

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION  
FREDERICK ANDERSON  
1889 - 1963

Frederick Anderson was born in Grosse Ile, Michigan, on January 10, 1889. He received his A.B. from Stanford in 1911, his A.M. from Harvard in 1912, and his Ph.D. from Yale in 1915. He was a member of the Stanford faculty from 1920 until 1952, serving for several years as acting chairman of the Department of Romanic Languages. Before coming to Stanford, he had taught at Reed College (1912-13), at Sheffield Scientific School (1913-14), and at Yale (1914-18), where he had also been a Fellow during 1914-15.

Those who knew Frederick Anderson will always remember the man first. He was a widely learned man who could converse with equal authority on philosophy, philology, and literature, who knew French, Italian, Spanish, and Portuguese, who edited books on early French literature (1926), on the linguistic studies of George Hempl (3 vols., 1932-32), who wrote articles for the *Journal of Philosophy* with such forbidding titles as "The Relational Theory of the Mind," "Locke's Theory of Rights," and "Metaphysics as a Science"; whose courses on "The Wisdom of the West," on literary criticism, on French philosophers and historians, and on Romance philology will long be remembered by his students.

But it is, above all, Frederick Anderson the man who will survive in the memory of his friends and students. His was the most open and receptive mind imaginable. A specialist in many fields yet limited to none, he found no intellectual subject uninteresting. His teaching was directed to the inquisitive mind, of which he was such a splendid example, and frequently he achieved the ultimate in teaching: to inspire heated discussions among his students while he leaned back and watched, beaming.

Not all men are replaceable. Frederick Anderson was not merely the producer of scholarly works—he taught a way of life characterized by his warm smile, his devotion to matters of the mind, his overcrowded desk, and his profound humanity which always placed human beings first.

After his retirement, Professor Anderson lived for several years in Edinburgh, Scotland. In 1962 he returned to California to reside at Huntington Beach where he died on September 10, 1963.

He is survived by his wife, Dulcie; his daughter, Mrs. M. Brewster Smith; and four sons: Larz, Samuel, Jeremy, and Eric, as well as by nineteen grandchildren.

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