Alumni Notes

EDWIN L. WEISL, JD'19, has been appointed special counsel to the United States Senate Preparedness Armed Services Subcommittee. After his graduation from the Law School, Mr. Weisl served for four years as an assistant United States Attorney in Chicago. He then engaged in private practice in Chicago for several years, before moving permanently to New York in 1929. He has, for many years, been a partner in the New York law firm of Simpson, Thacher and Bartlett. The Senate subcommittee he will serve is involved in a special investigation of the current level of preparedness in the American armed forces.

It is with deep regret that the School notes the death of the Honorable H. NATHAN SWAIM, JD'16. Judge Swaim, a native of Indianapolis, practiced law in that city for more than twenty years before being elevated to the bench. He served as a Judge of the Supreme Court of Indiana from 1939 to 1945. He was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in 1949, and was serving that court at the time of his death.

A Remarkable Collection

Mr. Louis H. Silver, JD'28, has presented the Law School with a rare and important collection of portraits and autographs of justices of the United States Supreme Court. The text of the John Marshall letter, of which a photograph is shown, is as follows:

George Washington, Esquire
Mount Vernon
Richmond March 26th 89

Sir:
I had the honor to receive a letter from you enclosing a protested bill of exchange drawn by the executors of William Armstead esquire. I shall observe your orders, sir, with respect to the collection of the money. I shall only institute a suit when I find other measures fail. I presume Mr. Armstead's executors had notice of the protest. If they had, you will please to furnish me with some proof of the fact or inform me how I shall obtain it. Should a suit be necessary this fact will be very material.

Your caveat against Cresap's heirs is no longer depending. It was dismissed last spring under the law which directs a dismissal if the summons be not served.

I wrote to you on this subject before that session of the court and supposed it to be your wish that it should no longer be continued.

I remain Sir
with perfect respect and attachment
Your obedt servt
(signed) John Marshall

From
John Marshall Esq.
March 26, 1789