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This time the issue is going to the page proof stage in the middle of November. If this issue is mailed during the Fall season, the subject of tardiness of publication will be dropped!

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At the Commencement Exercises on August 28, 1953, the following senior students received the LL.B. degree:

Clarence Paul Brazill, Jr.	Randolph Eanes Scott
Thomas Marshall Cain, Jr.	Fred Bryan Shelton, Jr.
Thomas Latta Fiedler	W. Dawson Sterling
Robert Bevely Ford	Eugene Davis Wilson
Leslie Clem Hackler, Jr.	Billy George Wylie
Joseph Turner Nance	Trent Harvey Zeppa
Charles Loyd Reynolds	

W. Dawson Sterling was elected to the Order of the Woolsack.

The degree of Master of Laws in Oil and Gas was awarded to Robert Henry Dedman and William Sims Richardson.

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Announcement of awards and prizes for outstanding work by members of the Student Editorial Board was made on November 19, 1953. A cash award of \$100 has been made to Armine C. Ernst of Seguin, Texas, by the law firm of Thompson, Knight, Wright, Weisberg & Simmons, Dallas, Texas, for the best original comment published in the *Journal* during the past year. Her comment appears at page 280 of the current volume. She also prepared the Index to Volume 6 and a Survey note at page 314 in Volume 6.

Benton Musslewhite of Lufkin, Texas, and Charles G. Thrash, Jr., of Dallas, Texas, are the joint recipients of a cash award of \$100 from the law firm of Turner, Atwood, White, McLane & Francis, Dallas, Texas, for the best contributions to the Survey issue of the *Journal*. Their respective contributions appear at pages 379 and 407 of this volume.

W. Dawson Sterling of Dallas, Texas, has been awarded a cash prize of \$100 by the law firm of Butler, Binion, Rice & Cook of Houston, Texas, for preparing the best paper on a subject approved by the professor of the course in Insurance. Mr. Sterling's paper is published at page 116 of

the present volume. He also wrote the Survey note on Insurance at page 366 of this volume.

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The *Journal* notes with regret that Professor Talbot Rain resigned his position, effective at the end of the Spring Semester. Professor Rain has become associated with the law firm of Thompson, Knight, Wright, Weisberg & Simmons, Dallas, Texas.

Alfred Hill is a new Associate Professor in the Law School, taking over Professor Rain's courses. He received his B.S. degree from the City College of New York and his LL.B. from the Brooklyn Law School. Professor Hill has just recently completed a year of graduate study in the Harvard Law School. Previously he had nine years' experience with the Securities Exchange Commission. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

Professor Robert E. Keeton is on leave of absence for the current school year. He was awarded an Ezra Ripley Thayer Teaching Fellowship in the Harvard Law School and is spending the year working for the S.J.D. degree and teaching on a part-time basis.

Julio Cesar Cueto-Rua, *summa cum laude* graduate in the Law Institute of the Americas last June, has remained in the Law School as a Lecturer in Comparative Law. Moises Rosenberg Melnick, *cum laude* graduate in the Law Institute last June, has remained in the Law School as a Research Assistant.

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The First Annual Pre-Legal Counselors' Conference was held at the Legal Center on October 16 and 17. Various aspects of pre-legal counseling, including aptitude tests, were examined by the several speakers. Some 55 persons registered, and many came from surrounding states.

The Fourth Annual Institute on Labor Law was held in the Legal Center Auditorium on November 13 and 14. Technical problems arising out of the Taft-Hartley Act were discussed the first day, and on the second day labor arbitration was the topic of discussion. An excellent attendance was had (around 150 registrants), and the interest and attention of the audience was marked.

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An Institute on Personal Injury Litigation is scheduled for December

9, 10 and 11, and the Fifth Annual Institute on the Law of Oil, Gas and Taxation will be presented on January 27-29, 1954.

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Sixteen graduate students, among them one woman, from North, Central and South America are enrolled in the Law Institute of the Americas for the coming school year. Sixteen German lawyers and jurists are also in residence for the year in the Law School, being sent here under the sponsorship of the U. S. Department of State. The Law School has an international flavor these days.

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Bill Brice, third-year student in the Law School, was elected President of the American Law Students Association during its convention in Boston late in August. Only two years ago another Southern Methodist University law student occupied the same office. Bill Brice is also president of the student body of the University.

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Four new members have been elected to the Barristers to replace graduating seniors. The newly elected members are Hubert Gentry, Ernest Specks, Lewis Sweet and Lee D. Vendig. The officers of the Barristers for the 1953-54 term are John Griggs, Lord Chief Baron; Ben Pickering, Lord Baron; Bob Price, Scrivener; and Hubert Gentry, Sergeant-at-Arms.

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The Winter, 1954, issue of the *Journal* will contain articles on the Texas Recording Act, "The Supreme Court and Labor, 1950-1953," and "Bases for an International Criminal Law." In addition, comments on selected topics and book reviews will be included.