

GEORGE WILLIAM ALBERTSON

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN.

January 11, 1886.

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA.

June 7, 1929.

The Reverend George William Albertson, former Dean of the College of Science at the University of Notre Dame, died suddenly June 7, at the University Infirmary, after an illness of but four days.

He was well known to many members of the Indiana Academy of Science, and his death came as a distinct shock to all his many friends for it ended an eminent career as an educator and lecturer.

He was born near Kalamazoo, Michigan, in 1886. He attended the parochial school there, and after completing his secondary school education, he entered the University of Michigan. After two years of study there, he continued at the University of Notre Dame, receiving there in 1914 the degree of Litt. B. He then began his work in the Seminary, finishing his theological studies in 1919, and was ordained to the Priesthood in that year. Later that same year, he went to the Catholic University in Washington, D. C., and began work in bacteriology and in 1921 received the degree, Doctor of Philosophy. He pursued graduate work at the University of Chicago during the summer sessions of 1920 and 1921, and was immediately after assigned to the College of Science at Notre Dame. He has acted as professor of Botany and Bacteriology there to the time of his death. The past two years saw him Acting Dean of the College.

The development of the system of graduate study was greatly aided by the Reverend Doctor. For four years he was secretary of the Committee on Graduate Studies at the University, and during his administration, that department has grown surprisingly.

Shortly after the Annual Commencement at Notre Dame, Dr. Albertson, feeling entirely exhausted after a year intensive work and study, entered the University Infirmary for a short rest and a thorough medical examination before continuing his duties, so heavy during the summer months. His genial disposition and his ready smile made him endeared to all who knew him, and his death is sincerely regretted.

R. G. SMITH, University of Notre Dame.

ANDREW JOHNSON BIGNEY

MOORES HILL, INDIANA.

February 15, 1864.

EVANSVILLE, INDIANA.

November 13, 1929.

Andrew Johnson Bigney was born on a farm near Moores Hill, Indiana, February 15, 1864. He was the fourth child of Lemuel Bigney and Sarah Van Doren, his father having come to Indiana from Nova Scotia, his mother from New Jersey. He died at Evansville, Indiana, November 13, 1929, after an illness of only thirty-six hours.

He attended the rural school as a child and at the age of sixteen entered the preparatory department of Moores Hill College. Continuing his studies in the College of Liberal Arts, he was graduated in 1888 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The quality of his work and the breadth of his interests are indicated by the fact that at graduation he was offered positions in the depart-