

Any person possessing, or assured of obtaining, the M.A. degree who, as an applicant for doctoral work, wishes to be considered for a graduate fellowship, should promptly write a personal application enclosing his curriculum vita to the Chairman, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Wayne University, Detroit 1, Michigan. It is also necessary for the applicant, prior to being admitted as a doctoral student or being granted a graduate fellowship, to file a completed Application for Admission form with the Graduate School together with transcripts of all college credits previously earned.

**Western Reserve University.** Joseph W. Eaton has been appointed visiting professor of sociology at the School of Applied Social Sciences of Western Reserve University. He is on leave of absence from Wayne University to conduct a study of the Application of Social Science Concepts in the Teaching and Practice of Social Work. The faculty of the School is actively participating in this undertaking. The Working Committee is headed by Grace L. Coyle and includes R. Clyde White, Werner A. Lutz, Helen M. Walker, Margaret E. Hartford, and Josleen Lockhart. The investigation is financed for a three-year period by the Russell Sage Foundation.

**Correction of Error.** In the December, 1953, issue, p. 689, Dr. Carlo L. Lastrucci of San Francisco State College, was erroneously said to be responsible for the program of Section K of the A.A.A.S. The reference to his location at the University of California was also in error.

## OBITUARIES

### Ellsworth Faris, 1874-1953

Ellsworth Faris—critic, scholar, world traveler, and friend—had an enviable life through his 79th birthday. His criticalness was particularly revealed in his book reviews, which were always impersonal, always coldly analytical, and always enjoyable, even when on one's own work. He assumed that "you can tell your friends by those who say unpleasant things about you."

The eventfulness of his life is shown by the fact that prior to going to the University of Chicago in 1919 he had spent seven years in the Belgian Congo, five years at Texas Christian University, and five years at the State University of Iowa. In between he had been given two fellowships at the University of Chicago and secured his Ph.D. degree. While on the staff of the University of Chicago, 1919-1939, he was Visiting Professor at the University of Washington, Tulane, University of Michigan, and the University of Hawaii. In 1937 he was president of the American Sociological Society.

In a very real way Ellsworth Faris never retired. In 1947 he toured Guatemala, Costa Rica, and Mexico. He spent 1949 in the Belgian Congo—his third sojourn in that area. In 1949-1950 he was Distinguished Professor of Sociology at Texas

Christian University, his Alma Mater. In 1951 he was Professor of Sociology at the University of Utah. He continued his regular attendance at the meetings of the American Sociological Society, including the 1953 meetings at Berkeley.

His scholarship is shown in his book *The Nature of Human Nature*, his chapters in *Mathew's Contributions of Science to Religion*, Burgess' *Personality and the Social Group*, Smith's *Essays in Philosophy*, and Young's *Social Attitudes*, and in his many articles. His scholarship is also shown in his eleven years as editor of the *American Journal of Sociology*; his supervision of many thesis, particularly during his chairmanship of the Department of Sociology at the University of Chicago, 1925-1939; his substitution of the more definitive term, preliterate societies, for primitive societies; his analysis of the attitude-value concept; and his interpretation of the social psychology of George Herbert Mead, and the writings of Cooley, Thomas, Pareto, and others. While his training and early background made him a scholar rather than a scientist, he always kept abreast of current investigations. At the age of 72 he pointed to "the change from philosophical speculation and armchair generalization to diligent inquiry and a search after data," and indicated that the most fruitful results come from "the progressive application of measurement and quantitative methods to the facts."

There is little room for sadness at the conclusion of a life as productive as that of Ellsworth Faris. His colleagues, former students, and friends count it a privilege to pay him tribute.

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### Elon Howard Moore, 1894-1953

Elon Howard Moore, head of the Department of Sociology at the University of Oregon until his retirement in June, 1953, died Monday afternoon, November 16, in Phoenix, Arizona, of a heart condition.

Dr. Moore was born in Moscow, Michigan, on May 18, 1894. He served in the United States Army in World War I. He was married in 1921 to Marjorie Kenney. They had four children, Martha, David, Howard, and Patricia, all of whom, with his wife, survive him.

Dr. Moore attended Albion College where he received the bachelor of arts degree in 1919. He attended the graduate school of the University of Wisconsin where he was awarded the degree of doctor of philosophy in 1927.

He was instructor in sociology at the University of Illinois from 1926 to 1928, and professor of sociology at Oregon State College from 1928 to 1935. He came to the University of Oregon in 1935 and was made head of the Sociology Department in 1941, the position which he held until his voluntary retirement in June 1953. He was visiting professor at Stanford University in the summer of 1932, and at Wayne University in 1939.

During World War II he served as Associate

Academic Director of the Army Student Training program at the University of Oregon in charge of Foreign Area and Language studies.

Dr. Moore was a member of a number of professional societies, including the American Sociological Society, the Pacific Sociological Society, and the Gerontological Society.

He engaged in many professional activities, being president of the Pacific Sociological Society in 1942, and a member of its advisory council from 1946 to 1950. He was also active in the Social Science Research Council, and a member of its Pacific Coast Committee on Old Age Research. He was cooperating editor of the quarterly journal, *Sociology and Social Research*.

Dr. Moore was an active and careful research scholar. His many articles published in professional journals show that his primary interests were (1) population, (2) criminology and penology, and (3) later maturity and problems of the aging. To the last subject he devoted a great deal of time and effort during recent years, completing the manuscript for a book in this field shortly before his death.

Dr. Moore was a very humble man, but one of high standards, of complete honesty, and of great courage. He will be remembered by a host of grateful students whose interests were aroused by his conscientious and stimulating teaching, and whose hearts were won by his sincerity, his humanity, and his never-failing sense of humor. These qualities also won him the highest esteem of his colleagues, and the complete loyalty of those who served under his very democratic leadership. His memory will be a living inspiration to all who knew him.

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The *Review* regrets to report the death of Forrest L. Weller, who died November 26, 1953. Dr. Weller had been an active member of the Society since 1926. In 1946, he joined the staff and became head of the department of sociology at the University of South Dakota. He lectured extensively on social problems, conducted radio programs on the family, and held a number of family institutes.