

WALTER D. JACOBS has resigned as director of Off-campus and Overseas Studies, and will continue as professor, University of Maryland.

ELMER PLISCHKE has resigned as head of the department after more than fourteen years, and will continue as professor, University of Maryland.

PEARL ROBERTSON has retired from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee after 20 years of service.

IN MEMORIAM

JOHN S. GORDON, Assistant Professor of Political Science in Clemson University, died on June 5, 1968, after a brief illness. He was 30 years of age.

Professor Gordon received his undergraduate degree with honors from Dickinson College, and held the M. A. degree from Duke University, and had pursued further graduate study at that institution. He had taught at Clemson for five years with special responsibility for the fields of Comparative Governments and Political Thought.

—Robert S. Lambert
Clemson University

Professor CARL BRENT SWISHER died in Baltimore, Maryland on June 14, 1968 after a brief illness. He was 71 years old. He was buried near Weston, West Virginia in the family plot where his parents lie. Weston is in the hill country where Carl grew up, and to which in recent years he increasingly returned, both in body and spirit.

As a scholar, Carl always thought of himself as a late starter in life. Strange as it may seem to those of us who stand in awe of his many and varied accomplishments in our common discipline, he was driven throughout much of his career by the feeling that he must catch up. For reasons of health and economic circumstances, Carl was delayed in completing his formal academic training and was thus older than most of the students with whom he graduated.

That he closed this imaginary gap, no one—including in the end Carl himself—could reasonably doubt. His studies of Justices Field and Taney set a standard by which judicial biography will long be measured. His work on constitutional history has influenced a whole generation of students in the field of public law. His forthcoming volume on the Taney period in the Oliver Wendell Holmes series on

the Supreme Court will unquestionably be the definitive study of its kind. He was elected president of both the Southern and the American Political Science Associations, and this recognition by his colleagues gave him great pride and almost boyish pleasure.

The essence of Carl's strategy as a scholar has been well described by his long-time friend and colleague, Thomas I. Cook: "It was Carl's very real feeling that microcosm was macrocosm—by pursuing a worthwhile figure through all his life, days, and thoughts, one would encounter all humanity and all human issues. He was equally convinced that a desire for overt universalism could only result in diletantism, frustration, and confusion."

As a person Carl was quite shy, but, as is often true in such cases, he gave and drew more warmth from human associations than did most of his more gregarious colleagues. Not much for small talk, he was extraordinarily candid and communicative in conversation. Inevitably, such candor drew others out, and a conversation with Carl could often become an adventure in self-discovery.

The part of Carl's achievements least well-known outside of Johns Hopkins was his great skill as a teacher—in both lectures and seminar meetings. He had great expectations regarding his students' performance, and they usually responded by working harder than they ever had before. His colleagues sometimes peevishly complained that graduate students at Hopkins majored in Carl's course, no matter what their field of special concentration.

But students responded to his teaching with admiration and affection. When we set out upon Carl's retirement to raise money to have his portrait painted, we were swamped with contributions. That portrait is now finished and hangs in the political science seminar room at Johns Hopkins University, where Carl taught for thirty years.

—Francis E. Rourke
Johns Hopkins University

EDWARD H. LITCHFIELD, political scientist, government official, university president and business leader died in a crash of his plane in Lake Michigan on the evening of March 8, 1968. His wife, mother, and his two youngest boys, together with the pilot, perished with him.

Litchfield, who received his Ph.D. at the University of Michigan, served in Occupied Germany as Chief of General Clay's Civil Affairs Division. Later he was Dean of the School of Business and Public Administration

at Cornell University and then for ten years Chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh. Becoming interested in business he soon acquired membership on several corporate boards, and at the time of his death he was Chairman of the Board of Smith-Corona Marchant, Inc., a member of the board of Avco Manufacturing Company, and board chairman of Capital for Technology Corporation and Litchfield Associates of New York.

Litchfield was the first Executive Director of the Washington office of the Association when it was opened in 1950, and he held this post during the first three critical years of the Association's Washington operation. He continued to serve as Chairman of the Board of the Governmental Affairs Institute, which he created to assist the Association during its lean period in Washington. The Association owes him a great debt of gratitude for his many contributions.

Highly gifted, remarkably imaginative and perceptive, he had outstanding leadership and organizational abilities. His death removes one of the most extraordinary figures of his time and his loss, just at the height of his powers, will be keenly felt by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

—James K. Pollock
University of Michigan

The death of Professor HAROLD A. FLETCHER, JR., on April 5, 1968 was a deep loss to Grinnell College where he had taught for the past eleven years. Born in Baltimore, Maryland, on January 14, 1918, he received a B.A. degree from the University of California, Berkeley in 1939, an M.A. from Harvard University in 1949 and a Ph.D. from Harvard in 1957. He also studied at the University of Paris from 1949 to 1952 and at the Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes from 1953 to 1956. While on a sabbatical leave in 1963-64, he served as a senior research scholar in Paris under a Fulbright grant. A specialist in comparative politics, at the time of his death he was at work on what promised to be an important study of the non-communist left in French politics.

In his years at Grinnell he was an outstanding teacher. His rigorous standards and incisive mind, combined with a deep sense of the importance of both personal excellence and human values, exerted a strong influence on his colleagues and on a generation of students. His leadership and innovative spirit were instrumental in rebuilding the Department of Political Science and in strengthening the College's programs in the area of international

studies and in general education. His dedication to quality teaching and to competent scholarship gave both his students and colleagues a model of the best in the liberal arts tradition. Grinnell College will seriously miss his generous and perceptive spirit as well as his constant reminders of the nature of the permanent agenda before all institutions that truly seek to advance liberal learning.

—James S. Magee
Grinnell College

RONALD G. RIGGS, professor of Political Science at St. Cloud State College, St. Cloud, Minnesota, died on October 12, 1968 of a heart attack.

Dr. Riggs is survived by his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Riggs; a daughter, Dana; and two sons, Robert and William.

He was born in Crookston, Minnesota in 1901. He received a B.A. degree in 1924 and M.Ed. in 1942 from the University of Minnesota, a B.S. degree in 1942 from St. Cloud State College and Ed.D. in 1952 from the University of North Dakota.

Dr. Riggs was active in campus programs and the Republican Party. He was past president of the St. Cloud State College Faculty Senate, a former consultant and past chairman of the legislative commission of the Minnesota Education Association, and a past secretary-treasurer of the Minnesota Music Education Association. He was also on the Boy Scout Executive Council and a member of the Masonic Lodge in St. Cloud. At the time of his death he was serving on the St. Cloud City Council.

Dr. Riggs will be greatly missed not only by his family but also by his students and colleagues and by the community at large.

—Orville H. Schmidt
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State College*

Professor JACOBUS TENBROEK, who died last year at the age of 57, was a great man in all the ways that greatness is measured among scholars. He dazzled his students with his remarkable grasp of public law, and he provoked them with his continually sharp questioning. They came to know that hard work and clear thought were indispensable attributes for the student who would hold his self-respect. TenBroek's students delighted in measuring up to his high standards, and they knew that no one would challenge their credentials once they passed his scrutiny.

Jacobus tenBroek was a man of towering intellectual eminence. No greater testimony can