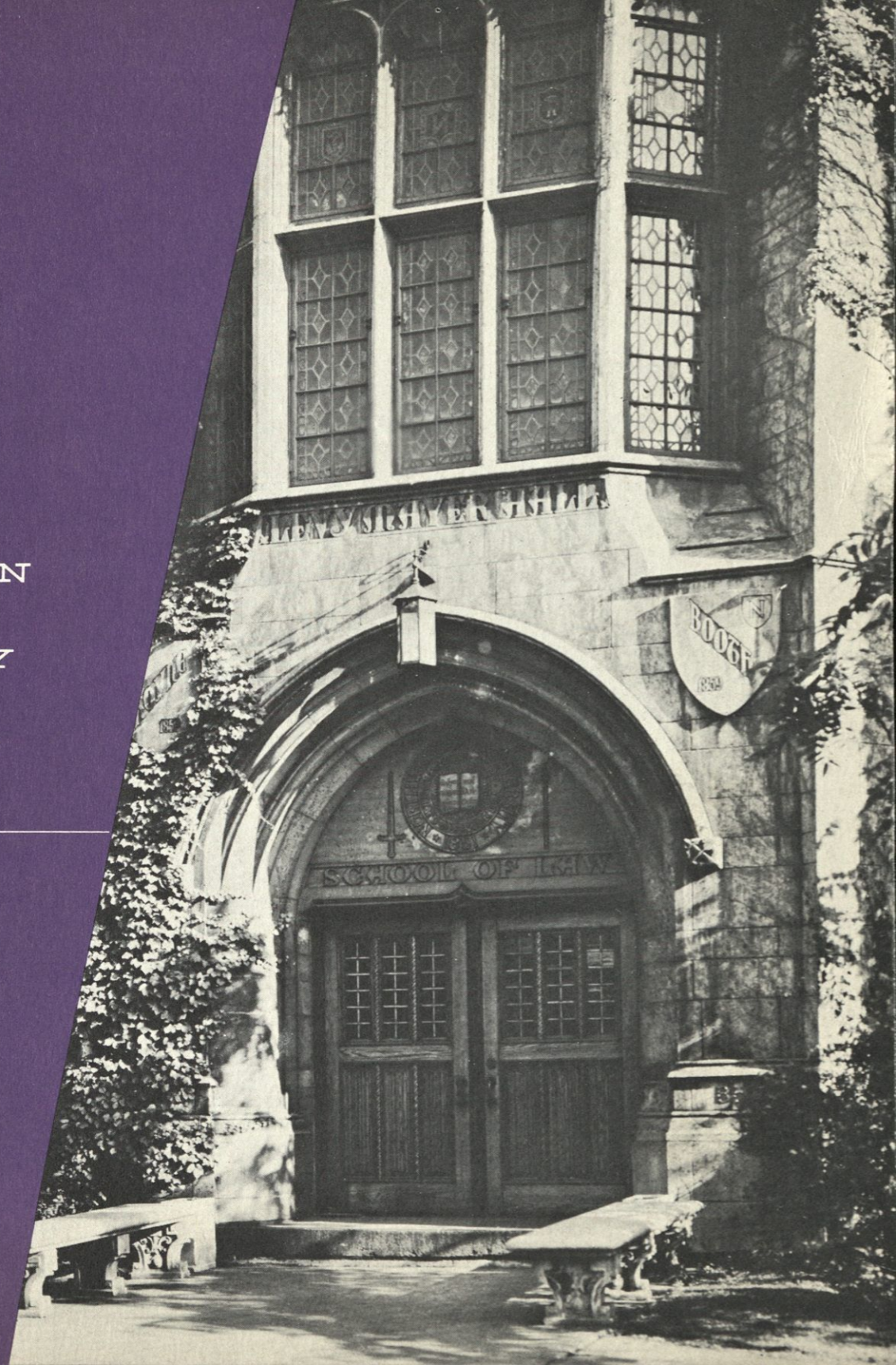


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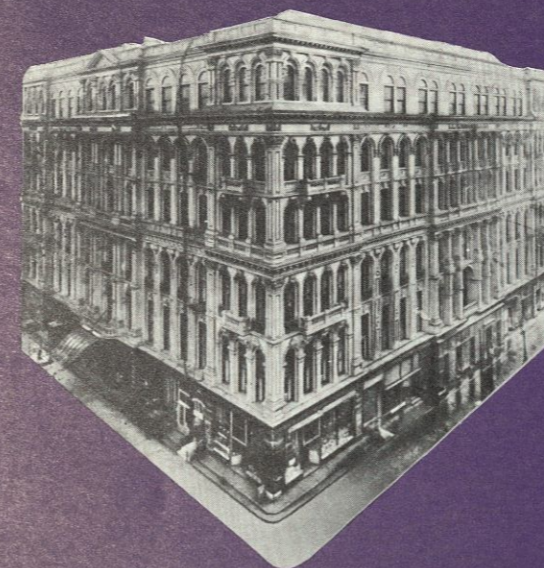
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The Tremont House which was occupied by Northwestern University Schools from 1902 to 1926.



From 1894 to 1899 the law school was located on the seventh floor of the Masonic Temple located on the northeast corner of State and Randolph.

YESTERDAY

A hundred years ago the accepted method of training a young lawyer was to "set him down in a law office and let him grow." Consequently there was interest throughout the Chicago area in the establishment of the city's first school of law. The pioneer institution opened its doors on September 21, 1859, as a result of a gift of \$5,000 provided by the Honorable Thomas Hoyne. At that time it was impossible for the founder, his faculty of one, or the eleven students to foresee that their one-room school of law would play a significant role in the development of modern legal education; or that it would one day become the School of Law of Northwestern University, respected everywhere for service and achievement.

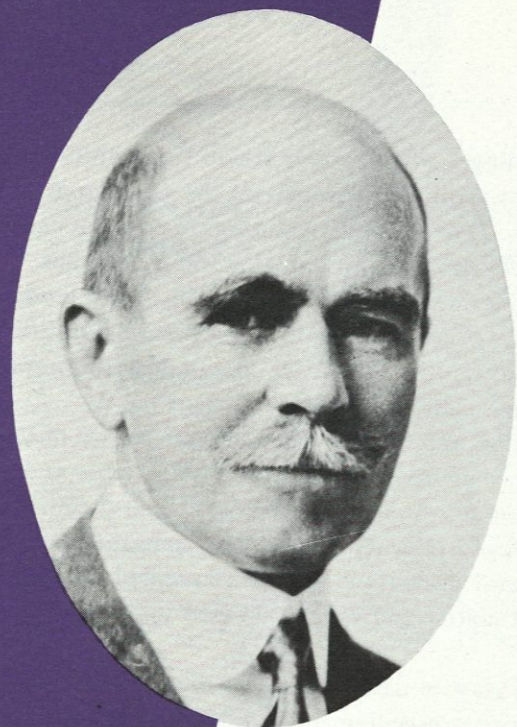
The original quarters on the fourth floor of an office building on the northeast corner of Clark and Washington Streets were the picture of simplicity. Facilities consisted of a plain table and a group of chairs. Dean of the School and sole professor was Judge Henry Booth, whose continuous years of service were to number more than three decades. The work in that first year consisted of readings in Blackstone and Kent, lectures and some general discussion. Students attended all classes in common without regard to order of studies or subject matter and were graduated upon examination at the end of one year.

During the fall of 1859 Judge Booth escorted his small class to daily sessions of the United States Courts for Northern Illinois where they observed the entire proceedings of John Wills against the Illinois Central Railroad—Stephen A. Douglas and Abraham Lincoln, opposing attorneys. A few years later five members of the first class were to give their lives for the far greater cause espoused by Lincoln. In the beginning and throughout its history the Law School has been closely linked with the great men and events of our nation.

Following the Civil War the School continued to grow in size and influence. From 1873 to 1886 it was operated as the Union College of Law under joint management of Northwestern and the old University of Chicago. In 1891 it became permanently the School of Law of Northwestern University. For the first seventy years the School abided for short periods in many buildings including the old Masonic Temple, the YMCA, and from 1902 to 1926 historic Tremont House.

In 1920 the University secured the present downtown Chicago campus for professional schools. Two years later as a sequel to the Law Alumni Campaign for a \$1,500,000 Endowment and Building Fund, Mrs. Levy Mayer donated the sum necessary for a law school building. In 1924 Elbert H. Gary, '67, donated funds needed for a library building. Upon the completion of these buildings in 1926 the School entered at last into a domicile of its own.

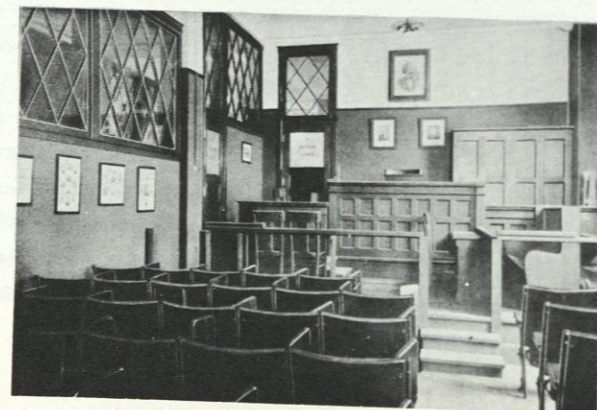
DEAN WIGMORE PROVIDED 40 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE



John Henry Wigmore was the man who more than anyone else gave the Law School the soul for greatness. A legal scholar of international reputation, Professor Wigmore came to Northwestern in 1893. He became Dean of the Law School in 1901 and continued in that post until his retirement in 1929. Among the most notable of his many contributions to the profession at large was his monumental treatise on Evidence published in 1905 and which through subsequent editions continues to be the definitive treatment on this subject.

Under Dean Wigmore's leadership the Law School entered upon an era of great expansion and progress. In 1896 Northwestern became the first school in the nation to lengthen the course of a law degree to three years. Whereas early legal education had emphasized memorizing legal doctrine and reading of black letter text, Wigmore quickly introduced dramatic improvements in methods of instruction. These included institution of the Socratic method, emphasizing stimulation of original thought through discussion; establishment of a practice court where the students tried cases of current litigation before judge and jury, and introduction of studies of jurisprudence and legal history, an innovation in law training.

Dean Wigmore gave to the Law School a vital sense of association with the long and honorable history of the legal profession. Through curriculum and environment he undertook to enrich legal scholarship with understanding of the traditions of the Law as developed through the great eras of Western Civilization. This purpose has been carried into the structure and furnishings of the present Law School buildings where it has been sought to provide for study amidst reminders of the great men and deeds of the world of Law.

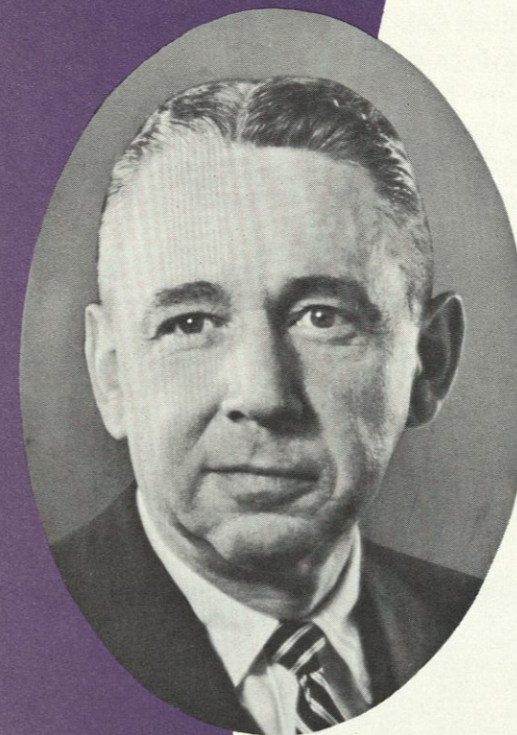


HOYNE HALL—LAW SCHOOL in the Northwestern University Building (Tremont House).



ROTUNDA—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY BUILDING (Tremont House) 1905.

TODAY A TRADITION OF SERVICE IS CONTINUED



Under the guidance of a scholarly and devoted faculty, Northwestern has maintained pace with the sweeping changes of this turbulent century. In response to greatly expanded horizons of the legal profession, studies have been introduced relating to specialized areas of constitutional, international and administrative law. The Law School has been responsible for fruitful developments in criminal law. It has revised studies pertinent to new codes of pleading, and has established courses in the fields of labor and tax law, areas completely unforeseen by Dean Booth in 1859. The 20th Century has witnessed the emergence of the Law as a profession vitally integrated with every phase of America's scientific, economic and political development. Throughout this period of new and increasingly complex demands the Law School has maintained and improved upon the quality of its program. Increasing recognition of the program is reflected by the recent Ford Foundation grants in the fields of criminal and international law.

After Dean Wigmore's retirement the law school was under the able leadership of two distinguished scholars—Leon Green, 1929 to 1947 and Harold Havighurst, 1947 to 1957. Dean Havighurst resigned in June, 1957 to devote more time to teaching and writing, and he continues to serve on the Law School faculty.

The present Dean is John Ritchie III, formerly Dean of the University of Wisconsin Law School. Under Dean Ritchie the School will place added emphasis on smaller class groups, the problem method of instruction, and programs of continuing legal education for members of the bar. Senior students will do much of their work in seminars. Fundamental to the program will be the mission of inculcating each student with the understanding that the practice of law is an honorable profession. Also paramount will be the objectives to train students to think clearly and logically, to equip them with knowledge about basic principles undergirding our legal institutions, and to provide training in the skills of research and communication.

The Law School as envisioned by Dean Ritchie is a partnership of students, faculty and alumni dedicated to the fourfold mission of teaching, research, aid in law revision and participation in continuing legal education. Traditionally it has been the role of the alumni to aid in interpreting the objectives of the Law School to the profession and the general public, to counsel on policy and to provide financial support. Dean Ritchie pledges himself to the end that the Law School may continue worthy of strong support from its alumni.

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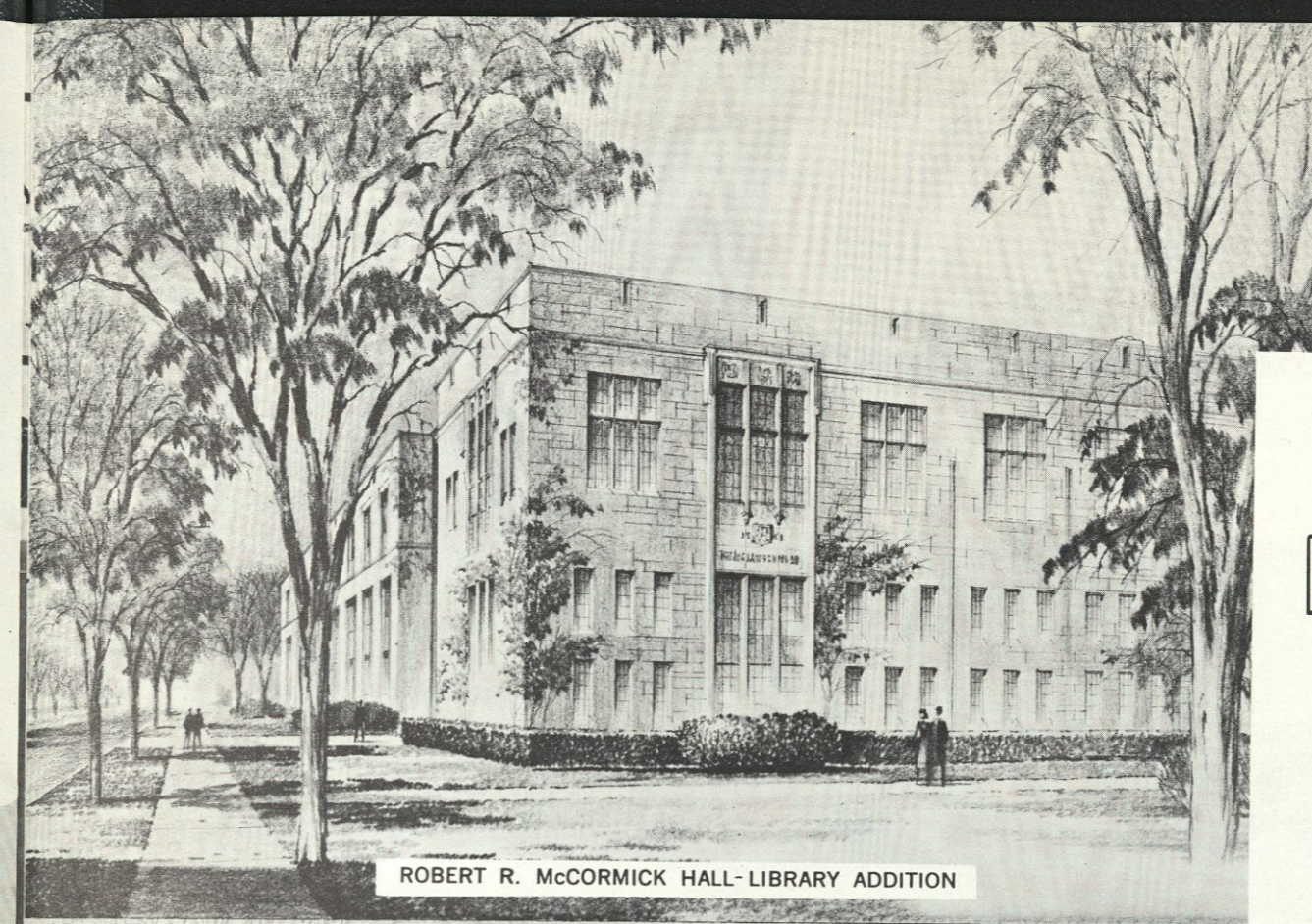
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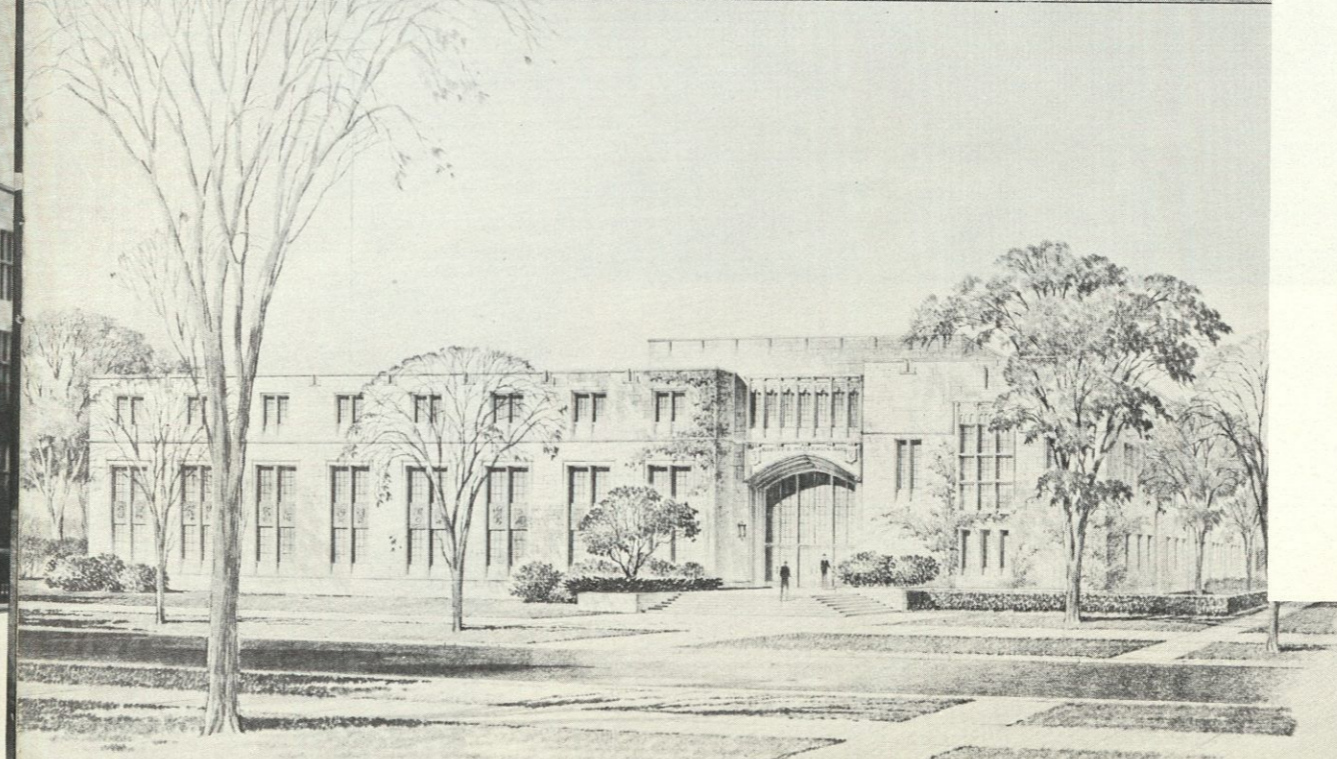
GROWTH

On the threshold of its second century the Law School is confronted with a challenging opportunity. The Robert R. McCormick Charitable Trust has announced a gift of \$400,000 to help pay the cost of a new building which will complete the Law School quadrangle. Named to honor a distinguished alumnus of the Law School, Col. Robert R. McCormick, the new building will be three stories high, of modified Gothic style to match Levy Mayer Hall and will face Superior Street and connect to the Elbert H. Gary Library. Construction is scheduled to be completed in time for dedication during the Centennial celebration.

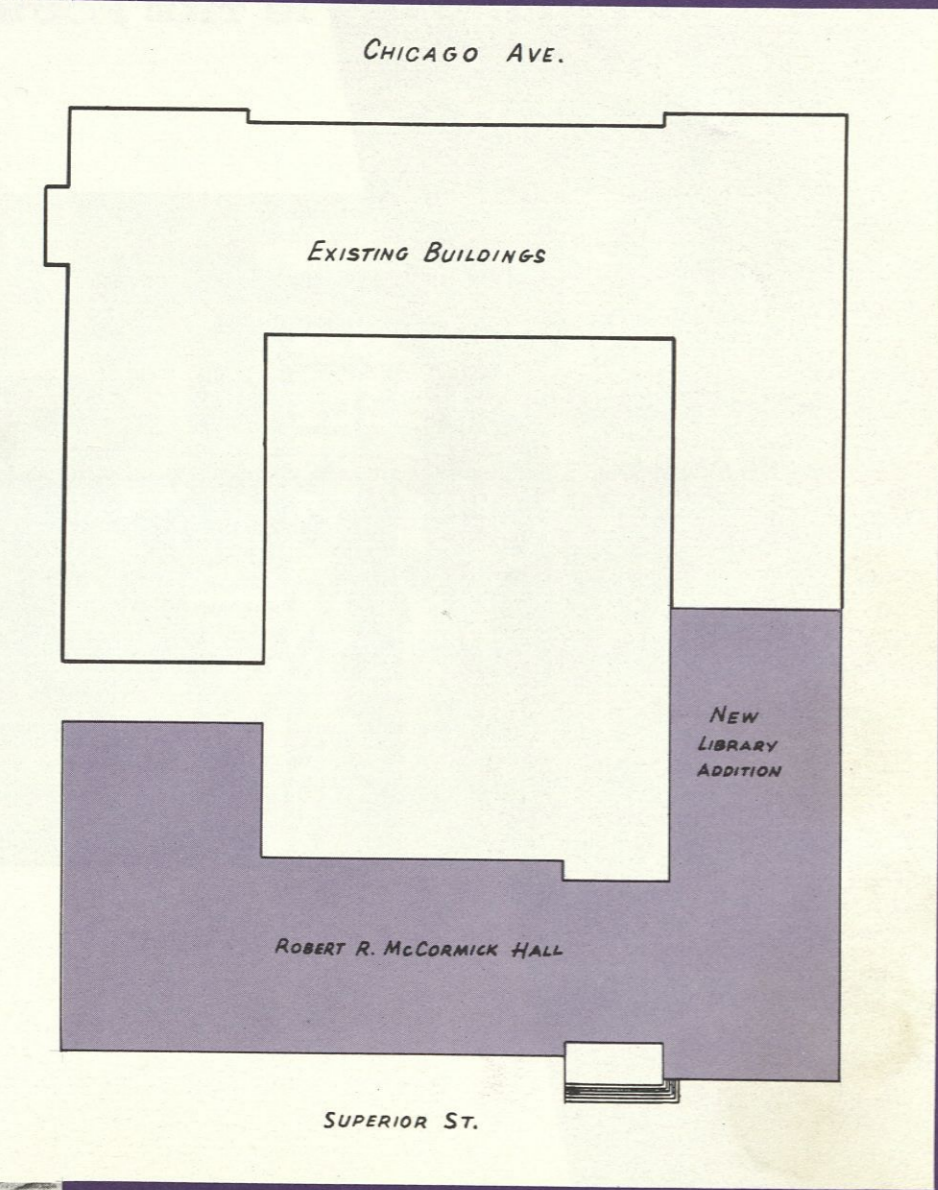
The generous grant from the McCormick Trust provides for partial defrayment for a building which has long been a goal of the Law School and its alumni. The challenge of the McCormick gift has been accepted. A special committee of the Law Alumni Association has launched a program to raise at least \$400,000. To this purpose the committee will seek gifts from law alumni and other friends of Northwestern. The balance of funds for the building will be defrayed by the University.



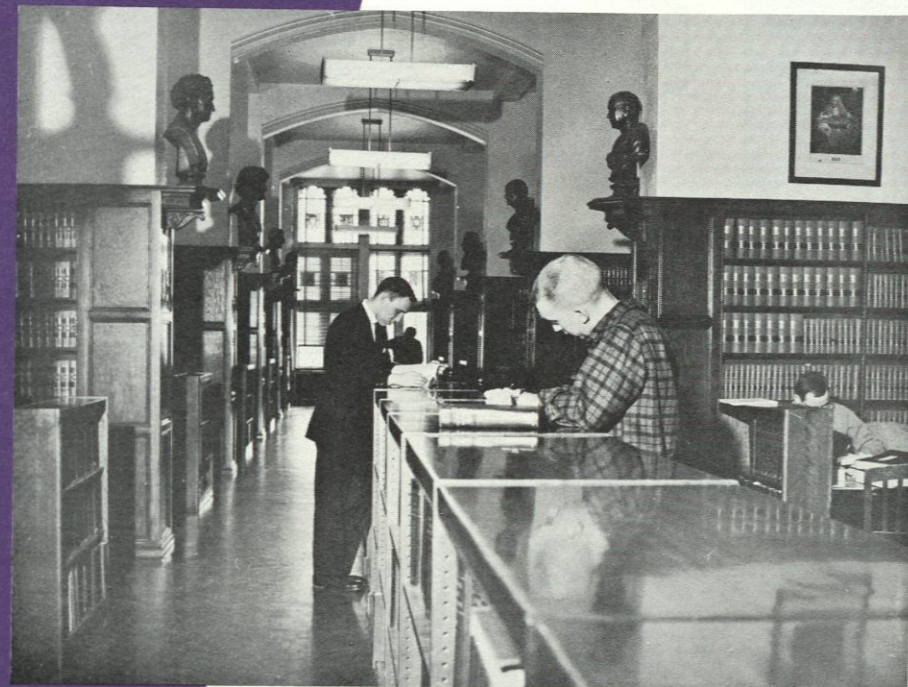
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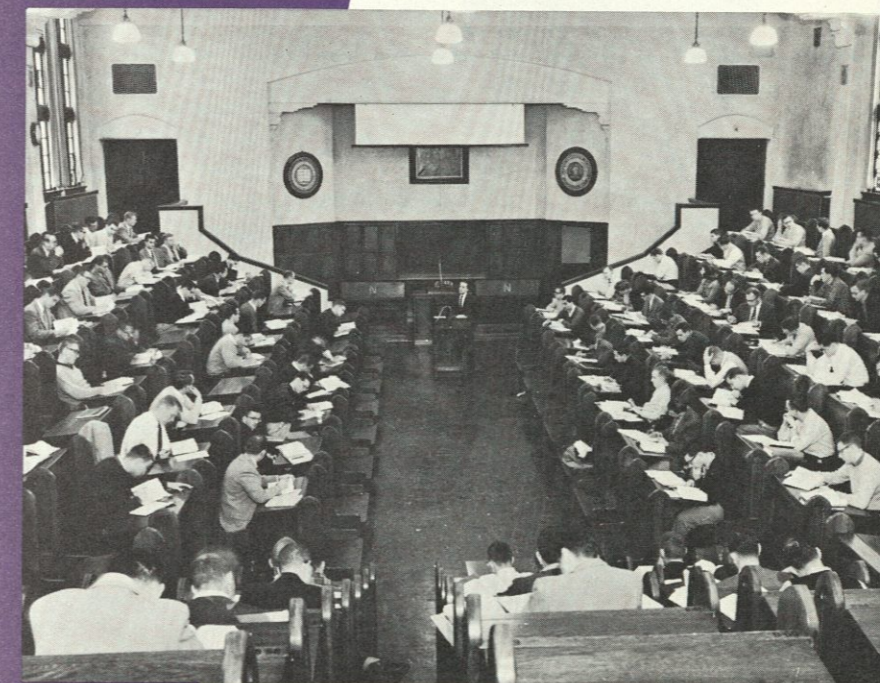


A MODERN LIBRARY IS THE FOUNDATION OF LEGAL EDUCATION



The famed Elbert H. Gary Library houses 175,000 volumes including 45,000 in foreign and comparative law and 12,000 in international law. This is the largest legal collection in Chicago and is ranked among the first six in the United States. Its commanding position in the Chicago area imposes an obligation to meet the needs of the Law School, the University and the community. Currently there is great urgency for expansion to meet needs of students and faculty, for basic research, to serve members of the bar in the Chicago area, and to build in anticipation of future requirements. The impact upon the area of the St. Lawrence Seaway, including further growth of law practice involving foreign law, is but one example of future need. At present the library lacks space for additional acquisitions and for adequate seating standards. The new library addition will solve both problems and provide a stronger foundation to meet the requirements of the future. A dynamic law school requires a library that is responsive to its expanding program. This can only be possible through continual expansion of staff and facilities.

MORE CLASSROOMS FOR BETTER TEACHING...



Maximum benefit from the Socratic approach is possible only when students are taught in reasonably small, informal classes. With the present facilities only four classrooms are available. The three new classrooms will provide opportunity for sectioning of all first and second year courses into relatively small teaching units. Important to performance of the clinical functions of the Law School will be the long-delayed addition of a trial practice court room. The proposed amphitheatre classroom will be used for conferences and short courses in furtherance of the Law School's program of continuing legal education for members of the profession. Robert R. McCormick Hall will also provide critically needed quarters for faculty offices and such important administrative functions as admissions and placement. Finally, and of great significance to the future of the School, the building will afford housing for such new projects as those being undertaken by recent Ford Foundation grants in the fields of criminal and international law.



PREPARING FOR THE LAW...

Today at Northwestern University School of Law, Robert Day from Evanston, Illinois, lives in Abbott Hall which provides living accommodations for all students enrolled in the Northwestern professional schools on the Chicago Campus. Here the unscheduled yet vital part of law training continues night and day. Free, limitless, and sometimes violent are the exchange of ideas among fellow students all in pursuit of the jealous mistress. Perhaps the fellow down the hall doesn't understand the Rule in Shelly's Case but even this can be comforting.



Bob consults with his *Law Review* editor, Clark Havighurst. Northwestern Law School offers to qualified students the opportunity to write for three outstanding publications—*Northwestern University Law Review*, *The Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology and Police Science*, and *The Journal of Air Law and Commerce*. Participation in this program is a recognition of superior scholastic achievement and affords the students selected practical experience in original research and effective communication to a highly critical audience. Robert R. McCormick Hall will provide efficient accommodations for those engaged in this important phase of law training.



Bob's second home is the law library. In thirty short years the materials now needed to provide Bob with the finest research facilities in all fields of the law have outgrown the present library. Designers of a law library in 1925 could not have anticipated the source material now needed in such fields as taxation, labor law, administrative law and trade regulations. The additional library facilities provided by the new building will enable the Law School to enter its second century fully equipped to maintain the leadership which has placed it in the first rank of law school libraries.



A quick coke in the basement and then it is back to class for another session of criminal law with Mr. Inbau. The Law School continues today as it has in the past to offer its students a distinguished faculty. The student is taught to recognize the legal issues presented by a statement of facts and is equipped to search for the answers in the law library. Classroom presentation will be made more effective with the addition of the Robert R. McCormick Hall for it will enable Dean Ritchie to implement his program of smaller class groups.

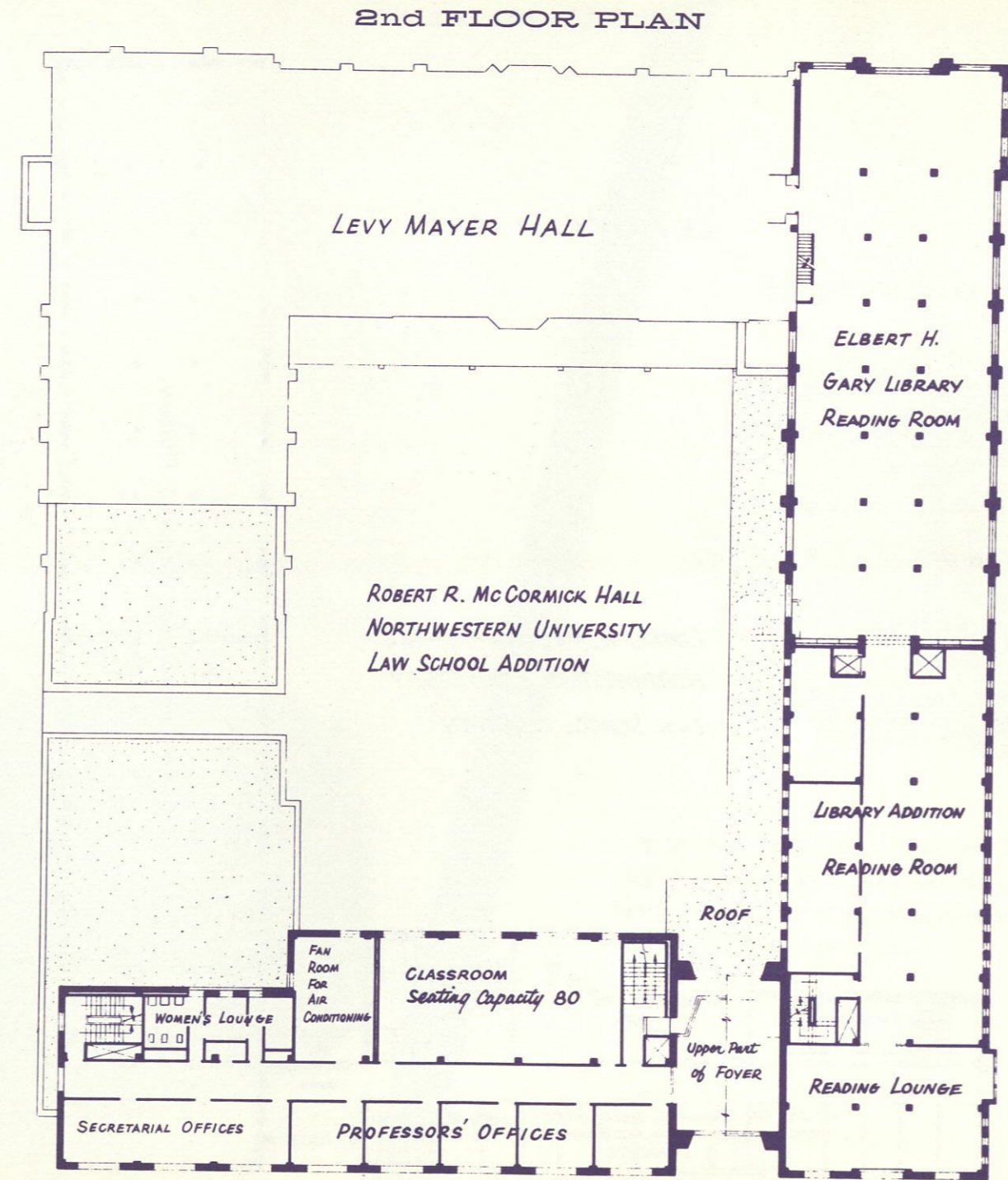
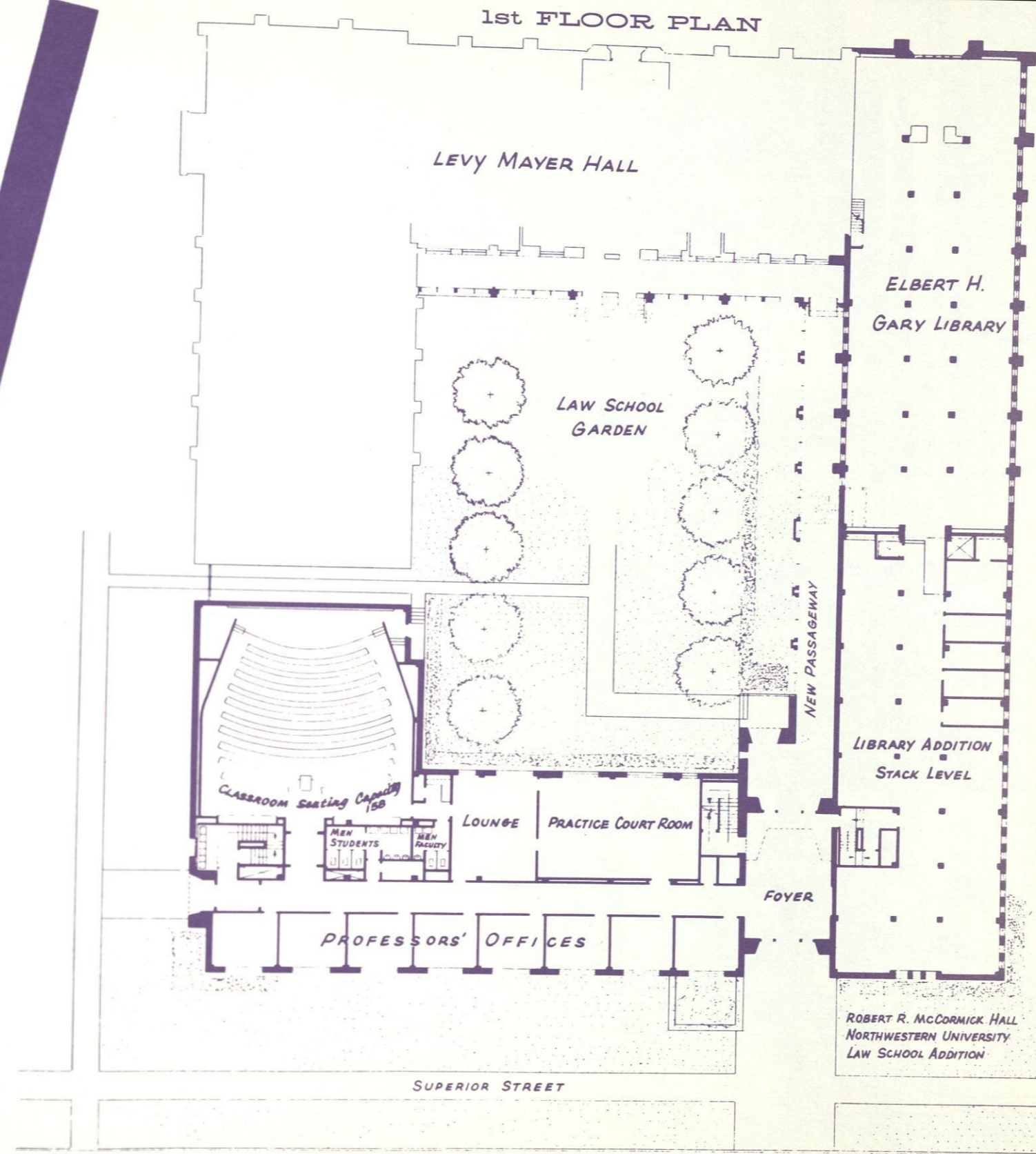


The study of law requires that most of Bob's time be spent in quiet solitude within the confines of the library. Present facilities necessitate overcrowding. The new building includes a series of carrels which will provide room for independent work which is indispensable to law research and study. With completion of the new building the Elbert H. Gary Library will be able to house approximately 400,000 volumes.

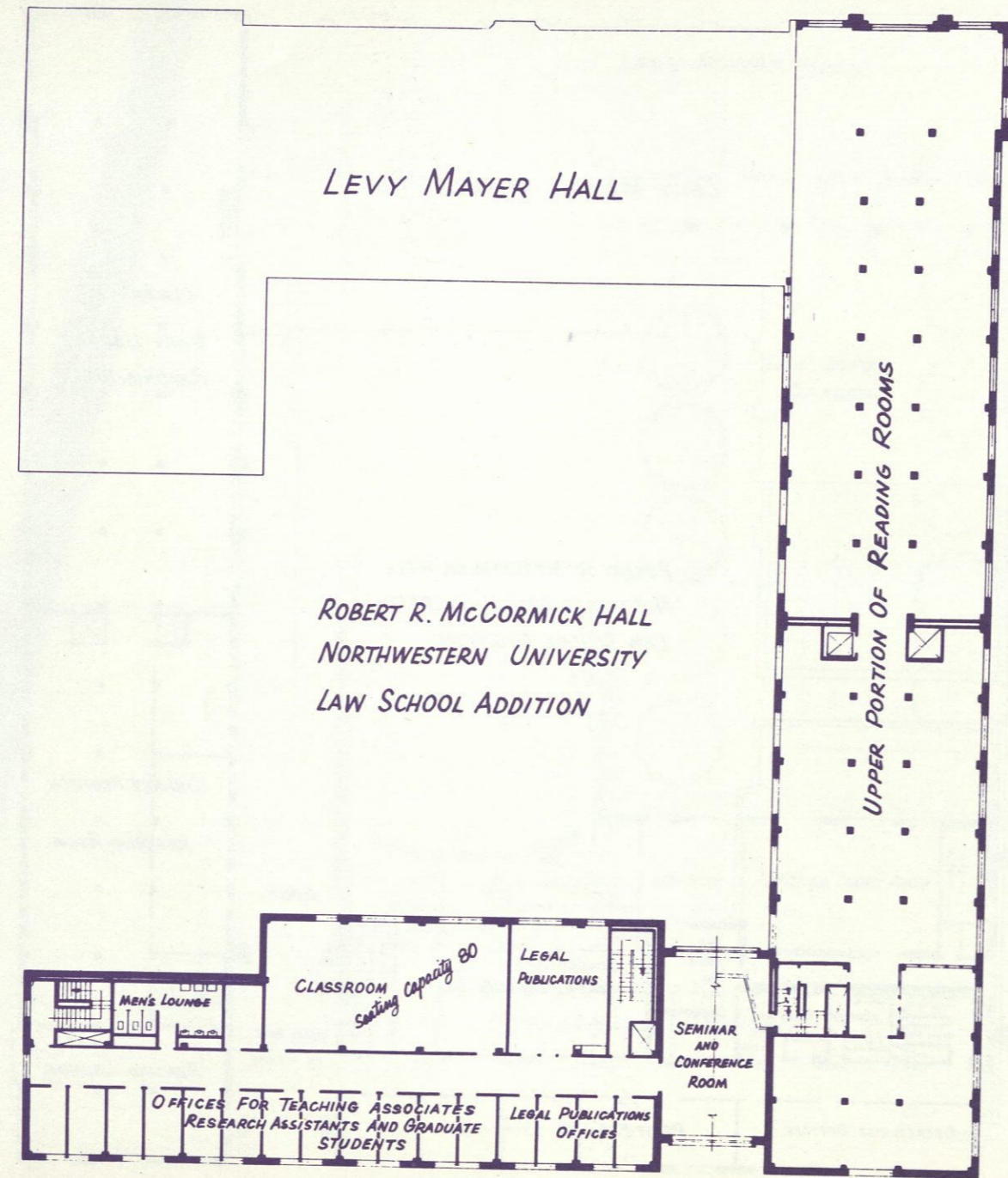


In 1859 one professor and eleven students comprised the whole Law School. Now one hundred years later seminars in the major fields of law provide the comprehensive instruction which can only be obtained in small discussion groups. Of special interest to Bob is Mr. Nathanson's seminar in Constitutional Law. With the limited number of students enrolled in a seminar everyone participates in the discussion of the material being presented.

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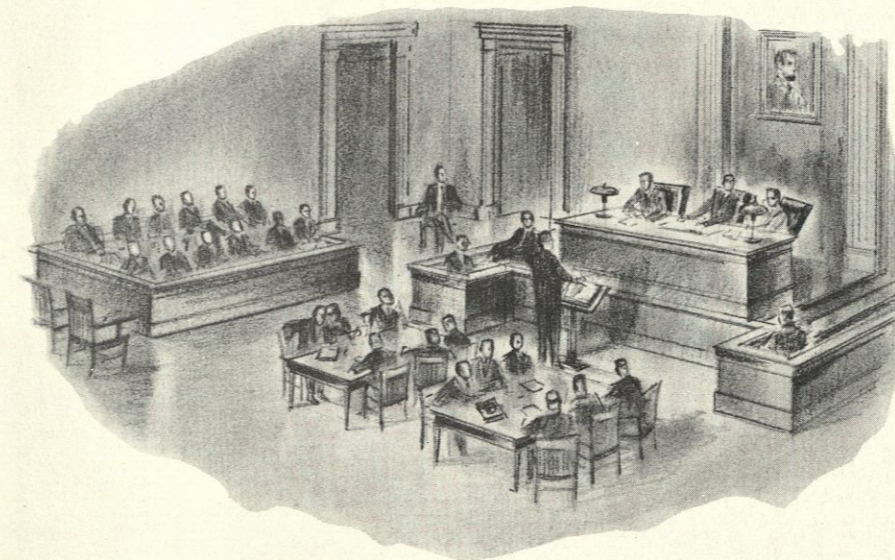
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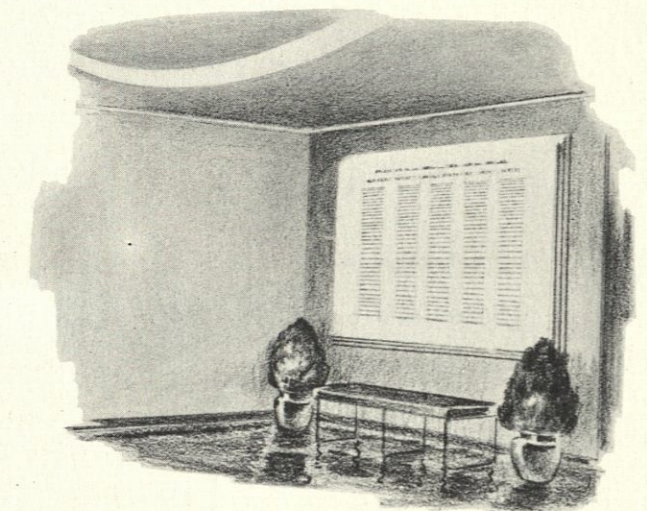
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On the wall of the foyer of Robert R. McCormick Hall will be an impressive bronze tablet bearing the name of every person who has contributed \$1,000 or more.