Prologue . . .

It would be hardly human to leave without a backward glance. Rushing, as we are, to where we know not but can only hope, we cannot but feel that there is not time for much except . . . adieu.

Emotion now is mixed . . . but, to generalize . . . these have been good years; we might say that these have been happy years; we might say that the bonds of friendship here and now attained will be with us for many, many years to come; we might, had we the time, enumerate the hundred, thousand things that have made our years . . . the good years.

Having said this much, little else remains. We will, not because we should, . . . but say rather because we want . . . thank those who have shown us the mysteries and the ways of the world of the law. We would remiss, indeed, in duty were we not to thank them at once and heartily.

And so . . . once more . . . adieu. Were this an end, it would be sad . . . but . . . 'tis but another chapter . . . and yet, with due respect to Robbie Burns, we might just "lift the cup of kindness yet . . .".

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Education, like the other tools of our day, must be fashioned, molded and reshaped to meet the needs of those who depend upon it for economic well-being and individual satisfactions. We who administer your University are cognizant of the role of the Law and appreciate that it must mediate between the detachment of science and the warmth and understanding of the arts.

I could resort to the oft used expressions of the graduation podium and warn you of "the pitfalls of life" or enunciate the "merits of higher education", or reiterate my firmly rooted conviction that the University of Buffalo has a vital contribution to make to this area in meeting the economic, social and cultural problems of the Niagara Frontier, attributable perhaps to time, progress and automation. But let me seek counsel rather than offer it. For it is from your experiences after schooling from which we glean much of the information, the facts necessary to keep education abreast of the times.

Briefly, I invite you to keep in touch, to share with us the knowledge you absorb, the learning you must have to meet competition. Don't rush away never to return, because you can help us to fulfill our obligations to the students of the future. We can furnish just so much of the needs of your profession, but you, who will soon be the guardians of the lawyer's heritage and traditions as well as society's rights, should take it upon yourselves, as interested Alumni to contribute thoughts, and guidance to the future course of your School.

CLIFFORD C. FURNAS, Chancellor
In a radical departure from tradition, the Editors of the Advocate have asked for an official foreword. This would be a difficult invitation to resist, since a teacher rarely has an opportunity to offer words that are likely to be carried intact beyond the last law school examination.

But I am not disposed to resist, because I am glad to be able to present a few thoughts to the seniors, for whom this book is primarily intended. As you graduate, there is a constitutional amendment in progress which, will, for the first time in one hundred fifty years, substantially modify the structure and organization of the courts of New York. No prescience is needed to know that this is but the start of a process that will work substantial changes in the practice and procedure as you know it. Professor James' Mitchell lectures made it clear that important changes in the judicial administration of accident claims will occur earlier rather than later in your professional careers. And in other respects the law gives every indication of becoming more rather than less complex and demanding.

The Law School is committed to the endeavor to help you meet effectively, during the years ahead, the heavy demands your chosen profession will place upon you. The Faculty is confident that, with your cooperation and support, the endeavor will be fruitful, benefiting not only yourselves but also those who follow you.

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HADLEY v. BAXENDALE, 9 EXCH. 341 (1854).
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BING v. THUNIG, 2 N.Y.2nd 656 (1957).
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PIERSON v. POST, 2 AM. DEC. (N.Y.) 264 (1805).
Barrister's Ball (1959)
I submit to you

The inner sanctum

So take me off your list

Every Monday at 9 A.M.

Milk for health

John Jones
Rally round the bags, boys

Present recollection recorded

But she was barren

There's one in every crowd

I don't quite get you, Mr. Bengari

Whadeya mean Pizza

Seat of learning

And she was still barren
Even his best friends won't tell him.

Who says I still owe the book store?

"Clerkin"
Pen pals

Our daily double

Whose kiddin who

All eyes toward Mecca

He went thata way

Tennis anyone?

Ten seconds of silence

A thinking man's filter
Hotchpot
Family Page

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