

EDUCATION FOR PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

FOREWORD

In April of this year, some twenty-five law teachers attended an "Inter-Professions Conference on Education for Professional Responsibility" at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania. This conference, under the general chairmanship of Provost Elliott Dunlap Smith, of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, brought together teachers of medicine, law, divinity, engineering, and business administration in the belief that "the major problems of professional education are common to all professions, and that unusual opportunities for fruitful discussion of these problems are provided by the variety of experience of teachers in different professions."

Believing that this conference was a unique and stimulating experience which should be shared by those who represented the law-teaching profession, the JOURNAL OF LEGAL EDUCATION, with the cooperation of the conference's sponsors, has arranged this report on its significance for legal education.

The interest of law teachers in such an attempt to pool the educational experience of five different professions will naturally be along two lines: (1) How much common ground was discovered, how much intercommunication was possible, and what did the other professions contribute that was relevant to the problems of legal education? and (2) How did the law delegates formulate their views on legal education and social responsibility for presentation to the conference? Accordingly, this report includes (1) an appraisal of the conference, prepared for the JOURNAL by Professor Miguel A. de Capriles, and (2) the three papers which were presented by law teachers: "What the Law Schools Can Contribute to the Making of Lawyers," by Lon L. Fuller; "Human Nature and Training for Law Practice," by Wilber G. Katz; and "The Current Crisis in Legal Education," by Karl N. Llewellyn.

These three papers, together with all the others constituting the formal part of the conference, are being published in book form.¹ The JOURNAL is grateful to the sponsors of the conference for permission to use the material reproduced here.

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