Digitization Projects at Law Library: I-Witness

- Alumni newsletter published from 1959 to 1968.
- Publication scanned, OCR done, and marked up in TEI.
- Available on both the Law Library webpage and the DLP webpage: www.dlib.indiana.edu/collections/law/iwitnes
A Message From Dean Wallace

To the Alumni of Indiana University School of Law:

It is a pleasure to greet all of you in this first issue of the news bulletin, The Witness, sponsored by the Alumni Association of the Law School. Both Divisions of the school continue their successful operation, and when any of you are either in Indianapolis or Bloomington, we hope that you will take time to visit us so that we may have the opportunity of renewing old acquaintances. It is our earnest desire by this publication to keep you in closer touch with Indiana University and the School of Law.

With warmest regards to all of you, I am
Respectfully yours,

LEON W. WALLACE
Dean

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Greeted This issue features The Witness, in which we hope to bring you the news and meaningful news and news of our school and to supply information about the activities of the various units of the school itself.

We feel that you will be interested in the news concerning our classes and the school as well as in news of the various units of the school itself.

This issue is intended to be a co-operation of news concerning our alumni—our present and former students, graduates, political, economic, social, literary, educational, and personal inside news of the various units of the school.

It is our aim to include an abundance of news concerning your alumni—your present and former students, graduates, political, economic, social, literary, educational, and personal news of the various units of the school.

For this we must rely upon any help that may be forthcoming from our friends or your fellow friends to Mr. Richard Quinones, Assistant Director, Department of Alumni, Indiana University, for further issues.

Sincerely,

Wallace, Dean

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School of Law Alumni Banquet Honoring John S. Hastings To Be Held June 7; Alumni, Wives Urged To Attend

The annual School of Law Alumni reception and banquet will be held on Sunday, June 7, 1930, in Alumni Hall. The reception will begin at 1:00, the banquet at 5:00. The cost of this event will be $2.00 per person and wives are cordially invited. Reservation forms will be sent out by the Alumni Association.

The program will honor Judge John S. Hastings, '94, visiting professor of the IU Board of Trustees. Mr. William Robin '14 will deliver the principal address and the portrait of Judge Hastings, a gift of the annual to the law school, will be unveiled.

In an age of rapid and changing tastes will be honored guests. In addition several classes will be planning reunions and socials will be held for these classes.

Law Alumni President Extends Greetings

FELLOW ALUMNI:

We extend to you our best wishes and report to the staff their wives, alumni, and other guests on March 21 at the Van Ossman Hotel.

Mr. L. M. Lippitt, Professor of Law at the University of Chicago, his major projects of interest are commercial law and jurisprudence in both of which, he claims to have been doing his share of work in the academic and professional fields of the law and the policy-making process. He is a fellow of the American Law Institute and a member of the Board of Editors of the American Law Review. He is a fellow of the American Law Institute and a member of the Board of Editors of the American Law Review.

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Bar Reports

All Indiana University law school graduates who took the Indiana bar exam in March were successful. Congratulations to the new lawyers.

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Bauman Leaving I.U.

Wallach to Teach at U.C.L.A.

Professor John W. Wallach, who has been a professor at Indiana University and the University of California, Los Angeles, has been appointed to the School of Law at the University of California, Los Angeles, as a full-time faculty member.

Professor Wallach will be teaching courses in administrative law and will be conducting workshops in the field of administrative law.

Law School students are encouraged to attend the university's Law Review and to participate in the various activities of the university's Law School and the university's Law Review.

Professor Wallach has been a visiting professor at the University of California, Los Angeles, and has been a visiting professor at the University of California, Berkeley.

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Digitization Projects at Law Library: Other Law School Publications

- Bill of Particulars: 1968 to present.

And others …
Digitization Projects at Law Library: Brevier Legislative Reports
Publishing history of the Brevier Legislative Reports

• Privately transcribed and published from 1858 to 1888 by Ariel and William Drapier.
• Although the State of Indiana did not publish it, the General Assembly most years would appropriate money to purchase copies.
• Verbatim transcription of General Assembly proceedings (as opposed to the House and Senate Journals published by the State).
• 22 bibliographic volumes (2 volumes not published) in 19 physical volumes.
Publishing History of the Brevier Legislative Reports (continued)

• Covers all Indiana General Assembly sessions from 1858 to 1887, except for the latter part of the 1875 Regular Session, and none of the 1875 Special Session, the 1877 Regular Session, and the 1877 Special Session.
Significance of the time period of the Brevier Legislative Reports

- Sectional crisis: 1858 to 1860
- Civil War: 1861 to 1865
- Reconstruction: 1865 to 1877
- Controversial Presidential election: 1876
- 13th Amendment (banning slavery): 1865
- 14th Amendment (defining citizenship and providing for due process of law): 1868
- 15th Amendment (voting rights for African-American men): 1870
- Westward expansion/transcontinental railroad
Debates detailed within the Brevier Legislative Reports

- State budgets
- Prosecution of the war effort
- Women’s suffrage
- Sheep-killing dogs
- Railroads
- Temperance and prohibition
- Education for both white and black children
- Hanging Jefferson Davis from a “Sour Apple Tree”
- Electing United States Senators

And many other issues
December 1, 2010

Brevier Legislative Reports

From the County of Elkhart: David H. White.
From the County of Lagrange and Noble: Henry A. Biddle.
From the Counties of St. Joseph and Noble: Henry S. Bedell.
From the Counties of Allen and White: Robert W. C. Baker.
From the Counties of Carroll, White and Pulaski: James J. Van Vleet.
From the County of Marion: Martin J. Van Vleet.
From the County of Monroe, George H. Chapman.
From the Counties of Hendricks and Putnam: Simon P. Fmley.
From the Counties of Tippecanoe and Montgomery: Robert Graham.
From the Counties of Kosciusko, Franklin and Allen: James A. Munn.

The Auditors of State made the formal announcement that taxes were a quarter present, and there was no order to raise taxes.

Mr. Mendenhall stated that the Senate proceed to the election of a President pro tempore, and for that position nominated the Senator from Knox—Mr. Viehe.

The motion carried—yeas, 67; nays, 1.

Mr. Viele, on taking the Chair, said:

The House is in session. A sense of the members is in order.

The Speaker then announced that the roll was called, and the House was made present. A sense of the members is in order.

The Speaker stated that the second order of business was the reading of bills, and the following were read and passed:

The Speaker then called for the reading of the reports of committees, and the following were read and passed:

Mr. Edwards offered a resolution, which was adopted, with reference to the copyright of a road system, and proposed questions relating thereto to the Attorney General for his opinion; also, a resolution that the Speaker appoint a Committee of nine to investigate the charge of exorbitancy in the rate of postal rates.

A message from the Senate announced the passage by that body of the bill [H. R. 1] appointing $200,000 for expenses of the General Assembly, with certain amendments, which was agreed to, and the amendments were concurred in by the House of Representatives.

Mr. Mendenhall offered a resolution to reconsider the motion passed yesterday, with reference to revising the House, which was referred to a Committee, with instructions to report before 10 o'clock.

Mr. Carter offered a resolution, which was adopted, that an examination be made of all the sections of the code and all the statutes, by the Speaker, and the results of the examination be reported to the Senate.

Mr. Cooper offered a resolution, which was adopted, that the Speaker appoint a committee to consider the code and all the statutes, by the Speaker, and the results of the examination be reported to the Senate.

The Speaker then announced the passage of the bill for the enlargement of the Post Office Department, and the following were read and passed:

And then the House adjourned till 1 o'clock to-morrow.
Library Service and Technology Act Grant

- Applied for grant in March, 2008 for $16,334.
- Grant approved in May, 2008.
- Began hiring student workers in September, 2008.
- Scanning and OCR began in October, 2008.
- Scanning and OCR completed in September, 2009 (files transferred to the Indiana State Library).
- TEI Markup continuing (down to last 2 volumes).
Grant-in-Aid from the Vice-Provost for Research

- Additional grant for $2500 applied for in July, 2009.
- Grant awarded by the office of the Vice-Provost for Research in November, 2009.
- Additional money allowed us to pay for student encoders through March, 2010.
Text Encoding Overview: Philosophy and Strategy

Encode the *Brevier Reports* to support meaningful and advanced discovery options* for users *and* to display the text in a readable manner

- Features of Interest:
  - Senate and House Proceedings
  - Enacted Legislation
  - Resolutions
  - Votes
  - Roll Call
  - Supplementary materials: Governor’s Message, Biographical Sketches, etc.

*Within the constraints of the grant*
THE BREVIER LEGISLATIVE REPORTS.
VOLUME TWENTY-FOUR.

INDIANA LEGISLATURE.

IN SENATE.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1887.

In obedience to a provision in Section 9, Article IV, of the Constitution of the State of Indiana, co:-it: "The sessions of the General Assembly shall be held biennially, at the Capitol of the State, commencing on the Thursday next after the first Monday of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, and of every second year thereafter, unless a different day or place shall have been appointed by law." State Senators elected in 1884 and State Senators elected in 1886, came together in the west wing of the New Capitol building in the City of Indianapolis, which was occupied this day for the first time as a Senate Chamber.

Since 1861 custom has fixed ten o'clock as the hour for the convening of the regular sessions of the Legislature, prompt. At that time Hon. James G. Simms, Speaker of the House of Representatives, was Speaker of both Houses of the Legislature. He was a native of the counties of Jennings and Jackson, and who was selected as President pro tem., of the Senate, at the last meeting of the Senate, having assumed the President's platform, rapped with a gavel upon the desk and said: "The Senate of the Fifty-fifth General Assembly will now come to order. Senators and Senator-elect will take their seats.

Mr. WINTER: Mr. Chairman.

The PRESIDENT pro tem.: Senators are required to keep order.

Mr. WINTER: Mr. Chairman, I rise to a point of order.

The PRESIDENT pro tem.: There is nothing that can be brought before this body. It is not organized. Your point of order cannot be received or determined.

Mr. WINTER: My point of order is that we should proceed with the organization of the Senate according to law.

The PRESIDENT pro tem.: Your point of order is out of order. [Rapping the gavel.]

Mr. WINTER: I appeal from the decision of the Chair.

The PRESIDENT pro tem.: Your appeal is out of order, and will not be entertained. [Rapping the gavel with the gavel.]

Mr. JOHNSON: I second the motion for an appeal, and desire to give notice that I will file a protest with the Clerk from the floor of this House.

Mr. WINTER: Then I rise to a question of privilege.

The PRESIDENT pro tem.: Your question of privilege is out of order. [Rapping the gavel.]

Mr. WINTER: To raise a question of privilege is a right possessed by every Senator upon the floor.

The PRESIDENT pro tem.: When an organization is perfected perhaps you are right, sir; but now, with the gavel in my hand, I am entitled to say, that in raising the gavel I tore it from the Clerk's table, and that the privilege guaranteed by the Constitution of the State, I reserve against the act of the person seeming to act as President pro tem., of the Senate as a thing improper, unquali-

Mr. WINTER: I protest against your discharging the duties of the Lieutenant-Governor in the organization of this Senate. The PRESIDENT pro tem.: Reduce your protest to writing. Senators will rise while we have prayer.
Text Encoding Overview: Document Analysis

- Very document-centric; not bibliographic encoding project
- Dense documents:
  - Main body was fairly predictable (proceedings)
  - Front and back matter content inconsistent and varied
- Encoding guidelines for the project were continually updated
Text Encoding Overview: Genre

• Encoding Legal Documents
  ▪ Judicial (i.e., court cases) v. Legislative (i.e., resolutions, laws)
  ▪ Primary source materials

• Examples
  ▪ Florida Historical Legal Documents Collection (no discernable markup)
  ▪ The Revised Dred Scott Case Collection (customized the TEI)
  ▪ The Old Bailey Online (customized the TEI)
Text Encoding: TEI P5

- TEI Guidelines for Electronic Text Encoding and Interchange, Version P5 (newest version)
- Division types:
  - Volume, Issue (bibliographic)
  - Senate, House
  - Section (syntactic)
  - Rollcall, vote, resolution
  - Enacted Legislation, bills
  - Biographical, Calendar, Errata, Governor’s Message, Memorial, Parliamentary Procedure, PO Addresses, Prospectus, Publisher’s Note, Reporter’s Note, Speech, Veto Message, Yea nay votes
- Enacted Legislation ID schema:
  - SB|SR|HB|HR|SJR|HJR|_yyyy_mm_dd_nnn
Text Encoding: Challenges and Special Features

- Optical Character Recognition (OCR): Generating and correcting the full text generated
  - Small print; little spacing between letters, faded text; columns
- Names: Speakers/Votes/Roll call
  - No resources for name authority work
- Hierarchical nature of content
  - Bibliographic constraints: Volume and the sometimes, issue
  - Embedded Content (Sessions, Section Headings, Resolutions, Votes, etc.)
- Encoding enacted legislation
  - Only resolutions that pass as bills are specially encoded; pre-meditated encoding workflow
- Wide-ranging supplementary materials
Brining the pieces together: Brevier Web site

- **METS Navigator**: Page images, PDFs and keyword searching

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- **XTF**: TEI for more advanced searching, full text display, and PDFs with links to METS Navigator for page images

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Brevier Legislative Reports Online Resource!
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