to take my word as truth. (Would I lie to you?) However, as to my ability to serve you effectively, you'll have to decide for yourselves, though not without a little "prompting." Thus we now have the makings of a potentially-brilliant campaign speech.

By the end of this semester I will have served a full year as First-Year Rep. The important part of that campaign is now: telling you what I have done, since I purposefully made few promises then. Through regular, cooperative, and active participation, I feel I have contributed soundly to the quality of student life at Marshall-Wythe. Along the way, I have done my best to keep my classmates informed and, more arduously, involved. To this extent, I am running on my record. I hope my classmates will be truthful to upperclassmen as to their impressions of me.

As many of you know, my sense of humor is important to me. I feel it's vital to getting through this Marquis de Sade 3-year crash course. But I don't confuse this with not taking my commitments seriously. In this commitment to you, I will be cooperative yet firm. I will respect the ideas of all of you — whether on the Board or not. I expect (and have found) the same of you. Again, I make few promises. There are some academic programs I would like to implement; for example, a weekly tutorial for first-years, taught by upperclassmen, in each course area. This and other ideas have come from you. I lay no claim to any great originality beyond Penophilia.

My final appeal to you is one of historical perspective. In that I will be 2nd-year next term, your support for me now is an investment in your future, and that of Marshall-Wythe. My year on the Board, working already with President-Elect Willis, is

experience you can bank on. I know SBA procedure and its effective limitations. I intend to jump right into the budgeting process with a clean, fair slate. By your keeping me "in play," I will be a valuable resource to you, one which I hope will appreciate — for our collective benefit.

Allen Grossman

For too many years the SBA has pompously relied upon an unearned, fictitious, self-centered reputation. This attitude has fostered an enormous amount of apathy and resulted in an extreme lack of productivity. Responsiveness to key issues in the law school community has dwindled to almost complete non-existence. The law school's reputation in the college-wide student community has fallen to such an embarrassingly low level of esteem that the SBA is either ignored or ridiculed by other student organizations on campus and, more importantly, by law students and even law school administrators and faculty. This situation was brought upon the SBA by its past leaders and has been allowed to persist through the complacency of its members and present leaders. The time has come for a change. Inactivity and unresponsiveness are no longer being benignly accepted by the members of the Marshall-Wythe community. We want a student government that can and will protect the interests and provide the services that law students at Marshall-Wythe are concerned about. I believe that I can be a vocal and active participant in the creation of a responsive and purposeful SBA.

The SBA must strive to undertake purposeful action on issues that are important to Marshall-Wythe students. The representatives of the law student body must implement much-needed revision of grading policies, honor and disciplinary code procedures, and exam scheduling policies. The law school's reputation on campus and influence in campus affairs must be improved so that the law school may benefit from the financial and extracurricular

support available from the overall college community. The SBA's internal structure must be solidified. Its procedures, rules and guidelines must be substantiated and clarified so as to allow its members to function efficiently and effectively in achieving productive goals. The SBA must bring the law school administration to the realization that students at Marshall-Wythe are genuinely concerned about academic and administrative policies in the school and that we want to be included in the formulation and implementation of such policies. And, finally, the SBA must begin to foster an increased awareness and support of the many diverse services and activities that are readily available to law students through the numerous student groups and activities within the Marshall-Wythe community.

There are two primary requirements for achieving all these goals. First, communications between the SBA and the law students, and the SBA and the law school administration, and the SBA and the college community must be vastly improved! Second, creative, imaginative, hard-working people must be recruited and encouraged to put to good use all the benefits that can be acquired from improved communications! One without the other will result in a continued waste of everyone's time. I believe that I can be instrumental in helping the SBA achieve these goals. I have shown my dedication and my abilities through my participation as Director of the Student Legal Services program, through my membership on the Judicial Council, as a student representative on the Law School Library Committee and as Editor-in-Chief of the Colonial Lawyer magazine.

If you want to have a more responsive, more representative and more creative SBA, I hope you will give me your support and thereby allow me to assist in the resurrection of a viable Student Bar Association. For Experience, Dedication and Change vote Allen Grossman for SBA Vice President. Thank you.

Treasurer

Theresa Carroll

Although my posters may be rather silly, I take my candidacy for the office of Treasurer very seriously. My qualifications include service as Treasurer of the Student Council of the University of Virginia, a degree in Finance, service on the School of Commerce Student Council, and service as Commerce School Representative to Student

Council.

I shall perform the duties and responsibilities of the position with diligence and concern. However, I do not intend to be merely a bookkeeper. If elected, I will actively seek to achieve the goals of the law student body and the SBA. I will always be responsive to your inputs and gripes. I appreciate your vote.

Dan Cassano

I am Dan Cassano and as a first year law student I am looking for something to occupy my time. Please support me for SBA Treasurer. Don't worry, I have all the necessary training and experience. As an undergraduate I faithfully

served one year as Treasurer of Virginia Tech's Interfraternity Council so I have learned how to manage funds for large student organizations. Since then I have been trained as a CPA to handle all types of financial situations. Don't worry, you can trust me.

Secretary

Randi Dufresne

The SBA was in need of a secretary to complete the present term and to fill the office next year. I want to be secretary for the interim and also for 1981-82. I was elected for interim secretary; therefore, I will become familiar with the office and the required duties which would be very helpful if I also were elected secretary for the upcoming year. The knowledge I will take into the new term from the completion of the present

term will be invaluable. My qualifications include two years as a secretary for the government before coming to law school. For one of the major projects of my department I was given the same duties as the SBA secretary will be expected to perform.

Thank you for your votes as interim secretary. The election for secretary for next year is Friday, January 30, 1981. Please vote.

Patti Pritchard

The secretary has certain specified duties such as taking minutes and writing necessary letters. As a responsible, conscientious representative, I also am very capable of fulfilling these new tasks. However, my title, if elected, will not be Secretary of the Board of Directors, but Secretary of the Student Bar Association of which all Marshall-Wythe students are members. Therefore, I would like to do more to keep you informed as to what your elected officials are doing. I can make a difference by using some initiative.

I have four proposals for which the SBA Secretary should be responsible.

I. Keeping a master schedule of all future events, times and locations such as:

undergraduate cultural events, speakers, plays, sports, pub nights; law school club meetings, programs, interviews, SBA activities, intramurals; social functions by fraternities, SBA, or law students who wish to invite all.

II. Maintaining a large calendar on an easel in the lobby to display the valuable information in the schedule.

III. Conducting informal surveys to assess SBA functions and gain future ideas in order to get your wishes carried out by the Board.

IV. Making a poster to be kept up to date what the Board and SBA committees have accomplished and on what projects they are working.

Please give me your support so that I may work for you.

Second Year Rep.

Acie Allen

Although all the SBA second year representative candidates are capable of doing an excellent job, I believe that my SBA experience makes me the best qualified. Though I often think I have accomplished little in the SBA this year (Dean Sullivan assures me the shelves are ordered), I have learned a great deal. I know much more about getting things done and finding answers to questions. I have tried to be open to suggestions and to learn more whenever I could not answer a question (this happened much too frequently — total ignorance on my part).

If elected I promise to be even more responsive to your

suggestions for SBA or for the school in general. A second advantage I have is my desire to serve. I'm not going to put my infrequent (nonexistent?) readings of Prosser or Smith and Boyer ahead of my SBA duties; in fact, the SBA will give me a good reason not to read that garbage. This office is not just a fill line for my resume; it is one I want to fill to the best of my ability. I hope my experience and willingness to serve will convince you to vote for me and keep me away from the hornbooks (who knows, it may help the curve).

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Alumni Affairs Dir.

Brenda Hart

I am running for the SBA office of Alumni Relations Director. The director is primarily responsible for sending invitations and making arrangements for the alumni cocktail party in the fall during homecoming weekend and the Barrister's Ball in the spring. The success of these two events requires a moderate amount of organization to assure alumni that Marshall-Wythe is as good a school now as it was when they left. I would like the opportunity to work for the SBA in this capacity.

Third Year Rep.

Elliot Moorman

Student Government should provide law students with the opportunity to effectuate practical and philosophical policies in our law school. I am hesitant to set out promises and personal goals in a formal "platform" because I feel that my role as a Third Year Representative should be the pursuit of your priorities through the governmental

process.

Along with many of you, I have criticized aspects of our school ranging from grading and exam schedules to the purpose of student government in the law school. My goal is to voice our criticisms to the appropriate people and work hard to reach an effective solution. I am seeking your vote so that I can accomplish that goal.

Can a Frustrated History Prof Find Happiness at Marshall-Wythe?

by Peter Stephens

Professor John Bernard Corr, formerly a frustrated history professor, is a man of many talents. Coming to Marshall-Wythe last fall from the Washington firm of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver, and Kampelman, Corr has already won the respect of students for his effective teaching and his desire to be available to students outside of class.

John Corr has always wanted to teach history, but he found "no real career possibility." He received his Ph.D. in 19th-century British History in 1971 at Kent State, and taught briefly there before working (as a civilian) for the Department of the Army, Center of Military History in Washington. Corr still found time to teach American History at the University of Maryland at night. In 1974 he began evening law school at Georgetown University.

The tight market for history professors forced Corr to make a seemingly pragmatic decision. In an interview with the Advocate, Corr said that, "law school was a huge decision, because it meant starting over, but law has been more satisfying than I had expected." Part of his satisfaction, he said, is explained by "some overlap, some

meeting of the fringes" of law and history.

Although teaching was still in the back of his mind during law school, Corr practiced law in Washington and New York, working for the firm's corporate and litigation departments. Corr stated that his work as a practitioner was his best training for drafting papers, handling clients, and learning the importance of facts. "Of course," he added, "it helped me see how the law works in practice."

"I don't think working as a practitioner is a pre-requisite to effective teaching. There are a number of other ways that good teachers can be trained, including clerking, graduate training in law, and work in legal research."

Corr spent two years in practice before he returned to teaching. He decided on Marshall-Wythe because "it has a good faculty with a good working atmosphere, and extremely bright and incredibly pleasant students. You don't know how unpleasant the students are at some law schools."

Corr describes Marshall-Wythe as "a very good school. In

fact, my impression may be erroneous, but it seems to me that students here don't fully realize how good their school is." When asked to comment on the job opportunities available to Marshall-Wythe graduates, Corr responded that he thought "job prospects for graduates here are probably improving even though the market for lawyers nationwide may be declining."

This summer, Corr has a grant to research a choice of law problem which he hopes will lead to a publication. He also hopes someday to finish work on a history paper he began while working for the government. "I like litigation a great deal, but teaching is even more satisfying, and I have no plans to do anything but teach for the foreseeable future."

Corr is presently teaching Property Law and Conflicts, and he teaches Legal History in the fall. He especially enjoys Legal History, finding in it some of the "overlap" between his two specialties.

"The Legal History class was extremely receptive to learning about methods historians use to approach legal materials. A very good group to teach."



Next year we won't have this man to kick around anymore.

Continued from page one repeatedly described by Sullivan as a visit. He fully intends to be back at the completion of the 1981-1982 academic session. Sullivan has not even discussed with Virginia the possibility of extending his stay. And as Sullivan reiterates, "I've spent nine years here — a good part of me is here." Indeed, his wife, Anne, will most likely remain in Williamsburg during this time in order to pursue her career as a psychologist with the Newport News School System.

Overall, Sullivan is excited

about returning to teaching full-time. When asked about whether he will grade according to the Virginia tradition of a "gentleman's B," Sullivan replied that he has only heard of such a tradition from students, and that he will need to inquire about the faculty grading policy, if any. And it remains uncertain as to whether Sullivan will resume his administrative duties when he returns to Marshall-Wythe. In the interim (at least), Colonel Walck will serve as Associate Dean for Administration.

SBA Platforms

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Leila Jacobson

To be perfectly honest, at this moment I know nothing about the SBA. That bothers me because I get the impression that very few of us know anything about the SBA. I sometimes wonder what its purpose is. Sure, they (the corporate "they") organize parties and supply the beer (and that alone may justify the SBA's existence...), but what else do they do? "Read the Constitution," some will tell me,

"It's all down in the Constitution." But, I ask you, how many of us really want to sit down and read the entire Constitution?

Rather, I believe the best way to learn about the SBA is to be an active part of it. As I see it, a

representative's job is to make sure the members of the SBA (you!) know what the SBA is all about and have a voice in the decision-making process. Experience is helpful, but everyone has to start sometime. I am sincerely interested in getting things done for our class and would welcome the opportunity to represent you in the SBA.

Lynn A. Taylor

I am running for second year representative to the Student Bar Association because, having spent first term trying to figure out law school (and deciding it was hopeless), I'm at the point where I can devote time to the school, and not just to my "studies."

My practical qualifications for the position include some involvement in undergraduate student government. My years in the business world, dealing with people to get things accomplished, however, better indicate my ability and experience.

Basically, Marshall-Wythe is a good law school. But improvements can be made: putting shelves in the bathrooms, insuring adequate parking for students as well as faculty and staff, limiting the use of law school facilities by non-law students, to name but a few!

Our goal should be to make Marshall-Wythe the best law school experience possible. With student support and concern, I will do my best to help the SBA accomplish that goal.

Tripods

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Las Vegas oddsmakers have installed the Hands as the early favorite (by a hoop), but Pod Captain Rick O'Keefe insists that the Hands will be forced to play at the Pods' more moderate pace. "If we can keep the score around 45 or 50, we should win," O'Keefe predicted. "We'll just have to be patient on offense." Though all the participants in this titanic struggle are well acquainted, there is no denying that emotions will run high in this crucial game. The winner will occupy a commanding position in the dogfight for the league championship and a bid for the postseason intramural tournament. Doors open at 8:15, tip off is at 8:30.

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or the other fraternity. Last year PDP was the big winner. "Rather than get 80 percent of the first year class, with some folks joining us more out of the herd instinct than anything else, we'd rather have a lesser number of more motivated persons."

"People should know that graduate fraternities are not out of the same ilk as undergraduate social fraternities," continued Corbett. "As an illustration, neither Jon nor I were in fraternities in college. More to the point, however, we just want people to come out and have a good time on the 6th."



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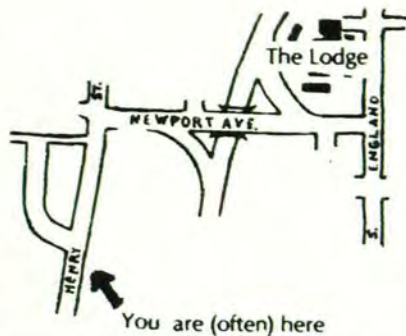
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Schoenenberger on Placement

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possible. Despite the potential of the Atlanta weekend, Schoenenberger's emphasis is still on individual attention. "Once a student comes in to see us, we never forget him," exclaimed the Dean. "It might be some time before we get back to him, but he's not forgotten!"

In reviewing the whole program the Placement Dean described several problem areas which hinder his ability to effectively assist the majority of students.

First, students just plain don't come to see him. The office does not offer a free lunch. To take advantage of the service offered, a student must seek such assistance.

Students put too much emphasis on the fall interview schedule. Although the number and variety of firms conducting on campus interviews has increased during Schoenenberger's first year, the majority of successful employment connections are made through other vehicles.

Too many students think in terms of legal stereotypes. The Dean emphasizes the importance of individual goals and potential, and awareness of the versatility of a legal education. There should be more career planning and fewer attempts to conform to traditional legal forms.

Students are generally unaware of the potential of the alumni network and how to utilize effectively contacts that are available to Marshall-Wythe

graduates and students.

Too many students count out the spring semester, thinking that if a job has not been secured by the middle of December then Exeter is the only viable alternative.

Last, but perhaps the greatest obstacle is the top ten syndrome. Obviously, the majority of the students are not within that select group. Those who are not will still find satisfying jobs. The search may require a little more work, a bit more imagination and a good bit of thinking in the alternative, but positions are available.

Schoenenberger observed that more first year students seem to be successful now in finding summer employment, and he is encouraged by the attitude he perceives in the class of 1983. They seem to have a better grasp of the big picture and are more concerned with career planning, thinking how to control the system rather than being controlled by it. He intends to address the first year class on placement topics in the immediate future.

Overall, Dean Schoenenberger has seen some advances made in the effectiveness of the placement program during his time in the office. His goals are to continue to increase the percentage employed figures, to improve the quality of the jobs behind the figures, to emphasize career planning and to publish a handbook on employment in the legal field. His attitude is distinctly positive and confident.

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One Year at M-W, Schoenenberger Discusses His Placement Program

by Tom Kelly

Editor's Note: The January 24, 1980 issue of the *Amicus Curiae* ran a story on the "new" Dean of Placement whose addition to the Marshall-Wythe administration was eagerly anticipated by the multitudes of the job-hungry student body. Well, a year has passed since that article articulated Michael Schoenenberger's estimation of the job ahead of him. A school such as Marshall-Wythe does not rehabilitate its placement program overnight, especially on an extra-regional scale, but an annual review of progress is timely. The *Advocate* recently questioned Dean Schoenenberger on the placement program to see if his expectations had been met.

"My priority, until the thirty-first of December, was the class of 1980," said Schoenenberger, in explanation of the priorities that govern the allocation of his time. Third years, being closest to the awful truth, received the majority of his abundant energies.

The Dean reported that some people called him for the first time last August, after graduation. Of course, one in that situation gets top priority. Second and first year students seeking summer employment receive less immediate, though no less personal attention, according to Schoenenberger.

Although the placement department attempts to keep records on all classes, its statistical survey only covers the past year's class. On January 1, 1980 forty-five percent of the class of '80 had job commitments. By May the figure had risen to 70 percent. August showed an increase to 90 percent and by October an impressive count of '95 percent employment had been achieved. These figures do not reflect the

type of jobs and though they are "legal" employment, one of the Dean's goals for the future is general improvement in the overall quality of the positions obtained.

Figures on the class of 1981 are sketchy at this point, but a fair guesstimate indicates that fifty percent have secured legal job commitments. The reporting system has a built-in inaccuracy of at least five percent due to its dependence on the self-reporting of students; so, even though the numbers show an improvement over last year's report of this time, the picture is unclear.

When asked if a mandatory student interview system would be desirable to alleviate some of the communication problems that seem to exist between placement and students, Schoenenberger was definitely opposed. Such a program would conflict with the philosophy which motivates the Dean's approach to his task. His duty is not to track down a position for each individual student; in fact, the term "placement" in his title is a distinct misnomer, he claims. More appropriate, in the Dean's perception of his job, is the word "awareness."

"In the final analysis, it's up to the student," says Schoenenberger, perceiving his role in, perhaps, a different way than most students. His aim is to make an individual aware of his own potential and that of the whole legal field. "There are many students with preconceived notions about legal work," he says. It is important to the Dean that each individual understand his or her own capabilities and strengths and then plan a legal future.

Schoenenberger complains that too many students view the placement program as strictly an interview service that caters

to the top ten percent; consequently, too many fail to take advantage of the personal attention available in the department. Few seem to realize that the majority of students do not make their connections through the on-campus interview program, he notes. In this it's-not-what-you-know-but-who-you-know legal world, personal contacts are important. The Dean considers his most valuable service as helping to establish personal contacts. But, of course, before extraschool contacts can be established, a student must make them within the program. Too many students, in Schoenenberger's estimation, sit back complaining of the placement office inactivity, never taking the initiative to mount the stairs in search of assistance.

One definite improvement in the program was the Atlanta weekend. "It enjoyed much better participation this year than in the past," said Schoenenberger. There is still room for improvement, but he expects that this year's response will generate more interest next fall.

The Dean intends to prepare the Atlanta participants better next fall. Although he considers the weekend of interviews a great opportunity, students need to be ready for the program. "This is not your typical on-campus interview," explained Schoenenberger, implying hard-core salesmanship was the key. He characterizes the Atlanta interview process as a "quick look, professional sell yourself, short take." If one is prepared for that format, he or she can do very well. Last fall's attendants were guaranteed a minimum of six interviews. Many more were

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Tripods, Learned Hands To Tip-Off Next Week

The thundering Tripods "A" team notched two easy victories last week to run its unbeaten streak to four despite the absence of key personnel in both contests. The Pods played without the services of standouts Dan Valenti, Kevin O'Mahoney, Roy Ferguson and Garen Dodge in blasting the luckless Jones' Jammers 76-53. Jack Doyle took scoring honors with 24 points and was followed closely by Rick O'Keefe and "the unknown guard" with 22 each. Power forward Bill Kohler, playing in his first game since breaking his leg late last season, pulled down a game high 14 caroms.

The Pods then faced a tough third-year team the Joint Tortfeasors, and managed to escape Blow Gym with a 55-35 win in a contest marred by inconsistent officiating. The Tripods featured a balanced scoring attack as they dismantled the Feasors tightly packed zone defense. Valenti consistently drove the lane for numerous layups while Doyle shredded the net with a variety of leaning, spinning jumpers. The front line of Dodge, Kohler

and O'Keefe swept the boards at both ends of the floor to limit the Feasors to one shot per possession.

The major rival for the Crum League title is John Hall's Learned Hands, who are also undefeated. If the Hands beat Al Albert's Green Magic team, they would bring an identical 4-0 ledger into February 3rd's 8:30 showdown at Blow's large gym. The Hands have destroyed three teams with losing records, featuring a fast break triggered by the ferocious rebounding of Gree "Pretty Boy" Stewart, Eddie Francis and Mike Vulcan. Pinpoint outlet passes from these behemoths to diminutive point guard Eddie Bourdon and big guard Larry Landry result in rim rattling lay-ups and short jumpers. On defense, the lightning quick hands of Steve Givando-Cline pick the pockets of opposing ballhandlers seemingly at will. If this Augustana College graduate ever learns how to shoot a lay-up, he would challenge Francis for the team's leading scoring average.

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PAD to Host Rush Party

The Wythe Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity will hold a rush party on Friday, February 6, at the Graduate Student Center from nine to two o'clock.

"We thought about doing something somewhat different this year, like a theme party or the like," said Rush Chairman Jon Coupal, "but people had always had a real good time at our parties in the past, and we also hope to have another party this winter. So this will be a tried-and-true, P.A.D., good food, good drink, good music, good people party."

But, Coupal sought to


discourage the notion of picking a legal fraternity solely on the basis of its parties, or on one party in particular. "We have good parties, but it's not all we do. We look at a rush party not as a chance to hard-sell anyone, but just to be there to answer whatever questions people may have about P.A.D. Besides, we need a party around here."

"Quite frankly we're tired of the boom-or-bust cycle of rushing the last several years," added Chapter Justice Chris Corbett. During the past few years the great majority of each first year class joined either one

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The comic strip that actually likes being in York...

STICKMAN



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"It was a splendid town. Clean, and so free of crime that the jail was closed down."

- STICKMAN circa 1980

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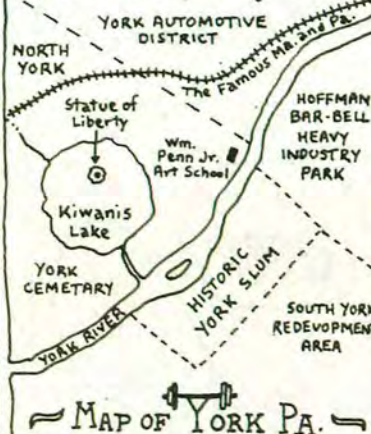


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- STICKMAN

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