IN MEMORIAM

ARTHUR JAMES EDWARDS, SR.

Arthur James Edwards was born in Lee, Illinois, on July 13, 1908. His family later moved to Minnesota where he attended public schools in Duluth and Emerson and completed high school in Minneapolis in 1925. He graduated from the University of Minneapolis in 1931 with a major in Finance. In 1933, he married Kathryn Moe of Minneapolis.

Before joining the staff of the Division of Extension in April, 1951, he was Head of the Safety Engineering Department for the East Coast Office of the Hardware Mutual Casualty Company of Newark, New Jersey. He was active in the civic affairs of his community and state, serving on the Governor's Safety Commission and on the Engineering Advisory Board for the New Jersey State Safety Council.

Arthur Edwards came to the University as a member of the Supervisory Training staff in the Industrial Education Department. He was instantly recognized and accepted as a highly competent professional and a warm and friendly person. Soon he was known as "Art" to all of his new friends. His inquiring mind and commitment to his field of work were reflected in the training manuals which he revised or wrote. No new development in the supervisory field escaped his study, and the manual which he prepared in 1962 on programmed instruction was widely used by other institutions of higher learning and in industry throughout the nation. He was a natural teacher, who constantly sought to improve, and whose courses for industry and governmental agencies brought him high acclaim and hundreds of friends. The national stature he earned in his field brought recognition to the University.

On September 1, 1960, he became Assistant Director of the Industrial and Business Training Bureau in charge of the Industrial Education Department. In 1966, he took a year's leave of absence to serve as a management training consultant with the Arabian-American Oil Company at Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Because of the Middle East crisis, he returned to his duties here in June, 1967. On September 1, he was promoted to Director of the Industrial and Business Training Bureau in the Division of Extension.

Upon moving to Austin, Arthur Edwards and his family became members of the University Methodist Church in which he was very active. Art loved music, and he and Kay were faithful members of the Church choir.

Mr. Edwards' tragic death occurred in a two-car collision west of Abilene Wednesday, September 13, 1967, while he was traveling for the University. Only thirteen days earlier, he had assumed his new duties, with bright promise for the future.

The members of the faculty of The University of Texas at Austin join in expressing appreciation for the life of Arthur James Edwards and extend to his family their deepest sympathy. His survivors include Mrs. Kathryn M. Edwards and his children, Arthur J. Edwards, Jr., and Mrs. M. Dudley McCauley.

Norman Hackerman
President of the University of Texas

Eugene W. Nelson
Secretary of the General Faculty

These resolutions were prepared by a Special Committee consisting of Dean Norris A. Hiett, Chairman, Mr. Charles Cyrus and Dr. W. H. Watson.