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It is believed that the article dealing with the problems involved in the relation between liability insurance and reciprocal claims arising from a common automobile accident, which appears in this issue of the *Journal*, will be helpful and of timely interest to many members of the Texas bar. The author, Robert E. Keeton, as many of our readers will recall, hails from Texas originally, having graduated from the University of Texas School of Law. He then practiced in Houston and in 1951 became a member of the law faculty at Southern Methodist University. Shortly, however, he left Texas to join the faculty of the Harvard School of Law, where he is now working toward his doctoral degree.

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Having successfully completed their first semester at S. M. U., the two newest members of the law faculty, Mr. Joseph W. McKnight and Mr. Byron D. Sher, are becoming familiar faces around the law quadrangle. Mr. McKnight, who is now teaching courses in Conflict of Laws, Creditors' Rights and Legislation, is a native of Texas, coming originally from San Angelo. He studied at the University of Texas where he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, and from there he went to Oxford University where he studied from 1947 to 1950 and earned the degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Law and Bachelor of Civil Laws. Mr. McKnight, a member of the State Bar of Texas and a lieutenant in the Navy, belongs to the Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Beta Kappa, and Sigma Chi fraternities and the Association of American Rhodes Scholars.

Mr. Sher, a native of St. Louis, Missouri, attended Purdue University and Washington University where he received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Business. In 1952 he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from the Harvard Law School, following which he was associated with the Boston firm of Mintz, Levin and Cohn and was a teaching fellow at Harvard during the academic year 1954-55. Mr. Sher is a member of the Massachusetts State Bar Association, and is now teaching the course in Corporations.

According to Mr. Gordon Carpenter, Executive Director of the Southwestern Legal Foundation, the Seventh Annual Institute on the Law of Oil and Gas and Taxation, held at the Legal Center on February 1-3, was highly successful. In spite of formidable weather conditions there were an estimated 650 registrants, and the meetings were highlighted by a series of outstanding speakers.

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Again this year the Southwestern Legal Foundation, will present, in cooperation with the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, an Institute on Condemnation and Appraisal at the Legal Center on March 4-7. The program will include both attorneys and appraisers and will center around a mock condemnation proceeding. First there will be a tour of the area of the subject property being "condemned" for expressway purposes and a discussion of relevant problems. This will be followed by the mock trial of the condemnation suit.

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Lawyer's Week this year will be held on April 16 through 21, and will feature the Ninth Annual Inter-American Bar Conference. Member bar associations from nineteen nations throughout the Western Hemisphere will be represented as the international organization gathers at the Legal Center for its second meeting in the United States. Also during Lawyer's Week the S.M.U. Senior Case Club will present its annual argument of a moot case to the members of the Supreme Court of Texas sitting as the Supreme Court of the State of Rhea. The participants this year will be:

For the Appellant:
Wilmer D. Masterson, III
Frank W. Rose
Dawson French

For the Appellee:
Harold M. Bateman
Lee V. Williams
Larry E. Golman