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THE CONTINUING QUEST

FOR ADEQUATE FUNDING OF THE LAW SCHOOL

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In many ways I regret the need to write this story. I am proud of this Law School and grateful for the education which I received here. I am sure most of you—our alumni—feel the same way. I therefore am reluctant to write anything which tends to detract from the School's luster. The University of Wisconsin Law School long has been and still continues to be a great national law school, in my opinion. Nevertheless, I am forced to concede that for many years its financial resources have not kept pace with its goals and achievements.

For a long time, the highly inadequate physical facilities in which the school operated seemed to be the major problem. The school was severely criticized on this score by the ABA-AALS inspection team which visited the school in 1959. Nevertheless, the inspection team concluded in its report that "the law school and the university enjoy a distinguished reputation . . . There are few law schools in the United States and probably none of comparable resources, where the spirit of inquiry and productive scholarship has so thoroughly pervaded the faculty as at Wisconsin."

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