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Dedicatory

With this issue the North Dakota Law Review would express its tribute to the man who, at the end of this school year, will retire from the Deanship of the University of North Dakota School of Law. There is a high degree of fitness in this dedication of a project intended to aid the ordered development of our state and region to one whose life has been so dedicated. The hands of this man have held the reins of legal leadership through the varied challenges of nearly one third of a century. His was the task of guarding the flame of legal education against the dry winds of economic depression and the blustering storm of a world wide war.

To borrow from the words of another eminent legal educator, Professor Jerome Hall: "... throughout the many avenues of a far-ranging career, sincerity, conscientiousness and an appreciation of sound values have characterized the man and his work. What he has done in and for North Dakota is a lasting achievement in which anyone might take a pardonable pride. For me he remains the symbol of the spiritual warmth and intellectual hospitality of North Dakota, a tower of strength among legal educators and always a cherished friend and colleague."

A guiding principle of this man has been the development of men learned in the processes of the Law and also bearing the intangible stamp of the gentleman—social and moral understanding. It is our hope that we, who shall also leave this institution, may do justice to this standard.