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**IN MEMORIAM  
EDGAR EVERHART**

Edgar Everhart, retired professor of chemistry and member of the second faculty of The University of Texas at Austin, died in August 1932. He was 78.

Professor Everhart was born on April 8, 1854, in Stokes County, North Carolina. He received bachelor's and master's degrees from Racine College in 1873 and 1875, respectively. He earned a PhD from Freiburg University in 1878.

Dr. Everhart taught at Stevens Institute of Technology from 1878 until 1884. He joined the faculty of the University in 1884. Professor Everhart helped establish the Department of Chemistry and its library. He also secured legislative appropriations for the department's first laboratory building.

Professor Everhart departed UT Austin in 1894, when he accepted a position at Cox College in Georgia. From 1904 to 1930 he was chief chemist for the state geological survey of Georgia. His skill in forensic chemistry often made him an expert witness in criminal cases.

Professor Everhart was a founding member and president of the Texas Academy of Science, an organization established by fourteen UT Austin scientists in 1892.

John R. Durbin, Secretary  
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