

# Off To A Happy Marriage and Starting Trainees off to be Good Law Men



ELAINE AND NEIL ON THE HAPPY DAY.



LECTURING TO SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES ON LEGAL MATTERS.

**NEIL**  
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Neil started to specialize in this branch of the law, when he first was admitted to practice in New York City after graduating from Columbia University Law School. Like other lawyers he is a member of bar associations in the county and state where he has been practicing but unlike other attorney's he became president of Western Trial Lawyers Journal, and treasurer of the Workman's Compensation Section of the national organization.

As a foremost authority on accident litigation, he knows most of the answers to the questions we all are asking ourselves: Why must there be so many accidents and what can we do to prevent them?

"Accidents don't happen," insisted Neil, "they are caused by thoughtlessness of people."

"The sad circumstance," he continued, "is a person of normal earning power, suddenly being victim to an accident. Medical bills, loss of weekly income, rehabilitation requirements, all could casue a financial breakdown in a family that otherwise had managed to maintain a happy level."

That is why Galatz is a foremost advocate for compulsory liability insurance covering no less than \$20,000 for each person with a claim and \$40,000 for each accident. "We need it in this area, to protect the innocent," Galatz claims.

As the law now stands, financial responsibility commences only after the first accident.

Galatz leaves no stone unturned in his quest to determine the cause of an accident and thereby he comes up with logical conclusions in fixing the blame. After a number of accidents were reported across the country involving a certain make of car manufactured from 1961 to 1963, Galatz embarked on an extensive research. He is conclusively certain the cau-

se of the accidents in these particular cases was due to inadequate suspension and weight too far forward in the specific model automobile.

Hundreds of cases are pending, and many have been settled out of court, but Neil's deductions have yet to be disproven.

All his life he has been making up his mind quickly and displaying a determination to follow through.

Like the three day stop-over he made in Las Vegas as a tourist. That was back in February of 1958. Sight-seeing the streets he noticed Murray Posin's shingle outside his law office. Galatz went in and introduced himself. Murray, on his way to court, invited Neil to come along. The case took minutes. As they were walking back Neil decided any place where justice was so swift, was for him. He decided to stay.

Three years later Neil was vacationing in Phoenix. He liked it and set up a law office. He stayed a year. Suddenly he was homesick for Vegas. Up he packed and returned.

By this time he'd become married to the charming Elaine Bricker, who was just as impetuous as Neil in making decisions. Where do you think they met? Over a crap table. The introduction was made by a casino manager, proving love and gambling do have some compatable relationships.

She was a student at the University of Wisconsin on her way to the Rose Bowl. She had stopped off in Vegas for three days. With Neil around, the galloping dominos took precedence over the galloping backfield. She never got to the game. They were wed in her home town of Madison. Neil's parents Julius and Dorothy, native Americans, came from New York City to attend the wedding so did his brother Malcolm and sister Karen.

Neil, who was born in the Yorkville section of Manhattan, attended Bronx High School of Science, one of the

foremost secondary schools of its kind in America. He was a member of the swimming team.

The Galatzes expect their first child in May of this year.

Believing that all accidents and no diversion would make Neil a dull person, he manages to spend considerable time in enhancing others in the legal profession, as well as doing more than his share in civic and religious endeavors.

As a deputy district attorney in Clark County, Neil lectured incoming members of the Sheriff's force on the fundamentals of reporting necessary factors in accidents. To this day he travels extensively all over the country lecturing law, medicine and law enforcement groups on recent interpretations of the law. He has been chairman of the Civil Practice and Procedure Committee of the Nevada State Bar since 1963, and has served the same office for a number of committees of the Clark County Bar Association.

As chairman of many legal conventions, he is largely responsible for bringing many large gatherings to our fair city.

Galatz served as parliamentarian for the City of Hope in 1961 and 1963, and he's a member of the Elks and Variety Clubs. He was on the advisor board of the Las Vegas Theatre Guild and even acted in various plays for little theatre groups here and in Phoenix.

That is why one of his favorite hobbies is the legitimate theatre, along with record collecting, marksmanship and traveling.

Neil never forgot his responsibility as a Jew. He was president of B'nai B'rith in 1963 and '64, Anti-Defamation League chairman for two years, served the local chapter of the American Jewish Committee last year and currently is chairman of the Jewish Adult Education Committee of Temple Beth Shalom. He is

most enthusiastic about the JAEC's classes each week in Bible study and Hebrew. Neil states emphatically, the lectures conducted by top authorities in various aspects of art, music, society, psychology, marriage, literature, etc., are most inspiring and should be a must for every adult seeking intellectual enhancement.

His plans for next year

are even more extensive, expanding to folk dances, films, performing artists and shows. He suggests all mature minded persons make plans to register as soon as possible.

That's quite a record of achievement for a young man just out of his twenties, isn't it? That's right, Neil is just 33. For every hair missing from his head (He is not self-

conscious about his premature baldness) he has performed a useful deed for his fellow man.

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