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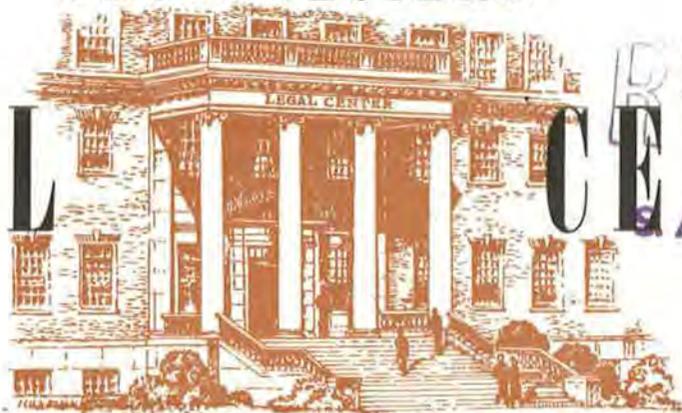
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"Time out for a gesture" — so said Hon. George Maurice Morris.

Speakers Draw Vistas of the Future

"Time is of the essence," said Hon. George Maurice Morris in praising the momentous idea of the Southwestern Legal Foundation at the banquet climaxing Lawyers' Day May 22.

Past president of the American Bar Association, Mr. Morris declared, "Our day will soon be over, but the vistas we have seen for the future should remain in our memories. This Southwestern Legal Center is a sound idea. It is a timely idea. It has strong leadership and deserves the support of all of us. Its objectives accord with what we Americans like to believe about education."

"We must adapt law to the atom-
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Storey Is New State Bar Head

Robert G. Storey has added another laurel by his election June 5 to the presidency of the State Bar Association. Allen Crowley of Fort Worth was elected vice-president in the mail balloting.

Mr. Storey already is serving his second term as president of the Southwestern Legal Foundation and is dean of the SMU Law School. He will assume his new bar duties at the end of the ninth annual convention at Houston, July 1-3.

Lawyers' Day—1948

Honorable George Maurice Morris, the principal speaker at the Lawyers' Day banquet emphasized that "for millions of people this has been just another day. For those of us who have taken part in the day's events, it has been much more than a sequence of commonplace hours." To me it was an inspiration—to all of us it should be the second milestone toward the goal of a "Legal Center for the Great Southwest."

Overall plans for the completion of the Legal Center were announced. Our objective is to finish the physical plant by the fall of 1950—the 25th Anniversary of the foundation of the SMU School of Law. We expect to start the Graduate Law School in 1950. Such subjects as Oil and Gas Law; Taxation; Insurance Law; Labor Law, and International Law will be featured. We now have experts in each of these fields.

Representatives from other states took part in the Lawyers' Day activities including several newly elected trustees of the Southwestern Legal Foundation. The Legal Foundation is now regional in its scope and includes the states of Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico and Texas.

Distinguished guests included the Justices of the Supreme Court of Texas, The Attorney General and many eminent lawyers and business men. The three local radio stations, WFAA, KRLD and WRR, broadcast our banquet program.

The Case Club arguments attracted an overflow crowd. Many compliments have been received concerning the participants and their work. They displayed poise, skill, preparation and knowledge.

Much work remains—especially to finance the building program. We need gifts, small and large. I am profoundly grateful for the

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Candid pose of R. G. Storey, dean of the SMU law school and president of the Southwestern Legal Foundation.



Head table dignitaries—justices of the Supreme Court of Texas, learned speakers and honored jurists.



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An experienced jurist and an aspirant lawyer express their views of the Southwestern Legal Foundation. Speaking for the law alumni, County Judge Al Templeton pledged wholehearted support for any future projects, observing them as a credit to the school and university and an asset to the entire Southwest. James McCarthy, president of the SMU Law Students Association, declared, "At first skeptical of the Foundation, students now unbounded enthusiasm for such innovations as the Legal Aid Clinic, procedural and trial practice in classrooms with on the spot corrections, and the availability of experts in special legal fields to instruct in the law school."



President of Texas Bar Association H. Grady Chandler and Texas Attorney General Price Daniel both spoke praiseworthy words of the Southwestern Legal Foundation at the banquet. Mr. Daniel said there has probably been no period in history which has felt the need for a return to sound principles of government and emphasized the place to start is at home in local politics by electing representatives carefully and cooperating with them during their tenure. Highlight of Mr. Chandler's remarks was his agreement that institutes, conferences and seminars of the Foundation are a necessary part of the continuing education for practicing lawyers.



SMU student lawyers stoutly plead their cases before the members of the Texas Supreme Court. Dave Witz earnestly stated his case, and colleague E. P. Van Zandt dramatically emphasizes a while opponents William P. Barnes and Bob Storey, Jr., factually their argument. Assistants Albert E. Aikman and E. H. Botting confidently at their respective team's chances of winning the de Witts—Van Zandt, Witz and Botting—were announced at the banquet by Associate Justice W. St. John Garwood, whose tale of his early law cases "rolled 'em in the aisles."



The genial and very able former mayor, J. Woodall Rodgers, who emceed the Lawyers' Day banquet.



Dean Emeritus of the SMU Law School, Dr. Charles S. Potts.



Hon. John E. Hickman, chief justice of the Supreme Court of Texas.



Dr. Umphrey Lee, president of SMU, who delivered the invocation.



Congratulating officers of the SMU Law Alumni Association are Will Wilson, district attorney, and R. L. Dillard, Jr., president of the Dallas Bar Association. Second from right is J. Glenn Turner, new president, and right is first vice-president, T. B. Duggan.



Among new trustees elected at the annual business meeting of the Southwestern Legal Foundation's board are, left to right, A. W. Dobyns, Little Rock; and John E. Price, Houston. Membership chairman of the Foundation, J. Cleo Thompson, and new trustee W. S. Bellows, Houston, listen intently to a neighbor's words of wisdom.



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Vistas of the Future

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ic era," said President R. G. Storey in an earlier address. "We have broken the atom, but the atom must not break the law. The rule of law distinguishes our democracy from communism. To be in tune with such lightening changes in law, we practicing lawyers must continue our education. The Southwestern Legal Foundation will administer such a program in this area."

Dean Storey, who has recently been elected president of the Texas Bar Association, reviewed the events of the past year that have helped make the Legal Center a reality and presented final overall plans of the architect.

Broadcasting his address over KRLD, Mr. Morris said: "Dean Robert Storey and his fellows have pushed the frontiers of law further to utilize not only the experience of all branches of the legal profession but that of business and public life."

Pointing to Voltaire's remark that "nothing is so powerful as an idea whose time has come," the distinguished Washington attorney questioned whether the communist philosophy is that kind of an idea. "If that idea is not the right idea, it is we, we Americans, North, Central and South, who must prove it is wrong."

"A 'cold' war requires not only a counting of blessing but a fixed and ceaseless effort from each of us to see that we deserve such fortune to see that it is more widely extended to all of us," Morris said.

"This is where this Legal Center idea comes in. Such institutions can fashion our weapons for a long cold war.

"Could it be that these commun-

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contributions and help of our Alumni.

Lawyers' Day is now a tradition. It is not just another day but an institution of which all of us may be justly proud.



President,
Southwestern Legal Foundation,
—Dean, SMU School of Law

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Lawyers' Day was a very successful event. I think all of us enjoyed the Alumni Luncheon at the Adolphus Hotel. At that meeting the following exes were elected to positions in the Law Alumni Association: J. Glenn Turner, president; Thomas B. Duggan, Jr., 1st vice president; Summers Norman, 2nd vice president; Tom Ryan, 3rd vice president; Gordon R. Carpenter, secretary. Five new directors were also elected: Al Templeton, S. L. Mayo, Wilton Fair, Albert Smith and Dallas Blankenship. The following were some of those pres-

ists and this Legal Center concept are the catalysts we have been lacking? Can the Soviets make us angry enough and education make us wise enough?"

ent at the Alumni Luncheon:

DALLAS — E. Taylor Armstrong, Gene Bailey, Ralph D. Baker, Dallas Blankenship, Elizabeth Carp, Charles Spencer Carver, John C. Cox, Jr., Harvey Davis, Robert L. Dillard, Jr., Donald C. Fitch, Jr., Edward C. Fritz, Charles Galvin, Felix H. Garcia, Hawkins Golden, David Heath, James H. Hickerson, Gilbert Howard, Monty Irion, Billy Joiner, William E. Johnson, Jr., Clarence E. Kennemer, Chandler Lloyd, Charles E. Long, Jr., John B. Look, Jr., Prof. Wilmer D. Masterson, Gerald C. Mann, Lester Lee May, Stephen L. Mayo, Howard E. Moore, Henry L. Nichols, Paul G. Peurifoy, Dean Emeritus C. S. Potts, George G. Potts, Robert F. Ritchie, Bob H. Singleton, John L. Sullivan, William Mc Taylor, Jr., J. Glenn Turner, Judge Al Templeton, Dee Brown Walker, S. Austin Wier, Robert A. Wilson, Will R. Wilson, Jr., Prof. A. L. Harding, Edith DeBusk.

Out-of-town representatives included: J. Hulbert Smith, Bob Duff Maddox, Irvin W. Jarrell, Jr., Ft. Worth; Cornelius Ryan, Gerald F. Ryan and J. Philip Wandel, from Houston; Wilton H. Fair, Tyler; Thomas B. Duggan, Jr., Lubbock; James W. McCormick, Jr., Wichita Falls; James H. King, Stephenville; Joe G. Rollins, Denison; Ward Stephenson, Orange; and Albert E. Smith, Amarillo.

May we sincerely thank all of you who took part in the Lawyers' Day activities.

Because of activities scheduled for the summer the LEGAL CENTER will not be published during the months of July and August. However, the publication will continue this fall.