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Mayday Damages To Student

Former Judge Irving Younger and Assistant Dean David Benjamin together at the concluding "working lunch" seminar of Hofstra's API after Professor Younger addressed a full house at the University Club.

by Margery Rosin

If you ask Section A student Janis McDonald the value of her constitutional rights, her answer may be philosophical, legalistic, or materialistic. While one might imagine the dollar value of liberty to be speculative, a jury verdict has estimated it at $12,000,000.

Janis was directly involved in the Mayday arrests made at the U.S. Capitol on May 5, 1971. A group of Congressmen had agreed to meet the anti-war protesters on the steps of the House of Representatives in order to receive a People's Peace Treaty from the protesters and to participate in the accompanying ceremony.

While the protesters listened to Congressional speeches, police arrested 1,200 of them, and carted them by bus to a makeshift detention center in the Washington Coliseum. Janis tells of the mass confusion, the deliberate efforts of ACLU lawyers and public defenders to tell the people what was happening, and of her own refusal to be processed until she could "speak to a lawyer."

When Janis was released on May 8th, she filed an affidavit with ACLU, and went home. During the summer she agreed to be one of eight defendants in a test case involving a criminal prosecution by the U.S. for disorderly conduct and unlawful entry. She was ably represented by attorney Monroe Freedman, and the verdict was not guilty.

Janis McDonald

Subsequently, a civil trial took place, with Janis returning to the courts, this time as a plaintiff. November 11, 1971 the ACLU filed an individual action on behalf of Representative Dellums, and a class action on behalf of the 1200 people arrested on the Capitol steps listening to Rep. Dellum and the other Congressmen speak.

On behalf of the class, the suit charged false arrest, false imprisonment, unlawful searches and seizures, assault, battery, malicious prosecution, negligence and conspiracy. It further charged violation of the class' First Amendment rights to peaceably assemble, free speech and petition for redress of

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Filler Named An Associate Dean

Stuart Filler

In a one sentence memo posted Monday, Dean Freedman announced that Professor Stuart J. Filler had been selected to be the school's additional Associate Dean.

The new post was created to help ease the growing administrative burdens carried by Deans Freedman and Twerski. Dean Filler is expected to assume his new duties immediately.

Winter Vacation Liberated

Meeting last week, the Faculty unanimously approved a 1975-76 calendar that will more closely conform to the newly adopted University calendar. Prof. Filler, who worked out the new dates with Calendar Committee member Barbara Billauer, pointed out that there will now be "four weeks of unencumbered relaxation" between semesters. The new calendar will allow a week between the end of classes and the beginning of exams (as is currently done in the spring).

There was little opposition voiced at the Faculty meeting and a prior open meeting to elicit student views. The only sources of difficulty appear to be conflicts with late-summer honeymoons, and child care prior to the opening of public schools. Prof. Filler and the committee are developing child care arrangements to cover the two-week overlap.

The calendar adopted shall be as follows:

FALL SEMESTER 1975

August 25	Monday, classes begin
September 1	Monday, classes not in session
September 15	Monday, classes not in session
November 27, 28	Thursday and Friday, classes not in session
December 4	Thursday, classes end
December 11	Thursday through December 23, Tuesday, examinations

SPRING SEMESTER 1976

January 19	Monday, classes begin
April 12	Monday, through April 16, Friday classes not in session
April 30	Friday, classes end
May 7	Friday through May 20, Thursday, examinations
First Week of June	Commencement

Advanced Practice Institute Headed for Matrimony After Initial Successes

by William H. Irion

The classroom doors at Hofstra Law School in Hempstead will again swing wide open for the area's practicing lawyers this February.

The law school's second seminar in its Advanced Practice Institute, dealing with Matrimonial Law, begins its three part series on February 26. Like its predecessor, this series will feature prominent attorneys and jurists on the guest faculty. Participating in the matrimonial faculty will be the Honorable Beatrice S. Burstein, member of the Supreme Court and formerly a Family and District Court Judge, the Honorable Bernard S. Meyer, currently a member of the law firm of Meyer, English and Ciancuilli of Mineola and former Supreme Court Justice, Michael J. Ostrow, Esq., eminent matrimonial attorney and member of the Garden City law firm of Taylor, Atkins and Ostrow, and Michael Dikman, matrimonial attorney and member of the law firm of Dikman and Botter. Mr. Dikman is the Chairman of the Queens Bar Association and Family Law Committee.

"We had a tremendous response to our first seminar dealing with criminal justice," commented Professor Burton Agata, Director of the Advanced Practice Institute. "Many of the hundred attorneys attending the first program were inquiring about the future programs even before the first one was over," he continued. "The one benign problem," according to Professor Agata, was the fact that "there was so much interest and so much participation that it was difficult to keep the sessions from running too long. It was fantastic."

The three session, $65 seminar will, among other topics, be directed toward the New York Domestic Relations Law, alimony and child support, the tax aspects of divorce and the enforcement of judgments.

"Lawyers today are well aware that this type of continuing education is no longer a luxury . . . it's a necessity," concluded Professor Agata.

ABA Offers Career Guide

CHICAGO—The American Bar Association has announced publication of a brochure to help law students launch their professional careers.

Entitled "How To Find the Courthouse," the 60-page brochure covers such topics as specialization, computing fees, tools of the trade and what law firms look for in hiring law school graduating seniors.

The publication was produced by the ABA's Section of General Practice.

Law student members of the section will receive a complimentary copy of the brochure in late January. Other persons may obtain a copy for $3 from the Circulation Department, 6002, American Bar Center, 1155 East 60th Street, Chicago, Ill. 60637.

Schedule Work-Study Meeting Next Week

On Wednesday, February 12, and again on Wednesday, March 5, at 12:00 in Room 204, Adrienne Sachs, Coordinator, Federal Work-Study Program at Hofstra, will speak to law students about the work-study program, according to Sandy Miller, Director of Placement.

The work-study program is a federally funded program through which students who qualify through the Financial Aid Office as financially eligible are able to work for government agencies or non-profit organizations.

Work-study offers an excellent opportunity for those students who have financial need to earn part of their law school expenses while at the same time work at law-related jobs. Students who apply during the second semester and are accepted will be funded for the summer (during which they can work full-time) as well as the next school year (during which they can work part-time).

In calling attention to the program, Mr. Miller said, "If you feel that you might be able to establish financial need (this is based on your income plus your parents' if you are not independent of them) and are interested in work-study, you must attend one of the meetings. (This includes students now on work-study who must reapply!)."

At these meetings the application procedure, job opportunities, when decisions will be made, and any other matters of concern to you regarding work-study will be discussed.

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FAREWELL TO NORMAN . . .

With this issue, Norman Kent leaves CONSCIENCE as Editor-in-Chief to seek out newer worlds. And if he cannot find one, he will create one with the same seemingly inexhaustible energy and determination with which he established CONSCIENCE. For the first semester of publication he carried out the production and development virtually single handed—never a small accomplishment to those on other papers, who have labored to meet deadlines, co-ordinate articles, make layouts, and handle last-minute changes.

We of the staff thank him for imparting the fundamentals of newspapers to us. Working with him and his humor, eloquence, creativity, and pervasive enthusiasm for his eclectic interests has been one of the few available means for the staff to ward off the personality regression inherent in the process of legal education. Even the controversy shall be missed, for that too arose out of a desire to get things done. We will miss his services, but will always welcome his fine writing. He may no longer be Editor, but he will always be Founder.

. . . NO LAUGHING MATTER . . .

In a letter to CONSCIENCE, omitted because of space limitations, Dean Freedman expressed strong objections to the tenor of CONSCIENCE coverage of the tuition increase. His dissatisfaction focused on the headline, the picture, and its caption on the front page of the last issue. If we erred in our judgment, it was that we gave pre-eminence to the student perceptions and sentiments in the matter, and overlooked CONSCIENCE'S avowed role as a forum for all elements of the Law School, including faculty and administrators.

In fairness to Dean Freedman, we would like to remind all readers that the Dean made it clear right from his initial meeting with the students that he would not be acting solely as representative of the students in any tuition negotiations. However, as students we appreciate his efforts on our behalf, and merely want to acknowledge that without his capabilities and working relationship with other University officials, most of us would be facing greater financial burdens under already difficult conditions.

. . . AND LOOKING AHEAD

The passage of time must necessarily bring transition in the staff of any school newspaper. Over the past year and a half Norman Kent has set a tradition of quality in content and style along with an esthetic sense unequalled by other law school papers. We look forward to the challenge, and hope that many other members of the law school community will take a bit of time to join us. In the coming weeks, we will be posting further information about CONSCIENCE. We hope this will increase awareness of opportunities to participate in CONSCIENCE endeavors.

Aging Founder Hangs 'Em Up . . .

To the Readers:

This letter is to announce my resignation as editor-in-chief of CONSCIENCE.

I am deeply grateful to all those who have lent their support to me and the paper, in its embryonic and growing days. I am particularly in debt to Dean Freedman, whose $1000 grant in the Fall of 1973, enabled one person's vision to become everyone's reality.

At the same time, I would like to apologize to all those individuals, who, at one time or another, were wrongly and unintentionally slighted or omitted from receiving the proper credit that they deserve.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Chad Russell, the new editor-in-chief, a person who was with me even as the first issue was being laid out. I am confident that Chad will exercise discretion in jealously guarding our budget. That's good discretion.

Right now, I would like some free time to do more spirited writing, and prepare for the bar exam I face in July.

Again, I thank you one and all, for all the kind words about CONSCIENCE, and I thank you too, for all the criticisms which have helped make us a better paper.

Very truly yours,
Norman E. Kent

Exams Bring Out Best (?) In People

To the Editor:

Exam period, as we all know, produces an atmosphere of tension and anxiety. People respond to these emotions in varied fashions, but, the situation as it existed, showed me that even as one progresses in the academic hierarchy, the reactions of some students never change. I am talking to the subjects of cheating and abuse of the library by a minority of students to the detriment of the majority.

We have all come across the problems of reserve books mysteriously disappearing at the beginning of exams and of people abusing an honor system which tests one's maturity. Yet, I naively believed that such would not exist in "professional" school.

The scene was set when one of my professors commenced his class by requesting that the person who "borrowed" a book from his shelf kindly return it. It picked up steam when certain texts that were "borrowed" over night were not returned promptly the next morning, depriving the rest of us of their use. The problem snowballed when 6 out of 7 LaFave and Scott texts were missing from the library shelves a week before the criminal law exam, not to be seen again until after the exam.

All this speaks of a lack of moral consciousness on the part of some students in this school; and in a profession where ethics is of primary importance, it is a sad commentary on the future of the legal profession.

In addition, there was a complete disdain for the principles of the honor system during the course of exams. Students consulted their notes and others without considering the overall ramifications of their actions.

The librarian has a partial list of names of those students who have violated the rules of overnight loans—the audacity of these students in only surpassed by those who were clever enough to get the books without leaving proper identification. The names on this list must be submitted to a committee composed of faculty and students for the purpose of meting out proper punishment.

For those who have witnessed cheating, they should not be made to feel that they are betraying a fellow classmate or acting as a "squealer;" this self criticism was never entertained by those who violated the rules for their own advantage. Anyone with substantial proof of cheating should come forward with the information to the proper authorities.

The problem now confronting the school is how to prevent this from happening again. My personal feelings are as follows: All reserve books should be limited to a 2-3 hour period of use with renewal possible only if there is no one desiring the book. For the first ½ hour it is held past the allotted time there should be a 50c fine, with an additional 50c for every succeeding ½ hour. Every book taken overnight and not returned on time the next morning should be subject to the same penalties.

Perhaps this seems too mercenary; yet, I believe that we have to get beyond the stage of viewing rules and regulations that affect us as a community as being merely a limitation on our personal freedoms. When a minority takes advantage of a free situation without considering the scope of their behavior, it is necessary to enforce the proper guidelines.

Sincerely,
Jeffrey Robinson

Putative Censor Only Jesting

To the Editor:

In your last editorial, you quoted statements that I made at a Student Representative meeting which gave the impression that I was for censoring the CONSCIENCE. As everyone who was in the room at the time knew, those statements were made in jest. They were made after a long, self righteous tirade by the former editor of the CONSCIENCE and were only intended to reward him for his insufferable pomposity.

In addition, my complaints about the CONSCIENCE had nothing to do with its editorial policy. My criticism of the newspaper was limited to its extravagant expenditures and its publishing of articles which were nothing more than monuments to the ego of the Editor.

Quoting my remarks out of context, is more than the normal irresponsibility that I have come to expect from your paper. Your inference that I was indifferent to civil liberties may have hurt me professionally and definitely hurt me personally. As a democratic socialist, I have dedicated a good deal of time to the fight for personal and political freedoms. I have demonstrated and have been arrested for the cause of civil liberties.

My belief in freedom of expression is so strong that I would vigorously defend it for newspapers as unimportant and irrelevant as yours. So next time, before you defame someone, find out the facts.

Stephen Silbiger
Third Year Student
Representative

P.S. Bring back the **Learned Foot.**

Dean Explains Xeroxing Charge

To the Editor:

In a recent letter to CONSCIENCE, two students criticized the charge for additional xeroxing services. That charge has been made for the following reasons.

When substantial amounts of reproduced materials are necessary for course work, the usual way to distribute such materials is through the University Bookstore. That means a higher charge to the students, because of the necessary mark-up at the Bookstore.

In addition, as noted in the letter from the two students, "the majority of students . . . must give serious thought and planning to the financing of their legal education." For that reason, it seemed more fair to spread the cost of reproduction among all the students, at a relatively small fixed amount, rather than hit some students with unusually high costs of large amounts of mimeographed materials. One result of the latter alternative, of course, would even be that some students would have to pass up courses important to them because of the high cost of reproduced materials.

The decision that was made (for which I take full responsibility) was to do the following things: first, make a high-quality machine and a fulltime operator available, so that professors would be encouraged to be innovative in development of course materials; second, to avoid a Bookstore surcharge by distributing the materials at the Law School; third, to avoid haphazard, unexpected, and heavy costs to some students by spreading out the expense in the form of a relatively small flat fee to all students.

That decision seemed to me to be so clearly the right one, that I did not expect any disagreement about it. Moreover, it is not irreversible. We can readily put into effect any reasonable alternative that might be suggested.

Yours truly,
Monroe H. Freedman
Dean

Behind the Big Counter:

'Paperchase HQ'

Whatsa matter? You gotta problem? You donta know what your grades are? You think you got a D- to go with your 2 F's? You wanna take Law and the Banana as an Independent Study? You wanna know all about the Academic Standards Committee? You gotta go-see Charlotte Hoffer, the regal recorder of our school of law.

by Ann Zeloof with fiction by Norman Kent

There are many things you may want to learn from Charlotte. Like what her middle initial Z. stands for. Or why her desk is closest to Dave Benjamin's. And like why you pay more to take more, than sixteen credits, that is. Charlotte Hoffer is to Hofstra students' grades what Monroe Freedman is to perjury. The two are inseparably intertwined (Charlotte and grades, that is). If anything were ever to happen to Charlotte, the school would become Pass-Fail tomorrow. Carefree Charlotte says she never met a law student she didn't like, "except for that S.O.B. who put up those phony Bus. Org. grades in the Fall of 71."

Charlotte Hoffer

Ebullient Etta is the master of the house. Affectionately known as "Ebbie," (short for Ebullient) or Esperazantiniswa (long for Espa), Etta is the boss. The one in charge downstairs. But she don't wear no crown.

Etta is a practicing AAA (Administrative Assistant to Admissions, that is). She is the one to see when your cousin is applying and you want to find out his status. Etta and her two children spend evening after evening reviewing applications to see if they are complete, or have loose change strewn about in them. Her analysis is then forwarded on to the Dean, who, with his four year old son Judah, decides who comes to the school next year. As a result of the Dean's affirmative action program, Hofstra Law School now has more Jews than the entire city of Haifa. Many have complained about the admissions process, and some have gone as far as threatening to test the constitutionality of the Yiddish literary requirement. But in order to make new admittees more comfortable in their new environment, certain professors have declared the side of the school "Negev New York," and are accepting donations to plant trees.

Many ask Etta "What are my chances of getting in?" Usually Ebbie Etta will ask whether the student is a practicing sodomist, or has ever been arrested for a felony. If the person is not, he is put on the waiting list. If the Dean really likes the student's record of lawlessness, he gets on the preferred waiting list. So far, the only student who has ever been accepted immediately was a Burmese monk who burned himself to death to demonstrate his opposition to the parking situation. The self-immolation was rewarded with an immediate, posthumous acceptance to the class of 1977. That spot has since been taken up by Richard Feirstein.

Applications have climbed steeply in the past few years, as compared to Etta, whose office has gone from the 2nd floor to the 1st. Reports Doris Henner, **ob. seq., op. cit.,** and **oy vey, et. al,** applications have been received

Etta Fafarman

from such distant places as Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Australia, and Staten Island. Doris spends her days as the Admissions Secretary, recording and filing all fees, recommendations and L.S.A.T. scores.

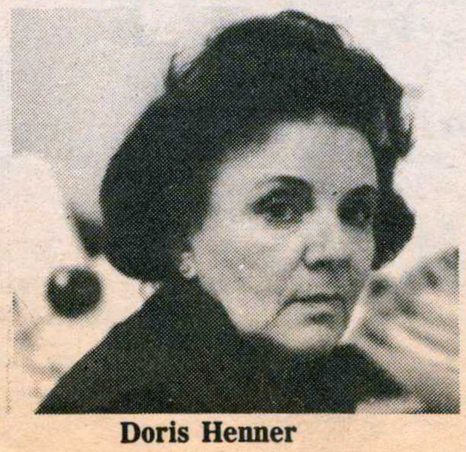
Mrs. Mildred Urquhart, as secretary to Dean Twerski, holds the distinctive privilege of having a name no one can pronounce on the first try. She assists Dean Twerski in his day to day duties: "You know," says Millie, "Helping him make a minyon, or choosing a fashionable yamulka

Mildred Urquhart

(not to be confused with yamaha) to come to school in."

Mr. Assistant Dean David Benjamin is really the school's handyman. He's like Drano; he takes care of whatever was left behind. Got a class of 40 in a room of 20? See David. Got lights broken in the 3rd floor lounge? See David. Need to know where university counseling, financial aid, or resident housing is? See David. Want to run an Advanced Practice Institute? See David. See him today before midnite so you don't forget. Doctor David is the school's medicine man and his fine potions keep the school churning at just the right speed.

In closing, it is not unnoteworthy not to not note that the books of Cardozo, Warren, Hand, and Wypyski once were where Etta, Doris, Charlotte, and Mildred now sit.



Doris Henner

Announcements

Rep. Abzug Keynoting

Annual Women and Law Program This Saturday

Sponsored by: **METROPOLITAN LAW WOMEN**
Date: February 8, 1974
Place: Columbia University School of Law, W. 116th St. at Amsterdam Avenue, New York
Registration: Students—$2.00, Attorneys—$3.00
Schedule:

9:00-10:00 a.m.—Registration (Coffee will be served)
10:00-10:45—Congresswoman Bella Abzug (Keynote Address)
11:00-12:30 P.M.—Panels—Equal Rights Amendment (Seton Hall); Women in Institutions (New York Law); Professionalism (Hofstra)
12:30-2:00—Lunch
2:00-3:30—Panels—Labor Law: Women Organize (St. John's); Statutory Benefits (Columbia); Marriage: Impact of marriage contracts and no-fault divorce (Brooklyn)
3:30-5:00—Panels—Proposed Right to Life Amendments: Impact on existing law (Rutgers); Lesbianism and the Law (New York University); Women as Litigators (Fordham)
5:00-7:00—"Get it all together" Time—Wine and cheese will be served

Racism Conference at BU

To the High School and College Students of the United States:

On December 13-14, 1974 thousands of people from all over the country came to demonstrate in a teach-in and freedom march against racism. We came to say NO to the escalating racist offensive against school desegregation; to say NO to the racist mob violence against Black students and to expose the real aims—the racist aims—behind the so-called antibusing movement.

But the racists can be stopped, and the Boston freedom march and teach-in can be the turning point. Just as Montgomery and Little Rock initiated the civil rights movement that put an end to Jim Crow in the South, our stand in Boston can initiate a new surge of freedom all over the country. And just as students helped lead the way in the civil rights movement, we can help lead the way today.

A mass response is required to counter the racist offensive. Students can be instrumental in mobilizing this response, just as we played a major role in organizing the freedom march and teach-in in Boston.

To discuss the next steps to take, we are calling for a national student conference to take place on the weekend of February 14, at Boston University in Boston, Massachusetts.

Come to the conference. Bring your friends. Bring your ideas. Together we can organize and mobilize, and we can win.

From National Student Committee Against Racism

Workmen's Comp Prize

NEW YORK—The New York Workmen's Compensation Bar Association has announced a writing competition for the spring semester. In an effort to get law students interested in the specialized field of Workmen's Compensation, the Association is offering an award of $500.00 for the best treatise in the field of Workmen's Compensation submitted by a law student in the senior class.

Abraham Popish, president of the association has requested that entries be postmarked no later than May 15, 1975, and be submitted to Jerome B. Lee, Esq., the Chairman of the Association's Scholarship and Awards Committee, at 401 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10013.

The Association, which hopes to make the prize an annual one, will notify the winner and present the award at its June dinner.

Mayday . . .

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grievances.

The suit asked for money damages against the government to compensate the class for the violation of their rights and for the injuries they sustained.

There was little if any publicity about the trial while it was going on. At the time the jury verdict was given, Janis was present with one other named defendant, and two reporters.

The jury had determined what a constitutional right was worth. It was broken down this way: $7500 for violation of First Amendment Rights to free speech and assembly; $180 to $1800 for violation of Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable arrest, and $300 to $1200 for false imprisonment, depending on length of detention; $500 for violation of Eighth Amendment rights against cruel and unusual punishment; $50 for malicious prosecution. The eight that had been tried in the criminal proceeding received an extra $3000 apiece.

Dean Freedman, who had the job of putting together the entire package of litigation and initiating it, considers this award of 12 million dollars damages the effective way of getting the message home. Previously, recoveries for false imprisonment have amounted to 30 and 50 thousand dollars. Perhaps there is a growing realization that "constitutional rights are almost as important as the right not to be arrested by the store detective."

— NOTES —

UPWARD BOUND RECRUITING Work-Study candidates as "live-in" tutor-counselors, and activities specialists for second summer session 1975. Please contact UPWARD BOUND office, ext. 3279, or come to 303 Mason Hall for application.

Bayonne, N.J., Feb. 1—Rick Kaplow is engaged. This eventide Rick placed a call to Joel "Gersty" with the long-anticipated announcement of his betrothal to Ellen "K.O." Koningsberg, a junior at Fairleigh Dickinson. Mr. Kaplow, a graduate of Rutgers University, is now in his first year at Hofstra Law School.

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ABA HEAD: JOB CHANCES BLEAK & BRIGHT

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 27—Conceding that the current job outlook is bleak for new lawyers, the president of the American Bar Association said today that vast numbers of new lawyers will be needed in the coming decade to meet the public demand for legal services.

James D. Fellers, Oklahoma City attorney, said in an address to the Willamette University College of Law that 70 percent of the American public is without legal services.

Not the least of reasons for this is that they believe legal services are too expensive, Fellers said.

He predicted that, through efforts of the organized bar, dramatic steps will be taken to lower the cost of legal services and to help provide reasonable ways of financing legal aid.

Ways to cut the cost of legal services, Fellers said, include greater use of paraprofessionals, lawyer specialization, professional publication of the availability of legal services and increased use of technology, such as computer programs.

The ABA president called for public education programs to support the concept of preventive law.

"Lawyers are decades behind other professions in this regard," Fellers said. "Today it is the rare individual indeed who comes to a lawyer to make sure he is not getting involved in potential legal problems. Ninety-nine percent of the people who come to lawyers have gone past the stage when they could have been helped most readily and most efficiently."

The Lighter Side

HAVE YOU EVER TRIED . . . ?

by Mitch Gilbert

As a third year law student, it has come to my attention that many of my colleagues are experiencing difficulty in finding suitable post-graduation employment. This is quite a change from previous years. Law students used to gloat about their summer jobs on Wall Street and the girls they met at "Friday's" . . . now they talk about the girls they met on Wall Street and the jobs they had at "Friday's."

No doubt the state of the economy has more than a little to do with this frustrating situation. However, there are certain facts and techniques that you should keep in mind, which will make job-hunting a little easier.

First of all, remember that Hofstra Law School is a relatively new school. Yet, in a very short period of time, we have earned a reputation amongst legal scholars as a first-rate institution, on a par with Columbia (School of Broadcasting, not to be confused with the Columbia Broadcasting System, let alone Columbia University). As a result, every attempt should be made to avoid mentioning the name "Hofstra" during serious interviews. However, should you be coerced into admitting where you attend law school, it might be advisable to stress the advantages of this situation, which can easily be enumerated, in order of importance: Astroturf playing field; rabbi in residence; median age of students—24.3 years; median age of faculty—24.7 years; and Louie.

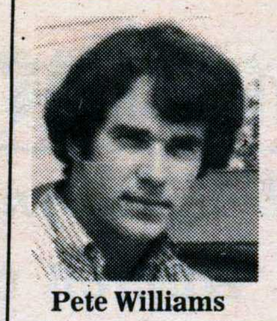
Part of the problem in finding jobs seems to stem in part from little errors made by many law students, due to inexperience rather than incompetence. (However, the inexperience may be a result of incompetence.) For example, never . . . **never** put your arrest record in your resume. You never know which employer might hold such information against you. Speaking of resumes, there are several do's and don'ts which you should be aware of when preparing what is, in effect, a terse autobiography. First of all, always make it **readable**, even if you have to add details concerning your sex tife. After all, if it doesn't land you a job, someone might want to make a movie out of it someday. Secondly, always have your resume typed up by a professional (your doctor or dentist will usually be glad to oblige, although a typist might charge a more reasonable fee). Also, be sure to take your resume to a reputable lithographer . . . this not only assures a more professional-looking job, but it may lead to a lucrative career in the printing field, if nothing else works out.

A word about extracurricular activities . . . be certain to include a list of such activities whether or not you have actually participated in them. Although they don't necessarily have to be closely related to legal studies, try to stay away from things like "collecting back issues of TV Guide" or "playing the Jeopardy home game." Another important category is a listing of references. People in the political arena are particularly well-suited for this and should be listed as references to whom a prospective employer may "refer" (hence the term "reference") in checking on your background. A word of caution, before listing any political reference, be sure to check his or her present address, eliminating those currently residing in or about correctional facilities.

While we're on the subject of politics, I should say a word about public employment. As you are aware, a large number of government agencies hire lawyers fresh out of law school. There are, however, certain prerequisites to landing a government job, which you should ascertain in advance. For example, if you are applying for a position with a Nassau County agency, it is advisable that you donate 1 percent of your Scholar Incentive Award to the Republican Party and send it along with your application.

Seriously, though, Joe Margiotta has done for political integrity what Albert Camus has done for professional baseball.

(To be continued next issue)



Pete Williams

Bench Jockeys

the legal ballfields

Lloyd Nadel

CAGE CANT. Some took advantage of intersession to drive south to the surf, others opted to drive north to the slopes, but a select few drove down the lane to the hoop. While the first two could leisurely nurture sun and wind burns and slowly slip back into the lower level of the Levy law library, the Annex quintets had to be prepared for immediate court appearances. Some of the Coaches spent their break time overworking their weary gray matters trying to come up with new strategies. **Paul Jacobi**, however, spent only minimal time trying to figure out what his team was doing right.

To everyone's surprise but their own, the Conquistadores were cruisin' ahead of the pack at an .833 clip. This high-spirited and well-balanced outfit, compensating for the loss of a starting backcourt man with a knee injury, won four straight in December. Now, **Jacobi** is faced not only with one gimpy-legged guard, but the possible loss of two forwards. **Pat Shooltz** (sic) is also operating on a tender knee and **Steve Widlitz** is convalescing after a deviated septum operation. (**Widlitz** has requested that in lieu of flowers, well-wishers contribute to the Q's "Buy **Joel Scheer** a uniform" campaign). **Scheer**, despite L. Rev. commitments (by the way, where is the law review?), has been a ball of fire coming off the bench. **Mike Kent** has proved to be a tower of strength under the boards and **Herb Weiss** has shown a lot of slick moves in the backcourt. Talented **Steve Heyman** has managed to channel his volatile instincts, much to the dismay of Coach **Jacobi**. The Skipper, wondering whether his main enforcer's mind has been overtaxed with other matters, is considering moving another forward into the strongman's slot. Swingmen **Alan Stauber** and **Jeff Goldblatt** round out the division's leading attack.

Last year's champs, the RAVENS, have had their problems getting untracked. Stiff competition in the name of NO-NAMES and MAGIC have put a T.R.O. on an unblemished record. **Jeff "Catfish" Silberfeld**, musing his squad's .500 percentage, sees no way the RAVENS will be permanently enjoined from repeating as champs. Between considering long-term offers for next year, the 'fish points to his front line to **Tom Dempsey, Lenny Pugatch,** and **Jon Amols** as sure bait to snatch a playoff hook. Trapping a play out of the Wolfpack manual, **Tom Kehoe** plans to toss alley-oop passes to 6'8" **Scott Seidlin** for easy two-pointers. Sixth man Charlie Connick, who turned down a starting position with another club, still leads the fast break.

Despite a talented starting unit, the BALSA BLUES have lacked the depth to stay with the division's top clubs. After an easy opening win, they lost to MAGIC and the BROTHERS, running out of steam in the second halves. **Herb Burton**'s losing battle with the flu gave the bench the blues and put added pressure on **Glen Burnett** and **Randy Lattimer** to control the boards. **Ron Hollie** and **Doug Carter** continue to be BALSA's version of Walt Frazier and Earl Monroe. **Dwight Loines** has been performing admirably in the starting role and **Trevor Brooks** has been the whole bench. With **Burton** now back, Coach **Hollie** hopes for a turnaround.

By winning their last contest by 17 points and bringing their record to 1-2, the A.B. SKHY's have already equalled last year's win mark. High-scoring **Marc Schectman** sees this win as an omen of better things to come. **Schectman** points to the slick ball-handling of **Scott Klein** and tenacious board work of **Terry Stomel** as the start of a new era. Rookie marvels **Joel Gerstenblatt** and Mad **Mike Masanoff** are the proximate cause of a new dawn on the SKHY'S horizon. Although Gucci does not yet make sneakers, fashionplate **Tom DeJesus** does don his Champion shorts and Bike supporter to add a big name to the SKHY roster.

THE SPIRIT OF '76, as its name implies, is still a year away. They lost their first three games, but by close scores. Captain, leading scorer and rebounder, and ball-handler **Jules Mencher** is looking for help. With his faculty recruitment plan a failure, **Mencher** is still searching for talent. Those interested should leave a resume at the library desk.

The alumni team SPECTATORS have also had their problems. With members practising law, looking for jobs, or attending dental school, the club has not been able to concentrate on the courts and come out a winner. However, **Ron Turbin** is selling gold at $175 an ounce.

BLUE LINE BANTER. Since St. John's Flying French Irishman Pierre Casey has moved between the posts, the Hofstra icemen have been undefeated. Casey has turned away about three-quarters of the oppositions' shots, more than enough to give Hofstra three straight wins. The goaltender has gotten the bulk of his support from backline mainstays **Mike "Orange Julius" Davis** and **Jerry Harris**. A defensive defenseman, Davis punishes opposing forwards who attempt to escheat on his domain. **Harris**, one of the team's premier skaters, leads many a legal rush up ice. **Chuck Manning** has been steady on right wing, averaging a hat trick a game with his banana stick. **Tony Scher** put it all together in the last outing to break out of his slump. Catfish enjoys rounding out his day with an evening on the ice with the boys. **Lance Lieberman, Mitch Devack,** and "Cowboy" **Marc Abbott** fill out the roster which awaits the return of its high-scoring center out with a knee injury.

JOCKEY BRIEFS

The third-year pour-over hoop group of **Schwartz, Spero, Erreich, Faller,** et al has moved to Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Ed Abendschein and Dick Lee were at the chess board exactly 5 minutes after the Conflicts exam ended.

The Library crew has found a new, inconspicuous place to play bridge. But they couldn't hide from the roving eyes of the Editors.

Student Rep. **Steve Silbiger** may not know how much money is in the Student Activities Budget, but in view of next year's employment on the Hill, does know the price of season tickets at the Capital Centre.

A former reporter for this newspaper, **Norman Kent**, says the knees are feeling good and he can play a full softball season without cortisone shots. For Norman, this is a return to norml.

JOCKEY INTERROGATORY: Dave DeBusschere is best known as a basketball player. As a baseball pitcher, what was his best season in terms of won-lost record and E.R.A.?

4-C FLASH: In an intra-school match, the RAVENS beat the BALSA BLUES 40-34. Details in next issue.

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