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The Senior Law Class

President—John B. Smith
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Senior Law Class Orator—Vermont M. Finley
With the arrival and enrollment of the Freshmen laws of 1906, it was conceded by the faculty and recognized by the critical citizens of Bloomington in general, that the class of 1909 was the most promising that had ever entered the Law School. The ranks of the future Cokes and Blackstones were reinforced from time to time with A. B. men to such an extent that now about fifty per cent. of the class can tack that coveted degree to their names.

To mention the illustrious Seniors would require the enumeration of the personnel of the class. Each member has marked and recognized natural ability for the law. Hence special individual mention is almost impossible, therefore the policy and achievements of the class as a whole will suffice.

Throughout the college year the Seniors have endeavored to influence the under-classmen of the law school by their good and wholesome advice. At all times have they been ready and willing to aid in fostering the dignity of the profession and to impress this valuable asset upon the infants of the law school; but at no time have they hesitated to curb and suppress the egotistical tendencies, which might arise among these striplings.

Unlike the impudent Freshmen, the seniors fully realize the great responsibilities soon to be thrust upon them. They have learned too well that to be successful in the noblest of all professions, they must win cases. Considering the winning of cases as a criterion of success, several of the members have already established their reputation as successful pleaders, for they have taken unto themselves a life partner, others are prosecuting their cases with such consummate skill and determination that they too, no doubt, will receive a favorable verdict or succeed in having the demurrer overruled in the final judgment.

The assuming Freshies can well emulate the dignified Seniors, for they will yet have many obstacles to surmount before they can play the role of the future statesmen. It is our most cherished hope that those fondlings have greatly profited by the mere contact of these sages, or the words of wisdom dropped from the lips of the future lawmakers, the Class of 1909.

A. E. S.
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Amos S. Hershey
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William H. Beeler

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The School of Law

The lot of the present college generation at the university has fallen in prosperous days at the Indiana University School of Law.

Since the original inception of the school in 1838, and from the time of its actual opening in 1842, when its founders declared the purpose to "build up a Law School that shall be inferior to none west of the mountains", its history has been a gradual growth toward the fulfillment of that idea. Today the Indiana University School of Law is one of the leading schools of its kind. One of the leading professors of Harvard University, the "Oxford of America", has said: "The Law School of Indiana University is the best Law School west of the Allegheny Mountains."

The following personnel is embraced in the faculty of the School of Law for 1908-1909: Enoch G. Hogate, Dean and Professor of Law; Charles M. Hepburn, Professor of Law; Jesse M. La Follette, Professor of Law; William H. Beeler, Associate Professor of Law; Edwin R. Keedy, Associate Professor of Law; James M. Sheldon, Instructor in Law; Robert L. Mellen, Instructor in Law; Amos S. Hershey, Professor of International Law and Theory of the State; Noble C. Butler, Lecturer on Federal Jurisdiction and Procedure; Virgil H. Lockwood, Lecturer on Patent Law and Trade Marks, and Albert Rabb, Lecturer on the Law of Bankruptcy.

To facilitate the enlarged development of the school, ample accommodations are afforded by the commodious quarters in Maxwell Hall. This beautiful structure, the most artistic on the campus, is occupied exclusively by the School of Law. This Hall is conceded to be one of the best appointed law school buildings in the United States. All recitations and lectures are held here; the moot court and practice courts convene here; and here are located the private offices of the dean and of the various law professors, besides reading rooms, consultation rooms and law librarian's room. The large library in addition contains 6,500 volumes and has recently added the latest revision of the Statutes of all of the states of the Union, of the Territories, and of our insular possessions, and the session laws in each case since the revisions.

The school maintains a standard that satisfies the demands of the best legal educators of the country. At present only thirty-nine of the one hundred law schools in the United States are eligible to membership in the American Association of Law Schools. The Indiana University School of Law is one of this number.
Not Guilty
A True Fish Story of a Real Fish Tail
LEWIS A. HARDING

It was a river or lake town, it doesn't matter much which. Old Enrico imposed his cart and burden near a busy crossing. In manner and person he betokened his nativity "in some foreign part", Italian sun had tanned him dusky brown, and on his hands were shining scales and even on his face—fish scales, of course.

"Shape fish! Shape fish! Shape fish!"

A workman, child or woman stops to ask the price. They "split the hair", paid the cash and went away to have their fry.

Yip Se, Chinaman, in white vesture, stands aloof by old Enrico's counter. The motley knot is waiting there to get their fry. Enrico is busy and Yip Se knows it. Watch that Chinaman.

"Fishee, me wantee fishie, goodee fishee."

Now Yip Se at a risky gait is traipsing down the street and casts his cross-cut glance askance. Suddenly two Italian orbs look daggers. "By holy stars of Italy!" exclaimed the vender. "Way goes Chinaman, pig-tail and fish!"

The fish market is tight there in a minute. A top trout has disappeared. That fish was in Enrico's cart a moment before, and it was a fine one, half as long as yonder unwashed urchin and quite as broad as that Irish lass's shoulders. Someone had that scaly prize and held it secreted no doubt close to his anxious heart.

This incident of the street was observed by a dentist from the second floor opposite. In next evening's edition of the Daily Register appeared, among other items of court news, the following:

"JUDGE PAT PELICAN"

"From Lack of Evidence Acquits Chinaman"
"Under Charge of Stealing a Fish"
"A Humorous Incident"

"This afternoon Judge Pelican's court heard the preliminaries in the case of Merrill W. Joslin vs. M. P. & W. Ry. The case of Enrico Sino vs. Yip Se, defendant, charged with petit larceny, was called. This case, for one reason at least, may be noted as the remarkable one of the docket for this term.

"From the circumstances it seemed that one Yip Se, Chinaman, in a dark way had made theft of a fish from the street stand of one Enrico Sino, Italian. Estal Bigby, counsel for the defendant, argued that although the fish was on the cart before Yip Se passed the vender, and not there immediately after, yet no one saw him take the fish, and urged that the evidence offered against Yip Se for that reason was only sheer,—thin,—circumstantial.

"The wily young attorney was just concluding his plea and as he closed the case to the court he struck a last lick for the Chinaman. 'Every iota of evidence,' he said, 'brought by the plaintiff against this yellow son of the Orient is weakly circumstantial, and so far as shown, either from that motley knot about the cunning Italian trader might at this minute have that very fish concealed under his coat in this very court room. My contention is that the defendant is not guilty.'

"Yip Se waited with some anxiety for the verdict. Judge Pelican briefly stated the case and pronounced the verdict, Not Guilty. In an instant a roar, yea a broadside of roaring laughter which even set the symbolic balances atremble in their dignity above the bar. The child of Confucius, with a sharp air of absolute justification, exhibited his usual comic smile of the draw-string type, and made his quaint adieu, when lo, behold a fish tail there protruding from beneath his vest.

"But the verdict cast the die. And it was with a real twinkle in his Irish eye, that Judge Pelican concluded the proceedings with: 'Not guilty owing to lack of evidence. But sir, I would advise you the next time you steal a fish to keep its entire tail out of sight.'"