

April 28, 1936.

Dean Charles E. Clark  
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New Haven, Connecticut.

Dear Charlie:

I have your letter of the 27th and I am delighted at the expression of opinion by the members of the law faculty on the combined Law-Business course.

The other day I asked George Bates for suggestions of young men who might be worked into this field. I have not heard from him but I am writing him again now, asking him to get in touch with me on it and also asking him to explore that phase of the whole matter with you the next time he is down to New Haven.

I think very highly of Meck. His only drawback would be a possible deficiency in training on the business side. I am thinking particularly of his lack of experience in handling and interpreting the raw materials which he would have to use. It may be, however, that a man like him would be our best bet. It is conceivable that he might spend the summer and the first semester of next year at the business school, working along with Bates and others. In that way, he might be able to pick up the techniques which he would need and thus gradually evolve as a man of expertness and skill in both business and law. I am passing on the thought to George, with the suggestion that he get a line on Meck in the near future.

It may be that out of the lawyers who have attended the business school a good man may be found. George was to canvass this possibility. I expect he is doing so now. For your information, I list below the names of those first-year students who have showed interest in the combined course:

Morton Blum. 2614 S.L.B.

Thomas Martin Burke. 2632 S.L.B

Jack Bender Darragh, 137 Mansfield St.

Richard Benjamin Darragh, 137 Mansfield St.

Kenneth Price Dillon, 57 Mill Rock Road, Hamden

Morton Arthur Elsner, 2602 S.L.B.

Franklin Jonathan Ely Jr., 2642 S.L.B.

Richard Riddle Fisher, 70 Sachem St.  
Richard Hartman Haigh, 2598 S.L.B.

Jule Murat Hannaford, 2552 S.L.B.

Arthur Leslie Hawman, 2609 S.L.B.

Richard Hooker, Jr., 2572 S.L.B.

Richard Goehring McClung, 2540 S.L.B.

Henry Clay McCormick, 2593 S.L.B.

John Fulton Berrien Mitchell, Jr., 2563 S.L.B.

Samuel Ellison Neel, 2583 S.L.B.

Francis Gordon Shepard, 2572 S.L.B.

Seymour Sheriff, 2615 S.L.B.

William Keylor Smith, 2609 S.L.B.

Daniel Gleason Tenney, Jr., 2533 S.L.B.

The ones I have starred are probably not going; the others are, so far as I know, still definitely interested. I understand that the four who are definitely going are Blum, Elsner, McClung, and Sheriff. Bates wondered whether or not Blum and Elsner had sufficiently good scholastic standing for the initiation to a combined course. I should like to get your thought on that. I know Elsner and think he possibly would get by. I do not know Blum so well.

I am giving you the list because it includes men who came in to see me after my talk at New Haven last Friday. The list may be of some help to you in helping the men arrange their plans to go up next year and in persuading them of the virtues of the educational venture.

Yours faithfully,