ALUMNI NEWS

Dorothea Blender

When The Law School received word that Dorothea Blender, Ph.B., '30, J.D., '32, had been nominated for the presidency of the National Association of Women Lawyers, we called to congratulate her and to ask whether we could run a profile. Miss Blender cautioned that, although she had been nominated by the Council of Delegates, the election would not take place until September and that perhaps we were jumping the gun. Currently first vice-president of the Association, in 1947-48 she served as president of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. So at her request we withhold congratulations until September; we feel certain that by then they will be in order.

Miss Dorothea Blender was graduated from The Law School in 1932 and for twenty years has been a staff member and official of the Commerce Clearing House, Inc., of Chicago. The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William Blender, of Peoria, Miss Blender came to the University after three years at Bradley University. While at The Law School she was made a member of Kappa Beta Pi, the legal sorority, and in her last year at The Law School served as dean of the chapter.

Miss Blender joined the Commerce Clearing House, where for five years she served as editor on bankruptcy, state tax, and trust reporters. In 1937 she transferred to the sales department and now holds the office of assistant to the president. When we asked Miss Blender just what she does, she replied, “My duties involve just about everything—from keeping in touch with what lawyers are doing and thinking to helping plan new publications. As you may know, our business has grown enormously since the early days, reflecting the growth of federal and state taxes and the increasing control of business. Because most of our publications concern tax and business regulatory law, my interest naturally centers in these fields.”

Not only has Dorothea Blender made important contributions to the Illinois and the National Women's Bar associations but she has served for the last two years as a member of the American Bar Association's standing committee on publications. From 1948 to 1950 she was editor of the *Women Lawyers' Journal* but insists that she is no ardent feminist. “I hold no particular brief for women being lawyers unless their intellectual and personality traits point in that direction. I am an ardent admirer of Soia Mentschikoff and believe that The Law School is to be congratulated in appointing her to its faculty. Her views on women in the law are just about mine, and she happens to be realistic and hardheaded but not at all with a chip on her shoulder.”

In concluding her remarks about herself, Miss Blender in return complimented The Law School. “I should like to be able to come back to The Law School and start all over again under the new program. The alumni are thrilled with the great development in The Law School and expect even greater things in the future.”

We know that alumni will watch with interest the September meeting of the National Association of Women Lawyers and look forward to greeting its future president.

Andrew J. Dallstream

There is no need for delay, however, in congratulating Andrew J. Dallstream '17, who on June 12 was elected president of the Chicago Bar Association.

Andrew Dallstream came to the University from James Millikan University in Decatur and won the Ph.B. and J.D. degrees in 1917. A native of Hoopston, Illinois, Mr. Dallstream settled in Centralia after service in World War I. He was a partner in the firm of Noleman, Smith and Dallstream. He was active in civic and bar affairs in southern Illinois and served as chairman of the grievance committee of the Illinois State Bar Association for the southern district.

In 1927 he left Centralia to join the now nearly hundred-year-old firm of Pam and Hurd in Chicago. Today he is senior partner, and Pam and Hurd is now Dallstream, Schiff, Stern and Hardin. The firm will celebrate its one hundredth anniversary in 1953.
Dallstream's activities have included membership in the American, Illinois, and Chicago Bar associations, the American Judicature Society, the Lawyers' Club of New York, and the Law Club and Legal Club of Chicago. He has an impressive record of service to the Chicago Bar Association as a member of its governing board, as first and second vice-president, and as a member of its committees on professional ethics, public utilities, grievance, administrative law, judicial candidates, and many others.

He was active in the reorganization of the school districts in the northeastern part of Cook County; served as a member of the commission which drafted the Cook County zoning law; and has been a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for Cook County for the last ten years and is currently its acting chairman.

While Dallstream's Chicago practice has at all times been of a general nature, he has specialized in the field of corporate law, with particular attention to corporate financing, mergers, consolidations, and reorganizations. He has participated in many of the more important anti-trust cases.

He is a director of Celotex Corporation, Jessop Steel Company, UARCO Incorporated, Domestic Finance Corporation, Binks Manufacturing Company, Cardox Corporation (of which he is also chairman of the executive committee), Athletic Shoe Company, Bell Investment Company, and other industrial and finance companies.

He has served for three years as lawyer member of the Board of Examiners for Certified Public Accountants. He is past president of the James Millikan Alumni Association, a member of the board of trustees of the Alumni Fund, a member of the Visiting Board of the University of Chicago Law School, and a member of the executive committee of the Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallstream, the former Dorothy Ricketts, of Charleston, Illinois, have two children, Andrew John III and Dorothy, and reside at Andora Hill, Barrington.

Congratulations

To ROBERT F. MATHEWS '20, professor of law at Ohio State University, who is serving this year as president of the Association of American Schools.

To JEROME KRITZER '41, the new director of the SEC Division of Public Utilities.

To DONALD CRONSON '49, who has been practicing with White and Case, New York, and who has just received the appointment of senior clerk to Mr. Justice Jackson.

To ROBERT LAWRENCE RANDALL '50, who has been appointed clerk to Mr. Justice Reed.

Professor Allison Dunham met with Iowa alumni at lunch on June 13 at the Iowa State Bar Association's annual meeting. Left to right (bottom row): Carroll Johnson '36, T. G. Gilinsky '47, Professor Dunham, Robert S. Blatt '52; (rear row) John Hughes '33, John Sarbough '48, J. C. Pryor '10, Verlin Cubbage '21, Allan Loth '13, and Joseph Brody '15.

John B. Phillips Library

Classmates and friends will welcome the knowledge that the library being established in Beecher Hall (see page 12 of the Record) for the use of Law students has been named in honor of John B. Phillips '41, who died in action in World War II. The first member of the Chicago Bar Association killed in action in the war, John Phillips served as intelligence officer with a Marine battalion and met his death in Tarawa.

A graduate of Princeton University, John Phillips served as business manager of the Law Review and was elected to membership in Phi Delta Phi. Upon graduation he became associated with the firm of Eckert and Peterson of Chicago and taught Business Law in the Downtown College of the University.

A fund established by his classmates has been used to defray the expenses of establishing the Phillips Library in the Law dormitory. This memorial to a heroic alumnus will be a valuable part of the new student center.