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GAVIT AND MANN OF I. U. SUE PUBLISHING COMPANY

CHICAGO, June 19.—(AP)—Two members of the Indiana University Law School faculty of Bloomington, Ind., filed libel suits today in Federal Court, each asking \$400,000 damages from the Illinois Publishing and Printing Company.

Bernard C. Gavit, dean of the law school, and W. Howard Mann, law professor, charged in the complaint that they were libeled by an article entitled "Communism on the Campus," published by the Chicago Herald-American.

The Illinois Publishing and Printing Company publishes the Herald-American.

The Indiana Department of the American Legion last Summer demanded an investigation as to whether there were any Communists on the I. U. faculty. The University's board of trustees gave the faculty a clean bill of political health in a report to Governor Gates.