

teachers at the Law School would act as the principals of this office, intervening where necessary to ensure that clients received the correct treatment.

The value of such a suggestion would be that students would have the opportunity, otherwise denied to them, of seeing how a lawyer's business actually functions and of being given the responsibility, under supervision, of doing the work that they will have to do without supervision at the end of their practical training. There would also be an incidental consequence of great importance, that this would be the means of extending the present sketchy provision of free legal aid and advice to the poor in African countries. Quite possibly such offices could be established at more than one centre in a country.

No one would suggest that medical practitioners should be allowed to treat patients without a period of clinical training first; it is a common sight in teaching hospitals to see the medical students going round with the doctor, and even interviewing patients before they reach the doctor. This analogy would seem to be valid for the legal profession too.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 1961

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held on Saturday, 16th December, 1961, at 10.30 a.m. at St. Catharine's, Cumberland Lodge, Windsor, England (by invitation of Cumberland Lodge). All paid-up members of the Association are entitled to attend.

The Annual General Meeting has been arranged to coincide with a Reading Party organized primarily for students at St. Catharine's during the week 12th—18th December, 1961. This Reading Party will be examining, under the general title of "New law for a new Africa", the legal implications of social, economic, political and constitutional change in Africa. It is hoped that this will permit students having a variety of distinct though connected interests in African affairs, both legal and non-legal, to exchange opinions on the growth and reform of African legal institutions.