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THE LAW SCHOOL

There are 102 registered in the Law School this fall as compared with 122 at this time last year. This decrease is believed to be partially attributable to the effect of the new requirements for admission to the North Carolina bar. The first year class numbers 38; the second year class, 27; the third year class, 27. Of the 102 students, 68, or 66.66 per cent, have received college degrees, as compared with 60 per cent last year. There are eleven students from other states: one from Connecticut, one from Georgia, one from Illinois, one from Michigan, two from New York, two from South Carolina, one from Tennessee, one from Virginia, and one from Wisconsin.

James H. Chadbourn, assistant professor of law for the last four years, who will be absent on leave during the year, 1936-1937, has re-
signed his graduate fellowship at the Law School of Columbia University in order to accept a one-year appointment as a member of the law faculty of the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Chadbourn is a graduate of The Citadel and of the Law School, where he received the J.D. degree with honors in 1931. He served both as student editor-in-chief and as faculty editor of *The North Carolina Law Review*, and is the author of the book, *Lynching and the Law*.

Mr. Chadbourn's teaching duties at the University have been taken over by Mr. Donald W. Markham, of Earlville, N. Y. Mr. Markham received his A.B. degree from Colgate University in 1931, and his J.D. degree from the Law School in 1936. He was student editor-in-chief of the *Law Review* during the fall of his senior year. From January to September, 1936, Mr. Markham was a member of the staff of the General Counsel of the U. S. Treasury in Washington.

Associate Professor Frank W. Hanft has succeeded Mr. Chadbourn as faculty editor of *The North Carolina Law Review*.

A new policy, in accord with that of the better law reviews of other universities, has been established whereby the student members of the *Law Review* staff are assuming a larger responsibility for the work of the *Review*. Advance sheets are now read by the student staff members, recent cases are selected for comment by them, and the work of writing the comments is done by them under the direction of the student editors. The comments are subject to faculty suggestions and approval.

Edwin M. Perkins, who for the last two years has been serving as part-time lecturer in Taxation in the Law School while engaged mainly as a tax research assistant in the Institute for Research in Social Science in Chapel Hill, is doing graduate work this year at the Harvard Law School, as the recipient of a fellowship. Mr. Perkins is a graduate of the University and of the Law School, receiving the A.B. degree in 1929 and the J.D. degree in 1933. He edited the Index-Digest of the first fourteen volumes of *The North Carolina Law Review*, now in press.

Visiting professors during the summer session of 1936 included: Professors Thomas Reed Powell, Harvard University; Walter Wheeler Cook, Northwestern University; Douglas B. Maggs, Duke University; and Arthur H. Kent, Assistant General Counsel, U. S. Bureau of Internal Revenue. Professors Cook and Powell addressed the meeting of the North Carolina Bar Association, held at Asheville in July. In August, Mr. Kent led the discussion of the Federal Revenue Act of 1936 at a conference held at the Law School, attended by something over a hundred lawyers and accountants.
For the past twelve years the Law Review has been sent without charge to any member of the North Carolina bench or bar who requested it. This number has averaged annually something over fifteen hundred lawyers and judges. The Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina Press, which publishes the Law Review, decided last spring that this policy, however justifiable, could no longer be continued in fairness to the other journals and periodicals which the University maintains. All of these are on a subscription basis and each of them has been receiving a subsidy from the University substantially less than that allocated to the Law Review.

An announcement that, beginning with the first issue of Volume XV, to be published in December, 1936, the Law Review would have to go on a subscription basis at the rate of three dollars a year, together with a request that the lawyers cooperate in making the subscription list as extensive as possible, was made at the meeting of the North Carolina Bar Association held at Asheville in July. Thereupon, committees were appointed, representing both the Bar Association and the State Bar, to devise ways and means of insuring adequate support for the Law Review.

The committee representing the Bar Association was composed of Judge R. H. Sykes, of Durham, chairman; and Mr. Ben W. Parham, of Oxford, and Mr. John H. Anderson, Jr., of Raleigh. The committee representing the State Bar was composed of Mr. Kemp D. Battle, of Rocky Mount, chairman; and Mr. B. H. Perry, of Henderson, and Mr. R. Percy Reade, of Durham.

These committees met with Mr. W. T. Couch, Director of the Press, and Dean M. T. Van Hecke of the Law School, at Chapel Hill in August. The joint committee proposed the following plan: (1) That the subscription rate generally shall be three dollars a year; (2) That members of the North Carolina State Bar, however, may obtain the Law Review for the special rate of one dollar a year by paying that dollar to the Treasurer of the State Bar at the time payment of dues is made; (3) That the billhead of the State Bar shall be so arranged as to facilitate this method of payment, the understanding being, however, that the subscription to the Law Review is to be wholly voluntary; (4) That subscriptions at any other time will have to be made directly to the Press, at the full rate of three dollars a year; and (5) That in return for this service a department of the Law Review shall be devoted to matters of interest to the State Bar, to be edited by one of its members.