IN MEMORIAM

STEWART WALSH HORNE

Stewart Walsh Horne was the son of the late Dr. Tillman Josiah Horne and Mrs. Virginia Walsh Horne of New Orleans, Louisiana, and Des Arc, Arkansas. He was born in the Manse at Marianna, Arkansas, on October 20, 1880. It was here that his mother died when he was nine years of age. Dr. Tillman Josiah Horne was a Southern Presbyterian minister and for several years served as Professor of Latin, Greek and Biblical History in Arkansas College at Batesville, Arkansas.

The father, with his two sons, moved to Des Arc, Arkansas, where Stewart graduated from the High School in 1896. He matriculated at Arkansas College while his father was a member of the Faculty of the College and here he was graduated in 1900.

Subsequently, his father was called to the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church at Orange, Texas. On June 6, 1911, Mr. Horne was married to Miss Willie Lou Smith of Denton, Texas, the daughter of the late Professor William Traylor Smith and Mrs. Frances Virginia Ingraham Smith. In the fall, following his marriage, he was an elder in the Lutcher Memorial Church, Orange, Texas. Soon thereafter he and Mrs. Horne moved to Bryan, Texas. After a brief residence in Bryan, Austin was chosen as their home.

For more than a decade, Mr. Horne was engaged in business, which necessitated his traveling over practically every part of the State of Texas. It was on these many trips that he observed the different physiographic forms and varied terraces, and the while became more and more interested in the geological stories behind them. At the age of forty-eight, Mr. Horne resigned from the company with which he had worked for many years and entered The University of Texas in order to major in Geology. He received both the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in 1930. Mr. Horne's ambition was to obtain the Ph.D. degree and toward that end his efforts were directed with undiminished interest, even though a heavy teaching load received most of his attention.
From 1930 until his appointment as Instructor in Geology in 1938, he served as Assistant and Tutor in Paleontology. During the last few months of his life, he was engaged in the writing of a dictionary of geological and paleontological terms.

Mr. Horne is survived by his widow, Mrs. Willie Horne, a half-sister and a half-brother. The latter, Samuel Brockman Horne, was a recent graduate of the School of Law of The University of Texas.

Mr. Horne was a member of Sigma Xi, a national science fraternity, and Sigma Gamma Epsilon, an honorary geological fraternity. He served as President of the local chapter of Sigma Gamma Epsilon and as vice president of the Southwestern Geological Society.

The experience derived by Mr. Horne from his associations, while engaged in business, made him a very keen observer. He was quick to detect unfair intimations and fallacy. Strongly worded and grandiose statements did not impress him favorably. He disliked above all things any kind of publicity pertaining to personal, social, and professional matters, and he would not have wished this memorial.

To those who knew him well, Mr. Horne was a delightful companion. He was always personally considerate. His intellect was keen, and he never lost an opportunity to sharpen it by jest and repartee. To duty and friends no one could have been more faithful. Trivial and important tasks alike were always performed with equal diligence and dispatch. A man of strong sense of duty and fair play, frank, honest, steadfast, Mr. Horne's influence will be missed by his family, students, colleagues and many friends throughout the State of Texas.

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