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tract covering Le Cocq's interest in his law offices and equipment.

The entire estate will go to the two churches in trust to use the income for scholarships for needy and worthy graduates of Lynden Public High School and Lynden Christian High School.

Both Rev. Miller and Rev. Brandt, speaking for their respective congregations, expressed their appreciation to Le Cocq for establishing the trust. "The scholarships made possible by the trust will begin to fill a need that has been present in our community for a long time," Rev. Brandt said.

The trust agreements, after making provisions for life for the members of Le Cocq's family, provide that the interest, rentals and income of the estate, including the income of the part held by the trust department of the bank shall go into a special fund of the churches designated as the R. B. Le Cocq Foundation.

A committee appointed by the consistories of the churches, Dr. John Cook, Claude Vander Stoep and Harold Smith, of the First Reformed Church, and Peter Elenbaas and Earl Van Der Werff of the Faith Reformed Church, have been appointed as members and Supt. of Public Schools, Elbert Isom, and Peter Enfield, recently appointed Agricultural Director of the Seattle Bank for Whatcom, Skagit and Snohomish counties, as ex-officio members of the committee.

Scholarships will be awarded one year at a time, and if the applicant who has received a scholarship for one year remains worthy and needy the committee in its discretion can renew the scholarships each year for a full four year course in college or technical school," the committee said.

"A provision in the application forms provides that the student receiving benefits under the foundation will repay the amounts granted to him, if he is able to do so, at the discretion of the committee, commencing one or two years after he or she has entered the profession or vocation for which the scholarships were granted."

No interest is provided for except that if the committee so determines, then the student shall pay six per cent per annum, but only from the time the repayments are due. Thus a revolving fund can be maintained for many years so that many boys and girls, especially farm boys and girls, of the Lynden community can receive benefits under the trust.

Le Cocq stated that during his more than 50 years of law practice in the Lynden community he has often noted that many boys and girls with marked talents have not been able to get a college education by reason of lack of funds, and that he wanted to do something to help this situation.

"It is a matter of regret that legal details in establishing this trust could not be completed sooner," the committee said. "But if too late for this year, some students may be able to get benefits for the second semester or perhaps for the whole college year. Two \$1000 scholarships for the year could be granted now; more will be available next fall according to the estimates."

Application blanks can be obtained from Supt. Isom, Supt. Boxum, Peter Enfield, or any member of the committee.