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**SHORT COURSE PROGRAMS
OF
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**

As part of an expanded criminal law program made possible by a grant from the Ford Foundation, Northwestern University School of Law is currently conducting a series of short courses for

persons actively concerned with the administration of criminal justice. During 1959, three such courses were held. Details concerning these programs are set forth below.

Short Course for Newsmen in Crime News Analysis and Reporting

The first Short Course for Newsmen in Crime News Analysis and Reporting was held on the Evanston Campus of Northwestern University during the five-day period March 23-28, 1959. The course, which is jointly conducted by the Northwestern University Schools of Law and Journalism, was attended by seventy-three (73) newsmen from twenty-one (21) states, and three foreign countries: France, Japan, and Bolivia. The course has three principal objectives: (1) to enrich newsmen's understanding of the crime problem; (2) to improve relationships between newsmen, law enforcement officers, and the legal profession; and (3) to provide a forum for the mutual exchange of information by the attending newsmen.

The following comments are representative of the highly favorable reactions received from those who attended the course:

"The course has helped me in my daily work. Every reporter who comes in contact with crime news should attend your course. And this goes for editors, too." Edmund J. Rooney, Jr., Reporter, Chicago Daily News, Chicago, Illinois.

"A very beneficial experience." Lee F. White, News Director, Radio Station KROS, Clinton, Iowa.

"My congratulations for the most excellent course. . . I hope you will make it a fixture." Edward D. Ball, Executive Director, Southern Education Reporting Service, Nashville, Tennessee.

"Stimulating and rewarding. . . An excellent job." Carroll Arimond, City Editor, The Associated Press, Chicago, Illinois.

"I came away from the Short Course with a feeling of accomplishment and with more knowledge of the tremendous problems facing the legal profession and news agencies. I thought it was an excellent program."

Richard E. Cheverton, News Director, WOOD Broadcasting, Inc., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The course program included the following subjects:

An Outline of Criminal Procedure (A discussion and explanation of each procedural step in a criminal case, from arrest to appeal)

The Self-Incrimination Privilege

Homicide Investigation ("Murder Unrecognized" and "Apparently Murder")

The Coroner System vs. The Medical Examiner System

The Interpretation of Crime Statistics

The Lie-Detector Technique: Its Possibilities and Limitations

The Identification of Firearms ("Ballistics") and Comparative Micrography (Tool Mark Identifications, etc.)

Microanalysis and Other Trace Evidence in Criminal Investigations: Possibilities and Limitations

The Role of the Newsmen: (a) In Criminal Investigations; and (b) In Mob Violence and Race Riots

Crime Causation and Juvenile Delinquency

Courtroom Photography, Tape Recordings and Broadcasts (The Problem of Canon 35 of the Canons of Judicial Ethics)

Effective Interrogation Techniques (The newsmen's utilization of the basic principles of criminal interrogation)

Chemical Tests for Alcoholic Intoxication

The Legal Ethics of Prosecution and Defense

Pre-Trial News Interviews with Prosecutors and Defense Counsel

Blood and Blood Grouping Tests in Criminal Investigations

Court Reforms and the Role of the Press (Unified court system; improved selection of judges, etc.)

The Examination of Questioned Documents (1. Handwriting Identification; The Detection of Forgery; 2. Typewriting and Printing Identification; Decipherment of Erased and Obliterated Writing)

Today's Rackets and What the Newsman Should Look For

Exposing Corruption in Law Enforcement (A panel discussion, including an analysis of actual case situations)

The Problem of Counsel for Indigent Defendants (An appraisal of the systems of Appointed Counsel, Public Defender, and Voluntary Defender)

The Libel and Privacy Aspects of Crime News Reporting

The Courts' Contempt Power over Newsmen with Respect to: a) Sources of Information; b) Trial Court Reporting; c) Contacts with Trial Participants; and d) Criticism of Court and Jury

The Newsman's Right of Access to Juvenile Court Records and Proceedings

The Concepts and Practical Problems of Probation and Parole

Crime Prevention Possibilities and Limitations

The Traffic Court Problem

The following persons served on the lecture staff:

Milburn P. Akers, Editor, Chicago Sun-Times

Junius L. Allison, Field Director, National Legal Aid and Defender Association, Chicago

John Ascher, Lieutenant of Police and Chief of Detectives, Chicago Police Department

Edward D. Ball, Executive Director, Southern Education Reporting Service, Nashville, Tennessee

Creed Black, Executive Editor, Nashville Tennessean

George Bliss, Reporter, Chicago Tribune

Joseph Costa, Chairman, Board of National Press Photographers, New York City

Robert L. Donigan, Acting Director, Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Evanston, Illinois

Donald Doud, Examiner of Questioned Documents, Chicago and Milwaukee

Roy Mac Fisher, Feature Editor, Chicago Daily News

Richard Ford, M.D., Acting Head, Department of Legal Medicine, Harvard University
William Garry, Director of News, CBS, Chicago
Ordway Hilton, Examiner of Questioned Documents, New York City

Fred E. Inbau, Professor of Law, Northwestern University

Edward Lindsay, Editor, Lindsay-Schaub Newspapers, Decatur, Illinois

Joseph D. Lohman, State Treasurer, Illinois; Former Chairman, Illinois Parole Board

Kenneth McCormick, Reporter and Columnist, Detroit Free Press

Frank J. McGarr, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago; Former First Assistant U. S. District Attorney

Baskett P. Mosse, Professor of Journalism, Northwestern University

C. W. Muehlberger, Director, Michigan Crime Detection Laboratory, Lansing

Edward J. Nerad, Chief Probation Officer, Family Court of Cook County, Chicago

Joseph D. Nicol, Associate Professor, Department of Police Administration, Michigan State University

Len O'Connor, News Commentator, NBC News, Chicago

Virgil W. Peterson, Operating Director, Chicago Crime Commission

William Ray, Director, NBC Newsroom, Chicago

John E. Reid, Director, John E. Reid & Associates, Chicago

Don H. Reuben, Attorney-at-Law, Member of law firm of Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz & Masters, Chicago

Walter V. Schaefer, Justice of the Supreme Court of Illinois

Jacob Scher, Professor of Journalism, Northwestern University

Charles H. Shireman, Assistant Professor, School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago

Claude R. Sowle, Assistant Professor of Law, Northwestern University

Robert D. Swezey, Executive Vice-President, General Manager, WDSU, New Orleans; Chairman, Freedom of Information Committee, National Association of Broadcasters

Samuel W. Witwer, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago; Former Chairman of the Illinois Committee for Constitutional Revision

The program was directed by Professor Fred E. Inbau of the Law School and Professors Jacob Scher and Baskett P. Mosse of Northwestern's Medill School of Journalism.

The Second Annual Short Course for Newsmen in Crime News Analysis and Reporting will be

held during the five-day period March 21-26, 1960. Attendance will be open to all newsmen (of the press, magazines, television, and radio) who are charged with the responsibility of evaluating crime news.

Short Course for Defense Lawyers in Criminal Cases

Seventy-six (76) lawyers from twenty-six (26) states, Washington, D. C., Canada, Puerto Rico, and Bolivia attended the Second Annual Short Course for Defense Lawyers in Criminal Cases. The course, which was held in Chicago during the five-day period July 20-25, 1959, has a threefold objective: (1) to offer instruction regarding the preparation and trial of criminal cases; (2) to acquaint defense counsel with the possibilities of scientific methods in the defense of criminal cases; and (3) to provide a forum for the mutual exchange of information by attending defense counsel.

Among the numerous favorable comments received from course attendants were the following:

"The outstanding event of its kind that I have attended in my many years of experience as a lawyer."

John M. Goldsmith, Radford, Virginia.

"Well planned, developed, and presented." Robert L. Koepfel, Public Defender, Miami, Florida.

"Exceeded my most optimistic expectations. . . . The most educational week in my legal career." R. Donald Kelly, St. Paul, Minnesota.

"Practical, educational, a wonderful opportunity to meet some outstanding members in the field." Richard D. Grand, Tucson, Arizona.

"I came away with a deep appreciation of the wonderful efforts that your Law School is making to improve the level of the administration of Criminal Justice." G. Arthur Martin, Q.C., Toronto, Canada.

The following subjects were covered in the course:

The Defense of Criminal Cases: An Honorable Undertaking

Recent Developments in Substantive Criminal Law

Recent Developments in Criminal Procedure, With Respect to: Arrest—Search and Seizure—Confessions—Access to the Prosecutor's Information and Evidence—Self-Incrimination—Double Jeopardy

The Lie-Detector Technique: Possibilities and

Limitations; and the Legal Aspects of its Utilization in Criminal Cases

Sex Case Defense Problems: (a) Sex Cases Generally; and (b) Sexual Psychopath Proceedings

The Insanity Defense: (a) Recent Legal Developments; and (b) Trial Techniques

Getting Exhibits in Evidence

Wiretapping: The Means and Legal Controls
The Role of Defense Counsel Regarding Probation and Parole

The Art of Advocacy

Trial Techniques—A Panel Discussion (coupled with questions and comments from attendants) Regarding: Preparation for Trial—Selection of Jurors—Opening Statements—Direct Examination—Cross-Examination—Impeachment—Closing Arguments

The Laboratory Techniques of Firearms Identification and Comparative Micrography

The Ethics of Prosecution and Defense
Chemical Tests for Alcoholic Intoxication: The Scientific and Legal Aspects

Determining the Cause of Death in Suspected Criminal Homicide Cases

The Examination of Questioned Documents: Handwriting and Typewriting Identification; and the Legal Aspects of Questioned Document Expert Testimony

Prejudicial News Reporting as a Defense

Juvenile Delinquency: (a) The Sociological Problem; and (b) The Juvenile Defendant in Court and his Constitutional Safeguards

The persons listed below comprised the lecture staff:

Francis A. Allen, Professor of Law, University of Chicago

Charles A. Bellows, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago
J. Douglas Cook, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Buffalo; Former Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Kalamazoo, Michigan

Samuel Dash, Attorney-at-Law, Philadelphia

Robert L. Donigan, Acting Director, North-

western University Traffic Institute, Evanston, Illinois
 Donald Doud, Examiner of Questioned Documents, Chicago and Milwaukee
 Russell S. Fisher, M.D., Chief Medical Examiner, State of Maryland, Baltimore
 Peter Fitzpatrick, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago
 Percy Foreman, Attorney-at-Law, Houston
 Irving Goldstein, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago
 Fred E. Inbau, Professor of Law, Northwestern University
 Melvin S. Louison, Attorney-at-Law, Taunton, Massachusetts
 G. Arthur Martin, Q.C., Toronto, Ontario, Canada
 Dan H. McCullough, Attorney-at-Law, Toledo, Ohio
 Frank J. McGarr, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago; Former First Assistant U. S. Attorney
 Hugh J. McGee, Attorney-at-Law, Washington, D. C.
 Ben Meeker, Chief U. S. Probation Officer, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago
 C. W. Muehlberger, Director, Michigan Crime Detection Laboratory, Lansing
 Michael A. Musmanno, Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

Joseph D. Nicol, Associate Professor, Department of Police Administration, Michigan State University
 Robert B. Oxtoby, Attorney-at-Law, Springfield, Illinois
 John E. Reid, Director, John E. Reid and Associates, Chicago
 Charles H. Shireman, Assistant Professor, School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago
 Claude R. Sowler, Assistant Professor of Law, Northwestern University
 Gregory S. Stout, Attorney-at-Law, San Francisco
 James R. Thompson, Jr., Assistant State's Attorney, Chicago

The course was under the direction of Professor Fred E. Inbau of the Northwestern University School of Law. The associate director was Claude R. Sowler, Assistant Professor of Law, Northwestern University.

The Third Annual Short Course for Defense Lawyers in Criminal Cases will be conducted during the five-day period July 18-23, 1960. Attendance will be open to all attorneys interested in the practice of criminal law.

Short Course for Prosecuting Attorneys

The Fourteenth Annual Short Course for Prosecuting Attorneys was held in Chicago during the five-day period August 3-8, 1959. The course, which is endorsed and recommended by the National District Attorneys' Association, had a record enrollment of one-hundred seventy-eight (178) prosecutors from thirty-seven (37) states, Washington, D. C., and Rome, Italy.

The following comments are a sample of the reactions of course attendants:

"The course is of extreme benefit to any prosecutor who attends, and I only wish that every one of my deputies could share the same experience with me!" William F. Frye, District Attorney, Eugene, Oregon.

"The course was extremely well done and of great value to me." David G. Lucas, Legal Assistant to the County Prosecutor, Somerville, New Jersey.

"I thoroughly enjoyed the sessions in Chicago and would certainly recommend that every County Attorney in the State, if possible, should attend this school at least once." Gerald A. Stack, County & Prosecuting Attorney, Thermopolis, Wyoming.

"A successful course. . . . The program was well balanced, controlled, and executed." Charles Poches, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Pierre, South Dakota.

"After attending this course, it is my recommendation that all members of the Prosecutor's staff be required to take this course. . . . I feel that the material in the course will be of great aid to me in my future work. Your course also gave me the opportunity to gain a depth of perception in reference to the status of a Prosecutor that I did not have prior to attendance." Edwin A. Kolodziej, Assistant Prosecutor, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

The program for the course included the following subjects:

The Office of Prosecuting Attorney—A Trust and a Challenge
 Basic Principles Regarding Opening Statements and Closing Arguments
 Problems of Prosecution in a Large Metropolitan Area
 Problems of Prosecution in a Medium Size County

- Problems of Prosecution in a Rural Community
 Basic Problems in the Interrogation of Criminal Suspects
 Homicide Investigation ("Murder Unrecognized" and "Apparently Murder")
 Chemical Tests for Alcoholic Intoxication: The Scientific and Legal Aspects
 Recent Developments in Criminal Procedure, With Respect to: Arrest—Search and Seizure—Confessions—Defense Counsel's Access to the Prosecution's Information and Evidence—Self-Incrimination—Double Jeopardy
 Document Examination: Handwriting and Typewriting Identification; and the Legal Aspects of Questioned Document Expert Testimony
 The Lie-Detector Technique: Possibilities and Limitations
 The Art of Advocacy
 Trial Techniques—A Panel Discussion (coupled with questions and comments from attendants) Regarding: The Case Investigation—Preparation for Trial—Selection of Jurors—Opening Statements—Direct Examination—Cross-Examination—Impeachment—Closing Arguments
 Getting Exhibits in Evidence (A practical demonstration of the techniques of presenting such evidence as guns, bullets, photographs, etc.)
 Meeting the Insanity Defense
 Criminal Interrogation Tactics and Techniques
 The Ethics of Prosecution and Defense
 Demonstration of the Lie-Detector Technique
 Visit to the Chicago Police Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory
 The Suppression of Organized Crime
 Wiretapping: The Means and Legal Restrictions
 Non-Support Actions
 Bad Check Case Problems
 The Techniques of Preparing for and Prosecuting Criminal Cases in Rural Communities
- The lecture staff consisted of the following persons:
- John Ascher, Lieutenant of Police and Chief of Detectives, Chicago Police Department
 Richard B. Austin, Judge of the Superior Court of Cook County, Chicago
 Victor H. Blanc, District Attorney, Philadelphia
 Manley J. Bowler, Chief Deputy District Attorney, Los Angeles
 Patrick Brennan, Prosecuting Attorney, South Bend
 Rush C. Clarke, Attorney-at-Law, North Platte, Nebraska; Former County Attorney
 J. Douglas Cook, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Buffalo; Former Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Kalamazoo, Michigan
 Samuel Dash, Attorney-at-Law, Philadelphia
 James H. DeWeese, Prosecuting Attorney, Troy, Ohio
 Robert L. Donigan, Acting Director, Northwestern University Traffic Institute, Evanston, Illinois
 J. St. Clair Favrot, District Attorney, Baton Rouge
 Russell S. Fisher, M.D., Chief Medical Examiner, State of Maryland, Baltimore
 Peter Fitzpatrick, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago
 Thomas A. Flannery, Assistant U. S. Attorney, Washington, D. C.
 Irving Goldstein, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago; Professorial Lecturer, Northwestern University School of Law
 Ordway Hilton, Examiner of Questioned Documents, New York City
 Fred E. Inbau, Professor of Law, Northwestern University
 Albin P. Lassiter, District Attorney, Monroe, Louisiana
 Robert L. Marrs, Prosecuting Attorney, Hamilton, Ohio
 Frank J. McGarr, Attorney-at-Law, Chicago; Former First Assistant U. S. Attorney
 William B. McKesson, District Attorney, Los Angeles
 Frank E. Moss, United States Senator, State of Utah; Formerly County Attorney, Salt Lake City
 Keith Mossman, County Attorney, Vinton, Iowa
 C. W. Muehlberger, Director, Michigan Crime Detection Laboratory, Lansing
 Alexander J. Napoli, Judge of the Municipal Court of Chicago
 Duane R. Nedrud, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Kansas City; Former State's Attorney, Minot, North Dakota
 Robert B. Oxtoby, Attorney-at-Law, Springfield, Illinois

Virgil W. Peterson, Operating Director, Chicago
Crime Commission

Kent B. Power, County Prosecutor, Weiser,
Idaho

Blaine Ramsey, State's Attorney, Lewistown,
Illinois

John E. Reid, Director, John E. Reid and
Associates, Chicago

Melvin G. Rueger, First Assistant Prosecuting
Attorney, Cincinnati

Edward S. Silver, District Attorney, Brooklyn

Claude R. Sowle, Assistant Professor of Law,
Northwestern University

James R. Thompson, Jr., Assistant State's At-
torney, Chicago

Professor Fred E. Inbau of Northwestern Uni-
versity School of Law served as course director.
He was assisted by Claude R. Sowle, Assistant
Professor of Law, Northwestern University.

The Fifteenth Annual Short Course for Prosecu-
tors will be held during the five-day period August
1-6, 1960. Attendance will be open to attorneys
holding state or federal offices as prosecutor or
assistant prosecutor, to attorneys who are nominees
for the office at the next election, and to legal
personnel in the armed forces.