RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

EBEN MOREAU WEST 1885-1953

After more than forty years of productive work as teacher, counselor, and investigator, Eben M. West died in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on April 27, 1953.

Born in Caldwell Parish on October 6, 1885, West was a lifelong resident of Louisiana. He received his A.B. and M.S. degrees from Louisiana State University in 1919 and 1928, respectively, and was awarded his Ph.D. from Ohio State University in 1934.

A successful teacher and principal in the public schools of the state for over twenty years. West was called to Louisiana State University in 1938, where he served in turn as Instructor, Assistant Professor, and Associate Professor in the Department of Botany; and, in 1945, was made Professor of Botany and Assistant to the Dean of the Junior Division. West's long experience in public-school teaching and his patient understanding of students and their problems made him an outstanding counselor.

Despite a full schedule of teaching and administrative duties, he maintained a lively interest in botanical investigation, especially in the ecology and distribution of canebrakes (Arundinaria), with which subject two of his papers dealt.

In addition to the Ecological Society of America, Dr. West was a member of the Louisiana Academy of Sciences and of the Society of the Sigma Xi.

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