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he said, is "now going to be turned on the legal profession more and more." Lawyers have always thought that the law "was just our business," he said. "Maybe it's not just our business." The former Supreme Court Reporter for the New York Times concluded that, if critical review affects lawyers as it did the Supreme Court, everyone will benefit. The Brethren had a beneficial impact on the Supreme Court," because, according to Graham, one tends to clean up one's act when being watched.

The Brethren publicized the resentment of Burger by members of the Court, a reflection of Burger's change from the Warren era in the style of the Court, said Graham. Criticism was now being freely exchanged between justices and their clerks; that "just wouldn't occur with Chief Justice Warren. There was a lowering of confidence. Now, there's more candor there. Chief Justice Burger even permitted filmed coverage of his speeches," cited

**Schedule changes, conflicts stir controversy**

By BILL CATTO

Throughout this new year, students have been complaining about alleged mixups in the scheduling of classes. Many complaints are valid, but the reasons for the hassles are unavoidable. Last spring a Student Scheduling Committee met and prepared a schedule, the last copy of which was slated as "final." But upon returning in the fall, students found new classes added and others were dropped, as well as time and teacher changes. This has caused controversy.

A major reason for the changes was the final decision on new visiting professors. When the schedule came out last spring, many of these people had not yet been hired. When they arrived, they had to be given teaching assignments. Courses therefore had to be added, and sometimes juggled. Many of the times were set to provide as good an exam schedule as possible, and to make the best deal for the most students. Divisions were made by class (by which courses were traditionally second and third year), and by interest (business-related, public interest, theoretical). The idea was to make optimum use of the building on the early days. Other law schools had 8:30 classes and 3:30 classes, but why not have them here? The reason for not having too many Friday classes is that most students like having Friday off. They would cut the class anyway, so why make it easier? Also, students who come in from long distances would not have as many days to travel from afar.

The last problem is that of classes not offered. We just couldn't get the professors to stay on the course on every area of law. Rule 13 courses have to be provided. Energetic faculty recruiting was attempted, but until we have a faculty of 50 and more space to hold classes, we won't be able to offer classes in many areas.

So that's the scheduling hassle. The situation is far from perfect, but this year's schedule was prepared with a greater concern for the student than ever before. It can get better in the future, but as long as there are variables involved, annoying little mistakes and changes will continue to occur. Some of them just have to be lived with.

**ILA attends conference**

The Indiana Department of Commerce held an international trade conference on September 18, which was attended by six members of the law school's International Law Association. The conference featured speakers and panel discussions on doing business with Korea and ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations), including the Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, and Thailand.

Featured speakers were L. Governor Robert Orr and Gregory Mandeville, Vice President, International, Kennecott Corporation, Stamford, Connecticut. Discussion presented an overview of the Korean and ASEAN economies, and market considerations in trading with those countries, including channels of distribution, locating customers, transporting the goods, and financing. It also examined legal aspects of joint ventures, licensing, trademarks, and patents; taxing and foreign regulations; and political implications.

ILA members attending the conference were David Joel, Richard Schneider, Steve Lacy, Steve Proctor, Harley Luplow, and faculty advisor, Peter Vint. ILA will sponsor a trip to the ABA-Washington International Law weekend, October 10 and 11. For information on any International Law Association activities, and membership information, contact David Joel, President, via the noteboard.

Prof. Val Nolan, Jr. will serve as Acting Dean of the School of Law while Dean Sheldon Plager is away this semester. Prof. Nolan served once before as Acting Dean.