

THERE'S ALWAYS BEEN A CRISIS—

PERSPECTIVE ON THE BUDGET

On Saturday morning, the WLAA Boards of Visitors and Directors met to consider a lengthy agenda. There was preliminary discussion of the search for a Dean, and a brief financial report. Some proposed re-allocation of WLAA funds were offered, and the Dean was given approval to make necessary transfers. There was also preliminary discussion of the WLAA staff, in view of Bill Lewis' decision to resign as executive director by the end of the present school year.

A preliminary report revealed that the 1975 contributions to the Alumni Fund were a little ahead of the same date in 1974.

Full reports of the visits and the meetings will be available on request to those who wish to have them.

Some of you will remember when . . .

In the early 30's, the question was not one of the size of the increases in faculty salaries. It was rather a problem of how to impose "voluntary" cuts in order to keep the institution functioning. Former Dean Lloyd Garrison reports that in the period between his acceptance of the Deanship and his arrival to assume the post in 1932, his salary was cut from \$10,000 to \$8010.

To accommodate to the declining budgets, a number of alternatives were suggested: increases in tuition, increases in teaching loads

for senior Faculty members, decrease in the number of elective courses offered, curtailment of research, vacations without pay, and others.

But salaries were the key. Dean Richards, for instance, suggested that the Faculty might consider acceptance of a plan to work every other week without pay.

Instead it was agreed to accept a waiver system based on the levels of salary. For those earning over \$7000, there was a 13% cut. Professors earning \$6000 accepted reductions to \$4930. Associate Professors were cut from \$4000 to \$3330; the Librarian from \$2750 to \$2312.

LAW SCHOOL FAIR

On Wednesday, October 22, the Madison campus was visited by a touring caravan of admissions directors from 30 law schools from all parts of the United States. Their visit to Madison was the third in a week-long tour which took them to four large University campuses—Ohio State, Michigan, Northwestern and Wisconsin.

Each visiting law school had a table in Great Hall of the Memorial Union. Between 350 and 400 potential law students from other units of the University of Wisconsin system and private Wisconsin colleges, as well as the U.W.-Mad-

ison, visited the Fair, gathering information and asking questions. Professor Walter Raushenbush delivered a brief lecture on admissions to two different groups of visiting applicants.

The whole tour was coordinated by Victor Linquist, Director of Placement Services at the Undergraduate College at Northwestern. It ended at the O'Hare Inn on Friday, October 24, with a day-long meeting of law school representatives and pre-law advisors from many midwestern colleges.

Similar tours have been held in recent years on a group of western campuses. It was generally agreed that the midwest gathering was also a success, and it will probably be repeated next year.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS: WISCONSIN LAW REVIEW

Upcoming issues of the *Wisconsin Law Review* will carry a number of articles of particular interest to the Bar of Wisconsin. 1975 No. 4 will include pieces on *The Contempt Law in Wisconsin*, and the professional responsibility involved in probate practice and fees. 1976 No. 1 will contain an article on public utility rate setting in Wisconsin.