EDWIN C. Goddard, a professor emeritus of the University of Michigan Law School, died in Ann Arbor, after a brief illness, on Friday, August 14, 1942. Those of us who were associated with him during his many years of service to the Law School feel that we have lost a wise adviser, a capable and faithful associate, and a loyal friend.

Professor Goddard was born at Winnebago, Illinois, on August 20, 1865, the son of James W. and Mary Blodgett Goddard. He was descended from New England ancestry, his forebears having come to this country in pioneer days. After public school education in Winnebago, he moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan, where he prepared for college in the Ann Arbor High School. After graduation from High School he enrolled in the University of Michigan, from which institution he earned the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy in 1889. Thereafter he became a teacher of mathematics in the Saginaw (Michigan) High School, where he served until 1895, the last four years in the capacity of Principal of the School. In 1895 he returned to the University of Michigan, where he was appointed to an instructorship in mathematics, a position which he held for the succeeding five years. While teaching the mysteries of college algebra and calculus to college students, he studied in the Law School (then known as the Department of Law), and in 1899 he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

In 1900 Mr. Goddard definitely shifted his allegiance from mathematics to law and was appointed Assistant Professor of Law in the Law School. After three years he was promoted to the rank of Professor—a position which he held until his retirement in 1935, at the age of seventy. In addition to his teaching duties, he served from 1907 to 1917 as Secretary of the Law Faculty, and in 1917-1918 he acted as Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the School, directing
activities during the absence on leave of Dean Henry M. Bates. Professor Goddard was a member of the first Board of Governors of the Lawyers Club of the University of Michigan—a position which he held from the opening of the W. W. Cook Law Quadrangle in 1924 until his retirement from active service. His good judgment and constructive aid contributed in no small measure to the successful evolution of the plans for the development of the Club as an American equivalent of the English Inns of Court.

Professor Goddard's teaching and administrative duties did not preclude him from making frequent contributions to legal scholarship. He was the author of numerous leading articles published in law reviews on the subjects of agency, bailments, public utilities, and real property law. In addition he published the following books:

Selected Cases on the Law of Bailments and Carriers, 1904
Outlines of the Law of Bailments and Carriers, 1904, 2d ed., 1928
Cases on the Law of Bailments and Carriers and of Service by Public Utilities, 1928
Cases on Principal and Agent, 1914; 2d ed., 1925.

At the time of his death he had nearly completed a manuscript of a History of the Law School from its opening in 1859 to date. His personal knowledge of the school, acquired by active teaching and administration for more than one-half of the period covered, qualified him superbly for the task of writing such a history.

The affairs of the Congregational Church of Ann Arbor and the civic affairs of the community also received a large measure of Professor Goddard's thought and attention. Indeed, in his will he left his residence to the Church for use as a student center. At various times he served on the school board of the city of Ann Arbor, the Community Fund Association, the Board of Trustees of the Y.W.C.A., the Board of Trustees of the Bach Old Ladies' Home, the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club (of which he was at one time president), the Board of Directors of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Ann Arbor, the Selective Service Board No. 1 of Ann Arbor, the Ann Arbor Park Commission, and a committee appointed to promote the improvement of the Huron-Clinton River Valleys. In the last-mentioned capacities he did a great deal to develop the splendid system of parks and playgrounds for which Ann Arbor is noted. As a lawyer Professor Goddard was a member of the American Bar Asso-
cation and the State Bar of Michigan. As a scholar he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and the Order of the Coif.

In 1892 Professor Goddard was married to Lillian Rosewarne, of Decatur, Michigan. Mrs. Goddard died in 1937. They left no children, but nevertheless, a large number of young men and women to whom the Goddards had extended a helping hand have looked upon them with filial affection. Not only by kindness and helpful advice, but also by financial assistance, the Goddards contributed to the education of many University students, who came to think of their home in Ann Arbor as a friendly haven in a strange community. Indeed, Professor Goddard’s interest in young people and their welfare was one of the major influences in his life. By his will he left his residuary estate to the University of Michigan, to be used for scholarships for college students—one-half for students in the Law School, and the other half for women students in the University.

To his colleagues on the law faculty, by whom he was greatly beloved, Professor Goddard was a tower of strength, and his wise counsel, which was so often sought and so freely given, will be missed in the years to come.

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