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FACULTY ACTIVITIES

Professor Thomas C. Atkeson served as program chairman of the Symposia on "Reappraisal of Business Taxation" conducted under the auspices of the Tax Institute of Princeton, New Jersey, which was held in New York City on December 7-8, 1961.

Professor Joseph Curtis has written the Section on CONTRACTS for the Annual Survey of Virginia Law of the Virginia Law Review. It appears in the November, 1961 issue, vol. 47, number 7.

Professors James P. Whyte and William F. Swindler represented the Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the annual convention of the Association of American Law Schools in Chicago on December 28-30, 1961. Professor Whyte served on the Association's Committee on Continuing Legal Education.

Professor William F. Swindler has been elected national vice-president of the American Society for Legal History. He is also editor of The Legal Historian, a quarterly newsletter of the Society.

Professor Swindler is the author of a detailed review-article on The Federalist which appears in the fall issue of the American Journal of Public Law. Several other reviews have been assigned to him for preparation for the American Bar Association Journal.

Dean Dudley W. Woodbridge was the guest speaker at the December meeting of the Suffolk Bar Association. He spoke on the topic of "Some Needed Changes in the Tort Law of Virginia."

Dean Woodbridge appeared before the Joint Committee of the House and Senate on Courts of Justice in advocacy of legislation which would require all applicants for the Bar Examination to complete their degree or certificate requirements before taking the Examination. At the present time third year classes are sometimes quite disrupted by the fact that most of these students take the December Bar Examination.

Mr. R. Granville Patrick (B.C.L. 1959) was recently appointed to the position of Assistant United States Attorney on the staff of Hon. C. Vernon Spratley, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia. His teaching duties were taken over for the remainder of the semester by Mr. Harry E. Atkinson, an attorney of Newport News, Va.

Mr. Samuel W. Phillips (B.C.L. 1954) has also been appointed an Assistant United States Attorney on the same staff.

TIDEWATER TAX CONFERENCE

The Seventh Annual Tidewater Tax Conference sponsored by the Law School, was held on the Williamsburg campus on December 2, 1961. Conference attendance numbered 163.

LAW LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS

Substantial addition has been made to the Law Library through gifts and purchases of materials. One of the most urgent needs of the Law Library is a complete set of up-to-date annotated codes for all of the fifty states. To make these needs as widely known as possible, the Law School has circulated a number of state bar foundations and has received numerous assurances of interest and suggestions for assistance. Through the publicity given to the circular in a number of state bar association publications, several useful gifts have come into the library. The most important to date was the generous contribution of a current set of the Annotated New Jersey Statutes, received from Richard W. Withington, (B.C.L. 1951) now practicing in Point Pleasant, New Jersey. Other gifts received in response to the circular include some nineteenth-century law reports for the state of Michigan, contributed by Dr. Hobart Coffey of the University of Michigan law library; and, a set of early twentieth-century Florida session laws by a Florida lawyer, Russell McCaughan. Colonial Williamsburg, Inc. gave the law library of Vernon Spratley, Jr., upon his resignation to become United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia. And through the alertness and interest of another alumnus, Paul Blanock (B.C.L. 1959) now practicing in Mathews, Va., a gift of other Michigan reports was received from F. C. Standiford of Mathews. Mr. Standiford's gift was from the library of his father, the late Judge Charles A. Standiford of Michigan.

All alumni and friends of the Law School are urged to keep these needs in mind and to notify the Law School promptly of any gift or other acquisition opportunities. A complete set of these codes will vastly help teaching procedures, fulfill research needs, and enhance the services of the law library to practicing attorneys of the area.

ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

Captain John M. Court (B.C.L. 1961) has had his book, THE PROBLEMS OF UNION POWER, reviewed by the Wall Street Journal (Jan. 17, 1962, p. 12). It was noted that the author was a law student at William and Mary. In the review the book was referred to as "this brilliant essay."

The Bureau of National Affairs of Washington, D. C., publishers of LAW WEEK, give a year's subscription of this very useful work to the graduating senior who has shown the most improvement in his studies during his law school residency. The recipient of this award for 1961 is Horace L. Wise, Jr., now of the firm of Wise and Wise, Portsmouth, Va.

Association members are again reminded that annual dues for the year 1962 are now due and payable. For those out of school under five years the amount is \$3.00. For others it is \$5.00. Please make your checks payable to James P. Whyte, Treasurer, or to the William and Mary Law School Association, and send them to Professor Whyte at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. One of the many advantages in paying current dues is that members in good standing are sent copies of the William and Mary Law Review.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The following persons have completed all requirements for their degrees or certificate: Harry E. Atkinson, Denbigh; Ronald L. Buckwalter, Lancaster, Pa.;

Rexford R. Cherryman, Williamsburg; Frances A. Davis, Williamsburg; Abigail Furst Dunning, Lock Haven, Pa.; Charles F. Groom, Washington, D. C.; David A. Hendler, Brunswick, New Jersey; James M. Hubbard, Norfolk; and, Shannon T. Mason, Jr., Norfolk. The degrees will be formally conferred on June 10, 1962.

On January 6, 1962, the semi-annual Phi Alpha Delta Initiation-Installation banquet was held at the Williamsburg Lodge. After dinner speaker for the occasion was The Hon. C. Vernon Spratley, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia. He spoke on the functions and duties of a United States Attorney. The ten new initiates were introduced and the evening concluded with the introduction of the new officers as follows: W. Kendall Lipscomb, Jr., Justice; Thomas Moyles, Vice-Justice; Melvin Radin, Marshal; Alan Harbert, Clerk; William M. Whitten, Treasurer.

SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements of scholarship awards have recently been mailed to approximately 600 colleges and universities for the purpose of encouraging students of high potential who are interested in the study of law to consider filing application with the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. A copy of this announcement is attached to this letter for your use in acquainting some outstanding prospective law student in your area with the opportunities being offered.