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SYMPOSIUM REVIEWS NEW SPACE TREATY

Attorneys from government, the military services, private industry and foreign legations joined in an animated discussion of the 1967 U.N. treaty on peaceful uses of outer space, at the International Space Law Symposium held at the Law School and the Williamsburg Conference Center May 5.

The effect of law relating to space activities—liability created by falling objects, the applicability of older, traditional legal rules in international law or admiralty, and the like—was one of the principal topics of the symposium led by Harold Berger, Philadelphia attorney and chairman of the space law committee of both the Federal Bar and Inter-American Bar Associations. The two bar groups, together with the Law School and NASA, jointly sponsored by the conference.

General Martin Menter of the Air Force and Paul Dembling, general counsel of NASA, joined (Continued on Page 3)

ASSOCIATION MEETS, HEARS SENATOR ERVIN

Judge Robert E. Quinn, ’56, was elected president and Paul H. Gantt, ’42, was elected vice-president of the William and Mary Law School Association at its annual meeting May 5. Professor Emeric Fischer was reelected secretary-treasurer and Lawrence W. Liebermann, ’57, was elected sergeant at arms, while the new members of the Board of Directors succeeding those whose terms had expired are John L. Lewis, ’31, and James W. McGlothlin, ’64.

The election of new officers concluded the business session and preceded the annual luncheon at the Conference Center where Senator Sam Ervin of North Carolina, a genial and popular last-minute speaker replacing Justice Clark, addressed the members and their families.

Outgoing President Marvin Murchison, ’50, submitted a series of proposals for consideration by the alumni, which were referred to the new executive committee for study. They include a plan for asso- (Continued on Page 8)
Shown above are the newly elected members of the Law Review editorial staff for 1967-68. Front row, Don Ricketts, Chesapeake; Robert A. Hendel, Brookline, Mass.; Charles Kent, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Robert Scott, Newport News. Back row, Mark Dray, Williamsburg; David Sutelan, Norfolk; Cyrus Phillips, Paltine, Ill.; Thomas Clark, Mifflinburg, Pa. Below are shown some of the participants in the Space Law Symposium jointly sponsored by the Law School, NASA, the Federal Bar Association and the Inter-American Bar Association. Left to right are Dean Joseph Curtis; Col. William W. Roberts, past president of FBA; James McI. Henderson, FBA first vice-president; Harold Berger, chairman of the FBA and IABA space law committees; Col. Lewis F. Shull, commandant, JAG School; and Paul H. Gantt, '42, FBA president.
QUARTERLY FEATURES
LARGE SUMMER ISSUE

Substantial success in terms of editorial content can be claimed for the first year of publication of the William and Mary Law Review as a quarterly. With the publication of a summer issue “fat” with four definitive articles on government contract law, an article on “Re medies as the new editor-in-chief for Volume 9 in 1967-68.

Gilbert A. Cuneo and Thomas H. Truitt; and “A Primer on the Standard Form Change Clause,” by Eldon Crowell and W. Stanfield Johnson.

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The fall issue which will inaugurate Volume 9 will feature the second annual synoptical review of Federal and state constitutional law, and the editors report a number of articles already in hand or definitely promised. With planning already well advanced on the winter and spring issues, the 1967-68 volume promises to substantially larger than its predecessor.

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ROBERT E. SCOTT NAMED
NEW LAW REVIEW EDITOR

In an enthusiastic, well-attended first awards banquet April 20, the William and Mary Law Review staff and guests heard R. Harvey Chappell, Jr., BCL '50, tell of his experiences with the first publication at the Law School, and applauded the announcement of Robert E. Scott of Newport News as the new editor-in-chief for Volume 9 in 1967-68.

Chappell, who described the alternate fun and frustration of starting the Review of Virginia Law which later became the Law Review, was presented with a certificate as honorary lifetime editor. Other certificates went to Jerry Franklin of Hampton, Richard H. Savage, III of Suffolk, and O. Forrest Morgan of Williamsburg, retiring seniors on this year's staff, who have served as editor, managing editor and associate editor respectively.

Books awards were presented to Charles E. Friend and James K. Steward, both of the rising junior class, for their work respectively as outstanding candidate and author of the best current decision.

Other members of the Law Review staff for the coming year include executive editor, Kent Mil liken, Alexandria; articles editor, Robert A. Hendel, Brookline, Mass.; notes editor, David Sutelan, Norfolk; research editors, Cyrus Phillips, Palatine, Ill. and Thomas C. Clark, Mifflinburg, Pa., book review editor, Charles Kent, Ann Arbor, Mich.; current decisions editor, Don Ricketts, Chesapeake.

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LAW BUILDING MOVE NEARS SEPTEMBER DATE

A race between the start of the first semester and the end of the remodeling of the old library building for Law School use is rounding into the home stretch as this edition goes to press. Although actual occupancy might be a short time after the beginning of classes, students and faculty have stationed themselves at the starting position to move en masse to the long-awaited quarters, on the heels of the last departing worker.

Arrangements have been made to provide for large first year classes to meet in the auditorium in Rogers Hall, the first building west of the new law facility, while moot court training will be given in the Great Hall of the Wren Building. Thus the major features of the new law facility for which funds were not available—the moot court room and the large classrooms of the former stack area of the old library—will be accommodated in part by these temporary arrangements.

Although with the accelerating growth of the Law School enrollment is already raising questions of future space requirements, everyone agrees that the facilities becoming available in the fall of 1967, providing America’s oldest law school with its first separate housing, represents a great step forward.

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with Berger in moderating the discussion. Paul Gantt, BCL '42, president of the Federal Bar Association, was another of the leaders in the program.

The May 5 activities began with a tour of the Space Radiation Effects Laboratory (SREL), a $14,000,000 synchrocyclotron facility which is operated by the Virginia Associated Research Center (VARC) for NASA. VARC in turn is a consortium of the several graduate institutions of the state, including the College, which is the agency directly under contract with NASA to operate SREL. Dr. William MacFarlane, VARC director, and Dr. Wayne Swenson, SREL director, conducted the space law group through the scientific facilities.

Following a luncheon at the Campus Center at which President Davis Y. Paschall extended greetings, the symposium proper convened in the afternoon and devoted its discussion to the space treaty recently ratified by the Senate. Mrs. Aileen Gallo­way, special legal advisor to the Senate space committee, proposed a number of questions growing out of the treaty for the participants to consider.

Tentative plans call for further discussion in the William and Mary Law Review, and several of the panelists were engaged by the editors to prepare more detailed articles on space law for a future issue.

The Symposium concluded with a dinner addressed by Dr. Isidoro Zanotti, legal advisor to the Pan American Union and one of the leading attorneys of Brazil.

An enlarged conference on the same general subject is planned for 1968 as part of the College’s year-long series of program in observance of its 275th anniversary.

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FACULTY ACTIVITIES

Dr. Dominik Lasok, Exeter Exchange Professor for the past academic year, lectured at the University of Virginia under the sponsorship of the University Center in Richmond, on “Some Legal Aspects of Race Relations in the United Kingdom and the United States,” April 8. On April 28 he gave some special lectures at the Columbia University Law School. On returning to England this summer, in addition to participating in the Law School summer studies, he will travel to Strasbourg to give a course on English law at the Faculte International de Droit Compare.

Associate Professor E. Blythe Stason, Jr. is spending the summer in research in Williamsburg and at the University of Michigan Law School on selected aspects of problems confronting American corporations doing business abroad. At the end of April he attended the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law in Washington.

Dr. William F. Swindler is devoting half of his summer schedule to research, including the collecting and editing of the legislation of the Continental Congress which antedated the first volume of the U. S. Statutes at Large. He is also annotating the manuscript of John Marshall’s Law Notes as part of his work for the editorial project on the Marshall Papers. Dr. Swindler has also written the new article on Sir Edward Coke for the next edition of the Encyclopedia Americana.

Several members of the Law School faculty attended the 1967 meeting of the American Law Institute May 16-19 in Washington. They included Professor and Mrs. Lasok, who were formally presented to Chief Justice Earl Warren, and Professors Stason and Swindler.

SUMMER LONG PROGRAM FOR LAW STUDENTS

Fifty-seven law students are enrolled for the eight different courses offered in the 1967 summer session. In addition, several William and Mary students are enrolled in summer courses elsewhere, including the Law School’s own program of summer studies in Exeter, England.

The overseas program, with courses offered by Professor E. Magruder Faris and Exchange Professor Dominik Lasok, began July 3. A charter flight for most of the students from eighteen American law schools left Dulles Airport June 26, and will return after the Exeter program ends August 11. A feature of the overseas course is a London trip to visit the Inns of Court and other centers of British law.

The program “back home” has no unusual features this year, except for a one-day work session in the library of the Supreme Court in Washington which will be included in the summer seminar on Current Constitutional Issues.

Several law students are spending the summer with law firms or government agencies. Sue Reynolds of Danville has returned for her second summer with the government contracts division of the Atomic Energy Commission in San Francisco. Glenn Sedam is working with the Legal Adviser of the State Department in Washington, and Prince Butler is with the Patent Office in Hampton, Va.

Mrs. Anna B. Johnson, Law Librarian, will spend August 8 to 31 in New York attending an advanced workshop for law librarians under the sponsorship of the N. Y. U. Law Center.

Newly elected officers of the Student Bar Association are shown at left: Front row, James Evans, Pine City, N. Y.; Susan Reynolds, Danville; Walter A. (Gus) Smith, Bethesda, Md. Back row, Butler Barrett, Skippers; Gilbert Bartlett, Rockville, Md.; Scott Swan, Vienna.
A husband-wife, faculty-student team will be featured at the Law School this coming year. Mr. and Mrs. Rodney J. Johnson, shown at right, will mark the 1967-68 academic year with Rod's first year of teaching and Kitty's final year of law studies.

ALUMNUS FEATURED IN TV BROADCAST

A transcontinental discussion via television communications satellite featured Arthur B. (Tim) Hanson, BCL '40 among the panelists on May 18. Hanson, who is general counsel for the American Newspaper Publishers Association and a frequent speaker on the subject of fair trial and free press, appeared with Commentator Howard K. Smith on the ABC-TV program.

Attorney F. Lee Bailey and David Shapiro completed the American panel for the hour-long broadcast. The English viewpoint was discussed by Lord Patrick Devlin, former Lord Chief Justice, and Rebecca West, noted English author.

FIRST LAW SCHOOL MEDALS ARE FORMALLY PRESENTED

The first recipients of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law bronze medallions were honored at ceremonies in Williamsburg and Richmond this spring as the distinctive new award came into being. The medals, designed by Sculptor Carl Rosenburg of the College fine arts faculty and executed in bronze by the Medallic Art Company of New York, were given to the Association for the Presentation of Virginia Antiquities for display in the John Marshall House in Richmond, and to Norris Darrell of Sullivan and Cromwell in New York, president of the American Law Institute.

The APVA presentation was made twice—one, in the form of an announcement, at the full meeting of the association in Williamsburg on the Jamestown Day weekend May 14, and again, when the actual medal was shipped from New York, at the Marshall House in Richmond.

RODNEY JOHNSON, '67, TO BE LAW INSTRUCTOR

A June graduate of the Law School will return as a faculty member in September, while his wife returns to take her final year in the Law School. This unique situation developed when the continuing steady growth of student enrollments made it necessary to add a new position to the law faculty—and the faculty decided to choose one of its own graduates whose work it had observed at close range.

Rodney J. Johnson, a native of Richmond, was on his way to breaking into legal education during his second year in Law School, when he was tapped to read papers for Professor Dudley W. Woodbridge, then in his final year of teaching. Not only the experience of examining student work from a teacher’s viewpoint, but the exposure to the legendary professor and his encyclopedic knowledge of law, provided Johnson with unusual preparation to step into a faculty role.

Meantime, the fact that the student body itself had become definitely coeducational was not lost on the future instructor. Miss Catherine Dorman, then a first-year law student from Silver Spring, Md., was one of the pleasantly increasing numbers of females in the Law School. Rod and Kitty were married during the December holidays in 1966. Kitty, with an A. B. from West Virginia University, will be a senior in September. Rod, with A. B. and B. C. L from William and Mary, and a summer working with Judge Don Taylor, '48, in Williamsburg, will begin teaching at the same time.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell were guests of the College for the Commencement weekend June 10-11, and the award to Darrell was made as part of the Commencement exercises in the College Yard.
Reminiscing over rare copies of the first issue of the William and Mary Law Review are R. Harvey Chappell, Jr., '50, editor and now honorary lifetime editor; Robert Scott, editor-elect; Dr. William F. Swindler, faculty advisor; and Jerry Franklin, retiring editor.

ALSA SILVER KEY AWARD TO STUDENT BAR LEADER

David Wayne O'Bryan of Richmond, senior in the Law School and president of the Student Bar Association, was one of fourteen law students in the United States to be given a silver key this spring by the American Law Students' Association. The ALSA award is given annually to outstanding students in American law schools in terms of their leadership of law students and contributions to the legal profession.

The presentation was made at ALSA's Fourth Circuit conference at Durham, N. C. on April 7-9. It was made by Vince Ewell, another Law School senior who has served this year as one of the association's national vice-presidents.

O'Bryan attended Richmond Professional Institute and then the College of William and Mary where he received an A. B. in economics in 1964.

Dean Joseph Curtis, right, presents the Marshall-Wythe School of Law Medallion to Norris Darrell, left, president of the American Law Institute, at Commencement Ceremonies in front of the Sir Christopher Wren Building on June 11.
DISCUSSION GROUP TOUCHES MANY TOPICS

The Wythe Society, a discussion group in which Law School faculty and students participate in a free-ranging dialogue on both legal and non-legal subjects, was organized this spring. After three meetings in which topics ranged from the case for Charles DeGaulle's policy of European as against Atlantic community interests, to a debate on whether women law students should be eligible to men's legal fraternities, the Society elected officers and adjourned for the summer.

Intended to give students an opportunity to engage in wit-sharpening commentary on a variety of topics, the Society's program consists of two or three opening arguments on subjects selected by the speakers of the evening. After each speaker has expressed a particular viewpoint in detail, the discussion is thrown open to the floor, and the speaker undertakes to answer criticisms and questions raised by the audience. Liquid refreshments keep the discussion flowing.

Officers for the coming academic year are as follows: President, Wayne R. Spencer, Newport News; Vice-President, Kent B. Milliken, Cleveland, O.; Secretary, Karen Atkinson, Newport News; Treasurer, Thomas D. Horne, Allentown, Pa.; Keeper of the Keg, Gerald D. Robertson, Newport News; Leader of the Opposition, Robert E. Scott, Newport News.

PAD ELECTS OFFICERS, INITIATES NEW MEMBERS

Eleven law students formally pledged and were initiated into the George Wythe Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta this spring, and new officers were elected for the coming year.

John H. Goodrich, Sunderland, Mass., is the new president for 1967-68. The other officers are: Vice-President, George H. Jensen, McLean; Treasurer, Glenn C. Relyea, Glens Falls, N. Y.; Clerk, James A. Evans, Pine City, N. Y.; Historian, James A. Swigart, Bowling Green, Ohio; Membership Chairman, Robert E. Elliott, Hopewell.


NOTE THESE DATES

Returning law students please note: Orientation program for new law students will be September 13-14; registration for all law students will be September 15, with any late registrations September 16. Classes will begin September 18, 1967.
PHI DELTA PHI ENDS
SECOND SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The Thomas Jefferson Inn, Phi Delta Phi, concluded its second year of activity at the Law School by pledging and initiating thirty-one new members, who were announced in the last issue of the NEWS LETTER, and electing officers for the next academic year. A trip to state government offices in Richmond and a talk by Congressman Thomas R. Downing at the spring luncheon concluded a busy schedule of activities for the legal fraternity.

Sam T. Beale of Norfolk is the new magister of the Inn. Other officers elected are Vice-magister, William D. Brackett, Hinsdale, Ill.; Exchequer, C. Butler Barrett, Skippers; Clerk, Sal J. Jesule, Palisades, N. J.; Reporter, Gary E. Legner, Alexandria.

Plans for next year are in the tentative stage, but they are expected to include a repeat of last fall’s highly popular tour of government offices in Washington, D. C.

Dr. Dominik Lasok, Exeter Exchange Professor at the Law School this year, was honorary initiate at the spring ceremonies.

Oldrich J. LaBell, Fairfax, was named the Inn’s “Graduate of the Year.” All nominees from this province will compete for the province “G O Y” award, and the province finalists in turn will compete for the national Phi Delta Phi selection.

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ication meetings at greater frequency than one a year; greater alumni participation in Law School programs; an increase in dues; a possible paid secretaryship for the association; and two-year terms of office for the officers of the association. A mail canvass of all alumni and members of the association is now being conducted to determine the reaction to these proposals.

Reports from Dean Curtis, Assistant Dean Whyte, and Professors Atkeson, Paris and Swindler provided the meeting with a summary view of the activities of the Law School for the year then drawing to a close. Dr. Dominik Lasok who has been Exeter Exchange Professor this year, and Rodney J. Johnson, who will be a lecturer in law for the coming year, were introduced.

The Board of Directors as now reconstituted, and in addition to those elected at the May meeting, includes Murchison as past president, who with Messrs. Lewis and Mclothlin will serve until 1970; Dean Emeritus Dudley W. Woodbridge, Hyman Wax, ’63, and John M. Hollis, ’49, whose terms run to 1969; and Ira B. Dworkin, ’48, William B. Harman, ’56, and Russell A. Collins, ’32, whose terms expire next year.

The date for the 1968 meeting has been tentatively set for the weekend of April 27, thus avoiding the congestion of the past two years in which the growing attendance at the College’s annual Parents’ Day competed with the association activities.