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On the purely social side, the Alumni Christmas Party, always a lovely affair, will be held this year on Saturday, December 14. Again, Patrick C. Campbell ’66 serves as chair- man. Last year, we had highly successful dinner meetings in New York and Washington for alumni and their wives in those areas. Similar gatherings in these two cities are planned for shortly after the advent of the New Year. Inci- dent to the Annual Midwinter Meeting of the Pennsylvania Bar Association in Pittsburgh in late January, Villanova alumni attendance was good for luncheon, presumably at the Pittsburgh-Hilton. William J. O’Brien ’62, our Bar Asso- ciation Activities Coordinator tells me that Thomas J. Ward ’61 of Pittsburgh is in charge of local on-the-scene arrange- ments. The annual dinner of the Order of the Cofl will be held at Garey Hall on Friday, January 10. At that time, those elected to the Order at the conclusion of the last academic year will be inducted. Dean Thomas J. O'Toole of Northeastern University will be our speaker. Many alumni remember with affection and appreciation his years of service on our faculty.

From The Dean’s Desk

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RACE AND COCKTAIL PARTIES

JUDGES' SOCIAL SEASON

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The student survey to ascertain the students' preferences for activities this spring has been completed and the results compiled and published. The students prefer an informal dinner dance at an area country club at a subscription of $20.00 per couple. A tentative date has been set for the last weekend in February. The Student Bar Committee is presently screening area country clubs to ascertain capacity, availability, and pricing. It is hoped that the most feasible available alternative will be selected before the end of the semester.

Members of the graduating class will be pleased to know that requirements for graduation and examinations have been sent to the Used Book Exchange will be concerned with security clearance in connection with applications for the bar examination. Distribution will be posted on the bulletin board.

Mr. Lurie's specific field of interest will be in the anti-trust field and the field of civic responsibilities. Our monthly meetings satisfy the first objective, but not least a cheese and wine reception for the graduating class will be held at posted times after the exchange.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

A new approach to administrative procedures might profitably engage the law school. Avoiding a study of the federal law, the course would be a study of the police power of the state. This course in modern police administration would be beneficial to both law students and police officers.

Mr. Lurie has stated that in the fall semester, a contract will be arranged for a middle eastern delegate to come to the United States and present to the students the problems of the Arabian people. The student conference will then control with the information.</p>
Conscience is a word recurrently in the headlines these days. There was a time when conscience was dismissed on many campuses as an archaic metaphysical myth but to-day the word conscience is very much in favor in the most academic halls. Which is as it should be for conscience is the basis of our modern democratic American way of life. About 80 years ago, Lord Bryce wrote his book "Agriculture and Conscience" and Fletcher's situation ethics. Today, a Supreme Being, the Supreme Court, has given emphasis to the Seeger case decision as a Supreme Conscience. The intellectual apparatus necessary to the life of the believer is subordinate or upon which all religious conscience. The description of religious consciences deriving from ethical systems as diverse as Socratic, Confucian, Buddhist, and Jewish Scriptures; the Christian, in the revealed word of the Church or in the direct inspiration of the Holy Spirit. The ag- gious opposition to—(3) participa- tion in war in any form. Refusal to participate in war in any form means of course a total pacifist frame of mind. The Draft Act therefore makes no provision for the Christian or Jew who is not a pacifist. This is not the place or the setting to make a defense of morality or immorality of the war, but it is obvious that there are thousands of conscientious citizens who are convinced that the higher law is not pacifists. They are not op- posed to all wars but only to this particular war and the tendency of the courts to categorize such opposition to war as merely pacifism is an abuse of the word. Roman Catholic conscientious objectors are for the most part in this category. They do not object to all wars. In fact, I believe that Roman Catholics have contributed to the armed services in past wars far out of proportion to their per- centage of the population. What then is the conscience of the Quaker, the Mennonite, the Brethren? A conscientious objector. This conscience of the Roman Catholic? Many Roman Catholics consider the just war doctrine inadequate in moral judgment in a war by means of a just war when it unwarlike and injustice of another had fallen into diaprax. In the last year, I have attended numerous meetings for peace. It is almost amusing to hear clergymen talking about justice for the just war doctrine as naive and irrelevant now condemning the Viet Nam war in terms that are substantially the same as the terms of the just war thory. From the standpoint of consti- tutional law, it is significant that the selective conscientious objector claims exemption on the grounds of religious conscience. He speaks as a religious objector, not a politi- cal objector. Yet he is presently denied the privilege of exemption that is being given to another kind of conscientious objector. What means this in context of a religious objector? In the contest for one kind of religion over another, pacifist religion over non- pacifist. This appears to be unfair discrimination and open the way for a challenge to the present draft law under the First Amendment, which forbids a preference for religion. It seems paradoxical that the discriminating objector is being admitted to the armed forces to serve his country while a conscientious objector makes provisions for conscientious objection to the armed forces in other ways without explicitly exclud- ing selective conscientious objectors. The council said: "It seems right that laws make humane provisions in the case of those who for rea- sons of conscience refuse to bear arms, provided however, they accept some other form of service to the public good." (Dociu- ments of Vatican II, p. 292, Abbot edition). 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National committee chairmen of the American Bar Association's Law Student Division (LSD) are considered special plums both for the individuals and the schools which they attend. Marvin L. Peebles, a third year student, was recently appointed Chairman of a special Committee on Rights and Responsibilities by LSD President, Mr. Robert DeCotis.

The Committee, created at the August meeting of LSD, is mandated to prepare a model code on student and his university is in a state of flux.

Committee members will be law students from throughout the country with a "working" committee of five from the Philadelphia area. The working committee will do the actual drafting of the code with other members doing research and commenting on proposed drafts. Mr. Peebles brings certain impressive credentials to his task, having been co-founder and first President of the Pennsylvania Association of College Students and, in the past year, active in the affairs of LSD. He also prepared the text of the original law student code two summers ago.

The Committee, besides drafting a model code, will undertake collateral tasks such as participating in and arranging forums, symposiums and lectures on the subject.

Gus Repetto, the law school's official representative to LSD for the past year, is "co-chairman" and will be in charge of one of the committee's collateral activities.

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Alumni Locator

James R. Howley '67, was named Associate Executive Vice President of the American Stock Exchange on October 10th of this year. The Jim Howleys reside at 61 Oliver Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. (Apt. 3B).

Hats off to Matthew F. McHugh '63, who was elected District Attorney for Ithaca County, N. Y. in the November general election. Matt hereby became the first Demo­cratic candidate for the office of District Attorney to win such a political victory by securing a majority in that county's history.

Wedding bells chimed for Donald (Don) W. Unangst '68, and his bride, the former Marie Siano of Irvington, N. J. on October 26, 1968. Don is presently serving with the United States Navy on an active duty basis. At present, he is serving with the "Beacons" as a Petty Officer. His address is: Donald W. Unangst, U.T.-2, BL56851 Company B.

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Social Light

Fitzgerald Merry Hospital in Upper Darby was the scene of the stork's summer visit to Richard and Helen Galli. A fifi, 16, 10 oz., bundle of joy, little Kristin Kain, was the welcomed addition.

On October 13, 1968 there was a female addition to the family of Donald Campbell and his wife Re­gina. Little Christine, actually not so little at 8 lbs., 5 oz., took her first look at the world from the Valley Forge Military Hospital in Valley Forge.

On June 1, Stephen McBride and his queen Rex were wed in Man­derson. Suanno Canton became Mrs. James S. Mattila dur­ing a Nuptial Mass at St. An­drew's in Drexel Hill. And Somer­ton was the scene of the wedding of Janet Clair and John T. Thorn.

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