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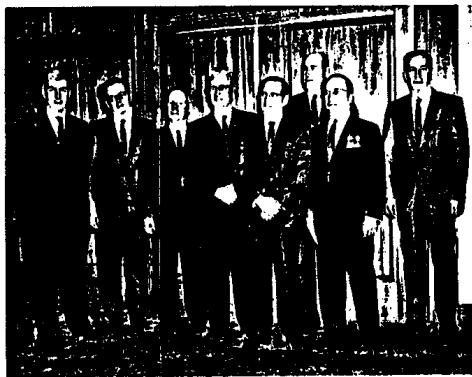
Legal Profession Honors Retiring Tax Professor



On Thursday, November 16, Dr. Thomas C. Atkeson was initiated as an honorary member of Jefferson Inn of Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity. The initiation was attended by Phi Delta Phi's and their wives, and members of the faculty of Marshall-Wythe. Mr. Edwin Rockefeller, a distinguished Washington D. C. attorney and president of Providence II of Phi Delta Phi, was present to help preside over the initiation ceremony. Also helping Magister Sam Beale and Vice Magister Bill Brackett during the ceremony were Mark Dray, Don Richetta, and Howard Busber, three Phi Delta Phi's who are candidates for the Master of Law and Taxation Degree, a program which had its inception at Marshall-Wythe under the inspiration and guidance of Dr. Atkeson and which has since recognized some fifteen recipients.

After the initiation, a dinner was held in honor of Dr. Atkeson. Among the distinguished guests attending were the Dean and Assistant Dean of the College, Dean Emeritus of the Law School, Dudley W. Woodbridge, and numerous alumni, among whom were several recipients of the Master of Law and Taxation Degree. President Davis Y. Paschall who had planned to attend and make some remarks was unexpectedly called out of town on a trip with the Governor. After dinner had been served, Alvin B. Marks, Jr. who was master of ceremonies called upon Dean Curtis to make some introductory remarks. After the close of these remarks the guest speaker, Mr. David O. Williams,

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Principal speakers at the Tax Conference included M. Bernard Aidenoff, S. M. Frohlich, Dr. Davis Y. Paschall, Dr. Thomas C. Atkeson, Lester R. Uretz, R. Braxton Hill, Jr., Edwin B. Cohen, and Dean Joseph Curtis.

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Jr. was introduced. Mr. Williams who is presently tax counsel for Bethlehem Steel Corporation was perhaps the most appropriate person to talk about the life and accomplishments of Dr. Atkeson, as he was the first recipient of the Master of Law and Taxation Degree and a close friend of Dr. Atkeson.

While Mr. Williams spoke of many facets of Dr. Atkeson's personality and life familiar to those who have been fortunate enough to know and study under Dr. Atkeson, he also was able to characterize in great part the totality of the accomplishments of this great scholar and his immeasurable contributions to the field of American Tax Law. For this exceptionally moving portrayal of our new brother the members of Jefferson Inn and all those attending the dinner can indeed be grateful. At the close of Mr. Williams' remarks, Magister Sam Beale presented Dr. Atkeson with his membership pin. As a fitting climax to a memorable evening, Bob Scott, Editor in Chief of the William and Mary Review, announced that the Spring Edition of the Law Review would be dedicated to Dr. Atkeson.