IN MEMORIAM

FLORENCE ELIZABETH SPENCER

Miss Florence Elizabeth Spencer was born in Jennings, Louisiana, September 11, 1902 and was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Spencer of Beaumont, Texas, where she spent most of her early life. She was an undergraduate student at Texas Christian University and at South Park (now Lamar) Junior College before entering the University of Texas in 1929 from which she received the B.A. degree in 1927 and the M.A. in 1930. As a graduate student, she majored in Government. She was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Sigma Alpha, Pi Lambda Theta and Sidney Lanier Society. She served successively as tutor (1931-1933), instructor (1933-1945), and assistant professor (1945-1953) in the Department of Government at The University of Texas, although she was on leave for several years before her death on July 7, 1953 because of prolonged illness.

Miss Spencer studied voice for a number of years and was a competent musician. In Austin, she was interested in the work of the University Y.W.C.A., the Central Christian Church and the Junior Helping Hand in which organizations she served in various official capacities.

Miss Spencer was a conscientious teacher, who enjoyed the respect of her students and had a keen interest in them. Her absence is greatly felt by her colleagues in the Department of Government with whom her relations were always most pleasant. Her many friends on the faculty and in Austin will long remember her as a person of fine character, social conscience, strong and courageous convictions, and attractive personality.

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