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THIRTY-FOUR YEARS LAW TEACHING

By PROF. T. W. HUGHES

The president of the class requested a contribution to the Bulletin from my pen, and in doing so added that I might "write on any subject." It has occurred to me that the class of Law '94, whom I quizzed thirty-four years ago, might be somewhat interested in reading of a few events that have crossed my path during that long interval.

Although I have reached the terminus of the allotted span of human life—three score years and ten—I am still in harness and playing the same old game. I intended quitting a year ago; and the law student body of Washburn College, knowing my intention, unanimously passed a resolution recommending to the president and board of trustees of the college that I be granted a pension and given the title of Professor Emeritus.

I am very desirous of spending my few remaining winters in Miami, Florida. President Womer of Washburn College, and its board of trustees, at my request granted me a year's leave of absence, and very graciously added a half year's salary. One of my hobbies, however, is teaching law; and I find it hard to quit. I am still, in spite of my age, quite vigorous. I now, always have been, and always will be, one of the "boys." I have arrived in Miami and will probably do some teaching there. Overtures have been made to me by the president of Miami University, and I may do some teaching in that institution.

During my long experience in teaching law, I have had, in one respect, a varied career. I have been teaching law in Washburn College for thirteen years.

Twenty years ago, while walking down Euclid Avenue, in Cleveland, I had a somewhat peculiar experience. A man of fine physique, who was walking behind me, slapped me on the shoulder. I turned to see who he was, and, dramatically touching

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By JUDGE F. L. ANDERSON

The Bulletin has always been interesting and beneficial. I am always pleased to receive it—the articles respectively contributed by some member of the class are of especial interest. The Bulletin carries one back through the years and causes one to reflect and to ponder and, in fact, to take stock of self; it is inspirational.

We may all be proud of our Alma Mater. A splendid opportunity was afforded to the student. We now fully realize, however, that success depends upon the effort, the application and the energy that the individual puts into the work. The average young man does not fully comprehend such fact, but he learns it later.

In this connection, I am reminded of what Professor Mechem once said to the class—and he was a good instructor. I received more benefit from his lectures, probably, than from any other. During one of his lectures there was some noise in the room; he stopped, and without saying a word he left and went to his office. The class held a meeting and appointed a committee to call upon him and make apology and to request him to return (I happened to be a member of that committee). He returned to the lecture room much affected—there was perfect silence—the situation was dramatic! He explained with considerable feeling that the opportunity was afforded, but that without the effort on the part of the student nothing was accomplished. He then delivered the balance of the lecture. And during the balance of the year splendid attention was given to his lectures.

I like to read in the Bulletin about what the individual members of the class have been doing, especially those whom I remember. Perhaps there are others who have that same desire, and for that reason I make bold to say for myself that I began the practice in Marion, Iowa, in the fall of 1894 and continued in the general practice alone until 1921; I was then appointed

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LAW '94 LEADS IN REUNION ATTENDANCE

From the report of the attendance at the 25th year and 30th year reunions respectively of the classes of various departments, held at the June commencement this year, it appears that our class in point of attendance at our 25th year and 30th year reunions, held in 1919 and 1924 respectively, leads them all.

The highest number at a 25th year reunion this year was that of the class of 1903 Lit., with an attendance of 43 members of that class. The highest number at a 30th year reunion this year was that of Law '98, with 55 members of that class present. At our 25th year reunion, in 1919, we had 65 members of the class present, and at our 30th year reunion, in 1924, there were 63 members of the class present, although in point of total attendance including members of the families of some of the classmates, surviving members of the faculty, etc., the attendance reached 106 at the 30th year reunion, the largest number present at any of our reunions. We hope to exceed our record of attendance, at our forthcoming 35th year reunion, in June of next year.

Law '93, our seniors in the law school, held its 35th year reunion this past June, with 22 members of that class present.

ADMITTED ON MOTION

By DANIEL H. GRADY

A few days ago I found a letter written to me by Professor Otto Kirchner in December, 1894. I could hardly realize the span of nearly thirty-four years as I could so vividly recall the scenes of the class room where he put forth his great effort, endeavoring to impart to the student body the promptings of his majestic mind. It seems but yesterday that we awaited the appearance of that wonderful face so indicative of strength of character and the eye that bespoke that high degree of intelligence. Serious as he appeared, he was not lacking in a fine sense of humor. I well remember an incident that occurred one morning as I entered the class room, a few minutes late.

Professor Kirchner, ready to deliver his lecture, arose and stood holding his eye-glasses on his thumb as was

his custom, when I heard him making this request: "Will some gentleman please put out the dog?" I had seen no dog, but on taking my seat I discovered a big yellow hound lying on the floor. Our friend H. G. Cleveland, in response to the Professor's request, grabbed the hound by the loose hide of the back and the nape of the neck, dragged him to the swinging doors, and threw him into the hall. Professor Kirchner thanked him and said it reminded him of one of his early experiences at the Detroit bar. The court proceedings were delayed each morning as the Judge was invariably late, but the members of the bar were usually punctual. One morning, awaiting the arrival of the Judge, they carried on a mock trial. There was a member of the bar who was always followed by a retinue of blooded dogs and on this morning he entered with one bearing his name and registered number on the collar. When the proceedings lagged for expression of wit, a member of the bar arose and with great solemnity addressed the court, saying: "Your Honor, I move the admission to this bar of this applicant," bending down and reading the name and registered number from the collar of the dog. The Judge very promptly brought down the gavel and said: "Mr. Clerk, enter the order. Worse pups than he have been admitted."

The class can never forget Professor Kirchner's inspiring address upon the "Ethics of the Profession." His memory will be revered by every student whose proud privilege it was to receive his instruction and profit by his advice.

OBITUARY

Word has come to us, through classmate H. E. Michael, that classmate Richard Apperson died on or about August 14, 1928, in San Francisco, Cal., and that his remains were shipped to Kentucky for interment. For some time Apperson suffered seriously from eye trouble and was almost blind; and, it is said, that that affliction, together with other matters, preyed upon his mind to an extent that worry and grief contributed much to his demise. He leaves a wife and daughter.

Apperson was born and raised in Mt. Sterling, Ky., and was graduated from Centre College. After graduation from law school, he practised law for a short time in Cincinnati, O., and later engaged in business in that and in other cities.

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the thumb and fingers of his left hand with the forefinger of his right, he said: "Professor Hughes, burglary is the breaking and the entering of the dwelling house of another, in the nighttime, with intent to commit a felony." That man graduated from the law school of the University of Michigan ten years before he spoke to me.

The "boys" may be interested to know that I have written eight law books, and that I have just completed my first novel. The novel is entitled "The Love Affairs of the Saxon Twins."

If I continue in the flesh until the reunion of Law '94, in 1929, and be still able to navigate, I'll be there.

A REUNION—AN ELIXIR VITAE

A classmate once remarked that he did not believe in reunions, that the very thought of a class reunion made him "sad and feel old." Well, if that is his state of mind, we are very much afraid that the period of life known as "old age" has already crept upon him. A belief in and desire to attend class reunions are sure sign posts of a youthful spirit no matter at what stage of human life.

Our misguided friend probably never attended a reunion of our class. If he had, he would know that such a gathering is anything but a pre-funeral celebration, and that our classmates do not go about on those great occasions with serious and sober mien, swapping life's sad experiences and lamenting the fact that we are not living in an age of Methuselah. We can solemnly assure him that his attendance upon the forthcoming reunion of our 35th anniversary of graduation, in June, 1929, would act as a concentrated essence of rejuvenation and add some years to what, we hope, will in any event be a ripe old age.

THE NEW YORK JUDICIARY

Law '94 and its instructors are well represented among the New York judiciary and quasi-judiciary. Quizmaster "Bob" Thompson is a Judge of the Supreme Court; Harry L. Dunton is a Surrogate; George W. Fuller is a Referee in Bankruptcy, and Lulu Richardson Kelby is represented by her husband, ex-Judge Charles H. Kelby, a Referee in many important cases.

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Judge of the District Court and have since been re-elected three times to such position—to the 18th Judicial District bench, which comprises three counties, with four judges. Four-fifths or more of the court work is done at Cedar Rapids, and appeals are taken direct to the Supreme Court. The procedure in all matters is perhaps as simple as in other states. There is splendid co-operation and no time wasted.

I hope to attend the class reunion in 1929.

FOOTBALL THEN AND NOW

By SAMUEL P. IRWIN

I remember the football game between Michigan and Chicago in the fall of 1893, played on Thanksgiving Day. I was one of the half dozen who accompanied the team to Chicago. The University of Chicago was new and quite crude. The game was played in the forenoon on "Marshall" field, before perhaps 200 to 300 people. I was a spectator, only, but had a seat on the bench with the few substitutes that were brought along. Among the players I remember "Fatty" Smith, the two Griffins, "Pa" Henninger, "Dutch" Ferbert, "Big Jim" Hooper, "Count" Villa and George Dygert.

There was no kick-off in those days. The game started with a flying wedge. The whole team formed in a V, with the center at the apex. The man with the ball was hidden in the mass, so he could watch his opportunity and break loose for a run, when the wedge was broken up. I believe "Jimmy" Baird was the quarterback. The only way to stop the flying wedge was for several of the opposing team to fall in front of it and tumble the men, otherwise it would tear through to the goal. Some interference for the man with the ball! It was snowing when the game began and several inches of snow had fallen by the time it was over. I do not remember the score, but Michigan won. Perhaps some of the men who played in the game can remember the details.

In these later years, when I see thousands of spectators filling the stadiums, bands of one hundred or more pieces parading before the game, each school having three or four full teams on the ground, mov-

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ing picture cameras clicking, banners waving and the man at the microphone broadcasting the game to a million people sitting in their homes, my mind goes back to that game in Chicago in 1893 and I marvel anew at the changes that have come over this country of ours since then.

ITEMS

Daniel H. Grady is senior member of the law firm of Grady, Farnsworth & Walker, of Portage, Wis. He is one of the Regents of the University of Wisconsin.

Samuel P. Irwin has been Reporter of Decisions of the Supreme Court of Illinois for many years. "Illinois Reports" 246 was the first volume of reports made up by him, in 1911. He has his office in Bloomington, Ill.

W. Rhodes Hervey is First Vice President of the Los Angeles First National Trust & Savings Bank, of Los Angeles, Cal. The Pacific-Southwest Trust & Savings Bank, of that city, of which he was also First Vice President, was merged with the First National Bank of Los Angeles, under the said new name of Los Angeles First National Trust & Savings Bank, Hervey continuing as First Vice President of the bank under its new name upon consolidation.

Our Professor Alexis C. Angell attended his semi-centennial class reunion in Ann Arbor last June, as a member of the class of '78 of the university.

Luther Freeman's permanent P. O. address is La Bonte, Wyo. He has been doing some very important work for the Repollo Oil Co.

Irving W. Durfee has accepted an important business connection with George M. Forman & Co., Inc., of New York City and Chicago, dealers in Investment Securities and specializing in Public Utility Bonds. Durfee will have his office with the New York City office, at No. 120 Broadway.

Leslie H. Chatterson's home address now is No. 7415 Lowell Street, Santa Ana, Cal.

Judge Harland B. Howe was seriously ill last spring, undergoing an operation for appendicitis, in Burlington, Vt., from which we are pleased to report he has entirely recovered.

Percy Wilson, of Silver City, N. M., is the leading lawyer in southwestern New Mexico and is well known throughout the state. He represented the republicans of that state as member of the committee notifying Herbert Hoover of his nomination for president.

H. G. Cleaveland may be addressed at present at 3956 61st Street, Woodside, L. I.; Tel. Newtown 8720.

Clarence C. Stearns, who has been located for many years in Hayden, Colo., is largely interested in cattle and is a Justice of the Peace of that town, and is rated as one of its most substantial citizens.

Milton D. Bryce's new office address is No. 6416 S. Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Henry C. Vidal, of Denver, Colo., is associated with the offices of Hodges, Wilson & Rogers in that city. He is a most capable trial lawyer and does the principal trial work for that firm.

E. D. Babst with his family visited Europe during May and June.

John H. Hassinger, of Abingdon, Va., is taking a prolonged motor trip through the southwest and west and along the Pacific coast, calling on many classmates along his route. He reports much enthusiasm among them for the class organization and prophesies an increased attendance at the next reunion.

Dr. Joseph F. McGregor, formerly practising in Beaver, Utah, is now located in the practice of medicine and surgery at No. 131 South 8th East, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Willis K. Moore, of Ponca City, Okla., is general attorney for the Marland Refining Company.

Peter E. McDonald, who entered law school from Galena, Ill., has his law office in Freeport, Ill.

George E. Zimmerman served his native city of Mt. Vernon, Ind., four terms as Mayor. He is in the general law practice in that city.

George F. Waters is in the general practice with an office in the Ulmer Building, Cleveland, O.

Jesse B. Luce removed his office to No. 100 W. Monroe Street, Chicago.