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## STUDENT BODY

After thirteen years of extreme fluctuation, law school enrollments in the United States seem to be entering a period of relative stability. Their toboggan slide from the abnormal postwar peak of 1949 reached bottom last year and has leveled off into what will apparently be a gradual growth proportionate to college-age population.

Enrollment in our College of Law has in general followed the national trends. Registration for the first semester of 1954-55 totaled 180, an increase of 3 per cent over last year. Eleven per cent were classified as nonresidents of Arizona. Second semester registration was 159. Fifty were registered for the 1954 Law Summer Session.

First semester enrollment was distributed as follows:

	Men	Women	Total
First year - - - - -	80	3	83
Second year - - - - -	56	1	57
Third year - - - - -	36	4	40
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The general maturity of the student body, in terms of both years and outlook, which became so noticeable after World War II, has continued to a marked degree. It may be of interest that 49 per cent of this year's law students are married and that 46 per cent are veterans of the military service.

## FACULTY AND STAFF

Professor Floyd E. Thomas has elected to retire, effective June 30, 1955. Better known to a host of friends as "Colonel Thomas," the rank he attained by distinguished service in two World Wars, Professor Thomas holds the degrees of B.A., LL.B., and J.D. from the State University of Iowa. He attended Harvard Law School for one year and then returned to Iowa to complete his legal education. He successfully practiced law in Iowa for fifteen years before joining this faculty as Assistant Professor in 1929. In 1931 he became Associate Professor, and in 1933, Professor. During his twenty-six years on the law faculty more than seven hundred graduates have acquired from Professor Thomas a sound foundation in such subjects as Trial Procedure, Practice Court, Common Law and Code Pleading, Agency, Personal Property, Insurance, Damages, Domestic Relations, Sales, and Legal Bibliography. It will be hard for them, as it is for his faculty associates, to picture to themselves the College of Law without his gifted teaching and his sound and public-spirited counsel in matters of policy.

Fortunately for their many friends, Professor and Mrs. Thomas will continue to live in Tucson.

Professor Norman S. Hull, who this year joined the law faculty, needs no introduction to the people of Arizona. A graduate of the College of Law in the Class of 1928, he has long since earned a deserved reputation as one of the most distinguished advocates and legal scholars in the State. We welcome Professor Hull as a valuable addition to the faculty.

Other members of this year's law faculty and staff were Professors: William S. Barnes, Claude H. Brown, J. Byron McCormick, and Chester H. Smith; Law Librarian Francis J. Owens; Lecturers: Charles E. Ares, Thomas H. Green, F. Edward Larkin, Robert O. Lesher, and Morris K. Udall; Secretary Ann Mackin; Stenographer Rose Cracchiolo, and the Dean.

Professor Barnes represented the faculty at the annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools and participated as a lecturer in the Tax Institute mentioned later in this report.

Professor Brown continued to serve as a member of the Arizona Commission on Uniform State Laws. His review of Ladd's *Cases and Materials on Evidence* (2d ed.) appeared in 7 *Journal of Legal Education* 610 (1955).

Professor McCormick served during the year on the Board of Governors of the American National Red Cross, as Chairman of the Committee of the State Bar of Arizona on Proposed Amendments to the Federal Constitution, and as a member of the Executive Committee of the Pima County Bar Association. He represented the College at the annual meeting of the American Bar Association, and acted as Arbitrator in several labor disputes.

Professor Thomas represented the College at the annual meeting of the Conference of Western Law Schools.

The Dean addressed a number of groups, including the annual meetings of the Navajo-Apache Counties Bar Association and the California Alumni of the College of Law. His article, "Development of Community Property Law in Arizona," was published in 15 *Louisiana Law Review* 512 (1955). He served as Chairman of the Committee of the State Bar of Arizona on Continuing Legal Education, was elected to the Executive Committee of the Pima County Bar Association, attended the annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools, and served as Arbitrator in several labor disputes.

#### ALUMNI

Our alumni continue to distinguish themselves in private practice, public office, and civic affairs. It would be impracticable to try to record all of their accomplishments, but some examples may be of interest.

Judge Fred C. Struckmeyer, Jr., '36, was elected an Associate Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court.

Robert Morrison, '47, was elected Attorney General of Arizona. Appointments to his staff have included W. T. Holmes, '47 (Chief Assistant), Gordon G. Aldrich, '44, H. B. Daniels, '49, Ronald M. Bond, '50, William S. Reed, '50, Norman H. Whiting, '50, Harmon S. Puckett, '51, W. T. Willey, '53, and A. Michael Bernstein, '54.

Newly installed as Superior Court Judges were R. C. Stanford, Jr., '29, and Fred J. Hyder, '38, both of Maricopa County.

James B. Rolle, Jr., '32, was elected President, and C. A. Carson, III, '47, Treasurer of the State Bar of Arizona.

Stewart Udall, '48, was elected member of Congress from District 2.

Newly elected County Attorneys were Bernard T. Caine, '32 (Mohave), James Boyce Scott, '40 (Greenlee), William W. Nabours, '46 (Yuma), Jack L. Ogg, '48 (Yavapai), Raul H. Castro, '49 (Pima), Dick L. Greer, '49 (Apache), and George F. Senner, Jr., '52 (Gila).

Former Supreme Court Justice Evo De Concini, '32, was awarded the Star of Solidarity by the Republic of Italy, in recognition of his activities in strengthening the spiritual and cultural ties between Italy and America, and for his work for American citizens of Italian extraction.

A new member of the Arizona Senate was William R. Richardson, '40, and amongst new members of the Arizona House of Representatives were Harry Bagnall, '48, Patrick W. O'Reilly, '49, Frederick S. Smith, '51, and Harry Ackerman, '52.

Ivan Robinette, '30, has been appointed by the Board of Governors to represent the State Bar of Arizona in the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association.

W. E. Dolph, '49, was elected Chairman of the Junior Bar Conference of Arizona.

J. B. O'Dowd, '34, is President of the Tucson Chamber of Commerce.

William C. Penn, '53, has been appointed Director of the Maricopa County Legal Aid Society.

John M. McGowan, '50, is Administrative Assistant to Congressman John J. Rhodes, and R. Dean Burch, '53, is Legal Assistant to United States Senator Barry Goldwater.

Former Congressman Richard F. Harless, '33, has been appointed general counsel for the tribes of the Colorado Indian Reservation, and Laurence A. Davis, '49, assistant general counsel by the Navajo Tribal Council.

#### BAR EXAMINATIONS

Twenty-three graduates took the Arizona Bar Examination for the first time in July, 1954, and all were successful. Two graduates, Lee H. Brown and Maynard P. Goudy, tied for first place in July, and

another, Robert F. Owens, was in the next place. In the January examination one of our graduates, Jonathan Schultz, ranked first, and two others, William R. Nebeker and Neal T. Roberts, tied for third. At the annual meeting of the State Bar of Arizona held last April Mr. Walter Roche, Chairman of the Committee on Examinations and Admissions, complimented the College of Law on the outstanding record of its graduates in the Arizona Bar Examinations.

#### CLASS OF 1954

Of the thirty-three members of the Class of 1954 three are in the military service. Of the others fourteen are located in Tucson, eleven in Phoenix, one each in Coolidge, Kingman, Nogales and Yuma, and one in Mexico.

Ferris W. Bellamak is with Shimmel, Hill & Cavanagh in Phoenix. A. Michael Bernstein is an Assistant Attorney General. Lee H. Brown is practicing in Tucson, and James Duke Cameron in Yuma. James D. Cox, Jr. is with the Phoenix Title & Trust Company. Richard J. Dowdall has his office in Tucson.

Howard S. Feldman is with the Internal Revenue Service in Phoenix. John S. Greenway and Charles C. Gatewood are practicing as Greenway & Gatewood in Tucson. Stanley Z. Goodfarb is in the military service. Frank X. Gordon, Jr. is a member of Gordon & Gordon in Kingman. Maynard P. Goudy is law clerk to Justice Levi S. Udall of the Supreme Court of Arizona. James D. Hathaway is practicing in Nogales. Ivan R. Hawkins is Clerk of the City of Tucson. Nathan Holt is associated with Scoville & Linton, Phoenix, and Roderic M. Jennings with Jennings, Strouss, Salmon & Trask, of Phoenix.

Patricia S. Scott is with Darrow & D'Antonio, Tucson. Larry Laughlin is with Cunningham, Carson, Messinger & Scott, Phoenix. Marvin E. Linner is in the legal department of Hughes Aircraft Company, Tucson. Baldo J. Lutich is in the military service, stationed at Fort Harrison. George Mariscal is law clerk to Justice M. T. Phelps of the Supreme Court of Arizona. Manuel V. Morales, Jr. is Tax Consultant with the firm of Darrow & D'Antonio, Tucson. Carleton L. Moring is practicing in Coolidge. Lawrence Ollason is practicing in Tucson. Robert F. Owens is in the service and stationed at Fort Knox.

Roger W. Perry is a partner in Laney & Laney, Phoenix. John W. Ross, Jr. is associated with Ross & Cella, Tucson. Daniel D. Schimmpfennig is an Assistant County Attorney of Pima County. Jonathan Schultz is practicing in Tucson. Elizabeth A. Stover is an Assistant County Attorney of Maricopa County. William E. Strickland has his office in Tucson. D. Burr Udall is associated with McCarty & Chandler, Tucson. Robert D. Young is in Mexico City qualifying for practice there.

## CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

The College of Law cooperated with the Committee on Continuing Legal Education of the State Bar of Arizona in presenting an Institute on the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. The two-day meeting was conducted simultaneously in Phoenix and on the campus in Tucson, on December 10 and 11, 1954. Thirteen lecturers presented various aspects of the new federal tax code. One hundred forty-four persons, most of them Arizona lawyers, attended. It was the most elaborate legal institute so far attempted in Arizona, and in general the reaction of the bar was very favorable.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

J. Richard Hannah received the Phi Delta Phi Award for the student having the highest cumulative grade average for the three years of law study.

Jarrett S. Jarvis received the Tucson Title Insurance Company Award for the student judged by the law faculty to excel in activities, leadership, professional attributes, and scholarship, the Lester W. Feezer Memorial Award for the student selected by his classmates as most likely to succeed in practice, and served as President of the Student Bar Association.

Paul G. Rees, Jr. won the Phi Alpha Delta extemporaneous speaking contest, the Nathan Burkan Memorial Award for the best paper on a phase of copyright law, and received the first Pima County Bar Auxiliary Scholarship.

Mr. Jarvis and Mr. Rees were the winning team in the Fegtly Moot Court Competition.

Joseph E. McGarry received the United States Law Week Award for the graduate showing the greatest improvement in his law studies during his third year.

The Daily Reporter Prizes for the two ranking teams in both the second- and first-year Fegtly Moot Court Competitions, were won by John L. Claborne, Douglas W. Keddie, Frank C. Brophy, Jr., and F. Richard Kamps for the second-year competition, and Philip W. Messinger, Henry Jacobowitz, Charles R. Esser, and Raymond E. Morgan for the first-year competition.

## LIBRARY

During the year 425 volumes have been added to the law library. Of this number 311 were acquired by purchase, 45 by exchange, and 69 by gift. Total catalogued volumes at the close of the year are 29,421. Donors included Sydney Block, A. M. Crawford, Norman S. Hull, James M. Lawton, Robert E. McGhee, Harold A. Patten, and Victor H. Verity. From the Lester W. Feezer Memorial Fund, a gift of Cabot Sedgwick of the Class of 1941, there were added to the periodical collection this year complete sets of Hastings Law Journal, and the Oklahoma, U.C.L.A. and Utah Law Reviews.

