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From the Editors

This is the last issue of the *Nebraska Law Review*, volume fifty. The editors have long anticipated that a sense of relief would accompany the last installment of their work product. But this relief is tempered somewhat by a vague feeling of apprehension. It has been suggested that this volume will be remembered because it was behind schedule. Certainly it was late, for the editors adopted a policy at the outset that quality of publication was more important than prompt delivery.

Problems were manifold during the year. Several authors cancelled their lead article commitments after it was too late to find replacements. An overburdened printer usually contributed to the delay. One article was lost in the confusion accompanying the British postal strike, and at one point the university withdrew its financial support as part of an economy drive forced upon it by a new state administration.

Some of our work was outdated almost as soon as it appeared in print. This is unavoidable when dealing with the metamorphic law. Sometimes we must gamble, and we expect that sometimes we will lose. However, our luck was not all bad. The law school faculty was invaluable in counseling the *Law Review* staff. Our advisor, Professor Brian E. Mattis, was especially helpful. We were fortunate in having faculty members contribute lead articles, and assist us in financial negotiations with the university. They are deserving of thanks and we heartily give it.

In the long run it matters little that we were tardy in publishing the *Nebraska Law Review*, but the quality (or lack thereof) will remain in the words we have caused to be printed. The editors believe they have benefitted from producing these pages. We hope the ideas embodied in them are worthy to crystallize into law, and benefit others.

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Thirteen seniors were involved in the editorial process of volume fifty, *Nebraska Law Review*. Two of them are practicing law in Nebraska and two have gone into private practice in other states. One is with the federal government in Washington, D.C. Three former seniors are clerks for federal district judges in Nebraska. Three have joined the armed forces. One class member has left Nebraska to teach law at another state university. One remains to finish law school, due to time lost in military training.

A new editorial staff is already engaged in the publication of volume fifty-one. Their editor-in-chief is William Jay Riley. We have worked with this staff and know they are capable. We trust that they will have a successful year.