

always wrote with precision as well as elegance and verve, it was in conversation that one sensed how much he really knew.

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### GORDON B. TURNER

Gordon B. Turner, 81, died May 13, 1996. Born in New York City, he settled in Princeton in 1946 where he resumed his undergraduate studies after a twelve-year hiatus spent in banking, brokerage, and the military—serving as an infantry captain on active duty in the Pacific during World War II. A member of Princeton University's Class of 1937, he received his B.A. degree in 1948 and his Ph.D. in 1950 and taught in the History Department until 1959, specializing in civil-military relations. He occupied the Ernest J. King Chair of Maritime History at the Naval War College during 1957–58, edited a *History of Military Affairs Since the Eighteenth Century*, coedited and authored *National Security in the Nuclear Age*, and authored "The ACLS Committee on Studies of Chinese Civilization: A Review," *ACLS Newsletter*, 1971.

Dr. Turner joined the American Council of Learned Societies in 1959, serving as Executive Associate and Vice President, with primary responsibility for the Council's international studies programs (including in Asian Studies) until his retirement in 1980. He served on the Board of Trustees of the Center for Applied Linguistics and the Board of Directors of the International Research and Exchanges Board, which he was responsible for establishing. He also served on the Secretary of the Navy's Advisory Committee on Naval History and on the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO.

Surviving are his wife, Jean Stewart Turner, his daughters, Michael Ann Walstad and Barbara Gazey Turner, his granddaughters Kimberly Elin and Catherine Avery Walstad, all of Princeton, N.J.; and his sister, Barbara F. Turner of Columbus, Ohio.

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### A. RONALD WALTON

1943–1996

A. Ronald Walton, professor of Chinese language and linguistics and expert in language pedagogy, policy, and planning, died of acute coronary thrombosis September 5, while visiting his mother in Austin, Texas. He was only 53. Dr. Walton had been a member of the University of Maryland faculty since 1983; he was also the Deputy Director of the National Foreign Language Center in Washington, D.C.