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**IN MEMORIAM
EDWIN WHITFIELD FAY**

Edwin Whitfield Fay, professor of classics, died on February 17, 1920. He was 55.

Professor Fay was born on January 1, 1865, in Minden, Louisiana. He entered Southwestern Presbyterian University in Clarksville, Tennessee, at the age of fourteen and earned a master's degree there in 1883. After teaching in Mississippi and Texas from 1883 to 1886, he enrolled at Johns Hopkins University, where he received a PhD in 1890. He was a fellow in Sanskrit while at Johns Hopkins.

After teaching one year at the University of Michigan, he studied at the University of Leipzig. He was acting associate professor of Latin at The University of Texas at Austin in 1892-93. From 1893 to 1899 he taught at Washington and Lee University. In 1899 he returned to the University, where he taught until his death.

Professor Fay authored 103 publications. His books included *A History of Education in Louisiana* (1898), *The Treatment of the Rig-Veda Mantras in the Yrhya Sutras* (1899), and *T. Macci Planti Mostellaria* (1902).

In Memoriam: Edwin Whitfield Fay, a tribute to him, appeared in the 1924 *University of Texas Bulletin*.

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