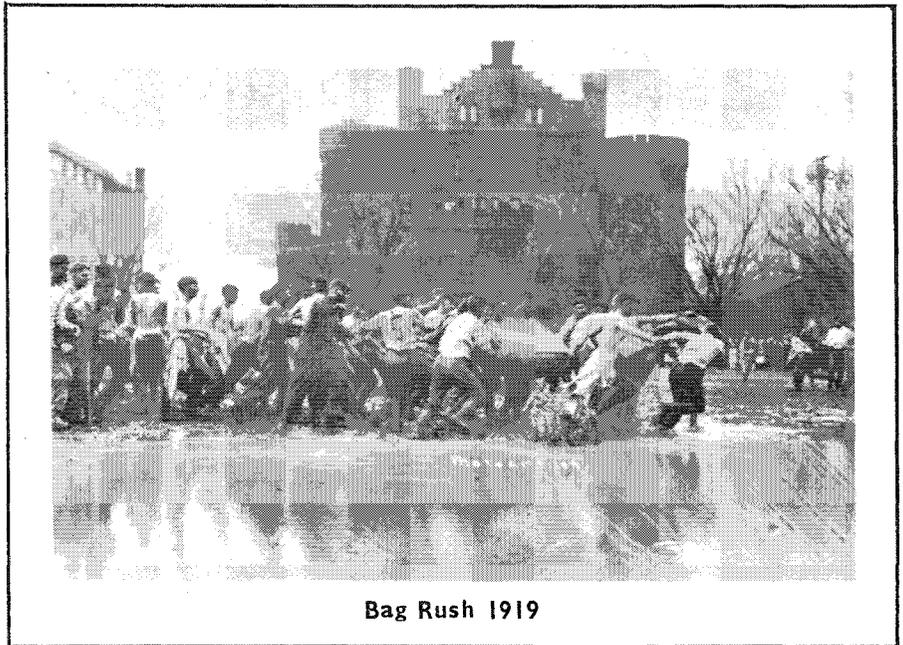


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NEW MANUAL FOR PROCEEDINGS IN JUVENILE COURT

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Professor Marc Galanter has recently accepted an invitation to join a group to examine the role of courts in contemporary American society. Mr. Daniel J. Meador, Assistant U.S. Attorney General, Office of Improvements in the Administration of Justice, is the organizer of the group, although the group will function totally apart from any government agency or control. It is contemplated, according to Mr. Meador, that the group "will meet at periodic intervals, . . . discuss the results of (empirical) research, draw upon the group's own experiences and perspectives . . . in reaching some conclusions which will be of assistance to legislators, judges and others concerned with this perplexing problem."

Professor Margo Melli is editor of a recently published handbook, *Wisconsin Juvenile Court Practice in Delinquency and Status Offense Cases*, a manual prepared for the use of district attorneys, judges, and defense attorneys.

The loose-leaf manual has been in preparation for one and one-half years. Before publication it was reviewed by a group of prosecutors, judges, and defense attorneys. Publication was under a grant to the Youth Policy and Law Center of Madison, Wisconsin, from the Wisconsin Council on Criminal Justice, with some financial support from the Continuing Legal Education Committee of the State Bar of Wisconsin. It represents the first effort to define and make available the procedural rules which apply in juvenile court in delinquency and related cases.

In its preparation, Professor Melli was assisted by the staff of the Youth Policy and Law Center. The assistant editor is John Franz, staff attorney at the Center. The manual has been distributed, on request, to judges in juvenile court, public defenders, prosecutors and others who might find it useful.

Professor Melli is also the chairman of the Madison Campus University Committee — the powerful voice of the faculty in university policy — and a member of the Search and Screen Committee seeking an academic vice-president of the University System. She has been elected vice-chairman of the Board of Attorneys Professional Competence of the State Bar of Wisconsin.



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