Conference on Judicial Administration

In November The Law School sponsored a Conference on Judicial Administration as a part of its regular Conference Series. The opening session of the Conference, which was chaired by Assistant Dean Lucas, was concerned with "The Administration of Court Systems." Speakers were Henry P. Chandler, director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, who discussed "Problems in Administration of Courts of the United States," and Edward B. McConnell, administrative director of the courts of New Jersey, who described "The Administrative Office of a State Court System." Professor Harry Kalven, Jr., presided over the luncheon session, which featured an address by Judge James B. M. McNally of the Supreme Court of New York on "Judicial Administration and the Trial Judge," and comment on Judge McNally’s speech by Erwin W. Roemer, of Gardner, Carton, Douglas, Roemer and Children.

The subject of the afternoon session, over which Professor Allison Dunham presided, was "Problems of Judicial Administration." Speakers were Judge Harry M. Fisher of the Circuit Court of Cook County, who talked on "Problems of Metropolitan State Courts," and Judge Alexander Holtzoff of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, who discussed "Problems in the Federal System."

Professor Philip B. Kurland chaired the dinner session, the topic of which was "The Role of Appellate Courts in Judicial Administration." Judge Roger J. Traynor of the Supreme Court of California discussed "A State Supreme Court," while Judge Charles E. Clark of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit analyzed the problems of "The United States Court of Appeals." Judge Edwin A. Robson of the Appellate Court of Illinois acted as commentator on the two preceding papers.

At the Conference on Judicial Administration: Hon. Edwin A. Robson, of the Appellate Court of Illinois, who spoke at the Dinner Session, with Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Chandler. Mr. Chandler, Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, spoke at the Morning Session.
Law School Alumni now residing in California, with Professor Sheldon Tefft at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. Professor Tefft spoke at an alumni luncheon held during the Annual Meeting of the State Bar of California.

Alumni Notes

The School notes with regret the recent passing of MITCHELL DAWSON, JD'13, ALBERT S. LONG, JR., JD'47, and MAX DERRY, JD'49. Mr. Dawson had practiced law in Chicago for more than forty years, carrying on the office established by his father. In addition to being an eminent member of the bar, he was for many years active in the affairs of the City Club of Chicago and of the Chicago, the Illinois, and the American Bar Associations. He was well known as a highly successful general writer, with much of his work published in magazines of general circulation, and was as well the author of a well-known book for children.

Mr. Long, after several years of practice, both private and institutional, had become, shortly before his death, general solicitor and secretary of the Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville Railway Company, generally known as the Monon Line.

Mr. Derry, upon graduation, joined the staff of the Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company and somewhat later became associated with the Harris Trust and Savings Bank. In 1953 he became associated in practice with ALLIN H. PIERCE, JD'23. After Mr. Pierce became a judge of the United States Tax Court, Mr. Derry continued in individual practice. He served on several committees of the Chicago Bar Association and was an active member of The Law School Alumni Association.

ELMER GERTZ, JD'30, acted as one of the leading figures in the recent celebration of the Bernard Shaw Centennial. As well as acting as chairman of exhibits and displays, he participated in two programs on WTTW, in the WIND "Forum of the Air," and in a nationally broadcast program of the "Northwestern Reviewing Stand." A recent issue of Chicago magazine featured an article by Mr. Gertz on the political career of Colonel Jacob Arvey.

The Record is pleased to report that JEROME S. WEISS, JD'30, is currently serving as second vice-president of the