Val Nolan, Jr. (photograph)
Schedule changes, conflicts stir controversy

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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 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, 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 thought was that most people would take more classes in one interest area, so many of these courses became opposite one another. Examples of these factors are: 30 MTW, where Environmental Law and Securities Regulations are offered and 8:30 W, where Income Tax and Creditors' Rights are offered. Finally the factor of Rule 13 was added, along with teacher preferences as to teaching times. Pros were given an even load spread through the two semesters. When new classes and pros came in, these factors were again applied. Some courses were juggled. People got screwed, but the idea was to get the best schedule for the most people.

ILA attends conference

The Indiana Department of Commerce held an international 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.P. Governor Robert Orr and Gregory Mandeville, Vice President, International, Kenneth Corporation, Stamford, Connecticut. Discussion presented an overview of the Korean and Asian 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, taxation 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.