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FRANKLAND W. MILES, '23,
APPOINTED SPECIAL JUSTICE

Attorney Frankland W. L. Miles, recently appointed special justice of the Roxbury Municipal Court, by Governor Allen, is one of the youngest jurists in the Commonwealth.

Attorney Miles, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Miles, was born in Brockton. He graduated from Chelsea Grammar and High Schools and later attended Boston University College of Liberal Arts. He entered the employ of the Federal Reserve Bank as a clerk and rose from the ranks to become one of its twelve department managers with over one hundred men in his charge. On graduation from Suffolk in 1923 he severed his connections with the bank and established an office for the general practice of law at 144 Dudley Street, Roxbury, where he has become known as one of the most successful attorneys in the district. He is highly respected as a skilled trial lawyer, and his broad experience in a busy court particularly qualifies him for his work as trial justice.

Mr. Miles enlisted in the navy early in the World War and saw much convoy service. It was at this time his mother died. His father is now in the real estate business in Roxbury.

Ten years ago Attorney Miles married Miss Louise Grother of Roxbury, and they now have two fine lads, Franklin, Jr., and John Grother Miles. Mrs. Miles is organist at the First Free Baptist Church, and for the Keystone Chapter, O. E. S., Roxbury. They reside at 53 Walnut Ave., Roxbury.

Attorney Miles has long been active in fraternal and civic organizations of the district, being a member of the Roxbury Historical Society, the Civic League, the Improvement Society, and president of the Board of Trade, of which he was vice-president for several years. Not the least of his successes have been won at first base for the Dudley Street Baptist Baseball Team.

Suffolk Alumni unite in wishing for Justice Miles a long and a successful career.

Dean Archer speaking to his national radio audience from New York City.

The Dean has just completed six months of broadcasting over a nationwide hook-up of stations. The National Broadcasting Company has just listed him for a new series to begin on Saturday evening, January 10th, at 7:15 P.M. The list of stations to carry the new series has not yet been arranged.

What Daniel Webster Might Have Been

Gleason L. Archer, LL.D.

When Daniel Webster decided to take up the study of law, he very wisely came to Boston. In those days an aspirant for the bar must form a connection with some law office. Daniel knew no lawyers in Boston, but he selected a prominent lawyer, Christopher Gore, as a prospective tutor, and called upon him with a friend with whom he had been in college. The friend was a total stranger to the lawyer. A mere trifle of that sort did not trouble him, nor young Webster. Daniel needed an introduction and the friend decided to give it to him.

So in they marched with an air of dignity and importance. The friend did the honors in the approved style and immediately vanished. Daniel himself now felt rather panicly and would likewise have departed, but Christopher Gore was not.

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SUFFOLK ALUMNI NEWS

Suffolk Club News

All Suffolk clubs will have a “get-together” of Suffolk men in their districts in January or February, to coordinate plans for work with the association for the year. Watch for your notice from your local secretary.

DORCHESTER-MATTAPAN SUFFOLK CLUB

The regular monthly meeting of the Dorchester-Mattapan Suffolk Club was held Thursday evening, December 4th, at 20 Charlotte St., Dorchester, with President Joel L. Miller presiding. Edward Siegel was elected vice-president to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Harry Bloomberg. Hymer Kramer was appointed finance officer. Jerome Suvalle was appointed chairman of a committee of ten to conduct a membership drive, for which plans were discussed.

H. Walter P. Frederick, clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for the Commonwealth, speaker of the evening, discussed the history and the procedure of the Supreme Court, and the development of the Massachusetts Practice Act. This was followed by a question period, enthusiastically participated in by the members.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday January 13th, at 8 P. M., and the speaker will be Arthur W. Sullivan, Register of Probate for Suffolk County.

MALDEN-EVERETT-MEDFORD SUFFOLK CLUB

The meeting of the Malden-Everett-Medford Club at the Court House on December 18th, brought together a number of leaders, including John J. Irwin, Representative from Medford, and Joseph J. Launie of the Republican State Committee. An evening of social fellowship was enjoyed. The next meeting will occur on or about January 22. Men of this district, watch for your notices! William J. Kelley, president.

Association Report

December Meeting

At the regular monthly meeting of the Alumni Association on December 11th, Vice-President Thomas J. Finnegan presided.

Albert J. Sargent, Chief of Probation, Municipal Court, Boston, gave a fine address, in which he presented the duties and the functioning of the Probation Department in this State. (See Page 10.) Mr. Sargent’s question period, following his remarks, brought out points of added interest.

The evening’s entertainment was presented by Frank Lane, conjurer of all tricks. Refreshments were served. Adjournment at 10 P. M.

WHAT DANIEL WEBSTER MIGHT HAVE BEEN

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very busy at the time. He questioned the young man.

When he found that Daniel was a son of Ebenezer Webster, a companion at arms in the Revolutionary War, he at once took an interest in the young man. The result was that Daniel Webster became a student in Gore’s law office in July, 1804. Daniel, despite the fact that he had a college education, held a very humble opinion of himself and would have been quite content with any lowly job by which he could have earned a living. He had come to Boston because there was nothing for him but hard work in New Hampshire, and Daniel did not fancy hard work.

Ebenezer Webster, the father of Daniel, was a “side judge” in a New Hampshire court, but he was one of those judges of early days, chosen for his horse sense and local popularity rather than for legal knowledge. The old soldier had never studied law. There were three judges in this court. One was a lawyer, the other two “side judges.””

In Judge Webster’s court the position of clerk paid a very modest salary, a mere $1500 a year. But in the eyes of the poverty-stricken old judge this position was a rich prize which he coveted for his son. A vacancy occurred while Daniel was studying law in Boston. Judge Webster persuaded the other judges of the court that Daniel was the very person for this position, and so it came to pass that Daniel was appointed.

The happy father wrote to his son concerning his good fortune and requested him to come home immediately to assume the position. Daniel himself was greatly elated at the news. The position would keep the wolf from the door and give him some degree of honor in the community.

So young Webster went to the law office to impart the glad tidings to his employer. To his surprise, however, Christopher Gore did not enliven in the least. In fact, he expressed his surprise that Daniel should even think of burying himself in such a job. He pointed out that it meant the end of Webster as a prospective lawyer.

The older man had seen in his young assistant qualities of mind that the latter did not himself realize. He saw in him a rising young lawyer, an eloquent and forceful advocate. The more Gore talked on this line the more dubious Webster became as to the desirability of the clerkship. Before the lawyer finished his peroration Daniel had become so impressed by his own ability that he scorned the job that a few hours before he had looked so attractive to him.

But the situation was too delicate to be handled by letter. Daniel went home to see his father. The old man waxed eloquent at the sight of his
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RECENT DECISIONS OF UNITED STATES COURTS

By Kenneth B. Williams

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW—INTERSTATE COMMERCE


This case involves a petition for an injunction to restrain the Safety Transit Company, a non-resident corporation, from operating its buses in South Carolina. The company is engaged in carrying passengers for hire in motor buses, it applied to the State Commission for permission to operate its buses in interstate commerce in the State, offering to comply with all the police regulations of the State, to pay all taxes due, and to comply with all the police requirements of the State. The application was denied. The company then undertook a purely interstate business in the State, and the Commission brought suit to restrain it from doing any business in the State without the permission of the Commission. The court held for the company, saying in part: "The respondent [company] has not attempted to do anything but an exclusively interstate business. It is ready, willing and able to pay all taxes due, and to comply with all the police requirements of the State. It does not claim the right to do any intra-State business except with the consent and permission of the railroad commission. The railroad commission claims that under the Acts of the General Assembly of South Carolina, the railroad commission is vested with the discretion to deny the respondent the use of the highways even though the respondent is engaged exclusively in interstate commerce. But the decisions are clear that this is beyond their power. Buckey v. Ky kendall, 267 U. S. 307; Bush Company v. Maloy, 267 U. S. 317; Sprout v. City, 277 U. S. 163; Interstate Company v. Holboke, 273 U. S. 45; Atlantic Pacific Stages v. Stahl, 36 Fed. (2d) 260.

"So far as the petition seeks to enjoin the respondent from doing a purely interstate business, the prayer for an injunction must be denied, and the petition dismissed."

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW—TAXATION

Klein v. Board of Tax Supervisors, 51 S. Ct. 15, Mr. Justice Holmes, in delivering the opinion, said in part: "This is an appeal from a judgment of the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, affirming the validity of a State tax and the constitutionality of the statutes under which the tax was imposed.

"Holders of stock in a corporation generally are required to list their shares for taxation, but it is provided the stockholders of a corporation, at least seventy-five per cent (75%) of whose total property is taxable in Kentucky, shall not be required to list their shares for taxation so long as the corporation pays taxes on all its property in Kentucky." The appellant contends that this section makes the tax contrary to the Fourteenth Amendment. He owned shares in the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Company, a New Jersey corporation, less than seventy-five per cent of whose total property was taxable in Kentucky. He was taxed as contemplated, and he says that the discrimination between himself and holders of stock in corporation paying taxes on more than seventy-five per cent of all their property is arbitrary and denies him the equal protection of the law.

"There is no doubt that a State may tax a corporation and also tax the holders of its stock. The owners are different and, although the appellant calls it a mischievous fiction, the property is different. While no doubt the property and expectations of the corporation are the backbone of the value of the shares, yet the latter may get additional value from another source. In this case the appellant alleges that the price of shares was much enhanced by rumors of a stock dividend, which of course would have added nothing to the property of the corporation.

"On the other hand there is no constitutional obligation to tax both the corporation and the holders of its stock. If the corporation having all of its property in the State has paid taxes upon the whole, usually it would be just not to tax the stockholders in respect of values derived from what already has borne its share. And what would be true in the case supposed would be true when the corporation was paying on the great body of its property, although some small fraction happened to be outside of the State. Thus we come to the usual question of degree and of drawing a line where no important distinction can be seen between the nearest points on the two sides, but where the distinction between the two extremes is plain.

"The appellant, pursuing his notion that shares of stock represent an interest in the property of the corporation insists that if taxed at all he should be taxed only in the ratio of the property in the State to the entire property of the corporation; that to tax him for the whole value is to tax property outside of the jurisdiction of the State. But it leads nowhere to call a corporation a fiction. If it is a fiction it is a fiction created by law with intent that it should be acted on as if true. The corporation is a person and its ownership is a non-conductor that makes it impossible to attribute an interest in its property to its members. The stockholders in some cases may call on the corporation to account, but that is a very different thing from having an interest in the property by means of which the corporation is enabled to settle the account. The principle of justice that leads to the exemption that has been dealt with could not be insisted upon as a matter of constitutional right, and it is reasonable for the Legislature to confine it to well marked cases, rather than to press it to a logical extreme.

"It is alleged as a distinct point of objection, though perhaps less earnestly pressed, that appellant's stock was assessed at its full selling price whereas land was taxed at seventy-five per cent of its sale value. There is nothing in the Fourteenth Amendment that requires land and stock to be taxed at the same rate or by the same test, and the Court of Appeals thinks that the Board of Tax Commissioners "judged that seventy-five per cent of the sales values represented about fairly the cash value of real estate." Whether this be so or not we see no constitutional ground for complaint.

"Judgment affirmed."

CONTACT

By Joel L. Miller

While there are many factors that contribute to a successful career, whether it be business, professional or political, one of the most important can be described by the word "contacts."

Daily as we go through life we come into contact with many people. The associations and friendships that are often developed from these contacts are solid foundations for progress in any field of human endeavor, and the experience at Suffolk Law School, where for four years men of diversified walks of life studied together, made the same kind of sacrifices, all striving to attain the same goal, stimulated contacts. And as the years roll on these undergraduate days of association will be among the most pleasant of memories and reminiscence.

Alumni associations foster these memories and develop contacts. The Suffolk Law School Alumni Association, therefore, has a definite place in the lives of Suffolk Law School men. Since the local Suffolk Club is the working unit of the Alumni Association in carrying out the contact program, its progress is of the utmost importance.

The Dorchester-Mattapan Suffolk Law Club is doing its utmost to contact Suffolk men within its jurisdiction. In these days of high pressure salesmanship, it can be said that "the idea has been sold" with considerable success. The meetings held have been well attended and enthusiastic. A survey, as yet incomplete, has revealed a wide diversity of occupa-

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A GOOD JUDGE
presiding in a High Court has passed this sentence upon us.

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“My insurance company will pay your claim and your insurance company will pay mine.” This is the conversation frequently heard between the principals of an automobile accident. Even so, each carries automobile insurance. Then, after figuratively, if not literally, patting each other on the back, they part with conversation frequently heard between your claim and your insurance company agreements. Then, after the principals of an automobile insurance policy covers. Even then, they figuratively, if not literally, understand that each carries a degree of vituperation against insurance companies in general.

Broadly speaking, an automobile insurance policy is a contract between the insurance company and the automobile owner in which the company agrees to assume certain risks of the automobile owner and to pay a certain sum of money on behalf of the automobile owner when they find that each carries. The cause of misunderstanding arises through failure of the assured to read the policy and of the insurer to assume the risks of the insured to render any assistance or cooperation in his power in the investigation, settlement or defense of the case, and aid in securing the assistance of witnesses in prosecuting appeals.

This provision in the insurance contract is an important one and must be observed. It is uniformly held by the courts to be binding and failure on the part of the policy holder to conform with these provisions of the policy will mean that the policy holder personally will have to satisfy any judgment that may be obtained against him. The Ohio Supreme Court commenting on the importance of the clause requiring immediate notice said, “In insurance of this character (automobile insurance) it is a matter of the first importance to the insurer, who may be forced to become the real defendant in a lawsuit against the insured . . . to be speedily informed of all the facts and witnesses concerning a possible litigation. In a very little while facts may in a great measure fade out of memory, or become distorted, witnesses may go beyond reach, physical conditions may change and the limit provided in the policy by a judgment creditor . . . .” In this provision of the statute many thoughtless policy holders who feel that no legal duty is imposed upon them do not immediately report accidents or in any way assist in the defence of their case. In this way insurance companies operating in Massachusetts lose thousands of dollars each year, for in a great many instances the companies have had no knowledge of the claim, accident or litigation until counsel for the claimant makes demand on them after the case has gone to judgment and the execution issued. The companies have endeavored to correct this evil by petitioning for a law that would require the claimant (Continued on Page 11)
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PERSONAL MENTION

Roger M. Foley, '29, is credit-collection manager of the Boston office of the Majestic Radio Corporation, etc. He was a graduate of Harvard. Mr. Foley exemplifies the Suffolk spirit by using Suffolk graduates in his contacts in so far as possible.

James P. Hearn, '12, one of our earlier and highly respected graduates, is District Manager for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in Lowell section. From his first contact with the school and Alumni, Mr. Hearn has lent his moral and material support in furtherance of Suffolk interests, and is today one most actively interested in its progress.

Harry J. Dooley, '24, is touring the country in the furtherance of the interests of the Gray Line Motor Coach Company, of which he is Vice-President and General Manager. Incidentally, Harry spent Christmas in Boston and passed the season's greetings with many old friends, including the secretary.

Ralph H. Cooper, '30, has opened an office for the general practice of law at 294 Washington Street, Boston.

Charles E. Peltier, '30, is located at 105 Montgomery Street, Cambridge, for the general practice of law.

James H. Prentice, '24, reports the arrival of a new Suffolk prospect in November. Congratulations from the Alumni! A splendid family you have, Brother Prentice.

Floyd D. La Fountaine, ex., '27, of Maine, and active in Alumni Interests, paid a visit at headquarters this December while in Boston, Mr. La Fountaine is enjoying a successful practice in Biddeford and Portland, with the former, his home city, as headquarters. He has co-operated with Boston graduates in a number of instances and has served their interests, as his own, successfully.

Phillip Hurwitz, '30, announces the opening of his office for general law practice at 173 Washington Street, Salem.

Senator William H. Shanahan, '24, gave a forceful and encouraging address to newly admitted members of the Bar, at the Suffolk Luncheon Club Dec. 11. We were pleased to have with us on this occasion some of the early graduates, John Reckius, Chris Halligan, Commissioner Parks, and William Kelley.

A. Bernard Shore, '30, is now vice-president of the Public Auto Park and Filling Station, Inc., which have a dozen or more fine stands in Greater Boston.

IN MEMORIAM

Joseph P. Kelly, '28, attorney and certified public accountant, with office at 40 Court Street, recently succumbed to sudden illness. Mr. Kelly was widely known in both business and legal circles, in which he has been active as a member of the firm of Gove, Elliott and Kelly. He will be greatly missed by his acquaintances and many Suffolk friends.

NEW APPOINTMENT TO FACULTY

Kenneth R. Williams, '27, assistant in The Review Department, Counselor to Freshmen and Associate Editor of the Alumni NEWS, has been appointed Instructor in Conflict of Laws at the School. He succeeds our highly esteemed Professor, Frederick O. Downes, who after many years of service recently resigned because of ill-health.

We note that Bernard J. Killion, '12, is active as counsel for Mrs. Charlotte Hunt of Commonwealth Avenue, in the Slater suit in the Suffolk Superior Court.

Bruce A. Stevens, '26, has been appointed probation officer in the Municipal Court, Boston, and begins his work the first of 1931.

Harry J. O'Reilly, '24, bought out the Grey Gulls Record Corporation of East Boston and has now incorporated a thriving business in the Sunrise Wholesale Corporation, Bridgeport, Conn., combining a direct sales and mail order business for phonograph records throughout the country. On a recent visit at headquarters he renewed old acquaintance; and also mentioned his friendship with Edmund L. Morrison, '22, now in the practice of law in New Canaan, Conn.

David Ginsberg, '30, is credit manager for the Central Stores, and is extending co-operation to Suffolk men by assigning them collections.

Joseph P. Coyne, of 229 Broadway, was recently chosen successor to R. W. Robart, formerly attached to Mayor Russell's office, and who resigned to take an appointment as Director of the Division of the Necessaries of Life. Mr. Coyne graduated from the Suffolk Law School with the Class of 1928. After completing his course he took a position with William L. Baxter in the law office of Bushnell and Vahey.

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Massachusetts is the pioneer state in probation work. In 1875, the first probation officer was appointed in the Municipal Court of the City of Boston by the Mayor. Later the law provided for appointments in other courts, and afterward the office was made mandatory, whereupon probation officers were appointed in every Court in the Commonwealth. As the judges became more interested and familiar with probation work, it was extended to a larger number of persons and to persons charged with graver offenses. In 1895 the Release Law was enacted which gave the probation officer discretionary power to release prisoners charged with drunkenness. This law has been amended from time to time until at present we have the right to release prisoners charged with drunkenness four times within a year, but we must hold for Court on the fifth arrest for drunkenness.

In 1912 officers were detailed to interview and release those who had been arrested for drunkenness during the day but had recovered sufficiently to be in suitable condition to be released in the late evening. This practice was later abolished.

In 1913 because of the development in the probation work of domestic relations cases, a separate session was established to hear them, following the enactment of the Uniform Domestic Relations Act the previous year.

In 1912 also a probation officer was assigned to do employment work exclusively. This has developed very successfully and is operating effectively even under present trying conditions.

In 1913 a psychologist and doctor of medicine was appointed as assistant probation officer to make physical and mental examinations. Since that time a woman physician and psychiatrist has been appointed.

To one of the probation officers is assigned the duty of collection of fines, monies in non-support, and in restitution. $176,000 was thus collected in small amounts last year.

In 1913 the Bastardy Act was passed, and in 1915 the Distribute Parent Act was passed. Laws were brought to the court under these acts are handled in our domestic relations department.

In November 1930 cases handled in the Municipal Court included abandonment, adultery, assault and battery, (armed and unarmed) bastardy, concealed weapons, destruction of property, designate parents, drunkenness, false alarm, forgery, fraud, fraud and disorderly conduct, indecency, jailing, lewdness, misleading advertisements, non-support, unlicensed peddling, violation of Drug Law, Liquor Law and True Name Law.

Mental and physical tests are given and required recommendations made. Some have received hospital treatment. Others are committed to the Psychopathic Hospital, hospitals for the insane, or to the delinquent department.

There are three important elements in probation work: (1) Investigation, (2) Supervision, (3) Surrender.

To give you a comprehensive outline of the possibilities of a well-developed probation service, and incidentally to give you the help that you need in your own problem cases, present a structural view to show how the service functions in the Boston Municipal Court. As the work must be done quickly, effectively, and accurately, we have been obliged to have officers specialize. Today we have four officers regularly assigned to court work, two men and two women. These officers interview the prisoners in the House of Detention and the City Prison, interview bailed defendants, collect information by means of telephone, letter, or visits to home, work or school. These officers plan the investigations necessary and these investigations are turned over to the field force. This field force consists of six women and eight men. With all the facts in hand the probation officer then presents these facts to the court and makes a recommendation. The psychiatrists were appointed as a help particularly to this branch of the service.

Residential investigation, the fourteen field workers are also obliged to supervise the cases placed on probation. These cases are distributed to them according to the district in which the probationer resides.

The supervision work is supplied by the employment service, the domestic relations service, the medical service, and the bureau of inspection. In unemployment and destitute cases the legislature has allowed the sum of two thousand dollars to be expended annually for immediate relief. Such provision is necessary, as welfare organizations do not ordinarily function without previous investigation and report on a case, which necessitates delay.

To the domestic relations department come different types of cases, one in which court action seems absolutely necessary, and the other in which friendly advice or the simple fear of subsequent court procedure is sufficient to settle the case. To this department come lawyers, doctors, social workers, police officers, and relatives with serious domestic problems which have come to their attention. In this department are handled all non-support cases where wife, children, or parents are involved, assault and battery and threat cases where members of a family are involved, stubborn children, cases arising out of violation of the school attendance laws, cases of incest and other very serious charges of immorality. In this department the cases which give the greatest amount of satisfaction are the cases which we term informal, in which the whole status of the family has been changed and the respectability of the offending person maintained as far as the community is concerned. No warrant is issued in a domestic relations case without an investigation in the domestic relations department.

The personnel of this department is made up of one probation officer in charge who is also assistant to the chief, four probation officers assigned to investigation and supervision, two women probation officers who are assigned to bastardy complaints, and complaints of non-support of children in which the mother is the potential defendant, abandonment of children cases, and many cases in which the husband and wife are separated and which are referred by the men's office to the women investigators because of domestic problems which could be better handled by them, especially if the husband and wife are separated and the wife is caring for the children.

The man in this department who handles the court reporting is a lawyer and also handles any legal problem for any probation officer in the department. It is surprising the number of cases which really need his attention—temporary guardianship, adoption, questions with landlords, installment houses, and sometimes where the need is great and divorce is the only remedy, he has gone in on such cases. Now having reviewed somewhat the duties of the probation officers, I will discuss very briefly a power which is far-reaching. We are given police power insofar as it concerns the probationers in our care. This, of course, gives us the right to surrender for violation. Because of the consequences of misuse of such power, we have tried
to safeguard ourselves in this respect. There are no surrenders made without consultation with the chief officer with the supervisors. There are two supervisors, one man and one woman, who supervise case work of the probation officers. We do not surrender on hearsay. The Supreme Court has ruled that we do not have to prove a case, but we always feel for our own protection that we want to prove a case to the judge on a surrender.

A competent and adequate staff of clerks is also necessary. For instance, in the municipal court today two men clerks are helping the probation officers; two clerks are handling the money coming through the office for non-support, fines, and restitution, others are taking reports, dictation, preparing statistics, general office work, etc. The legislature has also given us the task of exchange of information with the Parole Department, the Registry of Motor Vehicles, the Department of Mental Diseases, etc.

Report of the year 1929-1930:

Criminal Drunk Total
Number arrested 25,552 17,520 48,072
Number sentenced 508 1,972 2,480
Number fined 12,892 7 12,899
No. on probation 3,375 557 4,332
Number released 11,760 11,760
Number appealed 2,940 181 2,221

Beyond this work outlined above, it is necessary for probation officers to attend staff conferences, group conferences, State conferences, etc. The work cannot be measured by hours, since we have many families coming to us with the morale absolutely broken and it not only means work with one member of the family to change the whole status, but with many members, and this means frequent night visits.

Probation service demands a most careful study of humans. The motives, interests and purposes impelling human conduct must be analyzed and interpreted by clear, forceful decisions and an understanding heart.

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WHAT DANIEL WEBSTER MIGHT HAVE BEEN

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son. He told him that he was all set for life in a wonderful and lucrative job. The look in his son's face and his failure to enthuse brought Judge Webster to a halt.

Then when Daniel told him that he was not going to take the job the old man exploded with wrath.

"Your mother," he cried, "always said you were going to be something or nothing. The problem is solved tonight. You are going to be nothing."

Daniel Webster returned to Boston. He continued in Christopher Gore's office until his admission to the bar in March, 1805. Some other fortunate young man was then a clerk in Judge Webster's court. That was, no doubt, all that he was qualified to become. But Daniel never became a clerk of courts. He had greater talents. What would the world have missed if Daniel Webster had lived and died a mere clerk of courts!

I wonder how often men of great talents, because they lack ambition, bury themselves in little jobs. The easiest task may be fallen into. The greater task requires climbing and hard work.
Annual Election—January 8—8 P. M. at the Club House

For President: Thomas J. Finnegan
Office: 40 Court Street, Boston and 9 Pleasant Street, Malden.
Att’y, Finnegan has been prominent in alumni work since graduation in 1925 and is the present vice-president of the Association. He is a graduate of Boston College, A. B., 1914. For some years he has been managing the Boston Mercantile and Collection Agency, Inc., and is its attorney.
To hundreds of graduates he is known as “Professor Finnegan,” for he has won the respect and admiration of many Suffolk men by thorough instruction in Sales and Bankruptcy.
Mr. Finnegan is married, has a fine family, and resides in Malden.

For Vice-President: Fred Gillespie
Office: For fifteen years at 89 State Street, Boston.
President, Class of 1918. Admitted to practice of law in 1919, and has since been very successful, having fine contacts with lumber and manufacturing concerns.
Treasurer, Fred Gillespie Lumber Company.
Mr. Gillespie is married and resides in Winthrop.

For Secretary: Alden M. Cleveland
Holding office since the founding of the Association and nominated by the Trustees, under the constitution. Gives his entire time to the work of the Alumni Association.
Mr. Cleveland is married, has four children, and lives at 73 Hancock Street, Boston.

Report of Nominating Committee
Unlike a year ago, the election this year does not present competition for office. From the ranks of those who have persistently worked in the interests of the association and co-operated in the membership campaign have emerged those candidates here-with presented, as leaders for the ensuing year.
Thomas J. Finnegan, President; Fred Gillespie, Vice-President; Alden M. Cleveland, Secretary; Martin W. Powers, Treasurer; Maurice H. Cavanagh, Executive Committee; Joel L. Miller, Executive Committee.
Respectfully submitted,
JOEL L. MILLER, Chairman.

For Treasurer: Martin W. Powers
Office: 10 State Street, Boston, since graduation.
President, Class of 1925.
Formerly Manager Mortgage and Loan Dept., Old Colony Trust Co., and since entering the legal profession has enjoyed increasing success in general practice and special success in Trusts.
Treasurer, Suffolk Law Alumni Assn., since it was founded.
Mr. Powers is married, has two children, and resides in Belmont.

For The Executive Committee
Maurice H. Cavanagh
Office: 7 Davis Square, Somerville, since graduation in 1925.
He is one of a family of thirteen children, four brothers of whom are graduates of Suffolk. He was formerly active in mining interests in Missouri, Arizona, Mexico, Ontario and Alaska, where he served as secretary to manager, and as assistant manager, mine superintendent and business manager. Since entering the legal profession he has become one of the most successful of our suburban practitioners.
Mr. Cavanagh is President of the Somerville Suffolk Law Club and of the Davis Square Board of Trade. He is unmarried and resides in Somerville.

For The Executive Committee
Joel L. Miller
Office: 43 Tremont Street, Boston, now the firm of Miller and Murphy, both of ’29.
For some years he has been owner and manager of The Service, Inc., a successful credit and collection business. He graduated from Harvard, with A. B. degree in 1916. At Suffolk he was editor of the Jurist, and class historian.
He is President of the Dorchester-Mattapan Suffolk Law Club and of the Wolf Post Assn., Credit Union; Chairman of the Advisory Committee Sarah Greenwood School Center and Senior Vice-Commander of the Wolf Post, V. F. W., of Dorchester. He is Past Commander, Malden Post 69, American Legion, and Past President of the Malden Y. M. H. A.
Mr. Miller is married, has one son, and resides in Dorchester.

CONTACT
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It is very fortunate that the Alumni Association and the local clubs have a medium like the Alumni NEWS to reveal to the members of the Association the wonderful contact work that is going on. My hope is that all the clubs use this medium to its greatest extent and let us have “100% contact” for Suffolk Men.