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DEAN TEVIS ILLNESS

The BRIEF is sorry to announce . that DEAN TEVIS' recent absence from school is due to a mild heart ailment. He is expected to be out of school for a couple of weeks.

The entire student body joins with us in wishing DEAN TEVIS a speedy recovery.

SELECTIVE SERVICE PROSECUTOR TO SPEAK AT LOYOLA ON FEB. 8

WILLIAM MATTHEW BYRNE, United States Attorney General for Sout-hern California will speak at LOYOLA at 12:15 on Feb. 8 in the Moot Court Room.

As chief representative of the federal government in this area, his office is concerned with prosecuting the recent rash of violators of the draft law.

In addition to Selective Ser-Vice law, Mr. BYRNE will discuss the Federal Narcotics laws & the Federal Civil Rights laws.

Even though Mr. BYRNE received his law degree from U.S.C. he is an active figure at our law school. He has been especially helpful with the new law review.

The particular relevance of the subject makes this talk one of the most important ever given at the law school.

NOMINATION

ed for the ABE LINCOLIN award. meet in the Faculty Lounge on Feb. Or ABE LINCOLIN nominated for the 8 at 4:15 P.M. TERRY FIELDS award.

EDITORIAL

The task of attacking a sacred cow usually falls by default to a newspaper. The BRIEF now exercises

this prerogative.

At a time when the Freshman Orientation Program (F.O.P.) is being planned for the next year a critical reappraisal seems most appropriate. F.O.P. has, in princple, always been an intregral part of LOYOLA's approach to legal education. Its purpose is to allow the new students the opportunity to adjust their habits to a new mode of education. In practice, however, acclimatization to legal study is not often achieved by the program. Instead the individual orientators seem more concerned with scaring the new student or with passing on rumors and tips about the idiosyncrasies of the teachers.

LOYOLA is now experiencing a period of healthy, rapid growth. The introduction of personal prejudicies by these people to the new students fails the school in two ways. First, the new student receives little useful information. Secondly, the incoming student is imbued with the prejudicies of the past classes. The second fault is more damaging in the long run. As long as each class leaves behind a legacy of misinformation of this type, the continued growth of this school is threatened.

F.O.P. can be a program of value to the incoming students. But if F.O.P. closes the minds of these students in any way then its value is lost upon the altar of status quo.

TERRY FIELDS has been nominated. The SPRING DANCE COMMITTEE will

RETREAT ANNOUNCED

The LOYOLA student body will stage a retreat at Manresa Retreat House on Feb. 23. FATHER MARION, a distinguished Catholic Theologian from the University of San Francisco, will lead the retreat. keeping with recent trends in ecumenism the retreat will discuss topics of general theological interest rather than purely Catholic dogma. All students are, theretore, encouraged to attend.

NEW APPOINTMENT

JAMES BYRNE is the new chairman of the Student Speakers Program. He succeeds MIKE RICHMAN whose term expired at the semester break.

JIM promises many interesting speakers in the coming months. Any students who are particularily interested in a certain speaker should contract MR. BYRNE.

EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS AT THIS LAW SCHOOL

During the past few years LOYOLA the law school. has experienced an academic growth that has in many instances surpassed her extracurricular programs. These programs should form an intimate part of the legal education process. In order to spur interest in the subject the following pro-

grams are offered by the BRIEF. (1). Semi-Annual "Legal Retreats". This activity would consist of several faculty members, Outside attorneys and judges, and a limited number of students meeting at some off-campus place for a weekend. They would discuss topical legal issues. A program similar to this has been successfully used by undergraduate

PRUGRAMS (CONT.)

schools in the Los Angeles area. (2). An Annual Scheduled Panel Discussion of Legal Education. This acitivity would force the student and faculty to sit down and discuss the future of LOYOLA legal education. One day of the year should be set aside so that one "side" doesn't assume that the

other has nothing to say.

(3). A Legislative Advocacy Committee. The political is often overlooked in favor of the judicial after reading a couple of cases. This continuing group would seek the for-gotten art by drafting statutory revisions of city, county and state In order that this not be completely academic exercise, the revised law would then be presented to the legislature by student-lobbyists.

(4). The Take a Aluminus To Lunch Bunch. This program would work by having a small group of students lunch with an aluminus. This attorney could then bring to the students a sense of what their future in the law actually is. The key to this program is having many alumini participate so that many student groups could benefit. The increased alumini involvement in school affairs would also benefit

Law students have mever had too much time on their hands. Programs of the sort outlined above would not cut into that time. Instead legal education would be directly aided. The only change is that the place of the education would in most cases be

more desireable.

The programs outlined above offer merely a sample of extracurricular activities that LOYOLA could institute with great benefit to the students. The adminstration has always been willing to listen to the students. you believe programs like the above would benefit you let it be known to your class representative.

A LETTER TO THE EDITORS:

Dear Ed.

A PROPOSAL - -

As students at Loyola, and as members of the legal profession. we have an obligation to voice our opinions on the major social issues affecting our community. As students of one of the institutions that produce community leaders, the opinion of the student body is important to those of the communitywho wish to know what responsible people think.

It is proposed that a committee of students be selected to poll student opinion on topics of concern to the community and the legal profession. This opinion should be spread throughout the community by means of editorials in publications and communications media as the Loyola Digest, Daily Journal, Los Angeles Times, television and radio, and other local publicatins.

This opinion poll committee will be composed of 5 working members who will serve with compensation exclusive of our operating budget. The committee will poll the student body, draft editorials, and communicate with councilmen, senators, mayors, and other officials. They will represent the opinion of the student body on issues such as; (1) the philosophy of an integrated bar, (2) legal education in California, (3) abortion laws, (4) housing laws, (5) police brutality, (6) rapid transit, (7) Viet Nam War. and (8) the draft law.

Please address your comments to the Loyola Brief.

> Sincerely, Jerold Schultz

actually owns a \$6,000 sports car and only two suits?

SCOTT MOOT COURT COMPETITION

The preliminary rounds of the Scott Moot Court Competition will be held Friday, February 16 at 7:00 P.M. and Saturday, February 17 at 10;00 A.M. in the Kennedy Moot Court Room. competition is designed to give second year students an opportunity to orally argue the appellate briefs they prepared for Legal Writing II.

On Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 P.M. six finalists will compete before a distinguished panel of judges including Justice Shirley Hufstedler, Justice Manuel Reul, Justice Samuel Dreizen, Judge Conrad Moss and Judge Lester Olson.

At least twice in the past six years, Loyola Students have finished high enough in the State competition to enter the National Moot Court Competition in New All eligible students are encouraged to participate in the Scott Competition.

The faculty and student body is cordially invited to attent all or any of the moot court events.

PURPOSE OF MOOT COURT COMPETITION

When a student enrolls in a law school he becomes a member of the legal profession. The simple act of enrolling is a personal commitment to the profession, regardless of his motives for enrolling.

There are few tools in this profession There are no scalpels or wrenches or T-squares. There is only the nebulous and ever changing concept of the Law and and power to communicate that concept.

If the communication wasn't important, there would be no lawyers. There would be only judges and litigants. But, since the communication is important, there are lawyers. And some lawyers make a lot more money than others.

Some law students have never been in a court room. Fewer still have ever pled a case. And that is what Moot Court is all about. It gives second year students an Is it possible that someone opportunity to argue orally before a court. It gives first year students an idea of what a court room is like. it gives everyone a chance to witness the communication of legal concepts. Don't miss this chance to see the '68 Moot Court,