IN MEMORIAM

WILLIAM RUST NEVILLE, JR.

William Rust Neville, Jr., Professor Emeritus of Pharmacy, died after an illness of some weeks in Austin on November 19, 1962, at the age of 81. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Elsie Neville of Austin, one daughter, Mrs. Margaret Ann Norris of Austin, and two grandchildren.

Professor Neville was born in Baltimore, Maryland, on August 19, 1881; he graduated from Dowdell Private School, Houston, in 1900, and from the two year curriculum of The University of Texas College of Pharmacy in 1902, with the Ph.G. degree.

He worked for twenty-two years as a pharmacist at Chiles Drug Company (later the Griffith Drug Company) of Austin; in this capacity he developed a fine reputation in prescription compounding. Subsequently, Mr. Neville was appointed Associate Professor of Pharmacy in charge of instruction in prescription compounding at The University of Texas College of Pharmacy in Galveston in 1924, at the time that this school began its transition to a four year curriculum. He came to the main campus in 1927, when the college was moved to Austin, became Professor in 1950 and went on modified service in 1951. During the whole of the period of his teaching, Mr. Neville spent a very great deal of time in visiting pharmacies throughout the state in order to keep his teaching up-to-date in terms of medicines prescribed and dispensed in Texas. He retired in 1959 completing a teaching career of 35 years.

Professor Neville had an inquisitive mind and was, therefore, an ardent reader on a large variety of subjects and was a frequent visitant to many of the libraries on Forty Acres. As a result of his readings, he was very broadly informed and enjoyed arguing, often taking an opposite view in order to bring out ideas from his audience.

He was proud of the profession of Pharmacy and was intolerant of anyone who showed disloyalty to it whether in the classroom and laboratory or in its practice. His philosophy was respected by all who knew him, especially by his students. The College is in possession of an oil painting done by one of his students and presented to him as a gift of recognition before he completed his teaching career.

Professor Neville was a devoted and loyal Baptist churchman, interested particularly in the "Men's Class." He was active in Masonry, was also a Shriner, a member of Kappa Psi and Phi Delta Chi pharmaceutical fraternities and a loyal member of his professional, national, and state pharmaceutical and chemical organizations.

A solid citizen, a true professional, a respected teacher, a loyal friend and a down-to-earth philosopher--his loss is mourned by all who know him.

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