

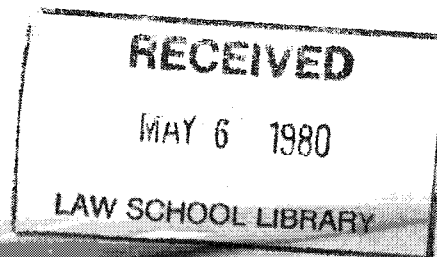
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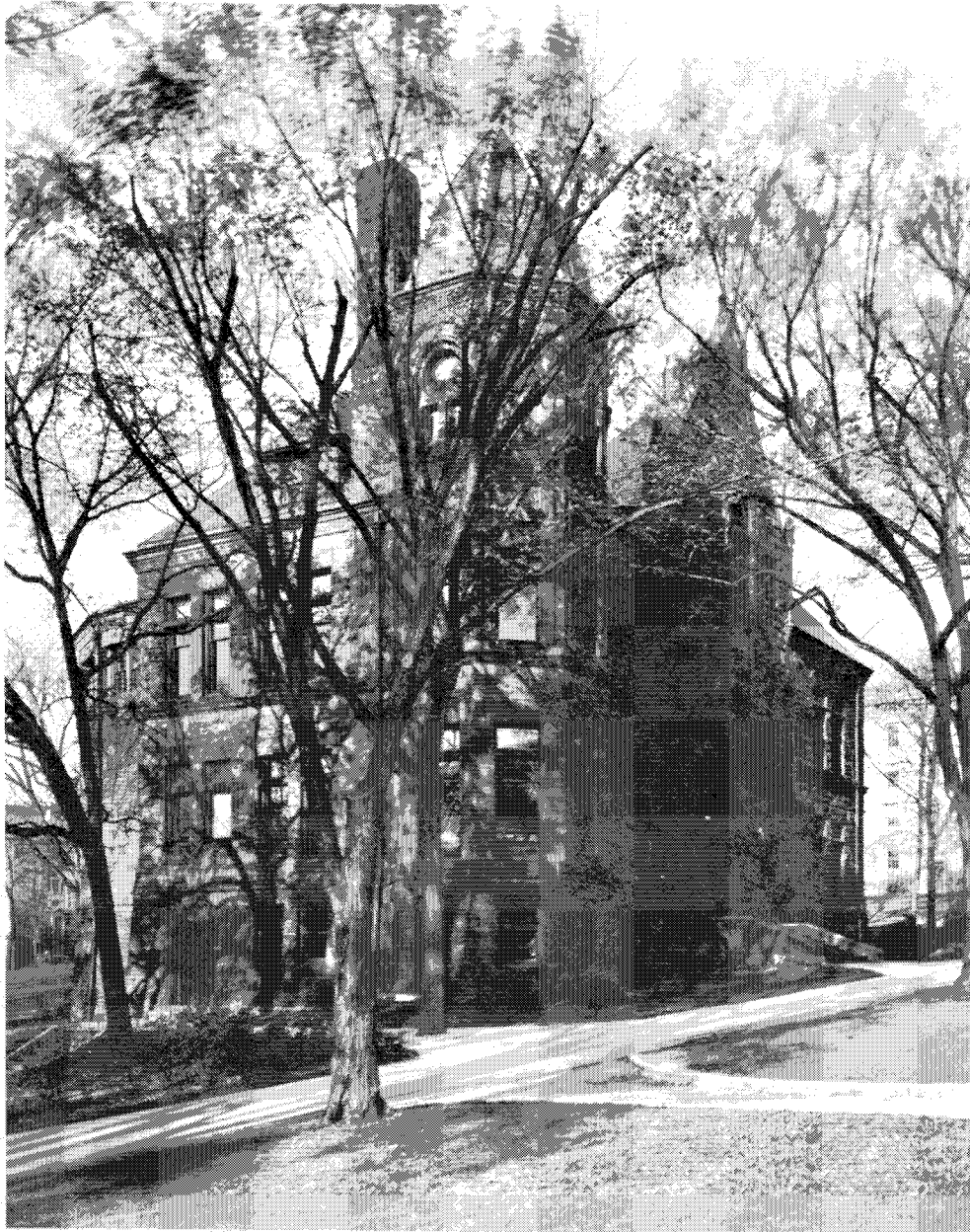
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**Cover Photo: Final round in the ABA Client Counseling Competition. Story inside.**

# 1979 Visitation Report

## University of Wisconsin Law School

The Board of Visitors of the U.W. Law School was established in 1958 by the Wisconsin Law Alumni Association for the stated purpose:

"of assisting in the development of a close and helpful relationship between the Law School and the University of Wisconsin Law School alumni on all matters of mutual interest including Law School facilities, curriculum, placement, admission and public relations of the school and the Bar."

The Visitors met jointly with the directors of the Law Alumni Association on November 4, 1979, and conducted the Visitation on November 5 with the Association board members, other alumni, and members of the judiciary. We note with regret the passing of Richard Trembath, WLAA board member, and James R. Schipper, Visitor. After our visit was conducted, Milt Lorman, Visitor, passed away. The contribution of these respected alumni will be sorely missed.

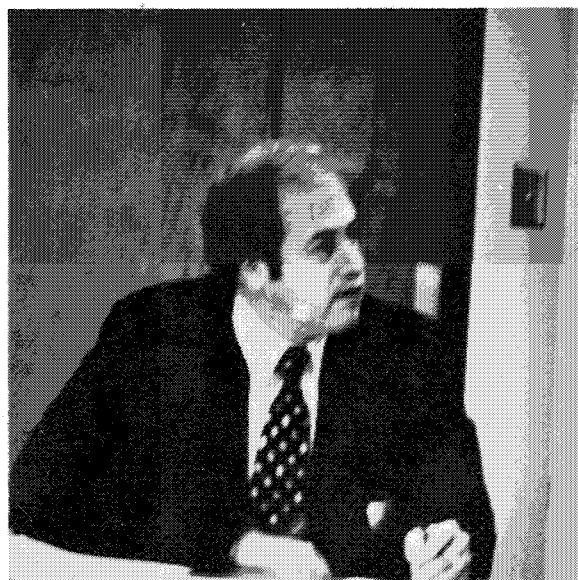
We were pleased to note that student interest in the Visitation has increased although the number of students that we had contact with remained quite small. In past years, the lunch session with students was held in the student lounge and was poorly attended, and the dialogue between students and the Visitors seemed restrained. This year the lunch session with students was moved to the Union, and representatives of specific student groups were invited to attend. It seemed to us that this improved the dialogue. The students were quite forthcoming with their comments about the school, and these comments in general were well thought out. Thus, we recommend that future visitations utilize the same approach for

the lunch session and, perhaps, expand it to two hours to permit more discussion. We were pleased to note that in addition to representatives of the Student Bar Association we also met with representatives from Black American Law Students (BALSA), PDP fraternity, and Steve Hernandez of LaRaza (Law School Hispanic student association). Our discussions with the students who did attend our lunch and open forum will be discussed later in the report.

On Monday morning the Visitors sat in on regular classes. During our observation of classes, we were sensitive to the criticisms of some students as to the teaching approach of one faculty member in particular. We were impressed with the quality of instruction from both new and experienced faculty members and noted various styles in the smaller classes that encouraged class discussion and participation by nearly all of the students in the class. We con-

tinue to encourage the faculty to employ small classes and class discussions as often as possible in both advanced and beginning courses. In addition, we recommend that experienced faculty members assist new instructors to enhance teaching skills and to employ techniques which place students in the role of demonstrating communicative skills and analytical talents. It is our feeling that all students and their future clients will benefit greatly from such an experience.

The subject of the afternoon forum was the impact upon the Law School of the legislatively mandated part time legal education opportunities. We remain concerned about the potential impact such a program will have upon the Law School's ability to attract and retain a high quality faculty. The admissions standards and other procedures applying to part time students are not different than those of full time, but we



Visitors Chairman Mark Barady



**WLAA President-elect Dale Sorden**

believe that we should continue to monitor the situation. We strongly encourage all students to attempt to complete their law school program on a full time basis wherever possible as it is our opinion that concentrated study is effective. For those interested, the Dean has prepared a statement about the part time legal education opportunities now available at the Law School. The statement is being distributed to all persons offered admission.

During the open discussion, a complaint was raised about the dislocation of Balsa from their office space. Representatives of Balsa indicated to us that their space was needed because of the counseling services they provide. We explored with the Dean alternatives for meeting Balsa's space needs, and on November 26th the Dean reported that space has been temporarily allocated to Balsa for the remainder of this academic year and probably for next summer. We strongly encourage the Law School to continue to attempt to make space available to the student groups wherever possible and to utilize arrangements such as that which Balsa has worked out with the placement office.

The lack of availability of certain courses on a regular basis prompted considerable discussion. In the past, we have heard complaints from students that they do not always have the opportunity to take wanted courses because of the liberal leave policy that is available to the faculty. We feel very strongly that the liberal leave policy should be continued as we understand that the availability of such a program has a high value to

the faculty and, therefore, significantly aids in the attraction and retention of highly qualified faculty members. However, we believe it would be helpful if students received early notice of faculty members taking leaves and that the leaves be planned so that no regular course would be taught by a part-time instructor.

On behalf of the Hispanic students, Mr. Steve Hernandez pointed out the need for a class on immigration law. He stated that there are few practitioners in this area in Wisconsin despite an apparent growing need. We recommend that the request for an immigration law course be considered and approved at the earliest opportunity by the curriculum committee. We note that such courses are being offered by some other major law schools. Subsequently, the Dean reported to us that an Immigration Law seminar is being offered in the Spring 1980 semester.

We want to take this opportunity in this report to commend the efforts of Ed Reisner as placement director. Over the past several years we have received many favorable comments about his efforts to assist students in the placement process. The record of the placement office speaks for itself — nearly full placement of every graduating class. These accomplishments are particularly noteworthy in recent years when many law graduates from other schools have experienced difficulty in finding suitable employment.

It is our hope that graduates recognize these efforts and support the Law School not only with financial

contributions but also by coordinating placements with the office.

The Visitors and the members of the Board of Directors are again concerned about the lack of alumni support for the law school. The Board of Visitors dinner on November 4th was well attended; perhaps the attendance may have been due, however, to the popularity of John Conway, recipient of the WLAA Distinguished Service Award. The attendance, nonetheless, was encouraging. Continuing efforts must be made to encourage alumni interest in the Law School and to provide greater financial support. We believe that the carefully integrated efforts of alumni and students need to be added to those of the law faculty, the Law School as a unit and the UW administration. When this can be done more effectively it will help assure the continuing excellence of the school's reputation and such increased interest should lead to broader support by alumni of some of the Law School's special needs.

We welcome the appointment of Robert O'Neil as president of the University of Wisconsin system and note his background as a lawyer and law teacher. He taught law classes while Vice President of Indiana University and we hope that he will teach a course or seminar each semester at U.W. Law School.

Sincerely,

#### **BOARD OF VISITORS**

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Law School  
University of Wisconsin**

**Spring Program**

**April 18-19, 1980**

- WLAA Business meeting and luncheon**
- SBA and Reunion Dinners**
- and more**

**Actions of the Board**

Meeting in Milwaukee on January 25, 1980, the Board of Directors and the Board of Visitors of the Wisconsin Law Alumni Association selected Catherine Cleary ('43) and Ray T. McCann ('21) as recipients of this year's Distinguished Service Awards. The Awards will be presented as part of the Spring Program. A draft of the Visitors report was considered. The final report is printed in this edition of the *Gargoyle*. The role of members of the Board of Visitors at meetings of the Board of Directors was discussed. While no action was taken, President Irv Charne promised to encourage their participation. The Board approved a new masthead design for the *Gargoyle* and asked for cost estimates on other revisions. Dean Helstad reported that three new faculty members are being sought by the School. He also noted that a self-study required by the ABA accreditation authority is about to get underway.

**LAW AND SOCIETY  
MEETING**

The Law and Society Association will hold its annual meeting in Madison June 5-8, 1980. The meeting will be held jointly with that of the Association's international counterpart, the Research Committee on Sociology of Law of the International Sociological Association. Some forty panels are tentatively scheduled, and participants will address a wide spectrum of topics within the general area of law and society.

In conjunction with this meeting, the *Gargoyle* will publish a special supplement describing the Law School's long involvement with and commitment to interdisciplinary legal studies. Wisconsin has been a major center for law-in-action research and teaching since the 1930's and has pioneered in many areas that are receiving a great deal of attention today.

Current efforts in the field of interdisciplinary legal studies include several ongoing, formally structured programs, a number of short-term

research projects, interdisciplinary instruction, and national activities and linkages. The supplement will cover these endeavors as well as a history of Law School involvement in cooperative ventures with various University departments and public agencies.

Extra copies of the supplement will be available. Alumni might want to pass one along to a young relative or friend interested in multi-disciplinary legal study. Copies will be obtainable by writing to the *Gargoyle* office.

**HURST WRITING WINS  
AWARDS**

A book written by Vilas Professor J. Willard Hurst in 1977 has recently won two major awards. The volume, titled **Law & Order In America**, was chosen by the Order of the Coif for its triennial book award and by the American Philosophical Society for its annual Phillip's Award. The Phillip's Award was given for this book and for general contributions by Prof. Hurst to the field of jurisprudence.



## UW HOSTS CLIENT COUNSELING

On Saturday, March 8, 1980, the University of Wisconsin Law School hosted Regional competition in the ABA Client Counseling program. Twelve schools from Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin sent teams of student-lawyers to compete for the right to advance to the finals in Macon, Georgia. The current Client Counseling Competition originated as the Mock Law Office Competition at the University of Southern California in 1969. It has been held each year since then, with the American Bar Association's Law Student Division administering the competition since 1973. In 1979, 120 schools participated.

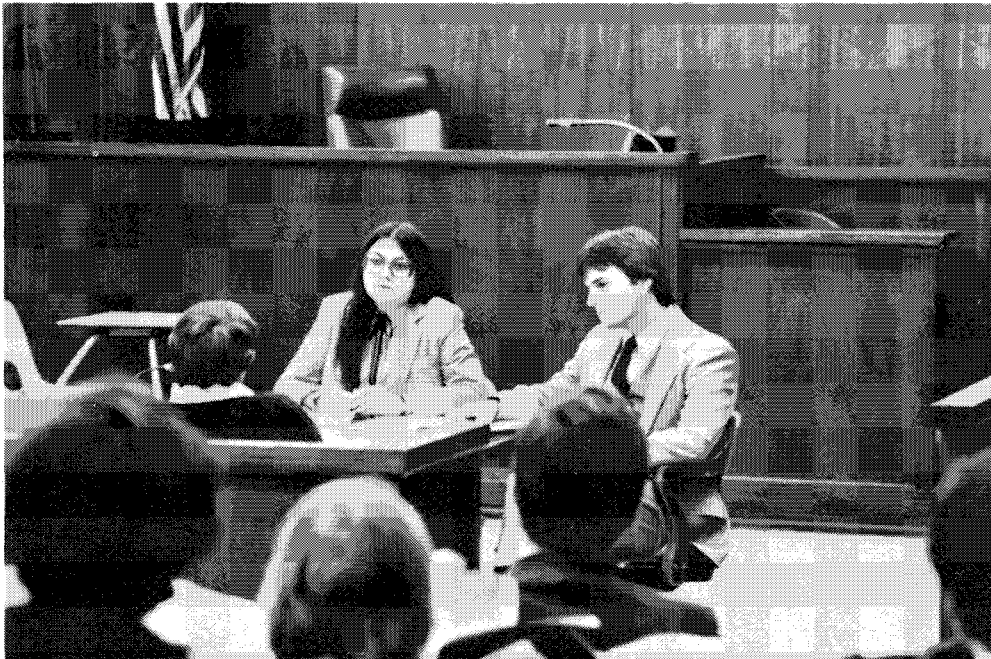
The purpose of the competition is to promote greater knowledge and interest among law students in preventive law and counseling functions

of law practice and to encourage students by contest awards to develop interviewing, planning and analytical skills in the lawyer-client relationship. The competition simulates a law office consultation situation in which law students, acting as attorneys, are presented with a typical client problem. They must conduct a thirty minute interview with a person playing the role of the client and then determine how they would proceed in the hypothetical situation. Teams of judges, including experienced attorneys and non-attorneys with professional counseling experience, observe the interviews and select winners.

Before the preliminary competition student-teams received a brief memo such as a secretary might prepare before the first visit of a client.

They learned that they were to speak with a thirty-four year old widow casually known to one of the student-lawyers. Judges and the clients themselves had more detailed information concerning the problem to be addressed. Clients were not, however, to "spill the beans" about the problem. Rather they were to make normal responses to the attorney's inquiries and to suggest their own concerns. The widow's case involved a business investment with a friend and her interest in protecting two minor children. A similar problem, with the substitution of a thirty-eight year old widower, faced the finalists in the regional competition.

Valparaiso, Illinois and Indiana advanced from the preliminary round, with Valparaiso capturing its second



Regional winners: Jackie Leimer and Jeff Eggers, Valparaiso University Law School

straight regional crown after the final round. Judges were impressed by the winner's show of concern for the client's problems as well as the orderly way they collected information and dissected the various issues in the problem.

While our own team did not advance, they are to be congratulated for the effort necessary to compete. Senior Kathryn Bullon and second year student Laurie Levin were selected as this School's representatives after an intraschool competition. The client counseling program is directed by Attorney Stephen Braden, a practicing lawyer from Madison.

This School would like to publicly thank the persons who generously volunteered their time and expertise as judges and clients for this competition. Those persons are:

Michael Auen  
Charles Chvala  
Kathy Dean  
Nancy Dodge  
Michael Erhard  
William Fahey  
Thomas Kennedy  
Rod Miller  
David Mills  
William Mundt  
Rebecca Parsons  
Thomas Pfaehler  
Mary Ray  
Bruce Schulz  
Robert Severson  
JoAnne Zick



Runners-up: Lauria Ebbesen and Robert Baptista, Univ. of Illinois



Runners-up: David Joel and Keith Kiuchi, Indiana University

## 1979-80 Fund Drive

**If you have forgotten ...**

**... it is never too late to contribute.  
Our needs span the calendar, remember us.**

**If you have given ...**

**... Our most sincere thanks, given by the entire Law  
School community. We remember you.**





## Johnson's Gift Endows Law School Professorship

"I've always felt a great debt to the University of Wisconsin for the start it gave me," says Atty. Richard E. Johnson of Waupaca, Wis., explaining the motivation for his gift of a Unitrust for a Bascom Professorship in the Law School.

"My wife and I attended the University in the '30s, when economic conditions were pretty tough," Johnson explained. His UW degrees of B.A. in economics (1937) and J.D. (1939) have helped him become senior partner in the law firm of Johnson, Hansen & Shambeau in Waupaca and president of First National Bank of Waupaca.

Johnson is a tall, handsome man who looks younger than his age. Although he claims "I'm not that colorful a figure," he has a long history of leadership in the legal and sporting worlds and in community affairs.

He was Waupaca County District Attorney from 1950 to 1962 and a member of the Wisconsin State Bar Association's Board of Governors from 1966 to 1970.

Johnson's student years were "six of the best years of my life." He was president of the junior class of 1936 and a member of the W Club, having earned his letter in basketball; Kap-pa Sigma; Phi Delta Phi; White Spades; and Iron Cross.

Johnson spent four years as a naval aviator in the South Pacific during World War II. He entered the Navy as one of the "Flying Badgers," about 25 young men from the University of Wisconsin who became aviation cadets as a group.

He has shown his loyalty to the UW over the years by contributing generously to the athletic program and serving as president of the Waupaca County UW Alumni Club from 1955 to 1960.

Richard and Maxine Johnson have five children, three of whom have UW degrees.

He served on the National W Club Board of Directors for three years.

When offering his generous gift to the University through the UW Foundation, Johnson did not have a specific idea as to how it should be used. In discussing the needs of the University with the Foundation staff, he found that a professorship in the Law School, to be called the Richard E. Johnson — Bascom Professorship, would be an appropriate and greatly appreciated gift.

Unlike traditional endowed professorships, Bascom Professorships do not pay salaries of their holders. (These come from normal University sources.) Instead, Bascom Professors receive from gift funds annual allocations for books, computer time, assistants, travel, and other enhancements of their teaching and scholarship.

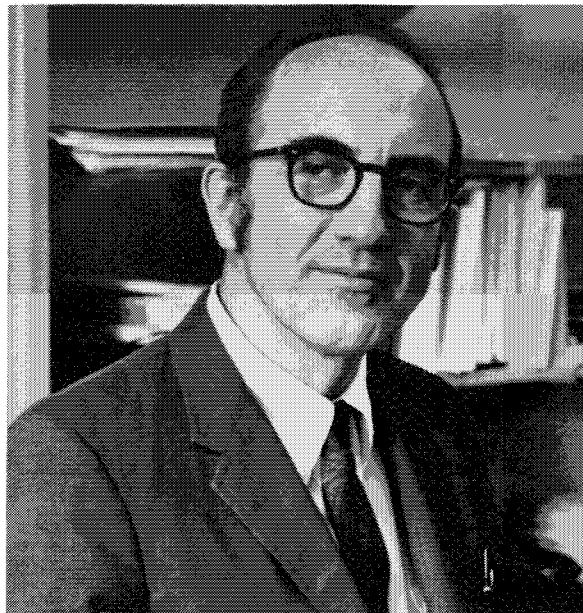
Bascom Professors are selected from departmental nominations by a faculty committee headed by the Madison campus chancellor. Recipients are faculty members of high scholarship who demonstrate "clear evidence of intellectual stimulus to, and rapport with, students at both the undergraduate and graduate levels."

The professorships honor outstanding teaching in the name of the University's fifth president, John Bascom, a leading scholar of wide-ranging interests who personally taught every senior in the 13 years of his presidency, 1874-1887.

Chancellor Irving Shain gives Bascom Professorships high priority for funding in the UW Foundation's current **Forward with Wisconsin** capital gifts campaign.

Wisconsin's outstanding teachers are under considerable pressure from competing institutions to leave Madison for more lucrative positions elsewhere. University administrators, though unable to match competing salary offers, believe that the honor and the stipends of Bascom Professorships have helped to hold these top teachers at Wisconsin. Professors in ten fields were so honored this year.

Contributors to the Foundation's three-year campaign may designate any amount they wish to give to the Bascom Professorship Endowment. Those who contribute \$60,000 to \$100,000 can endow a particular Bascom Professorship and link it with a name they designate.



**Prof. Bunn**

## **Faculty Group Plans Energy Degree**

Energy has become and, probably for decades, will continue to be a major American problem. With its emergence has come a need for knowledgeable energy specialists who are able to direct policy and management decisions for governments, utilities, consulting firms, and other organizations that deal with energy.

A UW-Madison faculty committee from more than a half dozen disciplines, with support from the Institute for Environmental Studies, has set to work this fall to consider a degree program that would train such specialists.

Law Professor George Bunn, chairman of the committee, hopes the university will be able to offer at least the beginnings of a graduate energy policy studies program as early as next fall.

Ideally, the concept will grow into a full-fledged master's program in energy policy studies, says Bunn. But because new programs require high-level administrative review that may take two or three years, energy policy studies probably will be offered in the interim through established graduate programs.

Bunn's committee is investigating three current programs that might serve as "carriers" for energy studies: the IES Land Resources Program; the Public Policy and Administration Program (an adjunct to the Political Science Department); and the Urban and Regional Planning Program. Each offers a master's degree. The land resources M.S. is research-oriented and requires a thesis, while the other degree programs require students to work as interns with public and private agencies before earning their degrees. The faculty committee envisions offering prospective students the option of entering any of the three programs and concentrating in energy-related courses. Each program's emphasis would be determined by its professional orientation.

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**EDITORS NOTE:** One of the comments received concerning the Gargoyle indicated the reader's belief that the Law School takes itself "too seriously," and that nothing humorous has happened here since the faculty stopped playing baseball against the students. While the mission of this School continues to be very serious, students and faculty do find ample opportunity to exercise a well developed sense of humor. Nor has physical exercise been forgotten. In the past four years this editor has played on a faculty softball team which has split four games with the Law Review. Anyone witnessing these games would have little doubt that humor still exists at the Law School. In an effort to capture some of the lighter side of legal education, the Gargoyle will now periodically report events in and out of the classroom which show that we too are "Real People."

## WHAT COULD BE FUNNY ABOUT CORPORATIONS

It is well known in educational circles that a little humor can aid the process of learning by restoring attention as well as lowering the barriers between student and teacher which can impede learning. This was not the goal, however, of Prof. Kathy Powers when she began requiring each of the students in her Corporations Class to read an issue of The Wall Street Journal. Her purpose was actually to insure that everyone had at least a little exposure to the business world from which Corporation law flows. In their reports to



Also on the lighter side: Student Homecoming skits

Prof. Powers, however, students demonstrated at least as much exposure to the world of show business.

After reporting what he read in the Journal, one student asked, "Do I get extra credit for reading the paper all semester (it never hurts to try does it?) and for not doing it in class?" Another used an advertisement for the Journal as the foundation for her note. Next to the picture of a successful executive who, the ad reported, began reading the Journal in 1953, the student said: "I started reading the WSJ on 11/21/79. My picture should be appearing on this spot sometime in 1995. Keep watching! P.S. Was [the executive] a student of yours too?" Still another student had his literate cat, Ashley Montague III, report that he was reading the Journal as required. It seems that the cat also became a student of the stocks. The cat writes, "Nothing that Rals-Pur (Ralston-Purina) seems to be holding steady if not gaining, I decided to put our money to work, and have invested all of the funds set aside for next

semester's tuition in this fine stock .... And he wonders why I lie here flicking my tail back and forth with this sly look on my face ..."

Prof. Power's favorite is in the form of this note from home:

This is to inform you that my son, Howard, will not be able to attend your Corporations class for several days. Immediately after he read yesterday's edition of the Wall Street Journal his eyes glazed, he muttered something about the price to earnings ratio of his convertible debentures not being sufficiently elastic, and he passed out. His condition was diagnosed as severe trauma of the anterior ultra vires brought on by an overdose of capitalism. The doctor said he would be all right in a few days if he rested at home and didn't read anything by Milton Friedman.

Very truly yours,  
Howard's Mother



**Professor/Athlete Irish at faculty-Law Review Baseball game**

## **Athlete/Lawyers Sur- veyed**

Criticism of university athletic programs is not new, and in some cases may be justified. This University, however, feels that it has a better record. Professors Frank Remington and Jim Jones are out to demonstrate that record as it relates to UW athletes who have graduated from our Law School and gone on to productive careers.

The process of gathering information began with a list of names recalled by faculty from the Law School and the Athletic Department. A note was sent to this small list asking for information, particularly additional names. The list now has twenty-nine names and continues to grow.

Professors Remington and Jones believe that the success of these athlete/lawyers demonstrates not only the value of the athletic program at the University of Wisconsin, but also the value of some competitive experience in a legal career. A common theme in the responses gathered so far indicates that the collegiate athletic experience was valuable training for the adversary climate the lawyer exists in.

If you have been missed in the list below, or have a name to suggest, please contact Prof. Remington or Prof. Jones.

### **Basketball**

George Affeldt  
James Biggs  
Ted Bleckwenn  
Dave Grams  
Dave Leichtfuss  
Paul Morrow  
Clarence Sherrod  
Thomas Ward  
David Mills  
Rod Uphoff

### **Football**

Ken Bowman  
Mike Cwayna  
Mark Hoskins  
Bob Kennedy  
Mel Reddick  
Pat Richter  
Walter Cole  
Steve Underwood  
Larry Coles  
Pat Kinney  
Robert Downing  
Dave Fronek  
Adolph Bieberstein

### **Track**

Ray Arrington

### **Baseball**

Russ Mueller

### **Boxing**

Jim Mack  
Peter Stupar  
John Walsh