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## Foreword

This little volume boasts a two-fold mission—the treasuring up of scenes, faces and events replete with reminiscences of days well spent, and the spreading of information about the School we have learned to love.

The intimate associations of school days are too precious to be lightly cast aside, and it is the hope of the Editorial Board that as the years roll by, freighted with their burden of work and worry, the pages of this volume will teem with ever increasing interest.

The Creighton College of Law is just rounding out its fifth year of existence, but in this short time it has attained an enviable position. It has been accorded the honor of membership in the Association of American Law Schools; its diploma, thanks to the recognition of the Legislature and the Supreme Court of Nebraska, admits to practice; and its graduates have shown by their success the value of their training.

Conscious that our School will be judged by the work of its students, we commit these pages to the press with the hope that the fair name of Creighton will gather new luster from the achievements of the men of the Law Department, and that in times of stress, the contents of this volume may thrill the ambition, and renew the courage of the men whose pleasure it is to subscribe themselves

STUDENTS OF CREIGHTON COLLEGE OF LAW.

Omaha, April 10, 1909.



*Undergraduate Department, The Creighton University.*



*Creighton College of Law.*





*Entrance to Law Department.*



*Main Vestibule and Corridor of Law Department.*

## The School and its Founders.

The Creighton College of Law is one of the four professional departments of The Creighton University, and was opened in October, 1904, with temporary quarters in the building occupied by the Medical Department, removing in 1905 to the Edward Creighton Institute, a large, modern building erected for the joint use of the Law and Dental Departments.

From the beginning its success was assured because of the hearty support given it by the Douglas County Bench and Bar, and because Omaha, the metropolis of Nebraska, and the gateway of the West, afforded clinical advantages and opportunities for student employment unequalled in any law school city for five hundred miles around. Students were quick to perceive that they could scarcely overestimate the value of obtaining their professional training from men who were first of all graduates of the leading law schools of the country, and who had supplemented their theoretical preparation by the labors of actual practice; and moreover, it was easily apparent to any one who gave the subject much careful thought that there was a peculiar significance in the growth of large educational institutions in the great cities. It was evident that where the largest business interests were, would be found the ablest lawyers and judges with the most varied experience, thus making it possible for a law school located in such a vicinity to obtain the highest talent for its staff of professors. Then too an advantage which appealed with peculiar force to students under necessity of earning part or all of their expenses while studying, was the opportunity afforded by a large city for student employment. Other students, more blessed with this world's goods, perceived that in this modern day the law has become a many-sided profession, and can reach its fullest development only in the large centers of population, with their distinctive metropolitan atmosphere, as imperceptible but quite as important a factor in mental growth and professional development as is the air we breathe in our physical growth and bodily development. Accordingly, there was something in the new department and its surroundings which appealed to "many men of many minds" and it would be but stating the simple truth to say that from the beginning the Creighton College of Law took on a thoroughly cosmopolitan aspect, attracting students from many different states, and from many different stations in life.

The standard of entrance and graduation requirements has been steadily advanced until the department now stands in the forefront of American