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Virtually every alumnus is convinced that his was the greatest class ever to graduate from the University of Wisconsin Law School (indeed, the class of 1940 was the greatest) and that little could be done to improve legal education as he knew it. After all, he is living proof of both propositions.

Nevertheless, we are all aware of certain facts of life: (1) that our whole social and legal structure is undergoing change at an increasingly rapid rate; (2) that government, like the society it purports to govern, is increasingly complex; (3) that the sheer volume of "law in the books" staggers the mind and forces us into patterns and degrees of specialization; (4) that new legal methods may have to be structured to replace methods which society, rightly or wrongly, seems to be rejecting as ways of accommodating change; and (5) that the lawyer as a counselor deals with people whom he finds more and more difficult to understand and assist. All of these factors, and others which doubtless occur to you, mean that legal education must undergo continuous evaluation.

Another major factor which will inevitably be reflected in legal education is the kind of student who enters law school. First, he is brighter intellectually (not the same as "wiser") as reflected by the steadily climbing LSAT scores. Secondly, for better or worse he is less disciplined than the student a decade ago, and less willing to undertake, or even undergo, discipline. He reflects his undergraduate education and the modern trend to find "right" answers by emotion and experience rather than rational inquiry. Third, perhaps freed by our affluent society from the fear of not making a living, perhaps repelled by the very affluence in which he is raised, he has a strong moral commitment to bringing about a better world. He is more willing to question the whole system, legal and otherwise. Conditioned by his lifetime in which there has been continuous war and in which violence has robbed us of leaders, he is less respectful of "right" as opposed to "might". Such a student is bound to impact legal education itself. Already in many law schools he has sought and gained a voice in the curriculum and internal governance. (Lest this development shock you too much, I recall that Dean Lloyd Garrison had our 1940 class organize a committee to suggest curriculum changes; Dick Tinkham and I served on that committee.) The present students will call for the best in teachers if the traditional values of a legal education are to be preserved and successfully passed on to these students. Their questioning, their brilliance, their commitment to a better society must be channeled into constructive programs. This is a real challenge to the teaching profession. Legal education has begun to respond and will continue to do so.

So the kind of legal education you and I experienced is undergoing change. This should be healthy; it reflects growth. It may not be the kind of change or in the direction you and I would prefer. But in our criticism we must be constructive as well as understanding, and also lend our support to the attainment of a constantly improving law school. The thoughts which follow reflect, of course, my personal experience as a teacher who has always tried to hold in healthy tension the need of the students to be stimulated and guided, the need of the public for competently trained practitioners and judges, and the longer-range dream of a just legal order.

The current trends in legal education, which give it its present look and which, in my opinion, are here to stay are: (1) increasing emphasis on clinical experience of widely varying types, (2) departure from the traditional casebook and so-

called Langdell case system analysis in the classroom, (3) experiments in trying to teach the fundamental skills of the lawyer (in contrast to teaching subject matter as such), and (4) continued reshuffling and consolidation of subject matter in an effort to fit essentials into three years (the traditional time mold is still with us, at least for the time being).

As to clinical experience this is a happy combination of the time-old cry of the Bar that training of students should be more practical, the demands of the students that law school be more relevant, and the insight of some educators that a deeper social consciousness can be aroused (not taught so much as experienced) from contact with the poor and the law-breakers and the oppressed—groups of society who have fallen outside the normal private practice of law in the past but will increasingly receive legal representation through efforts of private firms operating neighborhood law offices, or on a smaller scale by individual lawyers devoting part of their time to noncompensated work (as many lawyers have always done without deliberately looking for such work), or through government financed programs, such as legal aid offices or Judicare.

The so-called casebooks of modern times bear less and less resemblance to the original casebook concept. I remember looking at Gray's Cases on Property once, some six volumes as I recall, setting forth all the property cases, English and American. What a staggering task for the student to synthesize those! But the proliferation of cases and the pressure to condense course credits for traditional areas like Property in order to make way for the "new" subjects makes it physically impossible to develop a concept by a series of cases, except in the first year courses where a deliberate effort must be made to teach the judicial process and development of the common law by case growth. But in second year courses this has given way to "display" casLegal Education, cont'd.

es, either a leading case or one with a challenging fact situation or a modern case summarizing present law, supplemented by text and problems amplifying the doctrine of the principal case. Text more often than not presents material from other disciplines—psychology, economics, sociology—as well as legal materials. The Xerox machine has revolutionized course materials in another respect; the latest (and therefore in areas like constitutional law the most determinative) case can be made available for study; the teacher can innovate by introducing his own problems and text into the assigned reading.

In the classroom after the first vear there is little need to recite on cases and have the professor crossexamine the student to test his knowledge of the facts, the reasoning, the fallacies, the pros and cons. This skill should have been mastered (and usually is) in the first year. The shift is to presentation and discussion of new problems designed to probe the student's depth of understanding of the assigned materials. In some courses written assignments based on problems can be fruitful; Professor Foster has been doing this in Conflicts and I have used it to a limited extent. The second year student and even more so the third vear student has to be challenged to take the initiative in his own education. In seminars he should be engaged in research of some originality and in writing. In most seminars I have seen, this is not done well, but the failure is often attributable to the faculty as much as to the students. Partly it has been because the student sees no relevance in the assigned topics; we need to work out a method to give the student "live" issues to work on. And the present time lag between submission of papers and their grading only serves to inculcate habits of procrastination which the legal system can ill afford. Of course, the problem here is lack of faculty time; we need a smaller student-faculty ratio than budgets presently support. The fact is that

legal education is the cheapest professional education ever devised.

In the past we have concentrated on teaching subject-matter and only secondarily taught skills. The skill of negotiation, for example, is not taught in Contracts. Indeed we have done a poor job of even teaching drafting in such courses. The art of counseling, which calls for elementary knowledge of psychology and psychiatry, has been left to acquisition in practice by trial and error, unless one has the great luck to serve in a firm where a master teaches it by example and friendly advice to the young lawyer. The course in Legislation has dealt primarily with legal issues in formulating and interpreting statutes. The law schools have left to the political scientists the business of teaching lobbying and the making of governmental policy. All of this is now undergoing change. One of our seminar groups at Arizona State University undertook a study of a currently proposed bill, decided how it ought to be improved, and then successfully marshalled the pressure groups necessary to get the bill enacted with the amendment (over organized opposition, incidentally). Those students now believe the system works, or at least can work. In many schools negotiation is taught by the games approach. And the cry that lawyers need to be aware of the other sciences, social and physical, is finally being answered. Seminars in Law and Psychiatry evidence this by their

title. But Environmental Law calls for an appreciation of the problems created by technology as well as the theory of ecology. For example, in a field like air pollution, the law student has to understand the technical problem and the scientific solutions available, as well as the economic costs, before he can think about a legal order to achieve the right choices. As computers play a magnified role in commerce and industry, not only will law schools explore the legal ramifications, they will also explore use of computers to solve legal problems. Some law schools are already beginning to do

With the shift in emphasis, some traditional courses will be compressed and even eliminated (undoubtedly to rise again under a different, more "relevant" label). "Landlord-Tenant" has not been offered as a separate course for many years in most schools, but it is enjoying a revival as part of Poverty Law. Mortgages dropped out, but Real Estate Development contains a heavy dose of financing methods. So do not be disheartened if you cannot find Equity listed in the Bulletin. Be assured the fundamentals are there under some new and exciting title!

Where do we go from here? I wish I could foresee a major shift in legal education, but I fear it is a long way off even if I am correct.

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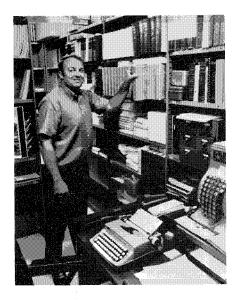
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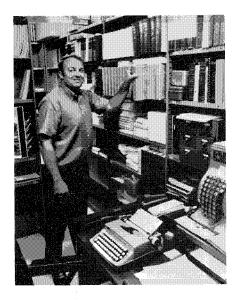
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CURRICULUM REVIEW—WISCONSIN STYLE

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During the past two years the University of Wisconsin Law School has been engaged in special efforts to review its curriculum and teaching program. The school has long had a standing committee on the curriculum, reflecting a commitment to continual modernization of the subject matter and techniques of teaching law, but in 1968 it was thought that a major effort should be made to reconsider the direction, methods, and substance of legal education at Wisconsin. At about the same time a number of other major law schools, reflecting the same disquiet about the state of legal education, began to institute studies of the teaching function. The Association of American Law Schools also created a special committee to consider questions of this sort. Professor William Klein, who in 1968-69 was chairman of our Curriculum Committee, is a member of the AALS committee.

The impetus for curricular review has come not only from the faculty. Students, too, have urged that law schools have lagged behind the times and left graduates inadequately prepared to deal with acute problems of the nation, including race relations, crime, poverty, urban decay, population pressure, environmental deterioration, and war. Recognition that these are in significant measure appropriate concerns for the law and lawyers, and the possibility of new kinds of law practice related to these problems have captured the interest of a large number of today's law students.

Students are also concerned that they have a voice in law school decisions about the kind of education they receive. There is respect for faculty judgment, but no passive acceptance of its accuracy or unassailability. There is a feeling that the faculty is too steeped in traditional lawyers' roles to appreciate the depth of desire of many students to dedicate their careers to dealing with other things than what they term "money law." Whatever the accuracy of this view of the faculty, the faculty was willing to create the student voice requested by adding to the enlarged faculty Curriculum Committee three students who could participate fully in discussions and in formulating proposals for action by the whole faculty. Student members of the Committee were also invited to be present at faculty meetings discussing Committee proposals and to participate actively in the presentation of those proposals.

During the two years the Curriculum Committee has felt under conflicting pressures. It has sought to respond at the same time to a feeling in many faculty that we should give extended, basic reconsideration to the whole of legal education and to a feeling of many students that time is too short for the kind of long-term review that ought ideally be made. The committee's compromise has been to launch into discussions of far-reaching questions about objectives and means which it knows cannot be brought to any quick resolution, while being willing to interrupt these discussions to deal with suggestions for short-range change. It accepts the possibility that some of the short-range reforms may turn out to have been profitless tinkering in the event we should eventually decide to strike out in wholly different directions. But it has been unwilling to take the position that all changes must wait until the day when we have rethought the philosophy of legal education.

A brief description of some of the more specific matters the Committee has considered and of some of the actions it has recommended to the faculty will illustrate the nature of the short-range changes being made or considered.

COURSE OFFERINGS

There has been little suggestion that we ought to drop any courses we are presently teaching, except as a means of conserving resources to be expended in other ways. The range of subjects useful to lawyers has been expanding, not merely shifting. The traditional courses continue to constitute the staple offerings, though constantly being revised internally. Even when additional courses are made available. the large majority of students continue to take very nearly the same old courses. Even students who are eager to broaden their horizons realize that the long-established public and private law courses are likely to be valuable to them in the future. And even new subject matter areas are often, upon closer examination, merely special applications of existing bodies of law. For example, a course offered last year dealing with the legal relations and rights of students and school administrators took advantage of a timely topic to explore questions of constitutional and administrative law which have wide application.

The major innovation in course offerings is the Clinical Program, begun last year under the supervision of a special committee. Under this program as many as 25 students receive credit hours toward graduation for supervised law work of various kinds. Some students work in the Dane County Legal Services Center, helping with civil and criminal legal aid cases; others work in governmental agencies, such as the Division of Corrections, dealing with law problems. This goes on under the direction of Professor Allen Redlich, who gives personal supervision to some students and coordinates the supervision given other students. Though the clinical program can be considered a matter of teaching method rather than of subject matter, it does represent expansion to miscellaneous real law problems of the kind of individualized study that has previously been associated particularly with seminars,

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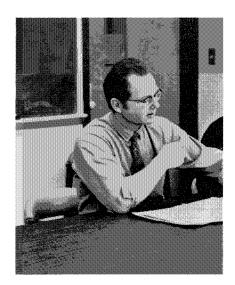
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was required. The faculty has taken the view that a law degree is the starting point for too many different kinds of careers to justify any rigid specification of courses. The first year continues to be required for several reasons: uniformity in exposure of students to fundamental skills, vocabulary, and concepts is thought important. There is economy of effort in having students who are at roughly the same stage of development grouped together. When all students have received a common, firm grounding, there seems less reason to demand any kind of uniformity in their training. The awarding of the J.D. now means, therefore, that a student has been exposed to the traditional first year curriculum, has studied law for three years, and has done creditable work. In form the student is allowed to specialize in his field of interest as narrowly as he pleases; in fact there is little such specialization. First, most students do not have a highly specialized interest, and those who do still desire to be broadly trained. Second, any who might be tempted to some sort of distorted program are restrained by the simple fact that there are not enough courses offered in any one field to allow narrow specialization. Third, nearly all students wish to be admitted to the Bar. It is important to remember that the awarding of a J.D.-an essentially academic credential-is not the same as admission to the Bar. While allowing graduation on the conditions stated above, the Law School does not certify graduates for admission to the Bar on motion unless they have taken all the courses which were previously required for graduation. For example, a student can obtain a LD. without having had a course in Evidence, but he cannot be certified for admission on motion in Wisconsin unless he has had Evidence. And, of course, if he intends to write the bar examination of any state he must be prepared to respond to questions of evidence.

Some less sweeping changes have been made in graduation requirements, also. Legal Bibliography continues to be required, but is now a shortened, no-credit course. Satisfactory passing of the course has been made a prerequisite to taking other first semester examinations. Legal Writing, in the first year, has been made a two credit course, giving credit more nearly commensurate with the effort demanded by the Legal Writing assignments.

Of the 90 credits required for graduation, as many as six may now be taken in graduate courses outside the Law School, provided those courses are related in some substantial way to law study and the student gets a grade of A or B. This is an option which has been open to students for some time upon special application; the change is to make the option routinely available. Graduate courses in labor-management relations or economics are examples of non-law courses students may properly include as a minor part of their law training.

Legal Process has been a sore spot with students for years. The faculty is agreed that the objectives of the course are fundamental; the students are agreed that the present course is not a satisfactory means to achieve the objectives. The criticisms, even if misguided, represent at least a serious problem of communication. Those teachers responsible for the course are presently working out alternatives to the course materials which have been used for some years.



Edward L. Kimball

TEACHING FORMAT

The case method of teaching—a marvelous invention — has been abused by overwork and misapplication. A number of teachers at Wisconsin are developing new ways to present law materials. For example, several have adopted a problemsolving approach to their courses. (They have done this independent of the Curriculum Committee, but with its encouragement.) Legal Bibliography teaching is now largely automated. The faculty approved an experiment with a "tutorial" or "super seminar," in which a small group of students participated in a seminar which extended over two semesters and which involved 5 credits rather than the traditional two credits for a seminar.

The clinical program, mentioned previously, is another innovation in teaching. Students have long been helping handle Legal Aid problems on a wholly volunteer basis. The Law School has, with financial help from a foundation grant to support some of the extra faculty input required, undertaken to make such supervised practice-type work a regular part of its course offerings. It is early, after only one year's experience, to pass any final judgments on the program, but it illustrates our continuing search for better ways of teaching law.

The impersonality inherent in large classes is always regrettable. but particularly so in the first year, when some students have major difficulty adjusting to the demands and ways of a new discipline. We thought this might be combatted to some degree if we could manage to give each first year student one small class. During the past year most first year courses, which would otherwise be divided into three sections of about 90 students each, were divided into four sections. Two sections had only 20 students apiece, while the remaining two sections were increased to about 120. It was hoped that the detriment in increasing the size of already large classes would be more than offset by giving each student a chance to be in one really small group. Student and faculty response has been favorable,

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despite the increased workload which teaching extra sections or grading extra examinations thrusts upon the faculty. The ability to give more individualized instruction, to get better acquainted personally, and to assign short writing assignments during the course of the semester were all advantages which have led us to try the experiment again this coming year.

To evidence our special concern for new students the Committee recommended that the Dean name a faculty member First Year Coordinator, to be a particular point of contact for beginning students with problems not better handled by the Dean's office, and to keep an eye on the first year program as a whole.

Another innovation under serious discussion is institution of reading courses in some subjects, designed for the student who wishes to acquaint himself with basic literature in a field and can demonstrate mastery of it by examination, without either teacher or student having to meet with the usual frequency in the classroom. Still another innovation being considered is "team teaching," with several faculty members jointly responsible for teaching to a group of beginning students the content of the whole first year curriculum. This would give them the freedom to experiment with various arrangements of coursework, while assuring that the students had the same basic coverage as other students.



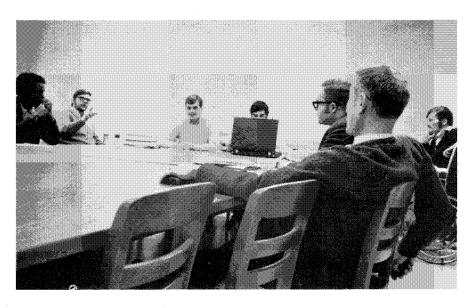
During the past year perhaps a disproportionate amount of the Committee's time has been taken up with student-initiated proposals for change in the method of grading and reporting student performance. Many faculty members consider these questions of relatively low importance among the issues facing the school, but the depth of student concern, expressed by student members of the Curriculum Committee and by a referendum, is such as to make the question important, whatever its intrinsic significance might be.

Two minor changes were made: examinations are now identified only by number rather than name, formalizing what had been the practice of many faculty. And numerical rank in class is no longer assigned. Grades are available and a graph depicting the distribution of grades within the class is available, so that a student can indicate to a prospective employer how he stands in relation to others in his class, but the possibly-misleading statistic of numerical rank in class is no longer created.

After discussion and study and debate lasting much longer than any but the most realistic among us had foreseen, the faculty passed at the very end of the school year a motion which, for the experimental period of one year, allows each second or third year student to take as many as 10 credit hours on a pass/fail basis. The ten hours includes those courses (such as Trial Court, Law Review, and seminars) which have been on a pass/fail (i.e., satisfactory/unsatisfactory) basis all along.

In separate but related action the faculty decided that next year's entering class would not be told their precise numerical grades on first semester examinations and that the numerical grade would not appear





on their transcripts, but would be used only as a basis for determining whether the student had shown sufficient ability to continue into the second year of study and eventually to graduate.

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Law Review Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The Wisconsin Law Review's 50th anniversary issue will be published in December, 1970.

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The law reviews of the United States form a unique network in the publishing field, since they are the leading publishers of legal research and analysis. ". . . the law review," wrote Chief Justice Earl Warren in the 50th anniversary issue of the Marquette Law Review in June, 1967, "has now long since achieved a unique position in our jurisprudence. It has served not only to limit the law as it is (or is thought to be) but to probe, plumb, query, criticize, provoke and explore-in an on-going effort to make the law an ever-more effective tool for regulating conduct and resolving differences."

Not all would agree with the Chief Justice's view of the power of the Law Reviews over the law itself. But few would dispute Dean Robert Boden's appraisal (in the same issue of the Marquette Law Review) that the law review's greatest value, is "not in the service it can render to the Bench and Bar but in

the training ground it provides for young men preparing for careers in the legal profession. In this sense, the nation's law reviews probably stand alone among the co-curricular teaching devices in institutions of higher learning in this country."

Some would agree with the appraisal of Yale's Professor Fred Rodell, who bluntly wrote a "goodbye to Law Reviews" in 1937, "The leading articles, and the book reviews too, are for the most part written by professors and would-be professors of law whose chief interest is in getting something published so they can wave it in the faces of their deans when they ask for a raise, because the accepted way of getting ahead in law teaching is to break constantly into print in a dignified way. The students who write for law reviews are egged on by the comforting thought that they will be pretty sure to get jobs when they graduate in return for their slavery, and the super-students who do the editorials and dirty work are egged on even harder by the knowledge that they will get even better jobs."

In an era when tenure and promotions in academic positions depend upon scholarly research and publication as well as on successful teaching experience, the ability of student editors of law reviews to select or reject professors' manuscripts is an awesome power over their livelihood. Indeed the power they wield may be greater now than when Professor Rodell made his critical comments in 1937. This power will continue, and perhaps grow, as long as the student operated law reviews dominate the publication of legal scholarship.

Membership on Law Review continues, also, to provide great advantages to the students who are chosen, although as the criteria for membership change in some law schools, the advantages may be lessened. Some schools apparently believe the selection based on first year grades alone should no longer be the sole qualification. Some law schools such as Harvard have provided at least an optional pass-fail system in the first year, which eliminates grades as the basis of selection for law review.

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Editors was composed of Frank J. Boesel, E. A. Gilmore, H. S. Richards, Howard L. Smith, Oliver S. Rundell, J. B. Sanborn and John D. Wickhem. The first student Editorin-Chief was Leon F. Foley, now of Milwaukee. His editorial assistants were Kenneth Grubb, Francis Higson, H. W. Robinson, Malcolm Whyte, Roy F. Burmeister, Herman R. Salen, Rudolph M. Schlabach, E. C. Soderberg, Stafford Trottman, Kenneth S. White, and D. V. W. Beckwith. Lead articles in early law reviews were usually the work of the faculty members of the Board of Editors, with the students providing a section called Notes-Recent Decisions.



Leon F. Foley
First Editor-in-Chief
Wisconsin Law Review

The Law Review records are unclear about procedures used in the publication of early Reviews. It appears that, in addition to writing all the leading articles, the faculty editorial board selected the student editors, and, in fact, did all the editing themselves. An Editor-in-Chief from that earlier time reports that he was simply notified, at the end of his first year, that he had been selected for Law Review, but that the basis of his selection was not disclosed to him. He was selected as Editor-in-Chief in the same way at the end of his second year. As Editor-in-Chief, he wrote notes as he

had in his second year; he never saw a leading article before it appeared in print, nor did he have any responsibility whatsoever for the publication of the *Review*.

Although it has grown in 50 years from 509 pages in Volume 1 (1920) to over 1000 pages today, the appearance of the Wisconsin Law Review has changed only a little. The content of its leading articles, which are now received from authors all over the country, has changed to reflect the changing times and the current interests of lawyers. Tort law questions no longer are the grist in a modern law review.

But, on the whole, the Wisconsin Law Review, and, indeed, its fellow law reviews, have remained a continuous institution, relatively unchanged, in a world which, at times, at least, has seemed to be turning upside down.

Since 1935, the Wisconsin Law Review has been entirely a student publication, although each Board of Editors has a Faculty Advisor. Particularly in the selection of leading articles, other faculty members are informally consulted from time to time.

Membership on the Law Review has traditionally been limited to law students who, after 2 semesters, have weighted averages of 85 or better. All such students are invited to become candidates, and almost all of them accept. During the third semester, each candidate is required to complete a publishable note. These notes, which are unsigned, usually deal with cases of current and compelling interest. The Notes section, under the supervision of the Notes editor, makes up a substantial portion of each issue of the Law Review.

In addition to the publishable note, each candidate during the first half of the fourth semester, is required to make substantial progress toward the completion of a Comment, which deals with a broader legal issue in a more detailed and incisive way than does the Note.

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candidate's second year. Again, almost all candidates who conscientiously complete the Note and the first draft of the Comment are accepted for voting membership. In any year, there are 35 to 40 voting members of the *Review*, about 20 of them second year students.

All voting members participate in the selection of the Editorial Board, which includes the Editor-in-Chief, Managing Editors, Articles Editors, Notes and Comments Editors and a Research Editor.

Any voting member is eligible to be a candidate for an editorial position. On the day of elections, each is allowed to say whether or not he wishes to be considered a candidate for each office. Each candidate for a position gives a short speech, and answers the questions of his fellow members, before the voting occurs. Voting members in their third year who are not elected to editorial positions serve usually in an advisory capacity and do little writing or editing.

During 1970-71 the Review is attempting, for the first time, to broaden its membership by including some students with weighted averages between 82 and 85. These will be invited, if they wish to be considered as possible candidates for Law Review, to submit, during the first week of school, a short paper on a special problem or case. On the basis of this sample of analytical writing, some will be selected to become candidates, and will compete for membership by completing the Note and the first draft of the Comment, just as other candidates do.

As has been said, the Law Review changes slowly. Change is difficult. Not only does the 1970 Law Review resemble all Wisconsin Law Reviews for years past; it resembles closely all law reviews currently published. Their contents are similar. There appears to be a "National Law Review Writing Style" in 1970-71, as there was in 1937, when Professor Fred Rodell wrote in the Virginia Law Review, ". . . it seems to be a cardinal principle of law review writing and editing that nothing

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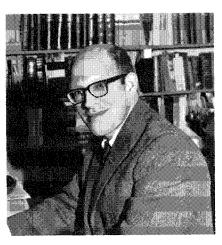
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Recently, Editor-in-Chief James Clark and Research Editor James Gerlach addressed a questionnaire to members of the Wisconsin Bar requesting suggestions for subjects of interest and benefit to practicing lawyers. They hope that, when the response to the questionnaire is complete, they will be able to improve the quality and significance of those articles which will be particularly relevant to the practicing attorney.



Gordon B. Baldwin



Marygold Melli

Associate Dean Baldwin to Iran

An appointment to a lectureship in comparative law sponsored by the Fulbright-Hayes Program will take Associate Dean Gordon B. Baldwin to the Faculty of Law, University of Tehran, Iran for the academic year 1970-71. He will serve as consultant in legal education in addition to performing teaching and research services.

In his capacity as a consultant, he hopes to encourage legal research of a type developed at Wisconsin. Heretofore legal scholarship has emphasized studies of doctrine as developed in the European codes filtered through Islamic law. Iran is one of the world's most rapidly developing countries, and the legal institutions appropriate to a simple economy are no longer appropriate. For example, Dean Baldwin states, Islamic law provides that all heirs share equally in the estate of the deceased. This prevents continuity in business and in agricultural operations. Nor is there any developed tort law in Iran. Injuries are redressed, if at all, in courts only if crimes and specific violations of statutes have been established. Dean Baldwin hopes to participate in the establishment of a scholarly law journal.

Iran is one of the few countries in the world with an acute shortage of lawyers. Most of the faculty have been trained in French, Swiss, or Belgian law schools, but a growing number have received their training in the United States.

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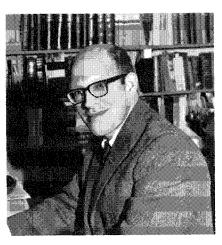
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Associate Dean Baldwin to Iran

An appointment to a lectureship in comparative law sponsored by the Fulbright-Hayes Program will take Associate Dean Gordon B. Baldwin to the Faculty of Law, University of Tehran, Iran for the academic year 1970-71. He will serve as consultant in legal education in addition to performing teaching and research services.

In his capacity as a consultant, he hopes to encourage legal research of a type developed at Wisconsin. Heretofore legal scholarship has emphasized studies of doctrine as developed in the European codes filtered through Islamic law. Iran is one of the world's most rapidly developing countries, and the legal institutions appropriate to a simple economy are no longer appropriate. For example, Dean Baldwin states, Islamic law provides that all heirs share equally in the estate of the deceased. This prevents continuity in business and in agricultural operations. Nor is there any developed tort law in Iran. Injuries are redressed, if at all, in courts only if crimes and specific violations of statutes have been established. Dean Baldwin hopes to participate in the establishment of a scholarly law journal.

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Class Agents Appointed

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